

# 2ND SUNDAY of Easter



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**Reconciliation/  
Confession**

**SATURDAYS:**  
3:30 - 4:30PM  
OR BY APPOINTMENT



**Mass**

**MONDAY-FRIDAY:** 8:00AM  
**SATURDAY VIGIL:** 5:00PM  
**SUNDAY:** 7:30AM, 9:00AM,  
11:00AM, 5:30PM



**Eucharistic  
Adoration**

**MONDAYS &  
WEDNESDAYS:**  
8:30AM - 9:00PM

## Parish Directory

**PARISH OFFICE:** 440-526-1686  
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**ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL:** 440-717-0398

## Office Hours

**MONDAY-FRIDAY:** 8:00AM - 7:00PM  
**SATURDAY:** 8:30AM - 2:00PM  
**SUNDAY:** CLOSED

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## Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



**Monday, April 8, 2024**

**8:00am Lydia Weiss** (*Carol Weiss*)

**Tuesday, April 9, 2024**

**8:00am Maria Gentile** (*Joanne Talani*)

**Wednesday, April 10, 2024**

**8:00am Catherine Shuster** (*Family*)

**Thursday, April 11, 2024**

**8am Carmen Gangale** (*Josephine, Wife*)

**Friday, April 12, 2024**

**8am Diane V. Woznak** (*Family*)

**Saturday, April 13, 2024**

**5:00pm Loretta & Clarence Quinn**  
(*Dennis & Donna Domanick*) (*Fr. Liptak*)

**Sunday, April 14, 2024**

**7:30am Robert John Stachowicz** (*Mom, Dolores*)  
(*Fr. Liptak*)

**9:00am Leonard & Harriet Szplet and John & Lottie Binkowski** (*Family*) (*Fr. Mann*)

**11:00am Samuel Sliman** (*Amy Serpentine*)  
(*Fr. Mann*)

**5:30pm Parishioners of St. Basil** (*Fr. Liptak*)

### Offertory March 31, 2024

Regular weekly collection \$22,930.75  
ACH March 2024 \$2,037.25

### *For the month of March, 2024*

*Life Teen \$3,619.50*

*SVDP \$4,216.00*

*Thank you for your continued support!*



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# Welcome



**Third Sunday of Easter**  
**Easter Sunday**  
**April 14, 2024**

**Readings to help us prepare for Mass:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 John 2: 1-5a**

**Gospel: Luke 24: 35-48**

*"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet-  
and a light unto my path"*

# Divine Mercy Sunday



Please join us today,  
April 7th at 3pm for  
Divine Mercy Sunday.



*Jesus I trust in you!*

*"For the sake of His sorrowful passion...have  
mercy on us, and on the whole world".*



**The Mass  
Intention Book  
for 2025 will be  
open:**

- Thursday, May 2nd in the Parish Office
- Doors will not open before 8:30am
- You are permitted 2 masses: one weekday and one weekend mass.
- Masses remain \$10.00 a mass (cash or check-checks should be made out to St. Basil)

Please stop in the parish office if you are interested in scheduling a mass for your deceased family members or a special intention for you or your family.



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# BECOMING A MAN

## After God's Own Heart

### Men's Ministry

Two Day Retreat

May 10<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>

St. Basil's Parish Center

Register Online  
[basilthegreat.org](http://basilthegreat.org)  
or  
Scan QR Code



with **Deacon Dave & Fr. Ryan**



St. Michael and St. Basil the Great Partnership  
**Application for Tuition Scholarship**

St. Basil Endowment Scholarships  
in honor of Jim Cozzens  
for St. Michael School Students  
**2024-2025 School Year**

For those students entering grades kindergarten through the eighth grade.

Dear Family,

Enclosed is an application for the St. Basil Endowment Scholarship in honor of Jim Cozzens. Each family can complete one application for each child enrolled in St. Michael School.

This year St. Basil the Great will award:

Sixteen \$3,000 tuition scholarships for grades first thru eight  
and  
four \$3,000 tuition scholarships for students entering kindergarten  
to attend St. Michael School.

These scholarships are being funded by the St. Basil Endowment Fund. To be considered for the scholarship you will also need to apply for Ed Choice/ Cleveland/Jon Peterson/ or Autism Scholarships **AND** the Angel Scholarship Fund. The scholarship is open to students that are registered members of St. Basil the Great Parish. Students must complete the accompanying scholarship application. Please drop off the scholarship application/s to St. Basil rectory office by **April 30, 2024**.

