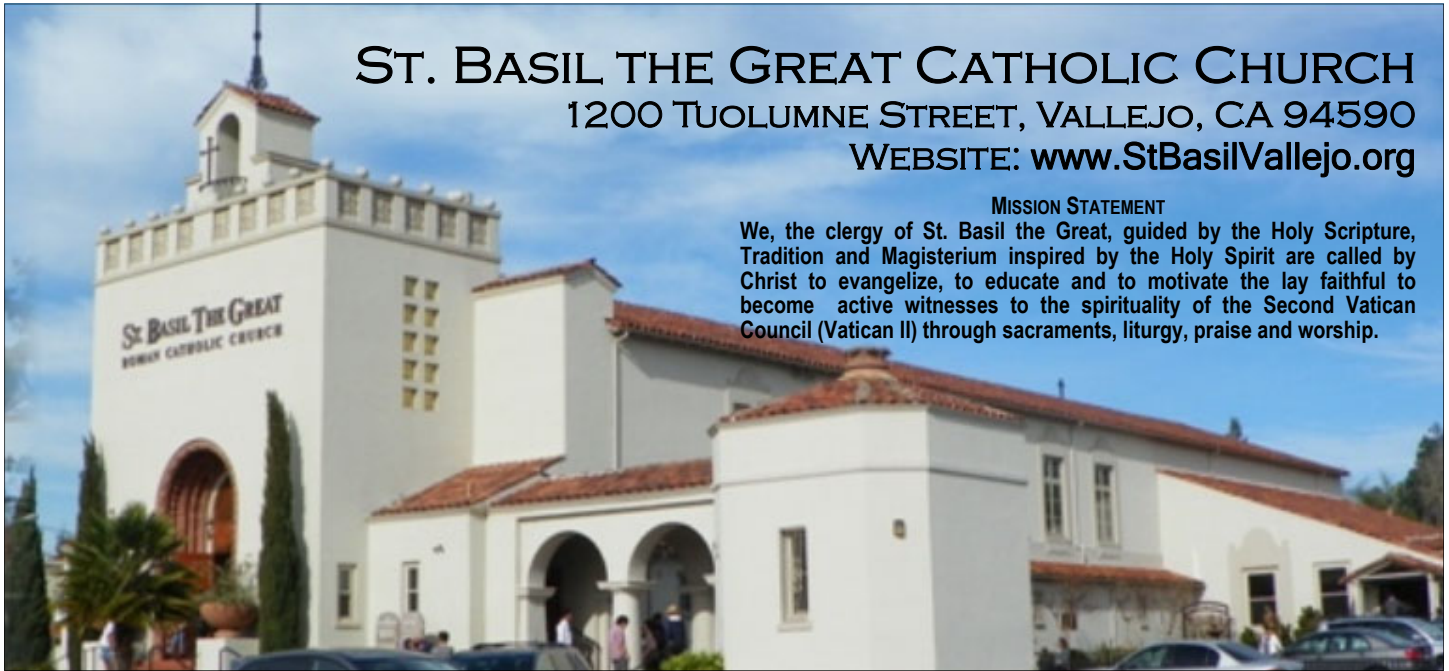


ST. BASIL THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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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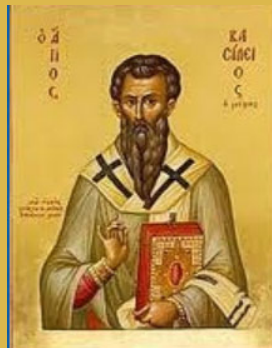
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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

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

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Grow our Gifts...Share *Our* Blessings

Stewardship of Treasure

08/16/15: \$8,754.64

Flowers: \$351.00

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

In today's reading, Joshua challenges the people to decide whom they will serve. Recalling God's faithfulness to them and to their ancestors, the people declare, "We also will serve the Lord, for He is our God." May we too, be mindful of God's gifts to us and renew our commitment to serve Him with grateful hearts.

See Joshua 24:18

AUGUST 23, 2015 - TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASTER, TO WHOM SHALL WE GO?



YOU HAVE THE WORDS OF ETERNAL LIFE

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 23, 2015

As for me and my household,
we will serve the LORD.

