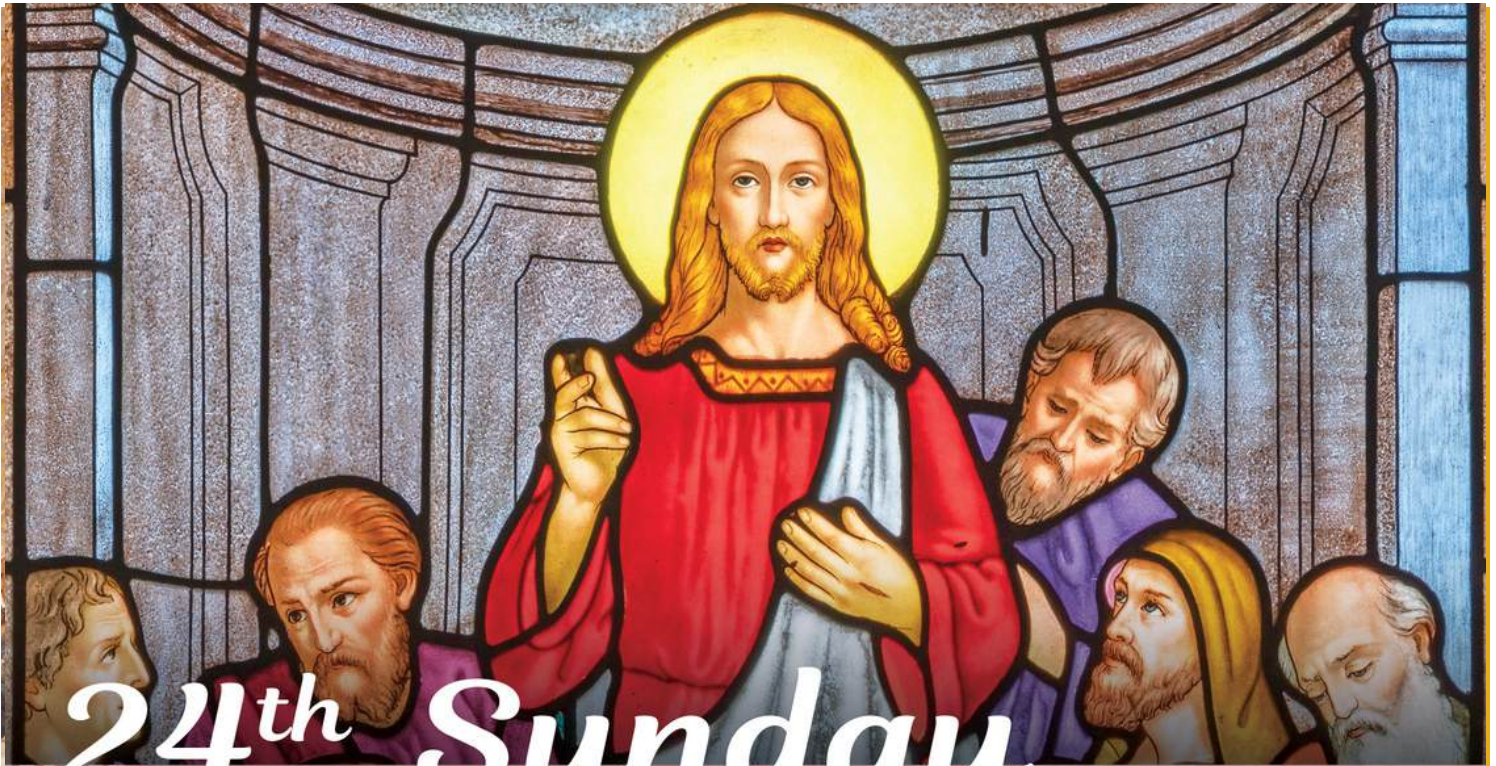




St. Basil the Great

CATHOLIC CHURCH



24th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"Peter approached Jesus and asked him, 'Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.'" Matthew 18:21-22

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SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

TWENTY-FOURTH 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

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Children's Faith Formation

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8 am - 7 pm

Friday 8 am - 5 pm

Saturday 8 am - 12 noon

Sunday closed

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Mass Intentions

- MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2026- LABOR DAY**
8:00am + Patrice Adams (Family)
- TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2026**
8:00am The Deceased Members of the Sopko Family (Daria Sopko)
- WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2026**
8:00am + Kenneth Halek (Sharon Schultz)
- THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2026**
8:00am + The Fortuna, Kirk and Piorkowski Families (Family)
- FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2026**
8:00am + The Eging Family (The Zadd and Khoury Families)
- SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2026**
5:00pm + Denny Smola (Family) (Fr. Liptak)
- SUNDAY- SEPTEMBER 20, 2026- TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
7:30am + Bob Mallinak and Quentine Spittler (Geri Mallinek-Spittler (Fr. Liptak)
9:00am + Frank and Ruth Hasenohrl (Daughters) (Fr. Racco)
11:00am + Eleanor Sloat (Ron & Tina Brocco) (Fr. Mann)
5:00pm + Parishioners of St. Basil (Fr Mann)

SEPTEMBER 20, 2026
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 55: 6-9
Second Reading: Philippians:1:20c-24, 27a
Gospel: Matthew: 20: 1-16a

“THY WORD IS A LAMP UNTO MY FEET,
AND A LIGHT UNTO MY PATH.”