In Him,

Fr. Ryan Mann,  
Pastor

*life teen*  
**SUMMER TRIPS**

*sign up today!*

**STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE**



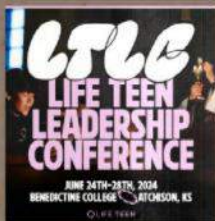
**WHEN?** July 12-14, 2024

**WHERE?** Franciscan University

**WHO?** incoming 9th graders -  
graduating seniors



**LIFE TEEN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE**



**WHEN?** June 23 - June 29 2024

**WHERE?** Benedictine College

**WHO?** incoming 11th and 12th  
graders



**TOLLE LEGE SUMMER INSTITUTE**



**WHEN?** June 16 - 21 or June 23 - 28

**WHERE?** Borromeo Seminary

**WHO?** incoming 12th graders





## Another Chapter

Recently my spiritual director told me that my life has been a series of comings and goings. That one comment brought clarity to my own future and my spiritual journey.

To understand how that comment impacted me, you would have to embrace the spiritual truth, each of us have been created and gifted by God for a purpose (Eph. 2:10 & Ps. 139:16). Growing up in a Pre-Vatican II Church, that truth was unknown to me. My faith was practiced more than lived until Anne and I, newly married, moved to Charlotte, N.C. There we entered a church that had implemented the reforms of Vatican II, and we encountered people whose belief in a loving God was evident and who worshipped during mass. I knew instantly I was deficient and knew I desired to believe as they believed. To worship as they worshipped and to feel God's presence daily.

That desire turned into a quest to discover and encounter Jesus who gave up His life so that I could live. There were no programs like we have today to help guide and shape our faith. My pursuit to discover God was intellectual which left me wandering in a wilderness of confusion and desire. So, I did the next best thing and that was to volunteer. I became active: service to the community by works of kindness but I continued to struggle with a desire to encounter God.

My life up to this point involved a series of moves. Before my eighteenth birthday my family had moved three times. Anne and I married and over the next twenty years we lived in Charlotte N.C., Malaysia, Vermont, eastern N. Carolina, Singapore, Avon Lake Ohio, Brecksville, Knoxville, and Broadview Heights. With each move we left behind friends, routines, and predictability. What we faced was starting over, uncertainty and new experiences. All the while I was still striving to move my faith from my head to my heart. Ten years after Charlotte in Vermont I realize a simple truth and that was to stop trying and invite God into my life. On a Saturday summer morning, I drove alone up into the Green Mountains and sat on a rocky overcrop all day until I finally said yes to whatever God was calling me to do. I felt relieved and frightened but knew God was there with me.

I began reading the scriptures and began a personal prayer life walking, talking, and listening to God who was revealing His love and mercy to me. That year was 1973, ten years after encountering the community of St. Ann's in Charlotte. I began giving talks around the Diocese creating a desire in others to encounter a loving merciful God. It was then that my pastor talked to me about becoming a Deacon. Little did I know God was still working on me and let me know it was not time to take that step. The next twenty years were years of spiritual growth and formation. Lesson learned was to never underestimate the impact your faith has on someone who is searching.

Now it is time for another move. Not away but a more defined focus. After discussion with my Spiritual Director and Fr. Ryan I'm changing the ways I minister here at St. Basil the Great. I will continue to pray with those who need to know God care, counsel individuals as they are struggling with their own brokenness, guiding individuals spiritually and give talks when invited. I will continue to be on the baptism schedule and as I have always tried to do, I will be open to where the Lord may be leading me in the future.

It has been my pleasure to serve you and you will never realize how much I have cherished your trust, your support, and your prayers over the years. *Deacon Dave*

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER— DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

**SENIOR BROWN BAG  
lunch Friends**

Bring a brown bag lunch.  
Meet a new friend!

**April 24**

11:30 am - 1:00 pm  
Family Life Center meeting room.



**DONUT SUNDAY**

**Welcome**

JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND  
DONUTS AFTER ALL THE  
SUNDAY MORNING MASSES IN  
THE PARISH CENTER  
APRIL 21, 2024



**He is Risen**



***A Blessed Easter  
at  
St. Basil the  
Great!***





Attention High  
School Seniors!  
Applications for the  
Thomas C. Ellis  
CYO High School Senior  
Athletic Scholarship

are available at the Parish Office. This is a one-time \$500.00 Scholarship Award given to a selected high school senior who is a St. Basil Parishioner, involved in CYO athletics, has a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, displays leadership qualities and school/community involvement and plans to pursue a degree at an accredited U.S. post-secondary institution. **The application deadline is Friday, April 19, 2024.** The selection committee will make their decision by May 17, 2024.



