

St. Basil's Church

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, of St. Basil's Parish, strive to be a welcoming community of Christian believers - Empowered by the Spirit - Challenged and nourished by the Word of God - Discerning together the way of Jesus - Supporting and nurturing one another in love - Compassionately committed to the poor and oppressed - Harnessing the wealth of our gifts - In joyful celebration - Rich in a heritage built by laity and Basilians, - We journey in hope.

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m. Sunday Morning Mass: 10:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY LITURGIES

No Mass on Fridays

Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m.

Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 8:00 a.m. every

Wednesday, followed by Benediction, before Mass at 9:00 a.m.

The Rosary at 8:30 a.m. every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday before Mass.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Every Saturday at 4:00 to 4:45 pm before the Vigil Mass; or by appointment - please call the Parish Office.

PASTOR: Fr. Adolphus Chukwuka

PARISH OFFICE ADMINISTRATION: 613-729-5149

CUSTODIAN: Ibrahim Kreit

PARISH WEBSITE: www.stbasilsparish.ca

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Greg Mathieu (Chair)	gregmathieu66@gmail.com
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Jennifer Leddy	leddy@sympatico.ca
Lindsay Moore-Chung	lindsay.moore-chung@ocsb.ca
Peter Veselovsky	peteratkonnexis@gmail.com
Susan Fekete	stbasilsfamilyfaith@gmail.com

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to Saint Basil's Parish. We invite you to fill out the white registration card found on the table in the Church entry and put it in the collection plate. If you have requested envelopes please check the table in a couple of weeks. If you have any questions or concerns please leave a contact number with the Parish Office and a member of the parish will gladly contact you.

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Daniel Elementary School	613-225-4603
Notre Dame High School	613-722-6565
Frank Ryan Intermediate School	613-224-8833

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Bulletin Submission - must be received at the Parish office by 9:00 a.m. on Monday morning.

PARISH EMAIL: stbasilsparish@gmail.com

FINANCE COUNCIL

Michelle Gleeson (Chair)	613-729-5299
André St-Jacques (Chair: Premises Ctte)	613-728-6636
Qing Yang	613-224-7033
Michael Monette	613-724-2369
Patricia Marrs	613-858-4056
Jim Shields	613-728-8504

OUR FOUR CENTRAL PARISH MINISTRIES

LITURGY MINISTRY

Altar Servers	Lindsay Moore-Chung	613-845-0404
Altar Society	Jane Hiscock	613-226-8285
Children's Liturgy	Parish Office	613-729-5149
Director of Music	Chantal Balthazar	613-322-1282
Eucharistic Minister	Margo Latimer	613-225-8553
Environment	Call Parish Office	613-729-5149
Funeral Assistants	Pat Latimer	613-225-8553
	Michael Gleeson	613-729-5299
Hospitality Ministers	Paul Davis	613-225-3449
Liturgy Coordination	Sr. Jean Goulet	613-729-5149
Lectors	Elizabeth Elliot	613-692-2915
Sacristan	Danielle Allard	613-806-6387
Sound System	Kevin Murnaghan	613-878-7028
Videographer	Ed Loziuk	613-221-9330

OUTREACH MINISTRY

Mission & Social Justice	Jean-Paul Ruszkowski	613-617-9170
Refugee Committee Co-Chairs	Terry Tunney	613-722-4472
	Bill Elliott	613-226-3509
Social Action	Mary Ross	613-797-9460
Food Cupboard	Michael Gleeson	613-729-5299

FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY

Infant Baptism Ministry	Natasha Randing	natasha_randing@yahoo.com
St. Basil's Young Adult Coordinator	Christian Veselovsky	christianveselovsky@gmail.com
St. Daniel's School Council	Aaron & Tracy Ludmer	613-883-2855
1st Communion	Parish Office	613-729-5149
Marriage	Call Parish Office	613-729-5149
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults	Call Parish Office	613-729-5149
Women in the Church Ministry		
Co-ordinator	Terry Tunney	613-722-4472
Communications	Catherine Casserly	613-291-9438

PARISH VITALITY MINISTRY

Coffee Sundays	Tom Charlebois	613-915-1206
St. Basil's Bridge Club	John Power	613-290-2010
	Michelle Gleeson	613-729-5299
Caring Ministries Prayer Shawl Coordinators	Skippy Hale	613-433-1131
	Carolyn Elliott	613-226-3509
Catholic Women's League	Elizabeth Elliot	613-692-2915
Collections	Elizabeth Elliot	613-692-2915
Knights of Columbus	Pat Latimer	613-225-8553
Webmaster	Aaron Ludmer	613-883-2855
Parish Communications	stbasilsparish@gmail.com	
Green Team	Margaret Bott	613-270-4809

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR A



Celebrating the 65th Year of
Faith and Community

*"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven
has come near."*

Matthew 3:1-12

Mass Intentions

Saturday Vigil, December 6, 5:00 p.m. Second Sunday of Advent.

Sunday, December 7, 10:00 a.m. Second Sunday of Advent. Mass Intention for the repose of the soul of †Cindy Hughes, requested by the Hale family.

Monday, December 8, 9:00 a.m. Mass. Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass Intention for the repose of the soul of †Robert Masnyk requested by Peggy Masnyk, Mass Intention for †Tiia Haapio, special friend of Robert Czerny (her funeral takes place today in Finland).

Tuesday, December 9, 9:00 a.m. Mass. Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin.

Wednesday, December 10, 9:00 a.m. Our Lady of Loreto.

