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JOHN 6:55



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Mass

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Monday, August 19, 2024
8:00am **Dan Woznicki** (*Audrey Woznicki*)

Tuesday, August 20, 2024
8:00am **Deceased Members of the Arceci Family** (*Family*)

Wednesday, August 21, 2024
8:00am **Richard Mayer** (*Chris & Joan Mayer*)

Thursday, August 22, 2024
8am **Dr. Louis D'Isidori**
(*Cosmo Berardinelli*)

Friday, August 23, 2024
8am **Thomas D. Ganley** (*Family*)

Saturday, August 24, 2024
5:00pm **Therese Bilek** (*Family*) (*Fr. Liptak*)

Sunday, August 25, 2024
7:30am **Parishioners of St. Basil** (*Fr. Liptak*)
9:00am **Josephine & William Marrali**
(*Marie Marrali*) (*Fr. Liptak*)
11:00am **Chris Mather** (*The Mather Family*)
(*Fr. Mann*)
5:30pm **Charles & Andriana Bertonaschi & Liveo & Rosina Rondini**
(*The Sarfi Family*) (*Fr. Mann*)

Offertory August 11, 2024

Regular weekly collection \$30,392.00

Monthly maintenance \$1,878.00



Thank you for your continued support!

Welcome



St. Basil the Great
CATHOLIC CHURCH
Justitia vincit Iniquitatem



21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 25, 2024

Readings to help us prepare for Mass:

1st Reading: Joshua 24: 1-2a, 15-17, 18b

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5: 21-32

Gospel: John 6: 60-69

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

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

With gratitude to all the generous individuals and businesses who supported St. Basil's Annual Golf Outing held on July 18th at Sleepy Hollow to support the parish's Endowment Fund.

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**RCIA– August 26th in the
Family Life Center– 7pm**

*Journey of Faith:
RCIA Enrollment and Invitation*

As we embrace the warmth of summer and prepare for the blessings of the upcoming season, we are excited to announce the opening of our RCIA program for the new year. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a journey of faith, exploring the depths of our Catholic tradition, and welcoming new members into our vibrant parish community.

What is RCIA?

RCIA is a process designed for individuals interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith. Whether you are seeking Baptism, Holy Communion, or Confirmation or simply wish to deepen your understanding of the Catholic Church, RCIA offers a supportive and enriching path.

Who Should Consider RCIA?

Inquirers: Those who are not yet baptized but wish to learn more about the Catholic faith.

Candidates: Those who have been baptized in another Christian tradition and wish to join the Catholic Church.

Catechumens: Those who have not been baptized.

What to Expect?

Participants will embark on a spiritual journey with fellow seekers and parish mentors, engaging in weekly sessions that include prayer, discussion, and reflection. The RCIA process is a mix of formal instruction and personal exploration, culminating in the reception of the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil.

How to Get Involved?

If you are interested in joining the RCIA program or know someone who might be, please get in touch with our RCIA coordinator, Fr. Liptak, or visit our parish office. We will hold an introductory meeting on **August 26th at 7:00 PM in the Family Life Center**, where you can learn more about the process, meet the team, and ask any questions you may have.

We invite everyone to pray for those who are considering this journey, that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit and find a welcoming home in our parish community.

Let us come together in faith, hope, and love as we support those taking these first steps on their spiritual journey. May this be a time of growth and transformation for all involved.

Blessings,

Fr. Liptak

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Study Cost \$55 (includes book)

COURSE OFFERED WEDNESDAY EVENING OR THURSDAY MORNING

**BABYSITTING AVAILABLE THURSDAY MORNINGS
STUDY RUNS END OF SEPTEMBER THRU APRIL**

FOR MORE INFO OR TO SIGN UP USE QR CODE
OR VISIT: [BASILTHEGREAT.ORG/FORMS](https://basilthegreat.org/forms)



WE'RE STILL IN NEED OF BABYSITTERS!! IF YOU FEEL CALLED TO HELP WITH THIS MINISTRY, PLEASE VISIT THE BIBLE STUDY SIGN UP.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PSR Registration is now available online.

If you have a child entering 1st - 8th grade in the fall, please register for PSR at Basilthegreat.org/psr.

You can register and pay online!

Email Andrea at awasinski@basilthegreat.org or call 440-526-3520 with questions.

BACKPACK BLESSING



As parents, you have a spiritual authority over your children to bless them. We recommend that Dad and/or Mom prays this prayer over their children and sprinkles them and their backpacks with Holy Water to start the new year.