St. Catherine Food Pantry  
In the month of March, 2024:

301 households were served including a total of **960** individuals and an estimated **14,400** meals were provided.

Checks are payable to  
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Faith  
in  
GOD

# 2024 Day of Action!

You're invited to Created Equal's Day of Action—now in four cities across Ohio!

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CLASSROOM TRAINING: APRIL 11, 6:30 PM-8:30 PM  
OUTREACH & DEBRIEF: APRIL 12, 9:00 AM-2:30 PM

St. Basil the Great Catholic Church: Family Life Center Meeting Room  
8700 Brecksville Rd. Brecksville, OH 44141

Lunch is included. Please register to attend.

Scan the QR code or go to [CreatedEqual.org/Action](https://CreatedEqual.org/Action) for more information and to register today!





# ENCOUNTER AND SERVE:

Serving with Heart and  
Finding Jesus in Community

Saturday | May 4th, 2024

Sign Up Online: [bit.ly/encounterserve2024](https://bit.ly/encounterserve2024)



Our Parish Days of Service are back.



**Encounter and Serve:**  
**Serving with Heart and**  
**Finding Jesus in Community**  
will begin with 7:30 AM Mass, followed by a  
brief gathering in the Parish Center.

Contact: Mary Tuininga  
[ecnalg@protonmail.com](mailto:ecnalg@protonmail.com) | call/text 330.317.3899

Flourish Women's Ministry

# The Way of Imperfection

Why are we tempted to boast about our successes and hide our failures?



Based on the book "The Way of Imperfection," Jen Ricard will provide insights and encouragement for descending into the heart of our own poverty to discover God's unconditional love and mercy.

**April 11th**  
**Thursday | 7pm | Parish Center**



Pizza & salad will be provided.  
Bring a friend and your favorite beverage

Registration is encouraged with the QR code or at [basilthegreat.org/forms](http://basilthegreat.org/forms). For more information, connect with us at [flourish@basilthegreat.org](mailto:flourish@basilthegreat.org).



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St. Basil Moms, you and your families are invited to our

# Mother's Day Brunch

**Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**10:00 AM**  
**FLC**

Details & RSVP  
[basilthegreat.org](http://basilthegreat.org)



## Virtus Training at St. Basil's

Volunteers who work with minors must complete all of the Virtus Compliance requirements before they can be approved to volunteer. These requirements are listed on our website: [www.basilthegreat.org/protection](http://www.basilthegreat.org/protection)

St. Basil will host Virtus Training on **Monday, April 22, 2024 at 6:30pm** in the Family Life Center (FLC) meeting room.



## The Catholic Home Missions Appeal will be taken up in the Diocese of Cleveland the weekend of April 27-28, 2024.

Nearly 40% of the dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training and other programs that build vibrant faith communities, right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).



STRENGTHENING THE CHURCH AT HOME



*Please Join Us  
for prayer & a presentation  
“Resettling Refugees in Cleveland”*

6:45pm - 8:00pm Monday, April 29th  
in the Parish Center Main Hall

Sr. Rita Mary Harwood, SND will share her knowledge about the current work Catholic Charities is doing to resettle refugees in the Cleveland Catholic Diocese.

Topics to be covered:

*Who are the current groups of refugees being assisted?*

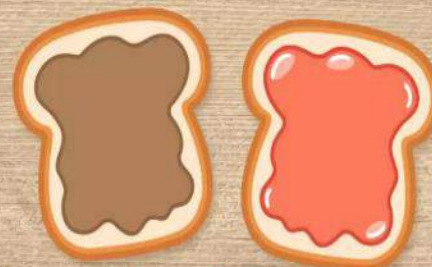
*What can St. Basil parishioners and attendees do to help?*

*Attendees are invited to donate a Walmart Gift Card for Sr. Rita Mary’s work with the refugees.*

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Join us for Sandwich Saturday!  
9:00 am in the Parish Center



The next Sandwich Saturday

April 13

May 4

**Bring peanut butter and jelly, bread, bag of fruit, sandwich baggies, and a breakfast treat to share. Sandwiches are taken to local shelters to help those in need.**



Food Pantry: End of the month food and household supplies for the Food Pantry is **April 28, 2024.**



**\*\*\***Don't forget to pick up a green grocery bag the weekend of **April 21st** in the Church vestibules.

**\*\*\*Checks should be made out to St. Basil the Great**

Don't forget our fur babies! Dog and cat food is also needed and appreciated. Please place dog/cat food in separate bags.

