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SATURDAY VIGIL: 5:00PM
SUNDAY: 7:30AM, 9:00AM,
11:00AM, 5:30PM



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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Monday, October 28, 2024

8am **Jim & Louise Mullaney and John & Katherine Barth** (*Patti Barth*)

Tuesday, October 29, 2024

8:00am **Abraham Pachikara** (*Ellis Pachikara*)

Wednesday, October 30, 2024

8:00am **Lyzen & Kasper Families** (*Family*)

Thursday, October 31, 2024

8am **Kitty Sturik**  (*Julie Sturik*) (*Fr. Mann*)

7pm Vigil Mass: All Saints—

Parishioners of the Parish (*Fr. Liptak*)

Friday, November 1, 2024— All Saints Day

8am **Marguerite & John Harm** (*Cathie & Dave Vassler*) (*Fr. Mann*)

7pm All Saints Mass—Parishioners of the Parish (*Fr. Liptak*)

Saturday, November 2, 2024

9am All Souls Mass (*Fr. Mann & Fr. Liptak*)

5:00pm **Deceased Members of the Bonkowski & Burrows Families** (*Rex & Deborah Burrows*) (*Fr. Mann*)

Sunday, November 3, 2024

7:30am **Matthew Wilson** (*Mom*) (*Fr. Liptak*)

9:00am **Parishioners of St. Basil** (*Fr. Mann*)

11:00am **Timothy Gorbett** (*Christopher & John Mayer*) (*Fr. Liptak*)

5:30pm **Ann Sandvick** (*Jane March*) (*Fr. Liptak*)

Offertory October 20, 2024

Regular Weekly Collection \$33,706.85

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Welcome



**31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 3, 2024**

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

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 6: 2-6

2nd Reading: Hebrews 7: 23-28

Gospel: Mark 12:28b-34

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

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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!*

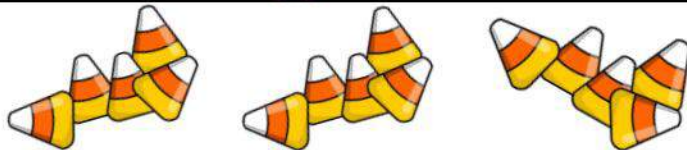
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This weekend's gospel has a powerful message about persistence, patience, and intentionality. Bartimaeus, despite being physically blind, recognizes Jesus as the "Son of David" and cries out persistently for healing, even when others try to silence him. His faith and determination to connect with Jesus lead to his physical healing and newfound spiritual sight. Reflecting on this passage, we are reminded that spiritual blindness can affect anyone. Bartimaeus' story encourages us to think about what might be preventing us from truly seeing Jesus in our daily lives. Is it fear, doubt, or perhaps the voices of others discouraging our faith? Like Bartimaeus, we are called to be persistent in prayer, to trust that Jesus hears us even when the way seems blocked. Jesus' question to Bartimaeus—"What do you want me to do for you?"—invites us into a personal relationship with Him. It is a moment that requires us to be honest about our deepest needs, trusting that God wants to bring healing into the areas of our lives where we are struggling. In today's fast-paced world, this Gospel challenges us to slow down and open our hearts to God's healing power. Whether it's emotional wounds, spiritual doubts, or broken relationships, the healing touch of Jesus is available when we, like Bartimaeus, approach Him with faith. As we journey through life, may we ask ourselves: Are we willing to throw off our "cloaks" of fear or pride, as Bartimaeus did, and run toward the light of Christ? This act of faith can lead to true sight—one that is not just physical, but emotional and spiritual as well.

-Luke Brown

All Saints Day



HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Friday, November 1, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE:

VIGIL MASS:

Thursday Oct. 31st -7 p.m.

ALL SAINTS DAY:

Friday, Nov. 1st
8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.



Mary, Mother God, Pray for us.

St. Basil, Pray for us.

St. Michael, Pray for us.

St. Joseph, Pray for us.

St. Felicitas, Pray for us.

St. Jude, Pray for us.

St. Anthony, Pray for us.

St. Therese, Pray for us.