Gracious God, we come before You as parents, seeking Your blessings upon our children as they embark on a new school year.

Bless these backpacks, that they may carry their best efforts, their hopes, and sometimes their rushed or forgotten work. May these bags be a symbol of learning, growth, and the journey of faith.

St. Joseph, patron of workers and families, we ask for your intercession. Just as you protected and guided the Holy Family, watch over our children as they navigate their studies and friendships.

St. Michael the Archangel, defender against evil, safeguard our children from any harm or negativity they may encounter. May their backpacks be a shield against distractions and anxieties.

Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, wrap your mantle of love around our children. May their backpacks remind them of your maternal care and inspire them to seek wisdom and virtue.

St. Thomas Aquinas, patron of students, inspire our children's minds. May their backpacks hold not only textbooks but also the desire to seek truth and knowledge.

Heavenly Father, we ask You to consecrate these backpacks. As we sprinkle them with holy water, may Your grace flow through them, protecting our children, guiding their thoughts, and fostering a spirit of joy and curiosity.

Parents, take a moment now to sprinkle holy water over the backpacks. You can also trace the sign of the cross on your children's foreheads as an act of blessing.

May this school year be filled with growth, friendship, and a deepening of faith.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



ST. BASIL READING LIST



Check out our podcast *St. Basil Back to School Reading List* on basilthegreat.podbean.com

Katie's Picks for Kids

- A book for Mass: *Jesus is Here* by Mary E. Wingfield, Ed.D.
- A book from the library: *The Berenstain Bears Book series*
- A book I would give: *God's Glorious Girl* or *God's Brave Boy* by Emily Wilson Hussem
- Others we love: *Tiny Saints Board Books* (I am Little Too), *Shining Light Dolls Books* (Saints on the Go), *Word on Fire* (Bless the Lord)



"These are books that I love for my girls (ages 2 and 6 months)!"
-Katie, Life Teen Admin Assistant

For the Family

- *Chronicles of Narnia* by C.S. Lewis
- *Lord of the Rings* by J.R.R. Tolkien
- *Pray for Us: 75 Saints Who Sinned, Suffered, and Struggled on Their Way to Holiness* by Meg Hunter-Kilmer
- *The Catholic All Year Compendium: Liturgical Living for Real Life* by Kendra Tierney
- *Signs of Life* by Scott Hahn
- *Habits of the Household* by Justin Whitmel Earley
- For mom and dad: *The Little Way of Living with Less* by Laraine Bennett and *The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry* by John Mark Comer

Staff Favorites

- *33 Days to Eucharistic Glory* by Matthew Kelly, recommended by Stephanie Baka
- *He Leadeth Me* by Fr. Walter Ciszek, recommended by Tommy Dome
- *Surprised by Joy* by C.S. Lewis, recommended by Joe Mannarino
- *Welcoming the Holy Spirit with Padre Pio* by Susan De Bartoli, recommended by Gregory Papparizos
- *Cry of the Heart* by Lorenzo Albacete, recommended by Fr. Ryan

Senior Potluck Cook Out

Parish Center

Sept. 11 @ 11:30 am

Bring a side dish to share.
Ice Cream Sundae Bar!
Fr. Ryan will be grilling
Cheeseburgers!

Lunch is free but
registration is
needed. Register at
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ST. BASIL THE GREAT
LIFE TEEN

Fall
2024

SCHEDULE

OPEN
NOW!

FRESHMAN
CONFIRMATION
ENROLLMENT

FALL KICK OFF!

Join us in the Family Life Center following 5:30pm Mass

SEP
08

SEP
12

GUY/GIRL
GROUP NIGHTS

CONFIRMATION
SESSION #1

SEP
15



MORE INFO:

BASILTEEN.COM



Food Pantry

Food Pantry: End of the month food and household supplies for the Food Pantry Is **August 25, 2024.**



***Don't forget to pick up a green grocery bag **this weekend, August 18th** 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.



Church vestibule



Meet for coffee after weekday mass!
Thursday @8:30 am
September 5
October 3
November 7

Join the ST BASIL CHOIRS



Be a part of something amazing...

