

The Epiphany of the Lord



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let us
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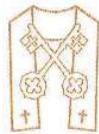


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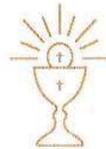
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Confession

SATURDAYS:
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Mass

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



Eucharistic
Adoration

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

Parish Directory

PARISH OFFICE: 440-526-1686
CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION:
440-526-3520
ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL: 440-717-0398

Office Hours

MONDAY-THURSDAY: 8AM - 7PM
FRIDAY: 8AM - 5PM
SATURDAY: 8AM - 12PM
SUNDAY: CLOSED

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Monday, January 5, 2026
8am Reese Lewis (*The Deliberato Family*)

Tuesday, January 6, 2026
8am The Kotla & Yakelis Families
(Family)

Wednesday, January 7, 2026
8am Keith McPherson (*Stephanie Baka*)

Thursday, January 8, 2026
8am Carol Van Meter (*Ted Krejsa*) (*Fr.*)

Friday, January 9, 2026
8am Margerita Ruhrkraut (*John, Son*)

Saturday, January 10, 2026
5:00pm Joseph, Joseph Joseph (Triplets of Dennis & Shirley Smola) (*Family*)
(Fr. Liptak)

Sunday, January 11, 2026
7:30am John & Anne Trzop (*Mark & Paula Nylander*) (*Fr. Liptak*)

9am Joseph Kascak (*Jane & May & Behm Families*) (*Fr. Mann*)

11am Parishioners of St. Basil (*Fr. Mann*)

5pm Barbara Mull (*Kathleen Golobic*)
(Fr. Mann)



The Baptism of the Lord January 11, 2026

1st Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

2nd Reading: Acts 10:34-38

Gospel: Matthew 3: 13-17

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

Offertory December 21, 2025

Regular Collection: \$42,130.00

Monthly Maintenance: \$3,180.50

Offertory December 28, 2025

Due to early deadlines from our bulletin company, these figures were not available.

***Our Christmas Collection will be published as the final figures are available. Thank you.

Thank you for your continued support!



Save
The Date

St. Basil
Pre-Cana Day
Saturday,
February 7
8:30 am to 6:00 pm
Parish Center



St. Basil Church is equipped with a Hearing Loop that by switching your Hearing Aid to its T-Coil program enables you to hear every word directly to your hearing aids. *Contact: Amy Hudak at: (440) 590-2522 with any questions.*

Register online at basilthegreat.org. or email ryoungs@basilthegreat.org.

You are always welcome at St. Basil the Great



Time Change: Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession

The Saturday afternoon Sacrament of Reconciliation will now be celebrated Saturday mornings from 8:30-9:30am OR BY APPOINTMENT.



IRA FINANCIAL PLANNING



Ready to take your 2025 or 2026 required minimum distribution from your IRA? Please consider this:

If you are age 70½ or older, you may donate all or part of your IRA's required minimum distribution (RMD) directly to St. Basil the Great through what the IRS calls a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). When the gift goes straight from your IRA custodian to the church, the amount you donate can count toward your RMD without being included in your taxable income.

This approach is often a win-win:

For you, it may lower your federal taxable income, which can help reduce your overall tax burden and may keep Medicare premiums from increasing.

For your church, it provides vital support to our parish and its ministries and programs.

For your stewardship, it allows you to make a meaningful gift in a tax-efficient way.

If you plan to take advantage of this option, be sure the distribution is sent directly from your IRA to the church.

For guidance, contact your financial advisor or IRA custodian or the parish office at 440-526-1686 and ask for Diane.



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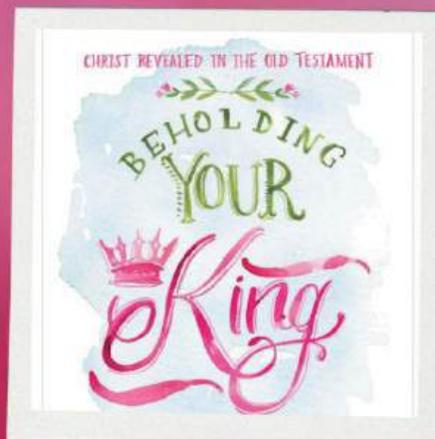
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IN THE CHURCH



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10-week Bible Study
January 14-April 16

- Wednesday nights 7:00–8:30pm or Thursday mornings 9:00–10:30 am (Babysitting available)
- Registration is now OPEN! To be included in our book order, you must register by 1/7/26
- Single study (Registration and book): \$35
- Study dates and more information at basilthegreat.org/flourish