*All You Holy Men and Women,
Pray for us!*



**All Souls Day
Remembrance Mass
Saturday, November 2nd
at 9am**

Not a Holy Day of Obligation

All Souls Memorial Book

You will find the All Souls Memorial Book on the lectern near the statue of St. Joseph in the church. You can write the names of all of your loved ones who have passed away recently or over the years in the Memorial Book. They will be in our prayers at our All Souls' Day Remembrance Mass on Saturday, **November 2nd at 9am.** You are invited to join us as we remember all of our deceased loved ones.



The Church celebrates all the saints (November 1st): canonized or beatified, and the multitude of those who are in heaven enjoying the beatific vision that are only known to God. During the early centuries the Saints venerated by the Church were all martyrs. Later on the Popes set November 1 as the day for commemorating all the Saints.



Commemoration of all the faithful departed (All Souls' Day) is celebrated **November 2nd**. The

Church, after celebrating the feast of All Saints, today prays for all who, in the purifying suffering of Purgatory, await the day they will join in heavenly glory.

IN REMEMBRANCE ALL SOULS DAY 2024

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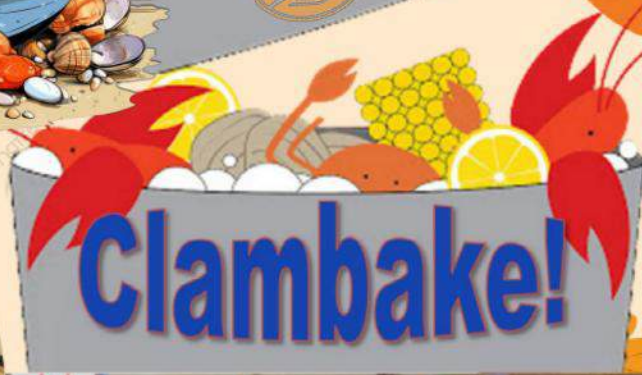
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What does it mean to form my conscience?

Catholics have a long tradition of engagement in the public square. Sometimes that engagement requires making difficult moral decisions that impact our own lives and those of others. Our conscience can help guide the decisions we make. The Second Vatican Council guides us: "Always summoning [one] to love good and avoid evil, the voice of conscience can when necessary speak to [one's] heart more specifically: do this, shun that" (*Gaudium et Spes* 16). However, our conscience doesn't just come to us when we are born. We must work throughout our lives to form it through prayer, learning, and conversation.

How do I form my conscience?

It takes time to form our consciences so that we can make well-reasoned judgments about particular, real-life situations. The Church teaches that it is important to work continually on conscience formation so we can be prepared to make decisions whenever the opportunity arises. Some specific ideas to form your conscience are:

- 1) Begin by **being open to the truth** and what is right.
- 2) **Study Sacred Scripture** and the **teaching** of the Church.
- 3) **Examine the facts** and **background information** about various choices and be discerning in where we gather information.
- 4) **Prayerfully reflect** to discern the will of God (*Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, no. 18).

Additionally, it is important to consider how our community of faith can help us form good consciences through some of these steps:

- 1) Seek the **prudent advice** and **good example** of trusted leaders and others to support and enlighten our conscience.
- 2) Learn about the **authoritative teaching** of the Church.
- 3) Pray for the **gifts of the Holy Spirit** to help us develop our conscience.
- 4) Regularly partake in an **examination of conscience** to hear God's voice in your life.¹

Doing the work of forming our consciences can seem daunting. Fortunately, we have many church teachings that can help us in this important task. *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship* is an important resource for U.S. Catholics and helps us prayerfully reflect on how we can apply Church teaching in our civic life. "Conscience is not something that allows us to justify doing whatever we want, nor is it a mere "feeling" about what we should or should not do. Rather, **conscience is the voice of God resounding in the human heart**, revealing the truth to us and calling us to do what is good while shunning what is evil."²

Here are some questions for further reflection:

1. When has my conscience guided me to "do good and avoid evil"?
2. What are some key resources I can use to form my conscience?
3. Forming conscience is a "lifelong task." What do I do to *regularly* form my conscience? What more should I do?

