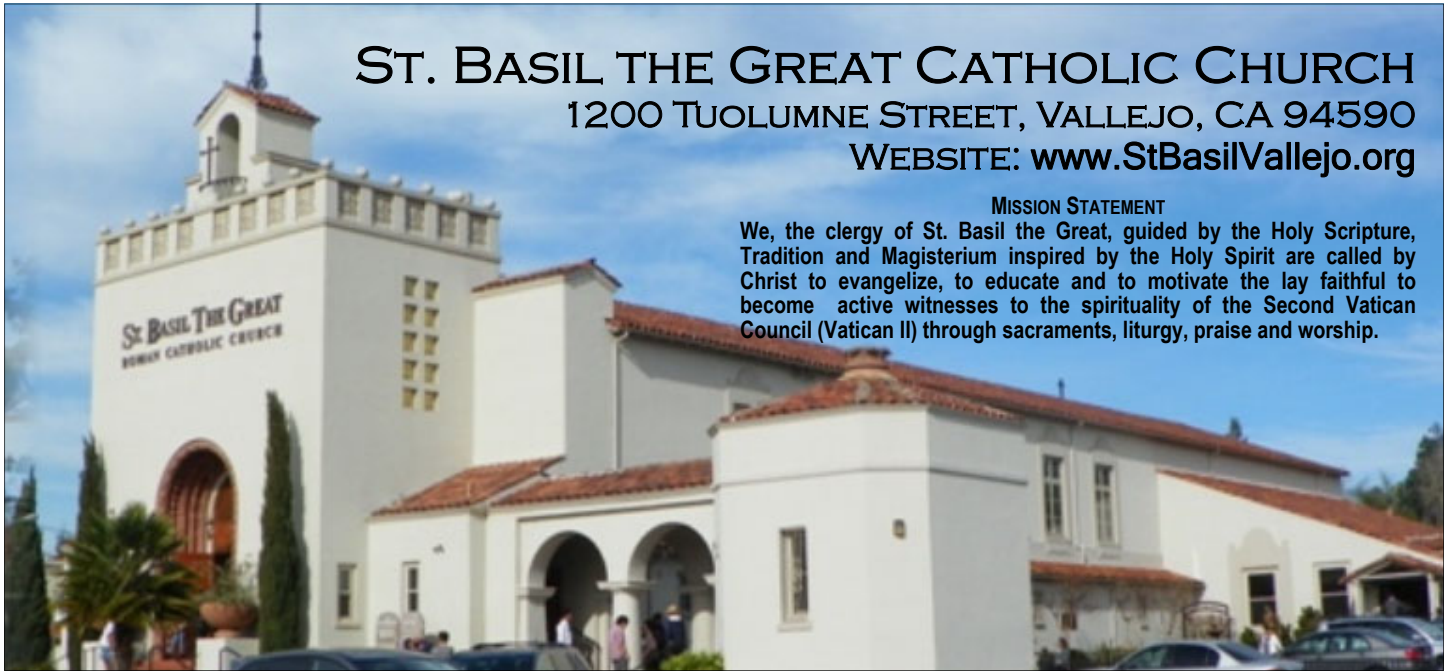


ST. BASIL THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH

1200 TUOLUMNE STREET, VALLEJO, CA 94590
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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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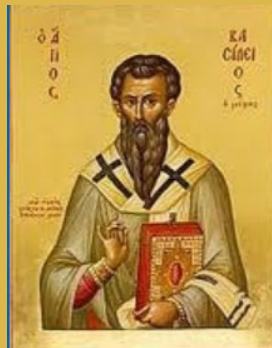
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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

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) 567-9500

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

Even though we are told that if we seek the Lord, we shall not want, in the second reading St. Paul reminds us that, thus blessed by the Lord, the good steward should "give thanks to God the Father always and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ".

—See Ephesians 5:20

AUGUST 16, 2015 - TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

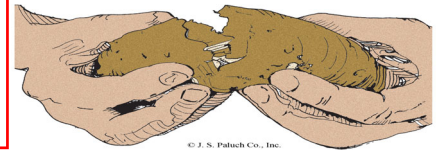


Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 16, 2015

Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink his blood,
you do not have life within you.

