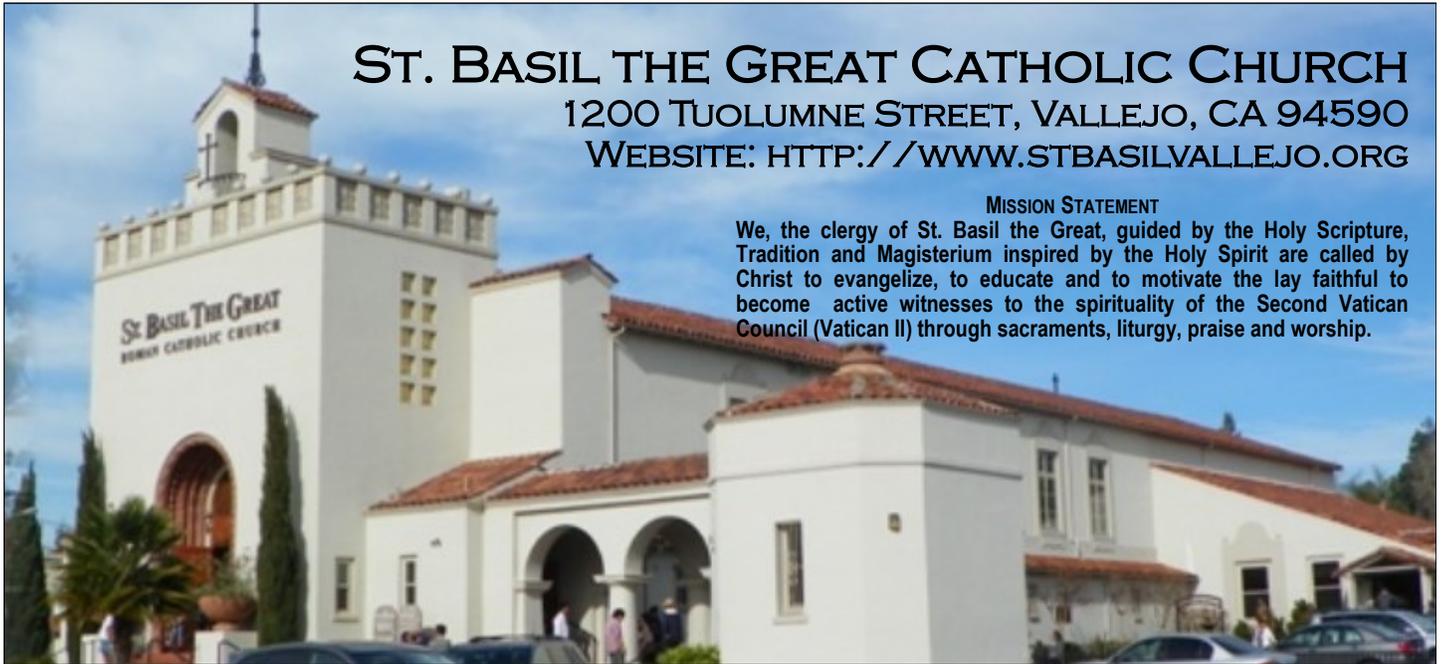


# ST. BASIL THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## MISSION STATEMENT

We, the clergy of St. Basil the Great, guided by the Holy Scripture, Tradition and Magisterium inspired by the Holy Spirit are called by Christ to evangelize, to educate and to motivate the lay faithful to become active witnesses to the spirituality of the Second Vatican Council (Vatican II) through sacraments, liturgy, praise and worship.

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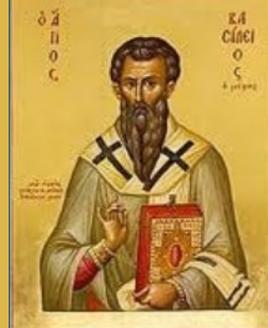
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## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

**Saturday:**  
5:30pm (Vigil Mass)

**Sunday:**  
7:30am, 9:30am,  
11:30am & 5:30pm

**Daily:**  
7:15am in the Mary Chapel

**Holy Days:**  
7:15am, 9:30am & 7:30pm

PLEASE  
PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER  
YOUR GIFT  
TO ST. BASIL PARISH.  
THANK YOU  
FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

## SACRAMENTS

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
Saturday, 4:00 to 5:00pm

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Pre-Baptism preparation class required. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Minimum 6 months advance notice required. Please contact the Parish Office to make an appointment with the Marriage/Wedding Coordinator.

**Pastoral Care for the Sick/Homebound:** Please call the Parish Office to arrange for home and hospital visits

**Anointing of the Sick, please call (707) 319-6569**

**Stewardship at St. Basil Parish**  
**Grow our Gifts...Share Our Blessings**

## Stewardship of Treasure

**Your ongoing support is essential in helping us meet the many needs of the parish and community.**

11/09/14: \$9,916.47  
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Good stewards are like the industrious and reliable servants in today's Gospel, prudently using and multiplying the gifts entrusted to them by God.