¹ Catechism of the Catholic Church (2nd ed.). Washington, DC: Libreria Editrice Vaticana–United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), 2000, no 1777

² USCCB. *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*. Washington, DC: 2015, no. 17





REFLECTIONS ON CHOOSING POLITICAL CANDIDATES

SACREDNESS OF HUMAN LIFE

"In *Rejoice and Be Glad* [Gaudete et Exsultate], Pope Francis writes: The call to holiness requires a "firm and passionate" defense of "the innocent unborn." "Equally sacred," he further states, are "the lives of the poor, those already born, the destitute, the abandoned and the underprivileged, the vulnerable infirm and elderly exposed to covert euthanasia, the victims of human trafficking, new forms of slavery, and every form of rejection."

Introductory Letter, Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, 2019

APPLYING A CONSISTENT MORAL FRAMEWORK

"Pope Francis has continued to draw attention to important issues such as migration, xenophobia, racism, abortion, global conflict, and care for creation. In the United States and around the world, many challenges demand our attention.

The threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed. At the same time, we cannot dismiss or ignore other serious threats to human life and dignity such as racism, the environmental crisis, poverty and the death penalty."

Introductory Letter, Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, 2019



PRUDENTIAL DISCERNMENT

"The Church's teaching is clear that a good end does not justify an immoral means. As we all seek to advance the common good—by defending the inviolable sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death, by promoting religious freedom, by defending marriage, by feeding the hungry and housing the homeless, by welcoming the immigrant and protecting the environment—it is important to recognize that not all possible courses of action are morally acceptable. We have a responsibility to discern carefully which public policies are morally sound. Catholics may choose different ways to respond to compelling social problems, but we cannot differ on our moral obligation to help build a more just and peaceful world through morally acceptable means, so that the weak and vulnerable are protected and human rights and dignity are defended."

#20 Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship

SERVE AS MODELS OF CIVIL DIALOGUE

"Our commitment as people of faith to imitate Christ's love and compassion should challenge us to serve as models of civil dialogue, especially in a context where discourse is eroding at all levels of society. Where we live, work, and worship, we strive to understand before seeking to be understood, to treat with respect those with whom we disagree, to dismantle stereotypes, and to build productive conversation in place of vitriol."

Introductory Letter, Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, 2019

What is the candidate's commitment to protect all human life, from conception to natural death?

What is the candidate's commitment to addressing threats to marriage and family, as understood by the Church, as well as other serious threats to human life and dignity such as racism and other unjust discrimination, the use of the death penalty, resorting to unjust war, the use of torture, war crimes, the failure to respond to those who are suffering from hunger or a lack of health care, or an unjust immigration policy?

How does the candidate measure up in both words and actions with the totality of Catholic Social Teaching?

What would be morally grave reasons to support and/or oppose a candidate? (Please refer to the U.S. Bishops document *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, paragraphs 34 through 37).

What is my assessment of the candidate's personal integrity, governing philosophy, performance and ability to influence a given issue?

Has the candidate demonstrated sufficient competency to hold such an elected position?

We encourage prayerful reflection upon reading the entire *Faithful Citizenship* statement which can be found at: www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship

COMMUNION

ST. BASIL LIFE TEEN FALL RETREAT 2024

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Sunday, Nov. 10, 2024

8:00 am-1:00 pm

Family Life Center

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St. Basil's Liturgical Tribute Fund honors both the living and deceased. Contributions can be made in any amount at any time, and contribution envelopes are available from the Parish Office and the pamphlet racks in the church vestibules. Funds are used to purchase items needed for church services. Honorees and donors are listed below and are published in the bulletin each month. Honorees are remembered in the petitions on the last Sunday of each month.

