



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
8:30am - Thursday (School Mass)

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

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

Stewardship of Treasure

Collection for 4/2/17 will be in the next week's bulletin.
Thank You.

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.

SACRAMENTS


Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday, 4:00 to 5:00pm
Wednesday, 6:00 to 7:00pm

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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“The Lord God has given me a well-trained tongue, that I may know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them,” says Isaiah in today’s first reading. The gifts God has given us are likewise given for the good of others. How am I using my gifts?
See Isaiah 50:4

TODAY'S READINGS

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-11).

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalm — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22)

Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel — The account of Christ's passion according to Matthew (Matthew 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]).

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord April 9, 2017

God greatly exalted [Christ] and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.
— *Philippians 2:9*

SEEING CHRIST CLEARLY

We start today looking through the portals of Jerusalem, seeing crowds of people, cheering and waving palm branches in the air. The whole atmosphere is one of joy, triumph, and celebration. We can get distracted or enthralled by the scene, and not see clearly the features of Jesus as he enters. But our readings from Isaiah and Paul's letter to the Philippians clarify his features for us. He is the Suffering Servant, meek and mute before his captors and persecutors; he is the very image of the unseen God, yet will not clutch at equality with God before he endures his final confrontation in humility. Isaiah and Paul help us "behold the Lamb of God" before we hear the story of his final and greatest confrontation. It is important that we see Christ clearly before we hear the account of his passion, for we—his Body through baptism, the church—now bear his face. We must, with him, enter into this time of trial so we can, also with him, enter into his final triumph.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord; Julian Calendar Palm Sunday
- Monday: Monday of Holy Week; Passover (Jewish celebration) begins at sunset
- Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week
- Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week
- Thursday: Holy Thursday; The Sacred Paschal Triduum
- Friday: Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday); Julian Calendar Good Friday; Fast and Abstinence
- Saturday: Holy Saturday; The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

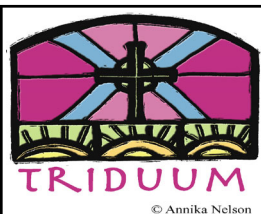
READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
- Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
- Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
- Thursday: Chrim Mass: Is 61:1-3ab, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
- Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
- Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Mt 28:1-10
- Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

RESURRECTION TO COME

But from this earth, this grave,
this dust,
My God shall raise me up, I trust.

—Walter Raleigh



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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Now we have come to the center of the Christian year, beginning with today, Passion Sunday, Holy Week, and culminating in the Pasch, the Sacred Triduum. Some have called the culminating event in this week's journey of faith "The Three Days of Easter." The origins of many of our observances, including today's blessing of palms and solemn entry into the church, harken back to old Jerusalem.

In the late fourth century, a woman living a consecrated life in southern France made a four-year pilgrimage to Jerusalem. There, she encountered the rich liturgies of the city, bursting with Christians. She was a keen observer, and fortunately for us wrote vivid letters of her experience to a circle of women friends she calls her sisters. By the time of her journey, it is clear that even some catechumens were undertaking the dangerous journey so that they could be formed at the very site of the events of Christ's passion and rising. At the heart of the pilgrim experience were processions, such as today's joyous procession to the Mount of Olives, and brilliant catechesis from the bishop every day, as well as intense fasting and prayer. When you resolve to keep this week holy in your own life, and especially when you commit to participate in the full Triduum with worship in church and fasting at home, a very ancient tradition is within your grasp.

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

Penance Service: April 11, 2017 @ 7:00pm

Holy Week Schedule:

April 13—Holy Thursday – 7:30pm Mass

April 14—Good Friday

12:00 Noon—Good Friday Liturgy

Passion of the Lord according to St. John

Veneration of the Cross

Distribution of Holy Communion

1:30pm Dramatization of Passion

2:30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

3:00pm Stations of the Cross

7:30pm—Good Friday Liturgy

Passion of the Lord according to St. John

Veneration of the Cross

Distribution of Holy Communion

9:00pm Dramatization of Passion

April 15—Holy Saturday—8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass

(NO 5:30pm Vigil)

April 16—Easter Sunday—7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am,

1:30pm *(NO 5:30pm Mass)*

Have you ever considered having your children or grandchildren attend our Catholic School ? It is the best investment you can make for your children as Catholics and Scholars! **St. Basil the Great School** is now accepting applications for the 2017-2018 school year. Call for a tour with our school staff to answer your questions.

[707-642-7629](tel:707-642-7629)

www.stbasilschool.org



Last year **SVdP** delivered food for a Christmas meal to 68 needy families - a total of 303 individuals including gifts for 180 children. We included gifts for families with no children, so that every family received gifts for Christmas and we supplied gifts for 75 children for the Catholic Charities-Solano Christmas food and gift giveaway. In addition to the Christmas gifts from our parishioners, we received 62 five-pound canned hams, food donations from the Knights of Columbus and a monetary donation from Fr. Ambrose. 23 people including SBS school parents, the school janitor, the husband of the SBS principal, a parishioner and our SVdP members volunteered to deliver the food and gifts to the families. The 68 boxes used to pack the food in were donated by SBS school parents Paul & Heather Swaim. **SVdP** spent \$507.75 for food items and for 5 gifts that were not returned in time for our delivery (gifts were later found in Church or at the parish office just before Christmas). Apologies for the delay in reporting this information. Thanks to all who are so faithful to **SVdP** and we welcome all those who want to put sense into their lives and have a living faith, by helping us in one way or another to relieve misery.