Stewardship

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Regular Collection	\$44,229.00
Monthly Maintenance	\$5,595.75



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Aaron



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Matt

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Join us for a book study of Theo of Golden, a moving novel that explores faith, hope, forgiveness, and the quiet ways God works through ordinary people. Together we'll reflect on the characters' journey, share meaningful conversation, and discover how their story can strengthen our relationship with God and one another.

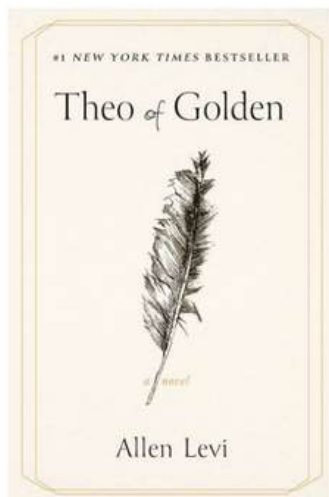
Monday's at 9:00 am September 21, 28, October 5 in the Parish Center. Coffee and pastries included. Participants are asked to read the book before September 21. For more information email ryoungs@basilthegreat.org.



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Coffee & Dounts

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Join us for Coffee & Donuts, Sunday, September 20th after all the morning masses.

Connect with friends and make new friends!



Volunteers Needed

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR:

THURSDAY MORNING BABYSITTING



We invite you to volunteer for babysitting during our Thursday morning Women's Bible Study. Any time you can dedicate to support our young moms will allow them the chance to engage in fellowship while their little ones are cared for, and it would be greatly appreciated!

For more information and to sign up, please visit our Basilthegreat/forms page or scan the QR code to access the forms page.



Assumption- The Feast



Bishop Martin Amos, a son of the diocese and the retired bishop of Davenport, Iowa, celebrated the liturgy at Holy Rosary. Concelebrants were priests who had connections to the parish: Father Joe Previte, Holy Rosary pastor; Father Phil Racco, Father Anthony Marshall, Father Chris Stein, Father Joe Menkhaus, Father Brian Peters and Father Sean Neville. The bishop recalled hearing as a young boy that Pope Pius XII declared the Feast of the Assumption to be a dogma of the Church. “She’s the fulfillment of everything we hope to be,” he said. “She was unique in her earthly life.”

In his homily, Bishop Amos noted that Mary gave birth to Jesus, the Son of God, but also did the “routine” things other devout Jewish mothers did like presenting him in the temple. She also was present for his public ministry and at the foot of the cross.

“She was unique,” he repeated, saying she was the mother of Jesus, she is the mother of the Church and she is our spiritual mother. “She was the perfect disciple, the image of what we should be. She heard the word of God and lived it, as we should.”

After Mass, many of the clergy and congregation joined others for a procession led by a large statue of the Blessed Mother through the streets surrounding the church.

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 6:30pm Next meeting: September 17, 2026

Where: Parish Office – Pieta Room

For additional info please contact: **Betsy Glosik-440-476-6269.**

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RESURRECTION CHOIR Sings at parish funerals, offering peace and comfort through song.	YOUNG ADULT CHOIR Open to young adults (20s & 30s), sings once a month.
CONTEMPORARY CHOIR Rehearses: Tuesdays at 6:30 pm Sings: Saturdays at 5:00 pm Mass	SUNDAY CHOIR Rehearses: Thursdays at 6:00 pm Sings: Sundays at 9:00 am Mass


CHOIRS RESUME THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14TH!

All are welcome to join us in prayer, community, and praise! Sign up at basilthegreat.org/forms



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR 2026

Children's Choir starts Tuesday October 6 from 5:30-6:15 pm with rehearsals every Tuesday following October 7 after until Christmas. All rehearsals are in the church. The Children sing at our Christmas Pageant with costumes before Christmas Eve Mass at 3:30pm and at 4pm Mass on Christmas Eve.

If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Baka, sbaka@basilthegreat.org.

Sign up at basilthegreat.org/forms!




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14th Annual Parish Golf Outing

On July 16th, the 14th annual parish Golf Outing raised more than \$82,000 for the Endowment Fund to assure the future of our mission as a faith community. We are deeply grateful to the many corporate and individual sponsors for their generosity and the numerous volunteers who organized this event. Save the date of July 15, 2027 for our next Golf Outing.

In addition, the winning tickets of the 50/50 Raffle were pulled on July 16th and the cash prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place were \$4,942.50, \$2,969.50, and \$1,977, respectively. Congratulations to all of the lucky winners!

With Gratitude, The Golf Outing Committee



Check out the full photo album from this year's Golf Outing!