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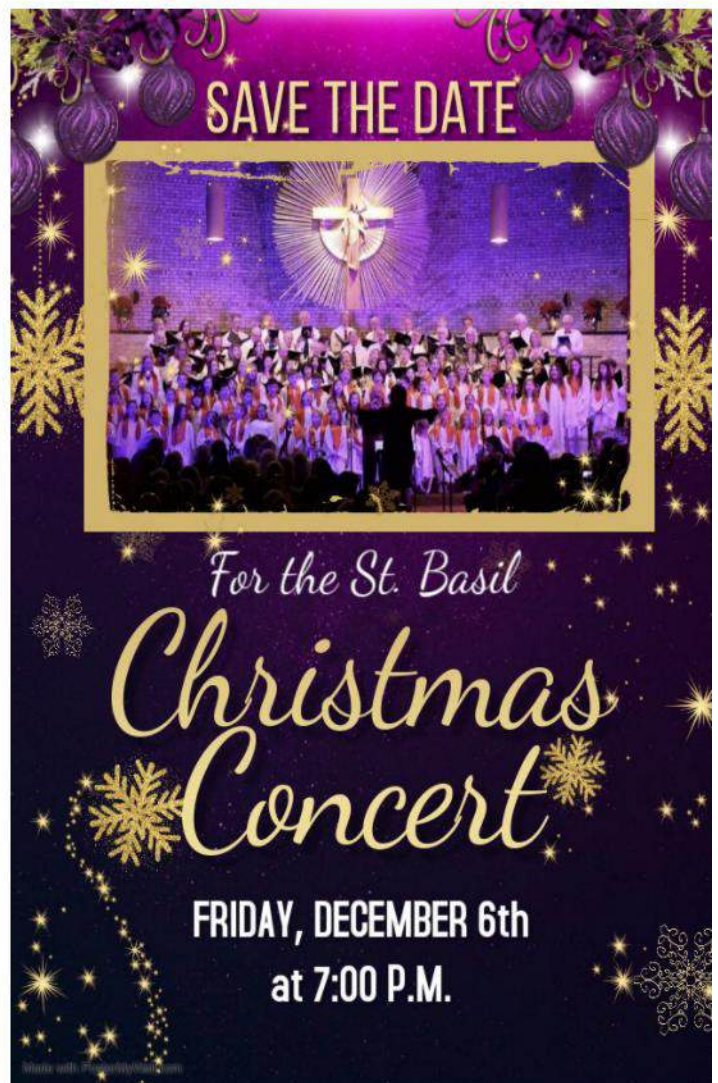


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Wednesday, November 20

**11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Family Life Center Meeting Room.**



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Concert**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6th
at 7:00 P.M.**

Collection of Personal Hygiene Items for Veterans

Veterans Day 2024

The St. Basil's Social Concerns Commission is once again sponsoring a collection of items for men and women veterans at the Wade Park VA Hospital in connection with Veterans Day.

Collection boxes will be available in both sides of the gathering area during the weekends of **October 26 and 27 and November 2 and 3**. Donations will be delivered to the veterans in time for Veterans Day on November 11th. Items needed are new T-shirts (all sizes); underwear (all sizes); disposable safety razors for men and women; alcohol-free shaving lotion; shaving cream or gel; deodorant for men and women; toothpaste; toothbrushes; feminine hygiene products; combs and brushes; and cold weather items of scarves, hats and gloves.

Thanks in advance for your generosity

The Social Concerns Commission



St. Basil the Great Food Pantry Collection for November

Join us on Thursday, November 28th

**(Thanksgiving) for the 9am Mass. After Mass,
enjoy coffee & donuts in the Parish Center.**

**The Food Pantry collection for the month of
November will be at this Mass.**

Please keep your donations in the pew with you.

**We will ask you to bring them to the Sanctuary at the
offering. This is instead of our general collection on
the last weekend of the month.**



MOST NEEDED ITEMS

High Protein Foods
Non-perishable Foods
Peanut Butter-Jelly
Canned Tuna & Chicken
Breakfast Foods
Cereals (oatmeal, etc.)
Pancake Mix & Syrup
Breakfast Bars & Granola
Juice & Juice Boxes

LUNCH & DINNER FOODS

Pasta & Canned Sauces
Soup
Canned Fruit & Vegetables
Beef Stew
Chili
Ravioli, Spaghetti & Meatballs
Mac n Cheese
Boxed Potatoes