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Winter “Warm-Up” for Cleveland Catholic School Children

A collection of new hats & gloves for children in need

When: February 7-8 and February 14-15

Where to drop off hats & gloves: St. Basil Gathering Center bins

Where to drop off checks & gift cards: St. Basil Parish Office

Gift cards: Meijers, Walmart, Amazon or TJMaxx

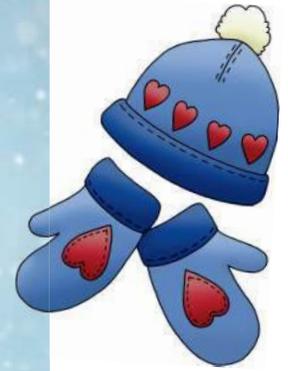
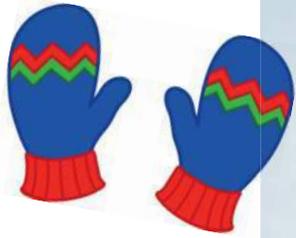
Checks: Made payable to Christ Child Society of Cleveland

Your generous donation and kindness will help “warm-up” children who are in need during freezing cold, blustery winter months at the schools, including St. Stanislaus, Holy Name, Metro Catholic, St. Francis, St. Aloysius, St. Rocco, and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel! The hats, mittens and gloves will be distributed by St. Basil Social Concerns Commission in collaboration with the Christ Child Society.

For questions, call/text St. Basil Social Concerns member,
Julie Jerdonek 440-525-1606

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The Catholic Cemeteries Association's next **Sunday Grief Support Group** will be **Sunday January 18th**.

In-person will meet at 3pm, **virtual** at 5pm. In a

welcoming and supportive setting, find fellowship among others who share their experiences and understand the pain of loss. Meetings are being held on the 3rd Sunday of the month, at no charge to you. Please join us for an hour of listening, healing, and finding comfort with others who understand.

For details, call Renee at 216-930-4866 or visit: www.clecem.org/Events

In-Person Locations:

All Saints, Northfield | 480 W. Highland Road

All Souls, Chardon | 10366 Chardon Road

Holy Cross, Akron | 100 E Waterloo Road

Holy Cross, Brook Park | 14609 Brookpark Road

St. Joseph, Avon | 32789 Detroit Road

Virtual – Please register at: <https://clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx>

ST. BASIL CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION REPORTS

St. Basil Charitable Contribution Reports will be mailed the week of January 20th, 2026 to the households of parishioners who contributed \$250.00 or more to the Church during the 2025 fiscal year.

If you have any questions, please call the parish at 440-526-1686 and ask for Diane.

Thank you.



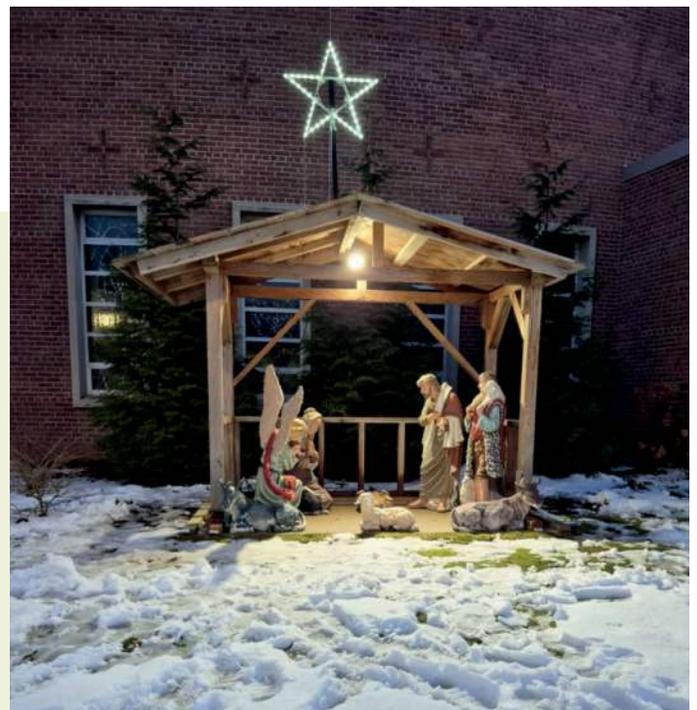
Awaken Me

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Christ Renews His Parish
Women's Renewal
February 21st - 22nd

Sign up by scanning the QR code or by going to:
basilthegreat.org/erhp/



Merry Christmas!



CELEBRATE 2026!

