

St. Basil The Great Catholic Church

1200 TUOLUMNE STREET, VALLEJO, CA 94590

WEBSITE: www.StBasilVallejo.org



Mission Statement

We, the St. Basil the Great Catholic faith community, guided by the Holy Spirit and nurtured by the Eucharist, are called to share the gospel values of love, justice, forgiveness and service through the celebration of the sacraments, prayer, stewardship and fellowship with respect and dignity to all.

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New Parish Office Hours Until Further Notice

Monday to Friday
9:00am to Noon & 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Music Ministry

Cherry Lopez ~ Director
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(Emergency calls only):
707) 567-9500

FOURTH SUNDAY OF

Lent

God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes
in him might not perish
but might have eternal life.

John 3:16



MARCH
14
2021

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Mass schedule until further notice

Saturday:

8:30 am - 1st Saturday
5:30 pm

Sunday:

Live-Streamed
9:30 am and 11:30 am

Daily:

7:15 am (Live-Streamed)

Baptism: 3rd Saturday of the month
Prep Class - 1st Sat. of the month
(Please call the Parish Office)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

1st Thursday - 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Fridays - 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

For more information, updates and useful links,
please visit our website.

Stewardship at St. Basil Parish

Grow our Gifts...
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Stewardship of Treasure

Weekly envelopes to the church can be mailed or dropped off
in the mail slot at the Parish Center.

Weekly Collection March 07 2021

Average Expense (weekly).....	\$10,000.00
Collection/Mail-in (weekly).....	\$ 5,090.25
Faith Direct (weekly).....	\$ 2,900.00
Others.....	\$ 2,934.50

Thank you.

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

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Mary's Chapel

Wednesdays, 4:00 to 5:00pm
Saturdays, 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.

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You Have
Been
Saved
THROUGH
Faith

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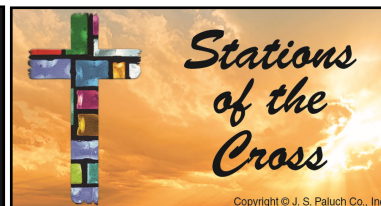
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Fourth Sunday of Lent March 14, 2021

God did not send his Son into the world
to condemn the world,
but that the world might be saved through him.
— John 3:17

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GOD'S MERCY

Today's reading from the second book of Chronicles contains a sort of "mini-history" of Israel. It highlights God's mercies in choosing Cyrus the Persian to be an instrument of deliverance when the people were in captivity in Babylon. Despite their sinfulness and the deserved punishment they were undergoing, God's mercy was lavished on the people in the form of a miraculous act of liberation.

The Letter to the Ephesians, in much more theological terms, gives a similar account of a God "who brought us to life with Christ—by grace you have been saved." The author stresses that it was when we were "dead in our transgressions" that God saved us, an act of pure grace. He emphasizes that it is not our own efforts that freed us from sin ("this is not from you"); rather, "it is the gift of God." This, of course, is the heart of the entire Pauline corpus, that salvation comes to us by faith in God's mercy, revealed in the death of Jesus.

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GOD UPHOLDS ME

I take for my sureties: The power of God to guide me, the might of God to uphold me, the wisdom of God to teach me, the eye of God to watch over me, the ear of God to hear me, the word of God to give me speech, the hand of God to protect me, the way of God to go before me, the shield of God to shelter me.

—St. Patrick

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent; Second Scrutiny;
Daylight Saving Time begins
Wednesday: St. Patrick
Thursday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem
Friday: St. Joseph; Abstinence
Saturday: Spring begins

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of the chosen people

(2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23) or 1 Samuel 16:
1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalms — Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!
(Psalm 137) or Psalm 23.

Second Reading — By grace you have been saved
(Ephesians 2:4-10) or Ephesians 5:8-14.

Gospel — The Son was sent by God so that the world might be saved through him (John 3:14-21)
or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18;
Jn 5:17-30
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
Friday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;
Rm 4:13:16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or
Lk 2:41-51a
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53
Sunday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-15; Heb 5:7-9;
Jn 12:20-33
Alternate readings (Year A):
Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;

FEAST OF FAITH

Lent, a Season of the Word

Each year on the First Sunday of Lent we hear one of the Gospel accounts of the temptation of Jesus. In Luke's account, the devil cites the scriptures repeatedly, urging Jesus to interpret them in a false, self-serving way—if God sends angels to protect those whom God loves (as it says in Psalm 91), then prove it! But Jesus resists this insidious temptation by turning to scripture passages that tell of right relationship with God—living by God's word, trusting in God, and worshiping God alone.