— John 6:53

Taste and see the Goodness of the Lord



AT THE TABLE

In today's first reading, Wisdom is imagined as a woman rich in poise and grace. She moves smoothly and confidently about her temple-like home. She doesn't flutter about, nervous with worry. Wisdom sends her maidens to invite all to her open house. The guests do not possess any particular genius or insight. They need only be a people of good will and common sense. They are summoned to leave behind foolishness and to find for themselves a place at Wisdom's table. There they may and can eat and drink deeply.

Today's Gospel draws us back to the table of the Eucharist. Jesus addresses those who seek to understand his words and, sadly, those who seek to avoid them. As people born of God, we are called and equipped to seek God's will and act on it.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

If the alb is the premier baptismal garment, then why are there so many other styles of vesture in evidence in our parishes? In some places, altar servers and other ministers might wear a garment, usually black, called a cassock. Over that is normally worn a white garment (a "surplice"), reminiscent of the alb but much shorter, often of starched linen and trimmed with lace. The cassock is not a liturgical garment, but a clerical robe. Its origins lie in the religious habit of monks. By the late Middle Ages, diocesan priests and clerics increasingly were encouraged to emulate religious priests. Very small boys were often apprenticed to monasteries, especially for music education, and would be invested with a cassock and sometimes even inducted into the ranks of clerics.

For centuries before the Reformation, it was required that all men entering higher education be clerics, and so the cassock and its variations became familiar academic garb. At the Reformation, many ministers retained a form of the cassock as ordinary dress, rejecting liturgical garments. In the seventeenth century, the English Civil War was in part provoked by the Archbishop of Canterbury's insistence that ministers wear surplices. Although the Episcopal Church now retains "cassock and surplice" as the normal dress for lay men and women assisting at liturgy, Catholics are increasingly attentive to the deeply traditional treasure of the alb, our baptismal robe, when special liturgical vesture is needed.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44;
Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14
Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10;
Mt 22:34-40
Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5;
Mt 23:1-12

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday: St. John Eudes
Thursday: St. Bernard
Friday: St. Pius X
Saturday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Reflecting on God's Word

As a boy, I was often sent to Kauder's Bakery on the corner of Preston and Ensor Streets in Baltimore. There was nothing like the variety of breads today, but whether it was white, rye, or Vienna, the smell of fresh-baked bread and especially the crunch of the crust stays with me more than sixty years later. Kauder's came to mind after reading today's Gospel. Biblical scholars point out that the crowds would have been appalled at Jesus' words: "Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you" (John 6:53). The word used for "eat" is a very physical word, the equivalent of munching or chewing. To hear "eat my flesh" would have been repulsive. An invitation to cannibalism! The same with "drink my blood." Jewish law was very clear that no blood should remain in any animal slaughtered for eating. Blood was the "seat of life" and life belonged only to God. But this is precisely the point. Behind this "sign" is God's wondrous life-giving plan: to bring us into intimate communion when we partake of the very life of the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ. We are not to get drunk on the wine of this world but on the divinized drink of everlasting life. Not mundane manna but the bread that mediates an encounter with the Lord of our salvation. This is truly Wisdom's house, where we eat both the bread of God's word and the bread that is the Lamb of God.

—James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Forsake foolishness that you may live; advance in the way of understanding (Proverbs 9:1-6).

Psalms — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

Second Reading — Live as wise persons trying to understand what is the will of the Lord, filled with the Spirit and giving thanks always (Ephesians 5:15-20).

Gospel — Jesus says, "I am the living bread . . . whoever eats this bread (my flesh) will live forever" (John 6:51-58).

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Living God's Word



Lord Jesus, you call us to the banquet table to eat the food that will nourish us for eternal life, bringing us into communion with you, the Father, and the Holy Spirit. Give us an appetite for this food you so generously offer. May we not turn away from it for other food that neither nourishes nor satisfies.

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LOVE THEM BOTH

We must love them both—those whose opinions we share and those whose opinions we reject. For both have labored in the search for truth, and both have helped us in the finding of it.

—Thomas Aquinas



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Considering a Catholic education for your children?

