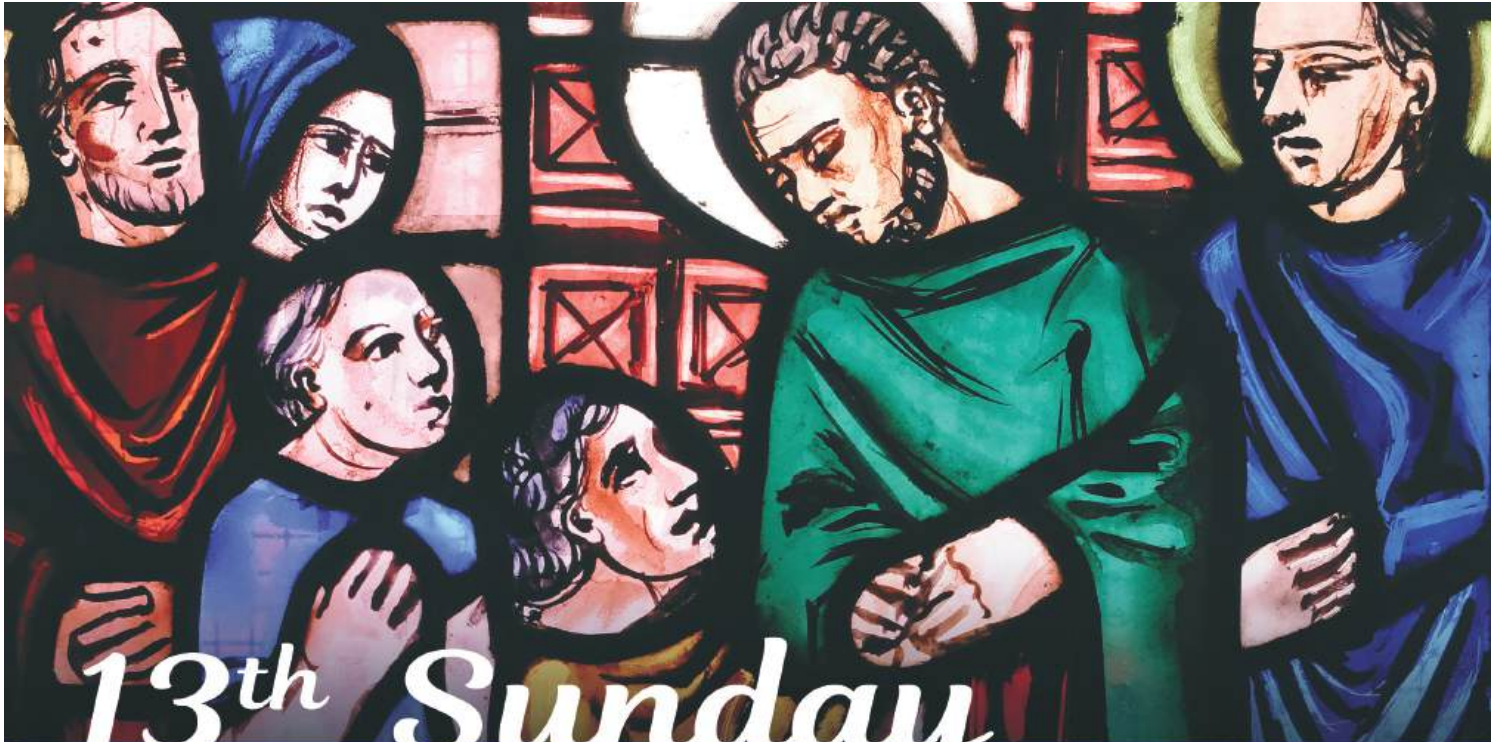




# St. Basil the Great

CATHOLIC CHURCH



## 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"And whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple — amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward." Matthew 10:42

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**JUNE 28, 2026**  
**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### Mass Schedule

#### WEEKEND

##### Saturday Vigil

5:00pm

##### Sunday

7:30am, 9:00am,

11:00am, 5:00pm

#### WEEKDAYS

##### Monday-Friday

8:00am

#### RECONCILIATION

##### Saturday

8:30am-9:30am

or by appointment

#### ADORATION

##### Mondays & Wednesdays

8:30am-9:00pm

### Parish Directory

#### Parish Office

440-526-1686

#### St. Michael School

440-717-0398

#### Children's Faith Formation

440-526-3520

#### Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8 am - 7 pm

Friday 8 am - 5 pm

Saturday 8 am - 12 noon

Sunday closed

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# Welcome!

