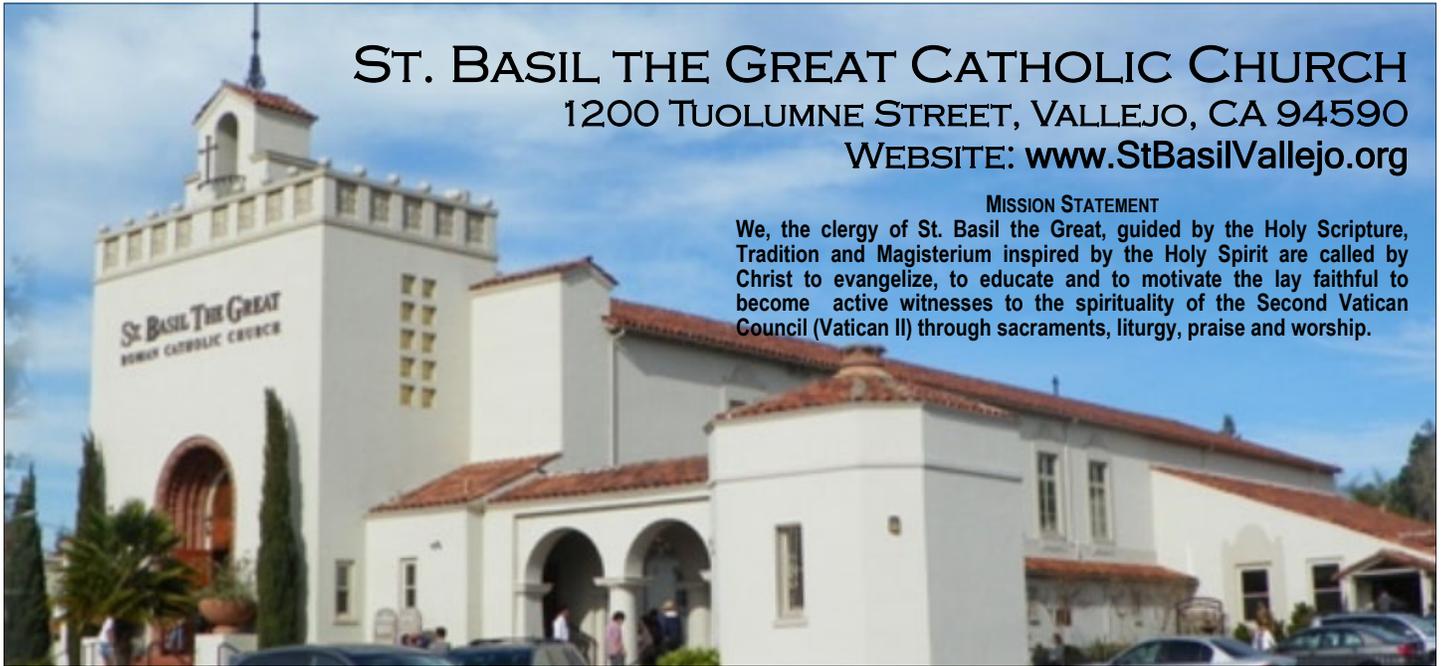


# ST. BASIL THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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#### Parish Office Hours

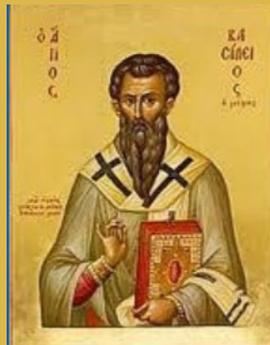
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday  
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#### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

**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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*Collection for 12/20/15: \$9,115.16*  
*Misc: \$841.00*

*Thank you.*

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The three kings in today's Gospel traveled a great distance at considerable cost to offer their richest gifts to the Infant Jesus. How far will *I* go and what will *I* offer to do homage to this newborn King and Savior?

**JANUARY 3, 2016 - THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**



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## The Epiphany of the Lord January 3, 2016

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem!  
Your light has come,  
the glory of the Lord shines upon you.

— Isaiah 60:1

### TODAY'S READINGS

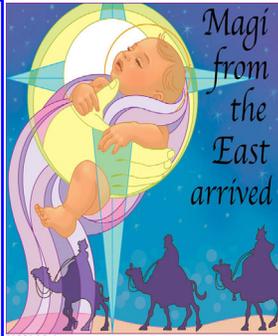
**First Reading** — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The LORD shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

**Psalm** — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

**Second Reading** — The mystery has been made known that the Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

**Gospel** — Magi from the east arrived, saying, “Where is the newborn king of the Jews?” (Matthew 2:1-12).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from the *Lectionary for Mass* ©



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### LOOKING IN THE RIGHT PLACES

“Appearances can be deceiving,” as the saying goes. As we celebrate the *epiphania*, the “appearing” of the eternal Word of God on earth, this is still true.

What rapturous foresight must have filled Isaiah as he wrote the words we hear today. How, for four hundred years, they must have filled the hearts of the people of Israel with hope for the day when God’s glory would shine on them. How deceived some must have felt when the glory of God came to them in the lowliest and humblest of human lives.

We have many expectations about how the divine presence will appear among us. But we can also set ourselves up, through these expectations, to miss the divine glory when it truly appears. We get caught up in looking for the star, forgetting that the star is not the divine sign, the babe is. It may take a persistent journey for us to come upon the true appearance of God’s glory in our lives: Jesus Christ.