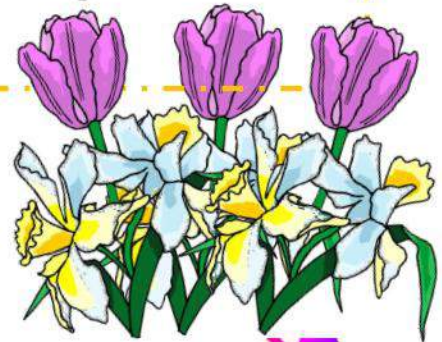


### Spring Spirit Drive at AM 1260 The Rock!



The Spring Spirit Drive is coming to listener-supported AM 1260 The Rock: Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> - Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>.

Join us LIVE as we entrust this pledge drive to the Two Hearts of Jesus & Mary. Our chaplain, Fr. Doug Brown, Debbie Georgianni, EWTN personalities, and local clergy & guests will lead the efforts to keep Catholic Radio on the Cleveland airwaves. You don't have to wait for the Pledge Drive to support this most vital apostolate. Visit [www.am1260therock.com](http://www.am1260therock.com) and click on the orange "Donate Now" tab in the upper right corner or call us at 216-227-1260. Catholic radio continues to change lives and convert hearts. Thank you for your generous support!!



**St. Basil  
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Thursday,  
May 23rd  
12Noon-7pm  
And  
Sunday, May 26th  
from  
8:30am till 2:30pm**

*Give the Gift of Life  
Blood is needed!*

**Save the**



A time for moms and tots to play and pray!

Upcoming dates: 9:00 am in the *Come Join the Fun*  
**FLC-Gym** *Play N Pray*  
**Friday: May 3, 2024**



# TRIDUUM

March 2024

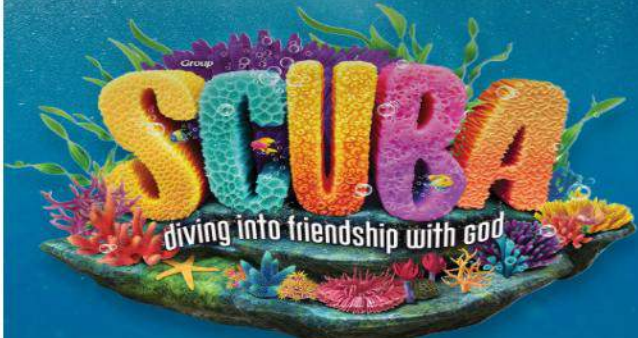


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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
**JULY 29<sup>TH</sup> - AUGUST 2<sup>ND</sup>**  
**9:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

*\*Registration for participants opens in May\**




### CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Our Cancer Support Group welcomes all who have been touched by cancer in some way. Patients, survivors, loved ones, caregivers- whatever your journey. This group is formed to give those in need the support, strength, faith and hope to move forward together, rather than on your own.

**What:** Cancer Support Group

**When:** Third Thursday of each month 6:30 pm

**Next meeting:** April 18, 2024

**Where:** Parish Office- Pieta Room

*For additional info please contact:*

*Betsy Glosik-440-476-6269 or*

*Nancy Farinacci - 440-488-9284*



### Prayer for Spiritual Communion

You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.  
*Amen*

### In Loving Memory



**REVEREND JAMES M. CASSIDY**  
Senior Priest-Retired for the  
Diocese of Cleveland  
March 24, 2024



**BESSIE CASSARO**  
Mother of Theresa Lesh  
March 27, 2024



*We pray for all of our deceased loved ones,  
may they rest in peace.*

### Widowers Meetings

Our next Breakfast Meeting for April 13, 2024 at 8:30am (*Note time change*) at Rumas, 12841 State Rd., South of Rt. 82 intersection.

*All Monthly Dinners have been discontinued.*

All area widowers regardless of church affiliation, who might benefit from the support and fellowship provided by and with a group of men who have experienced a similar loss of spouse, are invited to attend the above activities.

Contact **Joseph Piskac (440-799-0829)** or **Joe Kocurkovic (440-838-1184)** for more information or questions.



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