Thursday, December 11, 9:00 a.m. Mass. Saint Damasus I.

Friday, December 12, 9:00 a.m. No Mass. Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Saturday Vigil, December 13, 5:00 p.m. Third Sunday of Advent. Kateri Native Ministry Mass. (Please note there is a purification ceremony involving smoke.) For reconciliation between Indigenous Peoples and the Church.

Sunday, December 14, 10:00 a.m. Third Sunday of Advent.

Sick in Our Parish: We pray for Helen Filion, Anna Rosa Falcioni, Rose Fekete, Mary Emery, Barbara Gates, Claire Mulvihill, Amanda Monette, Jacqueline Lawlor, Joachim Balan, Jeffrey Harris, Richard Hamelin, Leo Sayn-Wittgenstein, for special intentions for the healing of parishioners, and for those who care for them.

Please Note: Summaries of Fr. Adolphus Chukwuka's homilies will be available after Mass at the back of the Church.

From the Pastor's Desk: **Journeying Through the Virtues** VIRTUE OF THE WEEK **HUMILITY:**

The virtue of Humility is the starting point of the spiritual life. Small deeds done with humility are infinitely more pleasing to God than great deeds done out of pride. Self-knowledge will lead humility to take root in our lives and souls. The inner dignity born of humility is astoundingly attractive. It pays to be humble.

God is good, all the time!

Fr Adolphus

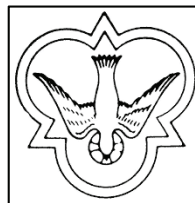
Deceased in our Parish: We pray for all those who have died in our community, especially, †Cindy Hughes, †Robert Masnyk, †Tiia Haapio, †Joe Emery, and those who have died in war and global conflict, and for those who mourn.

Events of the Week

Sunday, December 7, 11:00 am. Children's Christmas Party after Mass.

Wednesday, December 3, at 1:00 pm: Bridge Club.

Wednesday, December 10 at 7:30 pm: Choir Rehearsal for 10:00 am Mass.



Registration is now open **for Confirmation** **Preparation**

Classes will be on the last Tuesday of each month from 6 pm to 8 pm, beginning on January 27. You will need your Baptism certificate or a certified copy. Date of confirmation is to be determined. Please contact the parish Office.

Carol Sing – a Good Start to Advent!

Service at Kitchissippi United Church this Sunday Dec. 7 at 4pm. Free offering with all funds going to **Carlington Community Connection**, previously Chaplaincy.



St. Basil's Christmas Dinner 2025

Our CWL and Knights of Columbus will again be celebrating the festive season by hosting **St. Basil's Annual Christmas Turkey Dinner, Sunday, December 14th at 6:00pm** in the Parish Hall. Tickets are \$25.00 and will be on sale after all Masses starting November 22nd as well as from the Parish office. Please purchase your tickets early, as it was a complete sellout last year. Come out and enjoy an evening with good friends and great food.



Christmas Masses & New Year's Day

Christmas Eve: Wednesday,
Dec. 24 at 4:30 and 9 p.m.
(Carols at 8:30pm)

Christmas Day: Thursday,
Dec. 25 at 10 a.m.

Saturday: Dec. 27, Vigil Mass of The Holy Family

Sunday: Dec. 28, Feast of The Holy Family

New Year's Eve: Wednesday, Dec 31 at 5 pm
Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary

New Year's Day: Thursday, Jan 1 at 10am
The Solemnity of Mary, and the

Interfaith Prayer for Peace: Jan 1 at 4 p.m.

Saturday, Jan 3 at 5 pm:

Vigil of the Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday: January 4 at 10 am:

The Epiphany of the Lord



St. Basil's Cultural Fair- February 15

The Mission and Social Justice Committee is planning a pre-Lenten fair on February 15 with food, art, music and displays of the rich cultural heritage that makes up our parish community. Please contact Rosemary Williams for more information (613-829-1912) — and join our small planning group if you can.



St Basil's Christmas Hamper Program 2025

With the snow arriving, It is that time of year again

– the launch of the St Basil's Christmas Hamper program! Thank you in advance to St Basil's parishioners for your continuous generosity with this Program. Each year approximately 100 people (adults & children) are touched by YOUR kindness. The key dates to remember are as follows:

- **November 22nd, 2025:** The children's Gift tags available on the Giving Tree in the Narthex for parishioners to pick up.

- **November 24th to December 14th, 2025:** Wrapped gifts ALONG with the gift tags can be returned to either the parish office or under Christmas tree in Narthex.

- **Weekend of December 13th/14th, 2025:** The Absolute deadline to return the wrapped gift ALONG with the gift tags.

- **Thursday December 18th, 2025:** Assembly of Christmas hampers for delivery; (food boxes, METRO gift cards and children's gifts). Assembly will take place in church hall in the afternoon. Volunteers are needed to help with this activity. Please notify Michael/Michelle Gleeson if you can help out.

- **Weekend of December 20th / 21st, 2025:** Volunteers are needed for delivery of food boxes and children's gifts to people in need. Distribution will take place in the Narthex after both weekend Masses. Deliveries are to be completed as soon as possible as this is the week of Christmas.

On behalf of the recipients of these food boxes and Christmas gifts, THANK YOU VERY MUCH for your continued generosity and support of this program. Michael Gleeson – Social Action

"Seeds are buried in the earth, and there, to our wonder, life springs up, even in the most unexpected places, pointing to the promise of new beginnings... in Christ, we too are seeds, and indeed, 'seeds of peace and hope.'" | **Pope Leo XIV from Journey with the Pope**



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