

ST. BASIL THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH
1 200 TUOLUMNE STREET, VALLEJO, CA 94590
WEBSITE: www.StBasilVallejo.org

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the St. Basil the Great Catholic faith community, guided by the Holy Spirit and nurtured by the Eucharist, are called to share the gospel values of love, justice, forgiveness and service through the celebration of the sacraments, prayer, stewardship and fellowship with respect and dignity to all.

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(Emergency calls only): (707) 567-9500

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

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.

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

Collection for 2/25/18: \$10,637.48
Candles: \$148.33
Capital Improvement: \$85.00
Mass Offerings: \$580.00
Fr. Lawrence Farewell: \$1,240.00
SVdP: \$200.00
Lenten Soup: \$54.00
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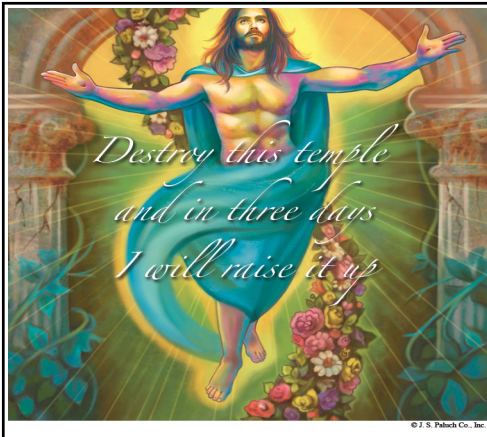
PLEASE
**PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER
 YOUR GIFT
 TO ST. BASIL PARISH.**

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

When Jesus asked the Samaritan woman for a drink of water, He opened the door for a for a life changing relationship with Him. Scripture says her testimony drew many others to Him as well. We, too, must be ready to respond whenever and wherever the Lord speaks to us and be prepared for it to change our lives!

“You shall not covet” is perhaps a difficult commandment to keep in our consumer-oriented society. But as Christians stewards, we know that we are the recipients and care-takers of God’s many gifts. May this understanding that all is gift help us be less resentful of the gifts of others.

MARCH 4, 2018 – THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



**Third Sunday of Lent
March 4, 2018**

I, the LORD, am your God . . .
You shall not have other gods
besides me.
— Exodus 20:2a, 3



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God gives the law through Moses (Exodus 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]) or Exodus 17:3-7.

Psalm — Lord, you have the words of everlasting life (Psalm 19) or Psalm 95.

Second Reading — We proclaim Christ crucified (1 Corinthians 1:22-25) or Romans 5:1-2, 5-8.

Gospel — Many began to believe in Jesus' name when they saw the signs he was doing (John 2:13-25) or John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42].

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KEEP HOLY THE SABBATH

There's no better way to deepen our Lenten practice than to review the Ten Commandments. The first three, having to do with our right relationship to God, get the most ink. The one we busy people probably have the most problem with is keeping holy the Sabbath.

If we take this commandment literally, babies will go undiapered and dishes will stay on the table, or perhaps meals will not be served. The sick will go unattended and nothing that has anything to do with physical labor will be done. Is mental labor really work? How about changing that dirty diaper (poor baby!)?

We need to depend on God to discern how to observe real Sabbath time in our lives. The point of this commandment is that God has given us a great gift: one whole day per week when we are free to rest, worship God, sing, feast, love, and rejoice. As Psalm 19 proclaims: "The law of the LORD is perfect, / refreshing the soul" (19:8). Our Sabbath rest is a great gift, to be received from God with joy, not with nitpicking.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
 - Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; —Mt 18:21-35
 - Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
 - Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
 - Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
 - Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
 - Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21
- Alternate readings (Year A):
1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6;
Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Third Sunday of Lent; First Scrutiny
- Wednesday: Ss. Perpetua and Felicity
- Thursday: St. John of God
- Friday: St. Frances of Rome; Abstinence

FORGIVENESS

If a bad person wrongs you, forgive the person, lest there be two bad people. —Anonymous

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

If your parish is reading from Year B of the Lectionary today, and not Year A, as is normally done when there are elect present for the scrutinies and preparing for Easter baptism, you hear about Jesus driving the money-changers from the temple. If you wished to get as close as possible to this site today, you would in fact be at a Muslim shrine, the Dome of the Rock, built on the ruins of Herod's temple.

Archeologists believe that this striking, gold-domed crown of a shrine is set precisely where the Holy of Holies once was. Jews believe that the rock is the exact spot where Abraham was prepared to sacrifice Isaac. It is not a mosque, as some think, but a shrine, the oldest one in the Muslim world. For them, the rock is the place from which the Prophet Mohammed ascended on a visit to heaven. The Crusaders mistook the shrine for the actual Temple of Solomon, and the infamous Knights Templar used it as their headquarters and model for their churches elsewhere. The geometric perfection of the shrine is a mathematician's dream. The inscriptions are not exactly hospitable though, since they encourage Christians to "depart from error" and declare that "Jesus son of Mary was only a messenger of God." In ancient times, those who prayed here after walking around the rock were given a certificate entitling the bearer to admission to paradise. The ticket had to be buried with them.

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**WE WELCOME THE NEW MEMBERS
OF OUR ST. BASIL'S FAITH COMMUNITY**

Our warmest welcome to all who worship with us!
If you are not yet registered, please fill out the form below
and place it in the offering basket or mail it to

**Saint Basil Parish Center
1225 Tuolumne Street, Vallejo, CA 94590**

Upon receipt of this form we will mail you the parish registration form to complete and return. Thank you!