— Joshua 24:15b



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KEEPING OUR COMMITMENTS

In the musical *Fiddler on the Roof*, the husband, Tevye, whose marriage was arranged years and years before, wants to know if his wife really loves him. Was their marriage just an arrangement, a deal? Did his wife, after all these years, ever love him? Does she still?

We need to know if our loving commitments stick. We need to be reminded and reaffirmed. In the first reading, Joshua, Moses' successor, needed to know if the people would remain faithful to their covenant with the Lord. Joshua was going to lead them to a new life—a settled life. Would they be faithful?

Jesus, who identified himself as the very life of his disciples' life, needed to know: Will you also go away or will you stay? We do not often see Jesus this vulnerable. Peter and the apostles chose to stay. What will we do?

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Bartholomew
Tuesday:	St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz
Thursday:	St. Monica
Friday:	St. Augustine
Saturday:	The Passion of St. John the Baptist

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Joshua challenges the Israelites to serve either the Lord or other gods. They choose the Lord (Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b).

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

Second Reading — Paul reflects on how husbands and wives should reverence and love each other (Ephesians 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]).

Gospel — Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life (John 6:60-69).

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BLESSED

If you have sight, you are blessed. If you have insight, you are a thousand times blessed.

—Anonymous

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The ministry of permanent deacons has become an essential part of our parish life today, yet for centuries until 1967, this deeply traditional ministry had virtually disappeared. Every priest had first to be ordained a deacon, but the notion that one could actually embrace a permanent vocation to the diaconate was lost.

The primary ministry of the deacon is to the welfare of the community, especially its poor, and his role in sacraments and preaching flows from that. His principal role is to animate and promote the ministry of all the faithful. Ninety percent of permanent deacons are married, although the discipline of celibacy for clerics means that if a deacon is widowed, normally he cannot remarry, nor can an unmarried deacon marry once ordained. The deacon does not preside at Mass nor may he absolve sins. Nor, since anointing of the sick is linked theologically to penance, may he anoint.

Sometimes we are slow to engage with a tradition: Trent approved permanent deacons in the 1560s, but nothing was done until the 1960s. The vitality of the long-delayed restoration has greatly enriched the Church, particularly in the United States, where the majority of the deacons in the world serve.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
Tuesday:	1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday:	1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
Thursday:	1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51
Friday:	1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday:	1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mk 6:17-29
Sunday:	Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

THE WAY

It's hard to train a child in a way the parents don't go themselves.

Anonymous

Living God's Word



Jesus, you came from the Father and returned to the Father and remain ever near the Father's heart. You remain the Father's Word of love to us, the Word of the Father's commitment to us; draw us into being "Amen" as you were also "Amen" to the Father's will. Amen.

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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



Reflecting on God's Word

"If it does not please you to serve the LORD," Joshua enjoins the tribes of Israel at Shechem, "decide today whom you will serve." And the people answered: "Far be it from us to forsake the LORD to serve other gods," going on to name the deeds the Lord had done for them (Joshua 24:15, 16).

Centuries later, after hearing Jesus call himself bread to be eaten, descendants of those at Shechem said: "This saying is hard; who can accept it?" And they "no longer accompanied him." Jesus then asked the Twelve if they would leave too. Simon answered for all: "We have come to believe and are convinced you are the Holy One of God" (John 6:60, 66, 69).

Our response is a simple but weighty *Amen* (meaning "So be it"). When the consecrated host is held up, accompanied by "The Body of Christ," and the cup offered with "The Blood of Christ," we are asked to put our faith on the line and say, "Amen."

Has familiarity bred contentment? Are we so used to this mystery that we rarely have a sense of awe or wonder? The first act of faith is believing that God is present in things as ordinary as this bread and wine. We believe that the bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Christ. What is the change in us that should accompany receiving them?

But of such stuff dreams are made—God's dream of a family, loving daughters and sons, gathered around a table to say "Amen," then to live Communion in a world of broken bodies, shed blood, wounded hearts, and crushed spirits. When we say "Amen" to this mystery, who knows what might happen?