Register for Camp Pendola... Today!

Did you know that camp forever change your child... for the better. The American Camp Association research has confirmed that camps build skills necessary to prepare campers to assume roles as successful adults. Campers said that camp helped them make new friends, feel good about themselves, and try things that they were afraid to do at first. Challenge your child to make new friends, gain confidence, and try something new by sending them to Camp Pendola this summer. Register and get more information at www.pendola.org

THE CROSS

We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection; through whom we are saved and delivered.
—Entrance Antiphon, Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, *Roman Missal*

Youth on a Mission

Do you know a teen in your parish that has what it takes to be a great leader? Challenge them to take their Catholic Faith to the next level with Youth On A Mission. Our 4 day program offers discipleship training – meaningful prayer experiences, inspiring talks, practical skills, and an opportunity to connect with on fire Catholic youth from all over Northern California. We want youth to have a profound encounter with Jesus and equip them with the skills to share that experience as a leader in your parish. This is the youth training you've been waiting for. Challenge your future leaders with Youth on A Mission this summer July 20-23, 2017 at Cal Maritime Academy in Vallejo, CA. Registration information and more information available online at www.norcalcatholicyouth.com.



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

- Katie Abeyta
 Charlie Arruejo
 Esminia Arruejo
 Yolande Bekhit
 Corazon T. Cabrera
 Edmundo Espinueva
 Christopher Espinueva
 Simon Daus
 Gecy De Leon
 Teofilo Florendo
 Gwen Flores
 Anne Fournie
 Mariano Furtado
 Ray Hernandez
 Jocelyn Anderson Herrera
 Cris Ilagan
 Severina Ilagan
 Aly Rose Jacobsen
 Nellie Jacques
 Lilibeth Janerol
 Purificacion Llanera
 Rodolfo Lomibao
 Julie Ludovico
 Joaquin Manibusan
 Paul Bernard Manibusan
 Vic Mararac
 Yolanda Mararac
 Dolly Marquez
 Proceso Marquez, Jr.
 Winnie Meadows
 Sr. Julieta Perez
 Nicholas Policar
 Raquel Puzon-Mejia
 Lorens Quidet
 Gil Ninobla
 Rosita Quintanilla
 Ed Sablan
 Augusto Serrano
 Anna Silva
 Tony Tamayo
 Matilda Wilson
 Philip Yun

Parish Center Office will be closed on April 14, Good Friday and April 17, Easter Monday.



Please pray with our Lazarus Ministry for all who have recently departed especially:
 +Gilda Lomibao
 +Marlene Icatar
 +Erlinda Gordon

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 8 - 5:30pm

- Jason Alvarez (SI)
 Jaime & Benita Belen (+)
 Gilda Lomibao (+)
 Maria Harvey (+)
 Erlina Bustamante (+)

**Sunday, April 9
7:30am**

Mass for St. Basil Parish

9:30am

- Garrett Martin (BD)
 Aurora Mac Dula (85th BD)
 Mac Dula-Dalisay (TG)
 Gilda Lomibao (+)
 Henry Stroh Oldenburg (+)
 Herman McDula (+)

11:30am

- Irene Bitanga (SI)
 Agapita Olario Galia (+)
 Amparo Sandique (+)
 Erlina Bustamante (+)

5:30pm

- Sandy Morgado (+)
 Virginia A. & Apolonio A. Quejado Sr. (+)
 Simona M. & Rufino T. Parungao (+)

Monday, April 10- 7:15am

- William Daus Lipayon (BD)
 Marilyn Masuoka (SI)
 Chong Ni (SI)
 Gilda Lamibao (+)
 Erlina Bustamante (+)

Tuesday, April 11- 7:15am

- Trina Chowdhury (SI)
 Gilda Lomibao (+)
 Theresa Chan (+)
 Erlina Bustamante (+)

Wednesday, April 12 - 7:15am

- Carmen P. Villanueva (+DA)
 Gilda Lomibao (+40th Day)
 Nicasio Valencia (+)
 Robert Cheng (+)
 Erlina Bustamante (+)

7:00pm

Shalini Thakkalappalli (SI)

Holy Thursday, April 13 - 7:30pm

School Mass 8:30am

Good Friday, April 14

Tri-Parish Radio Station Update

The plans for the radio station to serve the Vallejo area are starting to take shape. After several bumps in the road, we will begin installing the equipment for the station at St Vincent Ferrer Church. We need volunteers for organizing, marketing, operations, and finding on-the-air personalities. Prior radio experience is not required. You must have a genuine desire to make Catholic radio, transmitting in English, Spanish, and Tagalog, in Vallejo a success. Need more info? Email: Radio@StBasilVallejo.org