Sandwich Saturday

Life Teen



the ITE Project



Run away for a weekend with the Lord and The ITE Project for the annual weekend retreat: Unplugged. This all-inclusive 3-day getaway at Loyola Retreat House (Clinton, OH) on September 18-20 includes meals, Adoration, confessions, time for solitude, and a chance to detach from the news cycle and drama. Multiple rooming options available. Tickets are \$75 (Single Room) & \$50 (Double Room). ALL young adults (ages 18-39) in ALL vocations are welcome, including parents with nursing babies. Registration ends on September 16th. Visit the website for more information.

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PRAYER TO
SAINT MICHAEL

Saint Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.
Be our protection
against the wickedness
and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him.
We humbly pray
and do thou
O Prince of the
heavenly host,
by the divine power
of God
cast into hell
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Amen.



Alfred, 1893

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Club**

Our SMS SMILES Club is beginning again for the 2026-27 school year. This is an opportunity for volunteers to come into the 1st grade classroom and have students read to them once a week.



Please contact the school office at
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if you are interested or were a previous
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St. Basil Food Pantry



St. Catherine Food Pantry

In the month of August, 2026:

351 households were served including a total of 1085 individuals and an estimated 16275 meals were provided. Checks are payable to St. Basil the Great Parish. Thank you for your support and generosity.

Some interesting August numbers:

- Pounds of produce from OCFB- 8903
- Pounds of food purchased from GCFB-6704
- Pounds of food products "rescued" by our volunteers from 4 local grocers- 6123
- Donated Food Bags from our St. Basil Parish Family **"A LOTTA BAGS"** - Thank You!

ST. BASIL THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH

Annulments

Seeking an annulment?

Terri Shawhan, D. Min., retired from the Diocesan Tribunal where she worked on Declarations of Invalidity of Marriage (annulments). She is available at the parish to work with parishioners who wish to petition for an annulment.

Please contact her at the parish office at: 440-526-1686.

This is a **FREE** service.

There are **NO** fees charged for annulments.



Food Pantry: End of the month food and household supplies for the Food Pantry is September 27, 2026.

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

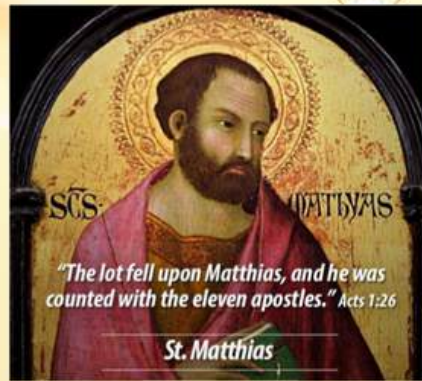


September 20, 2026.

***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.



Life of Our Saints



St. Matthias, Apostle **Feast Day: May 14th**

Key Facts:

- Matthias was chosen by the apostles to replace Judas Iscariot after Jesus' ascension, becoming the 12th apostle.
- He had been a follower of Jesus from the beginning of his ministry through the ascension, witnessing Jesus' teachings and miracles firsthand.
- Matthias was selected through prayer and the casting of lots, demonstrating the early church's reliance on divine guidance.
- As an apostle, Matthias received the Holy Spirit at Pentecost and played a role in spreading the Gospel in the early Christian movement.
- Traditions suggest Matthias ministered in various regions including Judaea, Cappadocia, Ethiopia, and around the Caspian Sea, possibly facing martyrdom.
- Matthias exemplifies faithful discipleship, readiness to serve, and trust in God's sovereign plan, even when called to unexpected roles.

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.



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

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

We pray for all those who are in need of our prayers.

Hearing Loop



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.

There was recently a problem with the system which has hopefully been resolved. Should you have any problems or questions please contact: Amy Hudak at: (440) 590-2522.



IN LOVING MEMORY
KENNETH J. KNAPP
Husband of Mary Ann
August 25, 2026

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This week's Gospel passage is a difficult lesson. I wonder sometimes if St. Peter believes that he is being generous when he says that forgiving someone seven times is an adequate number. I am glad Christ did not agree with this number because I have surely sinned against an individual more than seven times. Regardless, Christ is asking him and us to forgive an unlimited amount of times. Forgiveness is a difficult topic. Sometimes, I meet people who have misconceptions about what forgiveness is. For example, forgiveness is not dismissing that what the other person did was unimportant, non-hurtful, and sinless. The sin they committed is still very real, hurtful, and important, regardless of our forgiveness of it. Christ wants us to forgive so that we can be free. Free from the anger, sadness, and resentment that comes with refusing to forgive someone. Free to love Him and others more fully. Lacking forgiveness only hurts us. As the old saying goes, holding a grudge is like drinking poison and hoping that the other person dies. If you find it difficult to forgive someone, this is something to take to prayer. Ask God what He wants you to do with this pain, anger, sadness, or resentment. I would even recommend taking it to confession. The road to forgiveness is difficult, but it ultimately brings us closer to Christ.

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