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## Mass Intentions

### MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2026

8:00am + Eleanor Tucker (*Barbara Walters*)

### TUESDAY, JUNE 30, 2026

8:00am + Richard Plecha (*John & Sylvia Prusak*)

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2026

8:00am + Draga Marusic (*Angie Ortenzi*)

### THURSDAY, JULY 2, 2026

8:00am + David Elias (*Family*)

### FRIDAY, JULY 3, 2026

8:00am + John & Mary Nicolino (*Family*)

### SATURDAY, JULY 4, 2026- **FOURTH OF JULY**

5:00pm + Polly Horning (*Fran Mlady*) (*Fr. Liptak*)



### SUNDAY- JULY 5, 2026-

### **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:30am + Lois Polman (*The Polman Family*) (*Fr. Liptak*)

9:00am + Sharon & The Deceased Members of the

McGuire Family (*Karen McGuire*) (*Fr Mann*)

11:00am + David Elias (*Family*) (*Fr Mann*)

5:00pm + Parishioners of St. Bail (*Fr. Mann*)

## Stewardship

### WEEK OF JUNE 21, 2026

Regular Collection	\$50, 125.00,
Monthly Maintenance	\$4,483.80

Thank you for your continued support!

**JULY 5, 2026**

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

FIRST READING: ZACHARIAH 9: 9-10

SECOND READING: ROMANS 8:9, 11-13

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 11: 25-30

*"THY WORD IS A LAMP UNTO MY FEET,  
AND A LIGHT UNTO MY PATH."*

## Holiday Hours



**4TH OF JULY**

- THERE WILL BE 8AM MASS ON FRIDAY JULY 3RD
- THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON JULY 3RD

*God bless the*  
**USA**

Header  
Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup> there will be no confessions or morning mass. There will be the 5pm Vigil Mass.

## Honoring our First Responders St. Michael Statue Dedication



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ST. MICHAEL STATUE DEDICATION

Monday June 29, 2026  
8:00 am Mass  
8:30 am Statue Dedication  
Reception to Follow

Please join us at St. Basil the Great for a heartfelt celebration as we dedicate a new statue of St. Michael the Archangel, patron and protector of those who serve in harm's way. We gather as a community to thank our police, firefighters, and emergency medical personnel for their courage, sacrifice, and unwavering commitment to our community.

All are welcome to join us for this dedication. To mark this special occasion, we invite all first responders to join us in uniform, representing the courage and commitment you bring to our community.

RSVP Recommended for Reception at [basilthegreat.org/forms](http://basilthegreat.org/forms)





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2026 Appeal

**Parish Update**

### Together, We Made a Difference!

Thanks to the generosity of faithful supporters across Northeast Ohio, the 2026 Catholic Charities Appeal has now raised more than \$13 million pledged to date from over 27,800 donors! This inspiring response demonstrates what is possible when parishes come together in support of our mission.

*Thank you!*

*"What are you looking for?"*

John 1:38

***Interested in becoming Catholic?  
Know someone that is searching?  
All are welcome to OCIA at St. Basil!***

St. Basil The Great Parish welcomes anyone who wishes to inquire about the Catholic faith. Maybe you have been attending Mass for awhile and would like to learn more about the beliefs and practices of Catholics. You might be married to a Catholic, or you have a Catholic friend or relative and would like to discuss your questions or concerns about Catholicism with someone from the church. We invite you to continue searching at OCIA (Order of Catholic Initiation for Adults)

**If you would like to fully explore the possibility of becoming Catholic or refer a friend, please reach out to Fr. Liptak at [jlptak@basilthegreat.org](mailto:jlptak@basilthegreat.org) or 440.373.7560.**

**OCIA will begin this August.**



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Aaron



Matt



Listen as Matt explains his experience helping with OCIA, what the process is like, and what he learned from those coming in to the Church.

*Stay tuned for more OCIA stories coming to the podcast this summer!*

### Searching, Curious, Interested in the Catholic Church?

Share more about your journey through this form and we will be happy to accompany you.



# You're the GIFT



*Thank you for an incredible year St. Basil family!*





# St. Basil Silent Auction Needs Donations



The 2026 Silent on-line Auction is fast approaching and the committee is looking for items that we would like to add to the auction. We need all donated items no later than Friday, July 3rd. Keep in mind that the auction will conclude on July 16, 2026.