Friday January 9
9:00-10:30 am

Play and Pray is a time for caregivers and tots to play and pray together. All are welcome, invite a friend!

**Note: Play and Pray will be the second Friday of the month due to the Parish Office being closed.*



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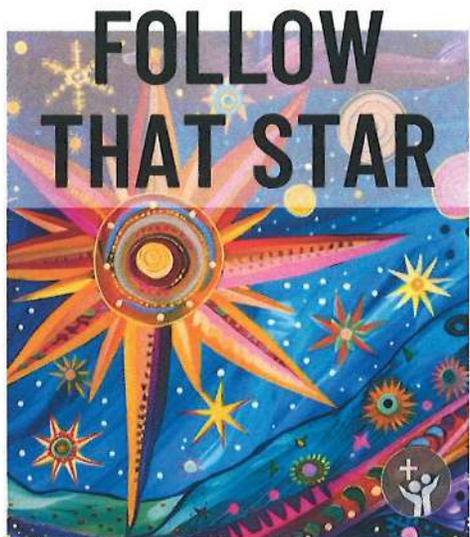


As we recall Jesus' manifestation to humanity in the face of a Child, may we sense the Magi at our side, as wise companions on the way. Their example helps us to lift our gaze towards the star and to follow the great desires of our heart. They teach us not to be content with a life of mediocrity, of 'playing it safe', but to let ourselves be attracted always by what is good, true and beautiful... by God, who is all of this, and so much more! And they teach us not to be deceived by appearances, by what the world considers great, wise and powerful. We must not stop at that. It is necessary to guard the faith. Today this is of vital importance: to keep the faith. We must press on further, beyond the darkness, beyond the voices that raise alarm, beyond worldliness, beyond so many forms of modernity that exist today. We must press on towards Bethlehem, where, in the simplicity of a dwelling on the outskirts, beside a mother and father full of love and of faith, there shines forth the Sun from on high, the King of the universe. By the example of the Magi, with our little lights, may we seek the Light and keep the faith."

*Epiphany Sunday-
January 4, 2026*



LESSON ON THE EPIPHANY



FOLLOW THAT STAR— Epiphany- Matthew 2:1-12

(Young Catholics and Not so Young Catholics)

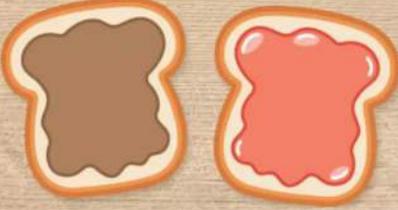
The story of the Magi gives young people a chance to think about what it means to follow a path of faith. This teaching helps them explore how setting out on a journey- - whether spiritual, emotional, or personal- takes courage and trust. It encourages them to reflect on what matters most and what they are willing to leave behind to grow closer to Jesus.

This also invites youth to see the value of staying focused. The Magi didn't let distractions or troubles stop them. Today's teens face many things that can pull their attention away from their values. Through this lesson, they are reminded to keep their eyes on what matters-like their faith, their goals, and how they treat others. We need to see that life comes with challenges, but like the Magi, they keep going.

The story of the Magi reminds us that we all have something to give. Whether it's time, kindness, or effort, these gifts matter. These gifts show us we can offer our best to God and others. Just like the Magi, they are part of something bigger— and their journey does matter. (USCCB)



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



Upcoming Sandwich Saturdays
January 17
February 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.



U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Veterans Health Administration
VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System

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December 10, 2025 In Reply Refer To: 541BZ/134

St. Basil The Great Catholic Church
8700 Brecksville Rd
Brecksville, Ohio 44141

Dear St. Basil The Great Catholic Church:

On behalf of the VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System patients and staff, we would like to extend our appreciation to you for your donation of clothing, food and hygiene products for our Veterans.

It is through the efforts of community partners like you that allow us to continue the quality care and services that we seek to provide our deserving Veterans. We look forward to the opportunity to work with you again for future events.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



June Knowlton
Development and Civic Engagement Officer

Thank you!



THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS WEST
For Adults 40 & Over
Join us Monday, Jan. 12
7 – 8:30pm

Westside Irish American Club
8559 Jennings Rd. Olmsted Twp.

Who is C.S. Lewis?
Why, as Catholics do we care?

Dr. Matt Carey Jordan, VP of Academic Affairs at Borromeo & St. Mary Seminary, has led several Lewis-themed pilgrimages to England and taken people behind the scenes to walk in the footsteps of C.S. Lewis. Join us for an enlightening discussion of the man behind *The Chronicles of Narnia* and *The Screwtape Letters*.