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Cake Mixes
Brownies & Muffin Mixes
Cookies
Fruit Snacks
Fruit Cups & Pudding
Baby Formula & Diapers
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Bath Tissues
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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14
7PM IN THE CHURCH

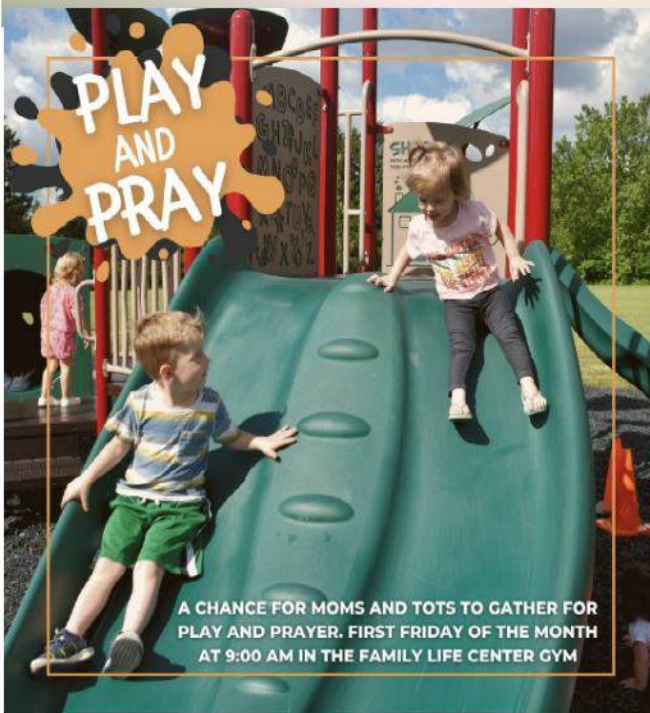
Ladies, join us with Fr. Liptak and the ladies of the St. Basil Choir as we learn about the beauty of the Mass and understand the significance of each part while it's being celebrated.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PARISHIONER, DOUG MASER

The Lawyers Guild Annual Red Mass was held on Friday, October 18, 2024 at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. The Most Reverend Edward C. Malesic was the celebrant. Immediately following Mass was a luncheon at the Downtown Marriott at KeyTower where the *St. Thomas More Award* was given to one of our parishioners, Attorney, Douglas J. Maser. Zelig's Home was also recognized for their work with women and children, and two students from Magnificat High School received the Martin T. Galvin Scholarship.

The Red Mass is attended each fall by dozens of judges, attorneys and others affiliated with the legal profession. The Lawyers Guild of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland hosts the annual event, which roughly coincides with the beginning of the United State Supreme Court's Fall session. It is believed to have originated in the Cathedral of Paris in 1245 to invoke the guidance of the Holy Spirit on the judges of the ecclesiastical courts. The Red Mass refers to the red robes worn by the judges and the red vestments worn by the priests, since red is the liturgical color associated with the Holy Spirit. The Mass was introduced to the U.S. in 1928.

November 1, 2024



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



Join us for Sandwich Saturday!
9:00-10:00 am in the Parish Center



The next Sandwich Saturday
November 9
December 14

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.

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Mother of Andrius
October 13, 2024



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Wife of William
October 14, 2024

We pray for all of our deceased loved ones. May they rest in peace.

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

GOD LOVES INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS (GLISN)

GLISN is a group of individuals who struggle with mental, physical, and/or emotional disabilities. Our membership represents young and young-at-heart adults with cognitive, physical, and/or emotional needs and we are looking to grow. If you know someone who could benefit from fellowship, food, and fun please invite them to join us. Meetings are the first Thursday of the month from 6:00-7:30pm in the St. John Paul Room in the St. Barnabas Parish Office. We start our meetings with prayer, have dinner and conversation, talk about our faith and enjoy each other's company. There is no cost to participate.

Upcoming meetings:

- * Monday, November 4th with Fr. James as our special guest. *Please note date change.*
- * Thursday, December 5th will be our Christmas party
- * Thursday, January 2nd New Year's celebration

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