## OUR CURRENT WISH LIST IS:

Autographed Shirts, Hats, Footballs, Basketballs or baseballs

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Ohio State Football Tickets

Gift cards to a favorite restaurant

Tickets to any Play at Playhouse Square

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## 2026 St. Basil Silent Auction Open For Bids

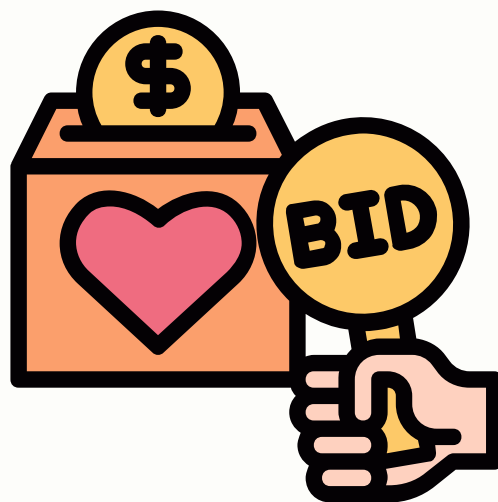
The 2026 silent on-line auction is now open for your bids. This auction is part of our annual fund raiser to benefit the St. Basil Endowment Fund. Please keep in mind that the auction will close on July 16, 2026.

Here is a short list of some of the items that you will be able to bid on: Cleveland Browns Tickets, Annual Reserved Parking Spot for all St. Basil mass times near the Rectory, Reserved Pew for Easter and also Christmas, Jewelry, Wine, Bourbon, Golf Packages, many local Restaurant Gift Certificates plus many other surprises.

All parishioners can participate in the bidding and items will be added each week until the auction closes. To bid on any of the fantastic items go to [stbasilauction.com](http://stbasilauction.com) or use the QR Code below.



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# Sandwich Saturday


Join us for Sandwich Saturday!  
9:00-10:00 am in the Parish Center  
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Upcoming Sandwich Saturdays  
July 25  
August 15  
September 19  
October 24

Bring peanut butter and jelly, bread,  
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Sandwiches are taken to local shelters  
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In preparation for the 2026 CCW Day of Reflection, join us for a 5-week study of the autobiography of Immaculee Ilibagiza, one of our guest speakers, led by Jen Ricard.



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OCTOBER 12-21, 2026

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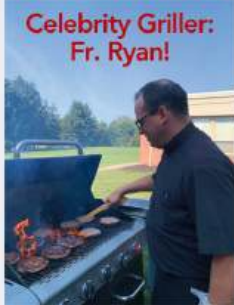
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**WEDNESDAY JULY 1, 2026**  
**12:00 PM | PARISH CENTER**

Lunch includes a hamburger or cheeseburger, potato salad, and sweet treats. \$5.00 suggested donation at the door.

**Patriotic Songs led by the St. Basil Choir.**

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Reservations required by June 26.  
Make a reservation online at [basilthegreat.org/forms](http://basilthegreat.org/forms) or call Nancy Slusarczyk at 440-537-2026.

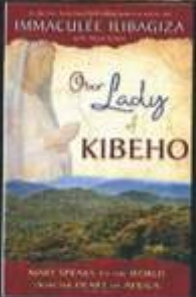
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4:00pm



### *St. Basil Liturgical Tribute Fund*

*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.*

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## **UNDER CONSTRUCTION**

The city of Brecksville will begin Stage 2 of the Brecksville Road (State Route 21) Resurfacing Project on Monday, July 6, 2026. Work includes resurfacing Brecksville Road between St. Basil's Church and Frankie's Wok and is expected to continue through July and August, weather permitting.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during construction. For questions or to receive project updates by email, contact Gabrielle Capone at [gcapone@qcggroup.com](mailto:gcapone@qcggroup.com) or call 440-359-1900.

# Prayers

## 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](mailto: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

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JUNE 18, 2026



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



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In this weeks Gospel, we witness Jesus sharing the meaning of discipleship before sending forth the disciples on their mission. What he says is very poignant to a life lived in and through Jesus Christ. In fact, only with him can we even begin to understand what this means or how we live this call.

Jesus is asking us to put God above all, to let go of our attachment, control, and desire for self preservation. He is asking us to die to self so that we may truly live. We see this expressed the same though his own death and resurrection. Discipleship is more than just understanding what is being asked, it is in the living action and love with which it's done. Life is found through great sacrifice as well as through the small acts of kindness, acts of love, and acts of mercy.

In marriage and in building a family, we lose a sense of our autonomy. This in and of itself sanctifies us as we die to self in both big and small ways. We learn to prioritize others above ourselves, we are invited to sharpen our virtues on a daily basis, and we are called to love another in their struggles despite our own. To do this well, it must be done in and with God.

Daily life with a spouse and children is a spiritual exercise. Daily, where will I be called to love, mercy, prudence, temperance, humility, suffering, forgiveness, service, and sacrifice? John Paul II said that "Family is the school of love."

Within the family our virtues are exercised and forms us in our growth toward holiness.

My prayer is to have the courage to surrender our lives for His sake so that we may live more fully with Him. May our homes become true schools of love, where we learn to follow Christ more faithfully through our service to one another.

*Nicole Melchi, IMFT, LPCC-S, CGT - Sacred Heart Counseling Team*

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