This is the most important decision you will make for your child's future! **St. Basil School** is accepting applications for this school year. Please contact Julia Boen jboen@stbasilschool.org or give us a call 707-642-7629. We are here to answer questions or to set up a tour. www.stbasilschool.org

**12th Annual Parish
Outdoor Mass
and Picnic
Sunday, August 30, 2015
11:30 am
Blue Rock Springs Park**



Adult Faith classes at St. Vincent's

Adult Faith class Beginning Bible: September 8th at 7 PM. Who wrote the bible? Where did it come from? What is the relationship between the Old Testament and the New Testament? Why do we read the Old Testament? How did the formation of the bible come about? These and other question you might have will be discussed in this Beginning Bible class starting Tuesday, September 8th at 7 PM, in the O'Neill Building. The room will be announced.

Same Sex Marriage: the Church and the Controversy

Join Catholic Answers apologist Trent Horn who will help us— especially high school teens and their parents— understand why the Church's teachings on marriage are compassionate and reasonable, not hateful or bigoted, in keeping with our nature as man and woman, and the best thing for children. August 29, 2015 from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm, at Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish. RSVP: www.catholicyouth.com.



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*Please
pray for
the sick*

Lord Jesus, we ask you to bring your peace and healing touch to those who are ill, or afraid or worried. AMEN.

Katie Abeyta
Suzane Angeles
Myrna Aguilar
Nomie Almendraz
Shamin Ansari
Ida Baca
Yolande Bekhit
Maria Bongco
Taylor Bonora
Tessie Catiis
Florita Cruz
Andre Davis
Teresita Debil
Danilo Dipiramo
Dorothy Egidio
George Estrada
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Giandomenico Fabbri
Betina Fernandez
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Rhey Macanto
Apolonio Malana
Norita Manuel
Yolly Mararac
Dolly Marquez
Winnie Meadows
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Nicholas Policar
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Cesar Santos
Bryan Shields
Anna Silva
Nilda Toledo
Dominador Viray
Nathaniel Williams
Matilda Wilson

Mass Intentions For The Week



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Saturday ~ August 15, 2015 ~ 5:30pm

Andres Suguitan, Jr. (BD)
Minnie Suguitan (BD)
Ellen Almazan (BD)
Ernesta Furtado (+)
Antonio and Esperanza (+)

Sunday ~ August 16, 2015 ~ 7:30am

Mary Florendo (TG)
Sandy Morgado (+)
Agapita Olario Galia (+)
George Watts(+)
Heather Redding (+)

Sunday ~ August 16, 2015 ~ 9:30am

Arsenia Ballesteros (BD)
William Lewis (+BD)
Sixto Cornel (+BD)
Roque Santos (+BD)
Antonio Ballesteros (+)

Sunday ~ August 16, 2015 ~ 11:30am

Wilfredo Antolin (BD)
Margarita Reyes (SI Healing)
Crescencio Gaviola (SI Healing)
Fidela Paguio (+)
Pedro Meguillo (+)

Sunday ~ August 16, 2015 ~ 5:30pm

Jessica Luu (SI)
Kumiko Kobayashi (SI)
Lorenzo Rodriguez (+DA)
Mario Rodriguez (+)
Nieves Cruz (+)

Monday ~ August 17, 2015 ~ 7:15am

Victorino S. Santos, Jr. (+)

Tuesday ~ August 18, 2015 ~ 7:15am

William Lovelock (SI)
Victorino S. Santos, Jr. (+)
Agapita Olario Galia (+)
Fil Abarico Esclamado (+BD)

Wednesday ~ August 19, 2015 ~ 7:15am

Deacon Brandon Dang (BD)
Marella Castro (SI)
Casiana Lucas (+)
Victorino S. Santos, Jr. (+)
Joe Agosta (+DA)

Thursday ~ August 20, 2015 ~ 7:15am

Jimmy and Cecilia Collins (WA)
Jerrick Mollari (SI)
Victorino S. Santos, Jr. (+)
Pastora N. Ritualo (+DA)

Friday ~ August 21, 2015 ~ 7:15am

Shirley Ng (SI)
Victorino S. Santos, Jr. (+)



"...but try to understand what is the will of the Lord." The members of SVdP perform their charitable work as a way to gain holiness. Before our volunteers do their assignments, we pray - that the Holy Spirit will be with us and guide us to do the Lord's will. Have you considered helping SVdP but don't have a lot of time to commit? Do you have 2 hours per month to make food deliveries? If the answer is yes, leave us a message at 644-0376 and we'll get you on board. **Food Locker Wish List:** School supplies (any of the following items: back packs, dry erase pens, pencil boxes, paper, pens, pencils, notebooks)