CHOIRS RESUME THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 16TH

CONTEMPORARY CHOIR: REHEARSES TUESDAYS AT 6:30PM AND SINGS SATURDAYS AT 5:00 PM MASS

TRADITIONAL CHOIR: REHEARSES THURSDAYS AT 6:00 PM AND SINGS SUNDAYS AT 9:00AM MASS

RESURRECTION CHOIR (FUNERAL CHOIR) SINGS AT ALL PARISH FUNERALS

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JOIN THE CHILDREN'S

Christmas CHOIR



BEGINS OCTOBER 1 AND RUNS 12 WEEKS UP TO CHRISTMAS
PRACTICES TUESDAYS IN THE CHURCH FROM 5:30-6:15PM
SINGS AT PARISH CHRISTMAS CONCERT AND CHRISTMAS EVE
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The Civility Pledge

Guided by the principles of Pope Francis's encyclical, *Fratelli Tutti*, the U. S. Council of Catholic Bishops has developed a Civility Pledge, which the Social Concerns Commission shares in this Civilize It dialogue.

Charity

- ✓ To affirm through my words and actions the dignity of every person, each made in God's image. Even those with whom I disagree are made in his image.
- ✓ To respectfully listen in order to understand experiences different from my own.

Clarity

- ✓ To engage in critical examination to ensure that my perspectives are rooted in truth, that my sources of information are unbiased, and that I do not open myself to manipulation by partisan interests.
- ✓ To form my conscience through prayerful reflection, study of scripture and Church teaching, and guidance from reputable experts.
- ✓ To reflect on my own values and seek, with others, to identify shared values.
- ✓ To be open to the process of dialogue that can require change of perspective—my own and others'—in service to the inviolable dignity of all and the common good.

Creativity

- ✓ To be a bridgebuilder who participates in constructive dialogue based in shared values, a mutual exchange of gifts, and the humility to together seek the good.
- ✓ To see differences in perspective as opportunities for creative tension which can yield solutions for the common good.
- ✓ To work with others in order to identify creative solutions rooted in our shared values.

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Social Concerns Commission



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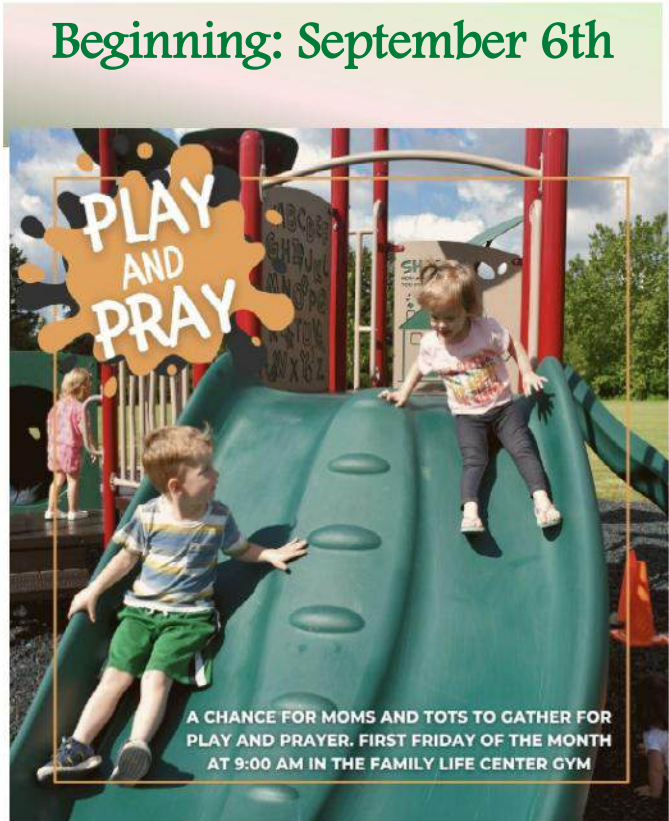
**Children's
Liturgy of the
Word**

There will be NO Children's
Liturgy of the Word:

- August 18th & August 25th

The graphic features a teddy bear in the top left, a rainbow in the top right, and illustrations of a boy and Jesus with children at the bottom.