Jesus himself listened to the inspired word of God and let it shape and form him. Through the liturgy, we do the same. The readings we hear at Mass can teach us, but that is not their primary function. Rather, the scriptures are meant to reveal the Lord to us, to let us experience his presence, and to form us in our Christian identity. Christ's presence is realized by his spoken word, "since it is he himself who speaks when the Holy Scriptures are read in the Church" (*Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*, 7). In the readings proclaimed at Mass, we hear the voice of Christ himself.

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*Unless a tree has borne
blossoms in spring, you will vainly
look for fruit on it in autumn.*

—Walter Scott



Fourth Sunday of Lent Saying, Doing, or Being?

St. Paul tells us in his letter to the Ephesians that we are saved through grace: God's actions of sending his Son to die for us, and raising Jesus from the dead show the love God has for us. It comes entirely from God. We are saved by our faith in Jesus, but even that faith comes from God. So when Paul says that no one can boast about being saved, he means that we can't add up our good deeds like reward points for heaven. He also means that we can't brag about our faith because we can recite the creed or answer an altar call. So if being saved is not a matter of saying the right things, or doing good deeds, what is it?

The answer comes from the gospel. Jesus tells us that he will be lifted up, or crucified, so that we can believe in him and have eternal life. Notice he doesn't give a list of facts about God that we are required to believe. When we "believe in" someone, we put our love and trust in that person. We want to be with that person as much as we can. We know that we are loved and so respond by giving love. Our response of love is not just a happy feeling. It inspires us to stop being selfish and start noticing that others need our help. Jesus describes it as living in the light: we are not ashamed to help someone, forgive someone, or comfort someone. While we do not force our faith on others, we don't hide it either. Our life is in the light, open to anyone who wants to see what God has done for us.

That brings us back to the question about salvation: it is not something we do or say. It is what God does for us. Our response of faith is also his gift. So when we recognize all that God has done for us and believe in his Son Jesus, the Spirit will guide us to live that faith and share it with others.

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The Diocese of Sacramento has partnered with the Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology to bring a new Master's Degree program to our diocese. The Master of Arts in Theology for Ecclesial Mission will begin this summer. It is a four-year program designed for working people. We will have a live session via zoom on Thursday, March 18, 2021 at 6pm. For more information visit: <https://www.dspt.edu/mathem> or Contact Lauralyn Solano at 916-733-0153 or lsolano@scd.org

Registration is open for the next cohort of Catechetical Foundations. This is an eight unit course on the foundations of the Catholic faith. Completion of this course will fulfill the course requirements for Basic Catechist Certification and can also be applied toward renewal. Cost is \$20 per month or \$160. Next Session begins April 5th. For more information go to: www.scd.org/catecheticalfoundations or Contact Lauralyn Solano at 916-733-0153 or lsolano@scd.org

We live in a time where information is available at the stroke of the keyboard and travel to far off places can take place faster than ever before. This has helped the mission of our universal church to commune with each other. With that, we encounter different expressions of our Catholic faith. This can cause gaps in communication that could be open to misunderstanding. You are invited to take part in this five part series to strengthen your role in the faith. Classes start in April. Visit: www.scd.org/ongoingformation or Contact Teresa Donan at 916-733- 0132 or tdonan@scd.org

This is an opportunity to dive deeper into the liturgy. A five-part series for liturgy committee members, liturgy coordinators, liturgical ministers, musicians, as well as teachers, catechists and those who do sacramental preparation. Presented by the Diocese of Sacramento Liturgical Commission, Office of Worship, and Office of Family and Faith Formation. Classes begin March 19. For more information visit: www.scd.org/liturgyspecialization or contact Lauralyn Solano at 916- 733-0153 or lsolano@scd.org