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### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Over the next few weeks, if you were to stroll around Prague or Budapest or Kraków, you might see curious graffiti scratched in chalk over some doorways:

“20 + C + M + B + 16.” The families dwelling behind those doors have celebrated the Epiphany door blessing. They have gathered before the feast-day meal, probably after Mass, and the head of the family has traced the sign of the cross on the piece of chalk. Standing on a ladder, the leader traces the numbers for the new year, and the letters C M B for *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, Latin for “May Christ bless this house.” The letters also point to the names that tradition has assigned to the mysterious magi, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar—although scripture tells us nothing of their number, their country, or their names.

The blessing speaks of journeys ended and journeys begun at the doorway, and prays that all journeys be as satisfying as was the magi’s. It prays that the house beyond the door have the quality of love and peace that the magi marveled at when they at last arrived in Bethlehem. In some countries where the Soviet Union tried to impose a harsh atheism, the vigor of this household custom survived all efforts to erase Christian customs. In the years of struggle, the chalked blessings were a pervasive sign of defiance, and now in the light of new freedoms, they are a sign of the resilience of our tradition and the fulfillment of the magi’s quest for meaning and peace.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Epiphany of the Lord;  
National Migration Week  
Monday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
Tuesday: St. John Neumann  
Wednesday: St. André Bessette  
Thursday: St. Raymond of Penyafort;  
Julian Calendar Christmas

### LITTLE MINUTES

Little drops of water, little grains of sand,  
make the mighty ocean and the pleasant land;  
so the little minutes, humble though they be,  
make the mighty ages of eternity.

—Julia A. Fletcher Carney



## Mass Intentions For The Week



**Saturday, January 2 - 5:30PM**

Our Lady of Nazarene Prayer Group (SI),  
Virgie Cayabyab (BD), Ursula Chalif and  
Estela Sayre (SI), Arsenio Mostrales (+),  
Leberato Mostrales (+)

**Sunday, January 3**

**7:30AM**

Agapita Olario Galia (+), Sandy Morgado (+)  
Carlos & Gorgina Tavares (+),  
Manuel Garcia (+) and Jose Garcia (+)

**9:30AM**

Ursula Chalifa and Estela Sayre (SI),  
Eudisia Bernil (+), Flora Victorio (+),  
Edythe Mae Walsh (+DA), Wilson Aguillon  
(+BD)

**11:30AM**

Margeluz Burga (SI), Francisco, Legaspi, Sr.  
(SI),

All Souls in Purgatory, Generosa Miole (+),  
Alma Ecklind (+)

**5:30PM**

Our Lady of Nazarene Prayer Group (SI),  
Shirley Ng (SI), Juan C Reyes, Jr. (+)

**Monday, January 4 - 7:15AM**

Megan Yu (SI)

Ursula Chalifa & Estela Sayre (SI)

**Tuesday, January 5 - 7:15AM**

Santiago Makil, Jr. (BD), Marilyn Gaffney (SI)  
Ursula Chalifa and Estela Sayre (SI)

**Wednesday, January 6 - 7:15AM**

Ursula Chalifa and Estela Sayre (SI),  
Gina Tai (SI), Vicenta Galler (+BD)  
Rosalia Refuerzo (+DA)

**7:00PM**

Our Lord Jesus Nazarene Prayer Group (SI)

**Thursday, January 7 - 7:15AM**

Ursula Chalifa and Estela Sayre (SI),  
Edwin Chow (+), Marta Ramirez (+DA)

**Friday, January 8 - 7:15AM**

Robert Xavier (SI), Teofilo Ocampo, Sr. (+BD)

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  
Nomie Almendra  
Yolande Bekhit  
Ursula Chalifa  
Teresita Constantino  
Albert Cruz  
Florita Cruz  
Danilo Dipiramo  
Dorothy Egidio  
Tin Tin Gomez  
Precy Hernandez  
Joycelyn Anderson Herrera  
Cris and Severina Ilagan  
Aly Rose Jacobsen  
Rodolfo Lomibao  
Joaquin Manibusan  
Paul Bernard Manibusan  
Dolly Marquez  
Norita Manuel  
Dolly Marquez  
Winnie Meadows  
Manuel Morales  
Milagros Morales  
Jim Murphy  
Ida Pleasant  
Nicholas Policar  
Ed Sablan  
Jackie Sarsour  
Nel Sapinoso  
Anna Silva  
Eleanor Swadener  
Nilda Toledo  
Dominador Viray  
Nathaniel Williams  
Matilda Wilson



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## Be Our Daily Star An Epiphany Prayer

God of all heaven and earth,  
From the breath of your love came the creation of  
the world.  
We are amazed at the vast beauty of the night sky  
and at the intimate nature of the love you have for  
us your children.

Be our daily star,  
Guiding our lives to search for kingdom love.  
May we always follow your light of truth in all that  
we do,  
Forever trusting, hoping and believing in your  
word.  
Lift our eyes tonight to see your eternal life shining  
brightly,  
Leading us home.  
Amen.

“Good design begins with honesty, asks tough ques-  
tions, comes from collaboration and from trusting  
your intuition.” - Freeman Thomas

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

Maria Arciaga  
James Michael Forman  
Gisselle Murphy

**Choose Life on a Bus:** Join youth from around the diocese for a day of prayer and formation on Saturday, January 23, 2016 as we head to Walk for Life in San Francisco. Buses will depart from the Pastoral Center at 8:30am. Each bus will have a speaker to lead a short formation session and half way San Francisco the speakers will switch buses so all teens hear the message from all the speakers. After the Walk for Life we will head to Pier 39 for shopping and dinner before heading back to Sacramento. The cost for the trip will be \$25 per person and space is limited so register your group as soon as possible. All teens must be accompanied by a chaperone (1 chaperone for up to 8 teens). Register today at <http://bit.ly/chooselifebus> or contact Jennifer Campbell at [jcampbell@scd.org](mailto:jcampbell@scd.org) for more information.