NAME: _____

ADDRESS _____

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TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

(Moving/Remove from list _____)

**Mass Intentions
for the Week**

Saturday, March 3

8:30am

Paulo Jay Dumlaog (BD)
Elenore Padre (BD)
Mary Cheng (SI)
Isidro Refuerzo (+DA)
Dominador Morada (+)
Gilda Lomibao (+)

5:30pm

Domilyn Alvarez (TG)
Jaime & Benita Belen (+)
All Souls in Purgatory (+)
Marina Temple Alvarez (+BD)
Ed Owens (+DA)

Sunday, March 4

7:30am

Mass for St. Basil Parish

9:30am

William Charles Cody (+)
Percy Kho (+)
Wylen Bearchild (+)
Romy & Nelson Buenviaje (+)
Jerry Cua & Edwin Cua (+)

11:30am

Marcelino Edoria, Sr. (+DA)
Gilda Lomibao (+DA)
Jennifer C. Candari (+DA)

5:30pm

Lau Kit Ping (SI)
Erna Ann Deliman (+)

Monday, March 5 - 7:15am

Cissy Cheng (SI)
Adriana Ororio (+BD)
Isabel Acar (+)

Tuesday, March 6 - 7:15am

Katherine Stamm (BD)
Lucy Cheng (SI)
Rosita P. Gozar (+BD)

Wednesday, March 7 - 7:15am

Pauline Chang (SI)
Marina Temple Alvarez (+DA)
John Humble (+)

7:00pm

Thursday, March 8 - 7:15am

Mardel Castro (SI)
Rosita P. Gozar (+DA)
Katie Kram (+)

Friday, March 9 - 7:15am

Rhonda Hicks (SI)

St. Basil the Great Church will host the Solano Deanery's 2018 "24 Hours With The Lord" Adoration.

Each parish in the deanery will spend time with the blessed sacrament. Adorers will engage in prayer, word and song.

The schedule is listed below:

Friday 9 March 2018:

8 AM (exposition) to 3 PM – St. Basil

3PM to 6 PM – St. Mary's Vacaville

6 PM to 9 PM – PES Congregation

(reposition during stations of the cross)

9 PM to midnight – St. Catherine

Midnight to 3 AM – Holy Spirit

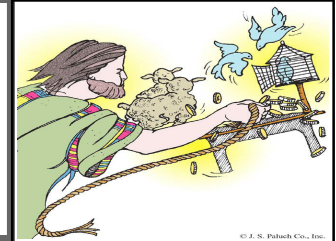
3 AM to 6 AM – Mt. Carmel

6 AM to 9 AM – St. Vincent

9 AM to noon – St. Dominic

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU!!!

The spirit of St. Basil the Great Church was overwhelming as we celebrated Fr. Lawrence's short but indelible mark he made in our parish. Thank you to all who planned, made those plans come to fruition, all the donors, helpers and all who joined in the celebration. God is good! Amen! Amen!



16th Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner -

The St. Basil Knights of Columbus invite you to their 16th Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner on March 17th in the School gym. No host cocktails at 6:30pm and dinner at 7:30pm. Tickets are \$20 each, children 5 and under are free. Tickets are available after Mass, at the parish office and the school office. Buy early, only a few tickets may be sold at the door.

BIBLE STUDY—

The Acts of the Apostles is the first history of the Church, and as such, merits a study as careful as it is well-researched. Luke's motive in writing this book was very simple: to defend and teach the new faith in a beautiful work of apologetics. Steve Ray and Fr. Patrick Winslow are your guides on this 1,000+ verse journey into the hearts and minds of the early Christians. Harmonizing history, theology, and eternal truth, St. Luke's witness is a stirring invitation to follow the one he followed—the one who brought death to its knees.

In 28 comprehensive lessons, you will learn:

- How the Apostles' message of repentance is just as vital for us today
- Why the Church was able to survive brutal, constant persecutions
- How we can be filled with the same Holy Spirit that inspired Peter, Paul, and all the early Christians. The Acts of the Apostles are the acts of those with hearts on fire. We are called to the same fearless love, no matter what challenges or persecutions come our way. Let Steve Ray and Fr. Winslow unpack this story of hope for you, and let your heart beat with the same fervor that inspired the first Christians. Join us for a Bible Study on Act of the Apostles by Steve Ray, Catholic Scripture Study International.

When: 1st 3 Thursdays of the month, starting March 1, 2018

Time: 7 PM - 9 PM

Where: Fr. Garrigan Room

Contact: Gus Fama, gusfama@yahoo.com

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.

Katie Abeyta, Cecilia Angeles, Shirley Balangon, Yolande Bekhit, Ismael Beltran, Ralph Cruz, Tess Crowe, Simon Daus, Marissa Esplana, Pepper Golesh, Maria Holgado, Miriam Holgado, Severina Ilagan, Aly Rose Jacobsen, Lillibeth Janerol, Bessie Lucas, Myrna Magat, Joaquin Manibusan, Paul B. Manibusan, Vic Mararac, Dolly Marquez, Proceso Marquez, Jr., Winnie Meadows, Anna Nalty, Corazon R. Ocbina, Dolores Owens, Nicholas Policar, Lorens Quidet, Ed Sablan, Sarah Saldajeno, Adriana Silva, Efrain Tirado, Matilda Wilson, Erlando Yambao, Zeke Wilson

Set Clocks Ahead



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Please pray with our Lazarus Ministry for all who recently departed especially:
+Raul Cruz
+Erna Deliman
+Franklin Reyes