Light appetizers included. Cash Bar is available.
Advance tickets recommended. Register in advance:
www.theologyontherockswest.com. Doors open at 6:30pm.



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: January 15, 2026
Where: Parish Office – Pieta Room
For additional info please contact:
Betsy Glosik-440-476-6269





Food Pantry: End of the month food and **January 24-25, 2026.**

***Don't forget to pick up a green grocery bag



this weekend, **January 17-18, 2026.**

***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.

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS.
NAME THEM **ONE BY ONE.**
COUNT YOUR **MANY BLESSINGS**
SEE WHAT **GOD** HAS DONE.



The Catholic University Collection in the Diocese of Cleveland will be taken up the weekend of January 17-18th.

Primary Uses: Educational Programs: Funds scholarships and educational resources for students at Catholic universities.
Ministry Support: Assists in the development and implementation of pastoral programs and services.
Advocacy and Outreach: Supports efforts in social justice, public policy, and community engagement.
Research and Resources: Provides funding for research projects and the creation of educational materials.
Funding Sources: Collected during designated weekends in parishes across the country. Contributions from individuals and organizations committed to Catholic education and ministry.
This collection plays a vital role in sustaining the mission of the USCCB and enhancing the educational landscape of Catholic institutions. Thank you for your generosity.

St. Basil Homeschoolers

St. Basil homeschoolers, and those considering homeschooling, please join us for a **Family Potluck Dinner!**



Saturday, January 10th, from 6-8pm
in the **St. Basil's Parish Center**

Please RSVP at: BasiltheGreat.org/forms/



Catholic Renewal Ministries Traveling Healing Mass

January 16th 2026

St. Julie Billiart Parish

St. Julie Billiart Parish
5500 Lear Nagel Rd.
North Ridgeville, OH 44039

Fr. Bob Franco, Celebrant

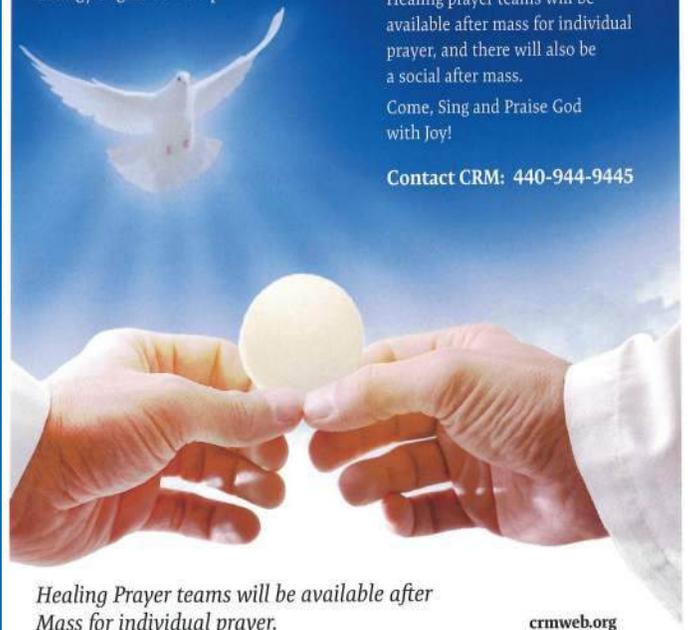
Praise & worship begins at 7:00
Liturgy begins at 7:30 p.m.

All are Welcome!

Healing prayer teams will be available after mass for individual prayer, and there will also be a social after mass.

Come, Sing and Praise God with Joy!

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Healing Prayer teams will be available after Mass for individual prayer.

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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.



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



*We remember all of our deceased loved ones.
May they rest in peace.*

Want a Meaningful Way to Serve God's People?

Something you can do in your home, on your own time?

- Volunteer to prepare a meal for 10-15 women just four times a year for RAHAB ministries

**A meal consists of simple main dish (casserole, chili, pasta, etc),
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- Deliver your meal on your designated Monday to the St. Basil parking lot
 - Your dinner will be taken to a RAHAB Ministries' Drop-In Home

St. Basil parish has participated in this important work for years.

Now we need more cooks! Please consider giving of your time.

RAHAB Ministries provides Christ-centered transformational services to those directly affected by sex-trafficking. Learn more about RAHAB Ministries at www.rahhab-ministries.org.

Contact Kathy Lazar at 440-223-0712 or Kathy.pittak.lazar@gmail.com.

Social Concerns Commission Living the Gospel



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

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