—James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R.
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ON FIRE NorCal Jam 2015

Join us at the largest kick-off Youth and Young Adult Ministry in Northern Ca at ON FIRE NorCal Jam on Saturday, September 19, 2015 at Six Flags Discovery Kingdom in Vallejo. Celebrate Mass with 4,000 youth, the diocesan bishops, Steve Angrisano, Amanda Vernon, and Papa Joe Lucero & SDYG Choir. Get inspired by speakers Steve Angrisano, Amanda Vernon, Fr. Agustino Torres, CFR and El Padrecito & the FoundNation Family. Enjoy an all-you-can-eat lunch & get 2 hours of exclusive access to the park to enjoy the rides. Raise your voices during the evening concert featuring SkaAmen, Amanda Vernon and Anthem Lights! Tickets are selling quickly, so purchase them today at www.onfirenorcal.com!

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 Dipiram
Dorothy Egidio
George Estrada
Mila Evangelista
Giandomenico Fabbri
Betina Fernandez
Cris and Severina Ilagan
Aly Rose Jacobsen
Joseph Layba
Purificacion Llaneri
Rodolfo Lomibao
Rhey Macanto
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Norita Manuel
Yolly Mararac
Dolly Marquez
Winnie Meadows
Manuel Morales
Milagros Morales
Ed Moreno
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Joel Nodado
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Ida Pleasant
Nicholas Policar
Delia Rodriguez
Jack Rodriguez
Ed Sablan
Cesar Santos
Bryan Shields
Anna Silva
Jessy Tingin
Nilda Toledo
Dominador Viray
Nathaniel Williams
Matilda Wilson

Mass Intentions For The Week



Saturday ~ August 22, 2015 ~ 5:30pm

Ernesta Furtado (+)
Victorino S. Santos, Jr. (+)
Encarnacion David (+)
Retituta Quiambao (+)
Honorio Naguit (+)

Sunday ~ August 23, 2015 ~ 7:30am

Leo & Naty Catacutan (30th WA)
Wilfrido Serrano (+BD)
Victorino S. Santos, Jr. (+)
Agapita Olario Galia (+)
George Watts (+)

Sunday ~ August 23, 2015 ~ 9:30am

Cherry Anna Sacramento Quan (BD)
Felix & Lourdes Viray (WA)
Heather Redding (+)
Antonio Ballesteros (+)
Jose Caballes (+)

Sunday ~ August 23, 2015 ~ 11:30am

Margarita Reyes (SI Healing)
Crescencio Gaviola (SI Healing)
Justiniano Sandique (+)
Bernarda Pulumbait (+)
Maria Dorotan (+DA)

Sunday ~ August 23, 2015 ~ 5:30pm

Alberto & Corazon Laxamana (BD)
Reyanado S. Manarang (BD)
Henry Stroeh Oldenberg (+)
Ruth Jauregi (+)

Monday ~ August 24, 2015 ~ 7:15am

Gopal Nagothu (SI)
Victorino S. Santos, Jr. (+)
Nilda Bito (+)
Mercedes Cruz (+BD)
Henry Stroeh Oldenberg (+DA)

Tuesday ~ August 25, 2015 ~ 7:15am

Xavier Sanchez (BD)
Victorino S. Santos, Jr. (+)
Artemio R. Runez III (+DA)
Fe Reyes Abellon (+)
Elvie Bactat (+)

Wednesday ~ August 26, 2015 ~ 7:15am

William Ninobla (BD)
Rogie Gossell (BD)
Victorino S. Santos, Jr. (+)
Corazon Cornel (+BD)
Leonila Tagle (+DA)

Thursday ~ August 27, 2015 ~ 7:15am

Ubaldo Renos Galia (+)
Jemima Andres (+)
Mildred Mendoza (+BD)
Jaime & Benita Belen (+)

Friday ~ August 28, 2015 ~ 7:15am

Agustina Palompo (SI/TG)
Cesar Atienza (+DA)
Jaime & Benita Belen (+)



"But there are some of you who do not believe." Our SVdP ministry has no restrictions on who we help. They do not need to belong to St. Basil's or even be Christian. We show them Jesus' love in the form of a compassionate phone call and a box of food. Then we leave them with "God bless you". We pray that this kind gesture will help them believe in the Lord who sends us. **Food Locker Wish List:** School supplies (any of the items: back packs, dry erase pens, pencil boxes, paper, pens, pencils, notebooks)

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