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

March 13, 2021

5:30pm

April Cioni (SI)
Patricia Emily Rillera (+BD)
Vilma Aguilar (+DA)
Ricardo Briones (+DA)
Amelita Cruz (+)
Luisito Flores (+)

March 14

7:30am

Mass for All St. Basil Parishioners

9:30am

George & Fuchu Cheng (SI)
Guadalupe Sanchez (+DA)
Jaime & Benita Belen (+)
Alexander Abille (+)
Leoncio & Teresita Malana (+)

11:30am

Lucille Mattheis (SI)
Lou McDermott (SI)
Dario Bueno (SI)
Tanghal - Tapia Family (TG)
Cruz - Saetern Family (TG)
William Gordon, III (+DA)
Luisito Flores (+)

5:30pm

Monday, March 15 - 7:15am

Maria Agbayani (BD)
Lelani Leonard (SI)
Espejo and Fauni Family (TG)
Alexander Abille (+)
Antonio Tanty (+)
Julian Aldon/Concordia Aldon (+DA)

Tuesday, March 16 - 7:15am

Dinnes Adelman (SI)
Alan & Jan Crum (SI)
Francisca R. Guerrero (+DA)
Alexander Abille (+)
Antonio Tanty (+)

Wednesday, March 17 - 7:15am

Antonio Tanty (+)
Alexander Abille (+)
Christine Von Hoff (+)
For the Souls in Purgatory (+)

Thursday, March 18 - 7:15am

Marilyn McGrogan (+)
Alexander Abille (+)
Antonio Tanty (+)
Daniel A. Galvez Jr. (+)

Friday, March 19 - 7:15am

Lourdes Pineda (BD)
Roberto Quimpo (SI)
Jose B. Palada (+BD)
Cazimiera Borkowski (+DA)
Winston Shen (+)
Alexander Abille (+)
Antonio Tanty (+)



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LIFE IN CHRIST SERIES



Online via ZOOM

There will be 9 sessions.

First session to start on
Saturday, MARCH 20, 2021
7 PM to 9 PM

Please register at: bit.ly/3kf7pug

For more information please contact:
Ray and Lolit Alvarez 707 373 7192
Boyett and Mayette Espiritu
(707)373-2671

[FCJC website: www.fcjc.us](http://www.fcjc.us)

PARISH REGISTRATION.....

If you are not yet registered as parishioners of St. Basil, it's never too late. Please complete the Registration form below and drop in collection basket or stop by the Parish Center Office. Don't miss out on the benefits of being registered parishioners, such as planning your baptism, wedding, religious education or preparing to receive sacraments. *Your registration helps us to serve you better.*

WE WELCOME THE NEW MEMBERS OF OUR ST. BASIL'S FAITH COMMUNITY

Our warmest welcome to all who worship with us!

If you are not yet registered, please fill out the form below
and place it in the offering basket or mail it to

**Saint Basil Parish Center
1225 Tuolumne Street, Vallejo, CA 94590**

Upon receipt of this form we will mail you the parish registration form
to complete and return. Thank you!

NAME: _____

ADDRESS _____

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TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____ (New)

Registrant/Change Address/Remove from list _____

*Please remember these parishioners and friends
of the Parish in your prayers:*

Natividad Puzon-Abando	Joaquin Manibusan	Diana Ortega
Jane Archer	Vic Mararac	Mario Orlina
Mary Arnold	Yolanda Mararac	Dolores Owens
Ursula Charifa	Jose Marasigan	Lourdes Pineda
Simon Dauz	Nestor Madlangbayan	Ed Sablan
Trisha Dumlaog	Dolly Marquez	Lizette Saenz
Relli Sacro-Geneza	Proceso Marquez Jr.	Erlinda Salgado
Lillibeth Martinez-Janerol	Winnie Meadows	Yasuko Shorter
Carmen Laririt	Betty Moreno	Rita Struble
Barbara Lehman	Jeremias Morgado	Sara Rose Teding-Weiss
Tutty Lyon	Bob O'Brien	Dr. Olga Ochoa - Visaya
Victoria Dinglasan	Carol O'Brien	Mona Lisa White-Cooksey
Yu Chua Koo	Marybelle Ocampo	Daisy Vida
Samuel Mallett	Margaret Orville	Steven Vida

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