*Stewardship by the Book....Sharon Hueckel*

**NOVEMBER 16, 2014 ~ THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The woman who fears the LORD is to be praised (Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31).

**Psalm** — Blessed are those who fear the Lord (Psalm 128).

**Second Reading** — Brothers and sisters, you are children of the light (1 Thessalonians 5:1-6).

**Gospel** — Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities (Matthew 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]).

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## GET READY

The Letters of Paul to the Thessalonians are among his earliest writings, and are driven by his belief and the belief of the entire early Christian community that the return of Christ was imminent. Therefore, to devote time or attention to anything else was foolish.

As time progressed, this fervor receded a bit. Today we may wonder, when we hear these readings about the coming end-times, if we should take them to heart. What should we do when we hear that the day of the Lord will come upon us “like a thief at night”? (1 Thessalonians 5:2) Does this mean we are to stop our long-range goal-setting, get rid of our yearly calendars and planners, or stop putting money in the college education fund? Of course not. What it does mean is that we need to change our lives, living like children of the light and illuminating the world around us with the light of the gospel. Then, on that day, when the details of our daily living become unimportant, we will be ready to find our peace and security in Christ Jesus.

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## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

All Christians in both East and West embraced the care of the sick as essential to church life. In the West, the importance of the visit of the priest is stressed, while in the East, the sick person is brought to the church for a full Liturgy of the Word. Some, such as the Armenians, even call it the “Ritual of the Lamp,” since the oil is poured out of the lamp by which the Word is read. This may be why Eastern Christians sometimes anoint the sick with this oil, since the trip to church might kill them.

Our tradition in the West also unfolded in monasteries, where it was possible for infirm monks to be attended with a full and beautifully consoling liturgy. In 950 the monks of St. Alban's Abbey in Mainz produced a ceremonial book that was instantly a pastoral hit everywhere. There were two lengthy rituals for the sick, one an extended vigil, and the other a liturgy of anointing that included Communion under both species. While this ritual was a house formula for monks, it is easy to see how monks who had the care of parishes desired to serve their parishioners in a similar way. The first form included the chanting of penitential psalms, and the second form required a confession beforehand. Both forms included a laying on of hands, which everyone understood as being an essential part of penance.

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## LIVING PRAYER

**Who prays as they ought will endeavor to live as they pray.**

—Anonymous

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**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**November 16, 2014**

**Blessed are you who fear the LORD.**

— Psalm 128:1a

## Living God's Word

In his first letter to the Thessalonian community Saint Paul says that “the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night” (1 Thessalonians 5:2). If, however, we pick it up and run with it at that point, perhaps something new can be born in us.

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## Reflecting on God's Word

Some things drop into our lives and we simply run with them. Summer vacation was like that when I was a child. There was no need and certainly no desire to organize it for the sake of efficiency. Summer was better when it just happened: bike riding and pick-up softball on the school playground behind our house and swimming at Lakeside Park and going for ice cream at dusk and catching fireflies at night and a thousand other things that come together and make up summer.

There are other things, however, that drop into our lives but never go anywhere, except perhaps with a lot of prodding. School comes to mind. I never would have gone had I been given a menu of options. Having my tonsils out was another such thing, and wearing braces on my teeth, and moving into a new city when I was eight, and my grandmother dying on my twelfth birthday. I took them in stride, mostly because there was no other way to take them. Given my druthers, though, they never would have happened at all. I simply lived with them, and then they were over.

The Gospel this week proposes that God comes in much the same way. God gives us five talents' worth of life or two talents' worth or even one talent's worth, and with it enough energy to double it. Sometimes, though, God drops in when we'd rather be left alone, and so we try to bury God just because the situation doesn't look very life-giving to us. Yet it can be life-giving, like the weary routine of raising children or going to the same job we've been going to for the past twenty-five years or taking care of an aging parent. Eventually we may find out that burying such life is more deadly than the risk of living it, and living it brings a higher yield than we could ever expect.

—Rev. Joseph J. Juknialis

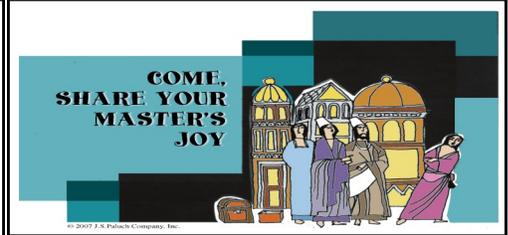
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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43  
Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10, or,  
(for the memorial of the Dedication)  
Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33  
Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28  
Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44  
Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131;  
Lk 19:45-48  
Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40  
Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6;  
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

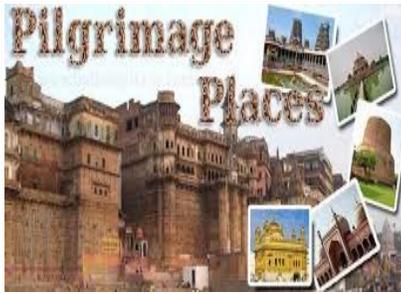
**Catholic Campaign for Human Development: Next Weekend**

For nearly 40 years, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) has embodied Catholic social teaching through pursuing justice and upholding the dignity of the human person. CCHD funds community projects led by low-income individuals. (No local or national ACORN organizations are funded by this collection). As more Americans feel the weight of the economic crisis, CCHD needs your support in next week's collection more than ever. Thank you for your generosity.