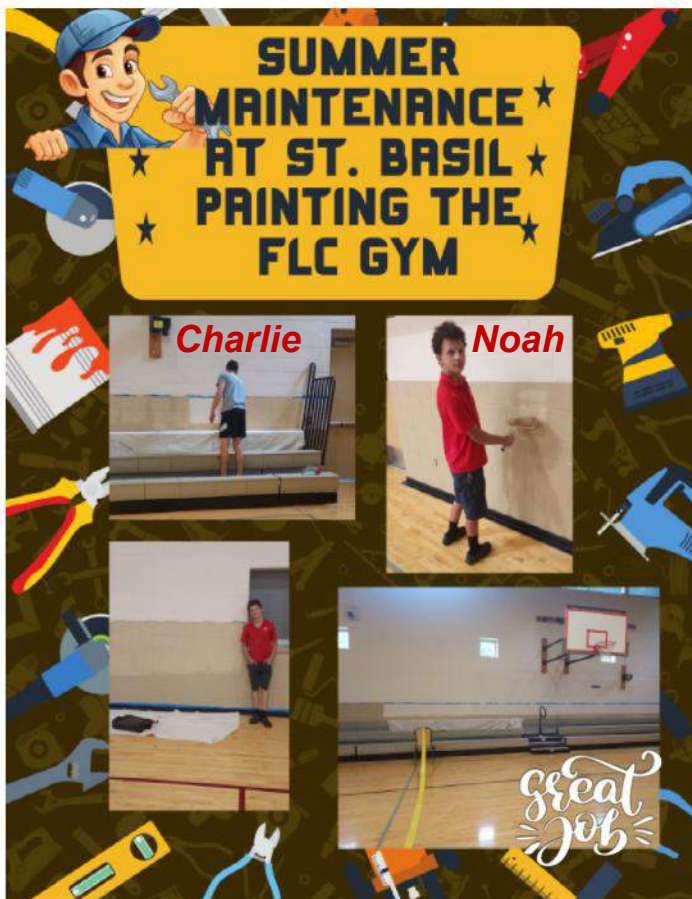
Beginning: September 6th



**PLAY
AND
PRAY**

A CHANCE FOR MOMS AND TOTS TO GATHER FOR
PLAY AND PRAYER. FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
AT 9:00 AM IN THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER GYM

The image shows children playing on a green slide at a playground. A text box at the bottom provides details about the event.



**SUMMER
MAINTENANCE
AT ST. BASIL
PRINTING THE
FLC GYM**

Charlie **Noah**

great job

The graphic is a collage of photos showing two boys, Charlie and Noah, working on painting the gym floor. It includes various tools like a wrench, saw, and level.



**The American Red Cross
is desperately in need of
type "O" Blood.
Please donate and help
save a life!
Contact the American
Red Cross for the closest
donation sites.**



Appalachian Collection
Saturday,
September 28, 2024
8am– 6pm
One day only!
Do not bring items until
Saturday morning at 8am

The graphic features a yellow sticky note with a pushpin that says "Save the Date!". The event details are listed in a blue dashed border.



TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Back-to-School Collection of Children's New Shoes & Gift Cards August 24th - 25th & August 31st - September 1st

Please join the St. Basil Social Concerns Commission (SCC) with donations of **new** school shoes and gift cards to *Walmart, Target, or Marshall's* for refugee children! We ask for **new** shoes that will keep their little feet warm and dry as rain and cold weather return in the Fall. Please, no sandals or canvas shoes. The sizes needed for **boys and girls are: youth sizes 1 through 5, and adult sizes 6-9.**

Place your donations in the gathering area bins during the weekends of August 24 - 25 and August 31 – September 1.

Teachers report many children walk up to two miles to school wearing tight, worn, or mismatched shoes. Shoes will be provided to refugee children attending International Newcomer's Academy, Metro Catholic and St. Stanislaus schools in Cleveland. Please help the children wear appropriate footwear as they begin school! Call or text Julie Jerdonek at 440.525.1606 if you have any questions. The SCC thanks you for your generous support for children in need.

"And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.'" (Matthew 25:40)



Scout me in!



PACK 652

KICKOFF NIGHT

Wednesday, August 28

6–7:30 in the

St. Basil's Family Life Center

All current scouts and interested girls and boys (K-5) & their families are welcome to join us for fun games & activities!



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

St. Basil will host Virtus Training on Monday, August 26, 2024 from 6:30 to 9:00 pm in the Parish Center Main Hall. You must register in advance at :

www.Virtus.org



Protecting God's Children

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior. Also, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at: 216-334-2999 or via email at: response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org.



Donations to St. Basil's St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) Helps Those in Need

Please consider donating to St Basil's SVDP and help us help those who come to us for emergency assistance. We are humbled and very grateful for the generosity of our faithful St. Basil parishioners who support us and thank everyone who contributes to help the poor.

Together we pray for the poor and ask *St. Vincent de Paul to pray for us!*



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



CAROL GOOD
Mother of Debbie Egan
August 2, 2024



THERESE A. NEMEČ
Mother of Nancy Discenza
August 3, 2024



JANICE LUBECKY
Mother of Robert Dickow
August 4, 2024

*We pray for all of our deceased loved ones.
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