



ST. BASIL THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH
 1200 TUOLUMNE STREET, VALLEJO, CA 94590
 WEBSITE: www.StBasilVallejo.org

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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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday:
 5:30pm (Vigil Mass)
 8:30am - 1st Saturday

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

Daily:
 7:15am in the Mary Chapel
 7:00pm - Wednesday

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

Reconciliation:
Saturday
 4:00 - 5:00pm
Wednesday
 6:00 - 7:00pm

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 22, 2017

Wait for the LORD with courage;
 be stouthearted,
 and wait for the LORD.
 — Psalm 27:14

The watchword today is “immediately.” Peter and Andrew, James and John all respond *immediately* to the call of Christ. May I be as open to God’s call and as ready to use my talents in His service as those first disciples were!

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

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

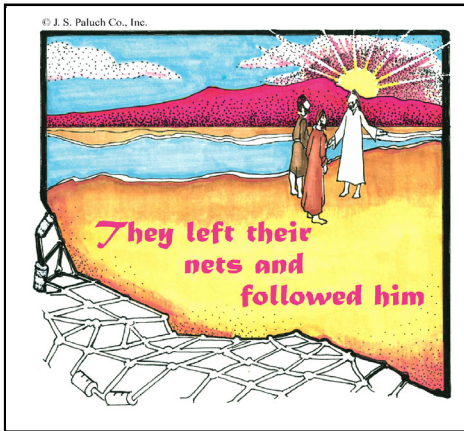
Anointing of the Sick, please call (707) 567-9500

Stewardship of Treasure

Collection for 1/15/17: \$10,509.27
Candle: \$233.99
Mass Offerings: \$634.00
RE Praise Party: \$545.00

PLEASE
 PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER
 YOUR GIFT
 TO ST. BASIL PARISH.

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



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The burdens that were once laid upon the people have been vanquished (Isaiah 8:23 — 9:3).

Psalm — The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).

Second Reading — Paul exhorts the believers at Corinth: As there is one Christ, so too must there be no divisions among you. (1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17).

Gospel — After calling his first disciples, Jesus goes throughout Galilee teaching, proclaiming the gospel, and curing the people (Matthew 4:12-23 [12-17]).

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LIBERATION AND REFORM

While you might have to reach for an atlas to determine that Isaiah is speaking about Galilee, today's first reading (part of which was read at Christmas) is prophetic of Jesus' future ministry in that province. The light that brings salvation and rejoicing is, ultimately, Christ. Liberation is the theme: liberation from both ignorance ("darkness") and sin (the "yoke").

As Isaiah identifies a place, so Paul describes an attitude: the attitude that develops, even among good people, of equating their own will with the common good. This always brings dissension, and so it has done in Corinth. Paul will not allow this; we are all members of "Christ's party." The gospel is not to divide us.

Matthew quotes from Isaiah in today's Gospel, presenting Jesus as the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecies. The theme is "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" (Matthew 4:17). To spread this message, Jesus begins to select disciples, four of whom we meet today: Peter, Andrew, James, and John.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children; St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope
- Tuesday: St. Francis de Sales
- Wednesday: The Conversion of St. Paul; Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends
- Thursday: Ss. Timothy and Titus
- Friday: St. Angela Merici
- Saturday: St. Thomas Aquinas; Chinese New Year 4715

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

It's still months away, but parish ministers, especially if they are involved in the catechumenate, have their eyes on Lent and the Easter Triduum. Until fairly recent times, the last few days before Easter were shaped by an awareness of the Passion, but the faithful were left to their own devices about how to engage with these mysteries. A thousand years ago, the Easter Vigil as a solemn and central moment of initiation had vanished. By the early 1950s it was a minor moment in parish life, celebrated on Holy Saturday morning, usually with only the priests and a handful of invited guests. Most people understood it as necessary only for blessing the paschal candle and preparing the Easter water. People who were children during World War II sometimes remember that the weekly noontime test of the air-raid sirens on Holy Saturday signaled the end of Lent.

Today, of course, we see Holy Saturday as entirely within the paschal fast, and hardly the time for children to be tearing through the plastic grass looking for jelly beans and chocolate eggs. These memories point to a total collapse of the once-central liturgies of the Christian year. This impoverishment of the liturgy was mostly an accident of history. The root cause was the loss of Lent as a time focused on the final formation of catechumens for the Easter sacraments. By 1880, scholars began to piece together a vision of what once had been, and slowly, at first in a handful of monasteries in Europe, pieces of the tradition were rediscovered and celebrated.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-30, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer
- Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35
- Wednesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
- Thursday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 4:21-35
- Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34
- Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41
- Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 146:6-10; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a



Please join us at **St. Basil School's Open House** on January 29, 2017 from 9:30: am -1:00 pm. It will kick-off with a Mass at 9:30 am to celebrate Catholic Schools Week. Tour our campus, meet the teachers, staff as well as parents and enjoy the students' exhibits and projects. Snacks and refreshments will be provided.