*Mass for the Intentions of the Week*

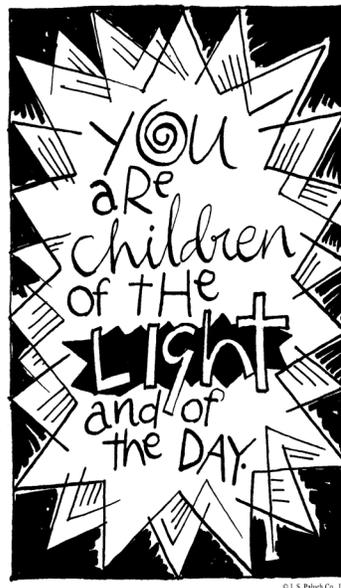
- Saturday ~ November 15, 2014 ~ 5:30pm
- Sunday ~ November 16, 2014 ~ 7:30am
- Sunday ~ November 16, 2014 ~ 9:30am
- Sunday ~ November 16, 2014 ~ 11:30am
- Bobby Amagan (S.I.)
- Crescencio Gaviola (S.I. - Healing)
- Sunday ~ November 16, 2014 ~ 5:30pm
- Monday ~ November 17, 2014 ~ 7:15am
- Tuesday ~ November 18, 2014 ~ 7:15am
- Wednesday ~ November 19, 2014 ~ 7:15am
- Isabelita Serrano (TG)
- Thursday ~ November 20, 2014 ~ 7:15am
- Friday ~ November 21, 2014 ~ 7:15am



Holy Land is back to normal and **St. Basil is having another pilgrimage** on a Celebrity cruise leaving San Francisco on October 22, 2015 for 12 nights. Book now and avail of better cabin location. Deposits are fully refundable until August 3, 2015. For more information and for reservations, please call Angela at (510) 724-4200 or (707) 315-4686.

**USE YOUR TALENT**

Having only modest talent is no excuse for not using it. Think what the morning would be like if only talented birds sang!  
—Anonymous



**St. Basil Conference**  
"Come, share your master's joy." Our SVdP volunteers and holiday helpers always proclaim how joyfully blessed they feel after completing their assignment. Whether they make calls, pack boxes, or deliver the food, the Lord is with His faithful servants. Please consider investing a few of your "talents" with SVdP to help the poor and aged. Leave us a message at 644-0376 and we'll find the "small matter" just right for you!  
**Food Locker Wish List: Cereal**



**St. Basil's Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will again sponsor the Christmas Giving Tree.** The Giving Tree will be set up inside the Church on November 29th. There will be ornaments on the Tree requesting gifts for children and teens. Each ornament will indicate the age and gender of the child. It may include clothing sizes and possible toys. The requested items are only suggestions. It is not necessary to buy everything that is listed on the ornament.

Please take an ornament and return the gift(s) for the child with the ornament attached to the outside of the wrapped package. The gift must be returned and placed under the tree no later than Sunday, November 14th. The Giving Tree will also have ornaments requesting five pound canned hams. The canned ham (unwrapped) must also be placed under the tree by December 14th.

Parishioners may wish to "adopt" a family this year and provide gifts for all of the children in the family. If you wish to "adopt" a family, please call Anna Johnson at 643-8392 by November 25th. Please leave a message with your name, phone number, and the size of family you would like to "adopt". You will be contacted with the information and ornaments.

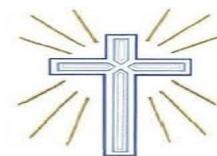
SVdP thanks all of the parishioners for your continued generosity in helping us to assist the less fortunate in the community.



*Please remember in your prayers those who are sick in our community:*

- Katie Abeyta, Nomie Almendra, Emmanuel Annonuevo, Elena Barreto, Yola Bekhit, Encarnacion Buna, Naty Catacutan, Mila David, Josephine de Vega, Danilo Dipiramo, Dorothy Egidio, Amando Evangelista, Dr. Cesar Gamboa, Gene Gamboa, Prescy Hernandez, Cris and Severina Ilagan, Aly Rose Jacobsen, Millie James, Rodolfo Lomibao, Dolly Marquez, Winnie Meadows, Manuel Morales, Milagros R. Morales, Jim Murphy, James O'Brien, Nicholas Policar, Ed Sablan, Lita Sarmiento, Anna Silva, Nathaniel Williams and Matilda Wilson.

*Please pray with our Lazarus Ministry for the recently deceased members of our parish community especially:*



*Rest In Peace*

**Francisca Tacdol and Benedicto Torres**