EFFORTLESS

The only thing that comes to a person without effort is old age.
—Anonymous

Mass Intentions For The Week



Saturday, January 21 – 5:30pm
 Mryna Martinez (BD)
 Paul & Celia Lozada (TG)
 Jaime & Benita Belen (+)
 Detsichado & Roland Rolan (+)
 Ronidel Family (+)

Sunday, January 22
 7:30am

Mass for the parishioners of St. Basil

9:30am
 Florencia Paule (+)
 Evelyn Sinio & Lani Litam (+)
 Pilares Family (+)

11:30am
 Agapita Olario Galia (+)

5:30pm
 Domilyn Alvarez (TG)

Monday, January 23- 7:15am
 Domilyn Alvarez (TG)

Tuesday, January 24- 7:15am
 Domilyn Alvarez (TG)
 Toribio Ofina (+DA)

Wednesday, January 25 - 7:15am
 Maria Kurppa (SI)

7:00pm
 Francisco Figueroa (+)

Thursday, January 26 - 7:15am
 Sarah Rogers (SI)

Friday, January 27 - 7:15am
 Estela Makil (BD)
 Democrita Cruz (+)

please pray for the sick

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

Charlie Arruejo
 Esmenia Arruejo
 Percy Belantes
 Yolande Bekhit
 Simon Daux
 Andre Davis
 Judy de Fiesta
 Gwen Flores
 Mariano Furtado
 Ray Hernandez
 Jocelyn Anderson Herrera
 Cris Ilagan
 Severina Ilagan
 Aly Rose Jacobsen
 Purificacion Llanera
 Rodolfo Lomibao
 Julie Ludovico
 Vic Mararac
 Yolanda Mararac
 Dolly Marquez
 Proceso Marquez, Jr.
 Winnie Meadows
 Jim Murphy
 Sr. Julieta Perez
 Nicholas Policar
 Raquel Puzon-Mejia
 Ed Sablan
 Linda Salgado
 Augusto Serrano
 Anna Silva
 Anna Silva
 Tony Tamayo
 Nathaniel Williams
 Ezekiel Wilson
 Matilda Wilson
 Philip Yun



Sent Forth in the Spirit

The **Sent Forth in the Spirit** program invites candidates to become actively involved in preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation as they grow through reflection and prayer.

To participate the candidate must be a baptized Catholic, who has received catechetical instruction at least up to receiving the Eucharist (First Communion), be either unmarried or in a marriage recognized as valid by the Catholic Church, have a recent copy of their Baptismal Certificate issued within the past 6 months, and have a Confirmation sponsor who must be a confirmed, practicing Catholic and at least 16 years of age. The next program begins **February 4, 2017**. Classes will be held on Saturdays, St. Basil Church in the Father Garrigan room, from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm. The Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation takes place on Saturday, **May 7, 2017** at the 5:00 pm Mass. All classes take place.

- February 4, 2017 Informational Session
- February 11, 2017 We Are the People of God and the Church
- February 24, 2017 The Trinity
- March 4, 2017 God Reveals Himself to US
- March 11, 2017 The Sacraments
- March 18, 2017 The Holy Mass
- March 25, 2017 The Moral Life
- April 11, 2017 Prayer and Spirituality
- April 13-16, 2017 Easter Triduum
- April 22, 2017 "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations"
- May 7, 2017 **CONFIRMATION**

Peter said to them, "Each one of you must turn away from your sins and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins will be forgiven; and you will receive God's gift, the Holy Spirit." Acts 2:38



Please pray with our **Lazarus Ministry** for all who have recently departed especially:
 +David Marcucci
 +Richard Branch
 +Huminada Catacutan

Parish Ministry Committee

Meeting: Thursday, January 26th at 7 pm, Fr. Garrigan Room

BAPTISM CLASS

Our next Baptism Class will be on Saturday, February 4th at the Fr. Garrigan Room. Please register at the parish center office.



REGISTRATION OPEN FOR CONFIRMATION CONFERENCE 2017

On March 4 & 5, 2017 at Christian Brothers High School, the Catholic Diocese of Sacramento will host a huge, dynamic, and exciting conference for all those youth preparing to receive the awesome Sacrament of Confirmation! "Fired Up" is intended for 7-9th graders who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2017. This is an excellent opportunity to connect your school/parish Confirmation program with the larger diocesan Catholic community, and it will include Bishop Jaime Soto and Bishop Myron Cotta! Registration is now open at www.confirmationconference.com

Pro-Life Mass with Bishop Soto

On January 23 Bishop Jaime Soto will celebrate the 12:10 pm mass at the Cathedral in reparation for the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision that made abortion legal in the United States. Please join our Bishop in asking God to convert the hearts of all Americans, most especially pregnant mothers, physicians, judges and legislators. For more information, contact Steve Patton, 916-733-0133, spatton@sccd.org



A quarrel between friends, when made up, adds a new tie to friendship.
St. Francis de Sales

Pro-Life Youth Program: Choose Life 2017

On January 23 at the Cathedral, the Diocese of Sacramento will offer Choose Life, a pro-life educational program for middle and high school youth. Attendees will 1) witness a live large-screen ultrasound, 2) find out what being "Pro-Life" vs. "Pro-Choice" really means, 3) learn how to speak and listen compassionately about abortion, and 4) get practical ideas to make a difference. Attendees from past years describe the experience as informative, moving, energizing and even entertaining. While the 10 am to noon morning program is limited to selected Catholic School students, the evening program from 7 – 8:30 pm is for any middle or high school student. There is no cost, but pre-registration is requested to help us with planning. More information at <http://sccd.org/respect-life>