

ST. BASIL THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH
1200 TUOLUMNE STREET, VALLEJO, CA 94590
WEBSITE: www.StBasilVallejo.org

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the St. Basil the Great Catholic faith community, guided by the Holy Spirit and nurtured by the Eucharist, are called to share the gospel values of love, justice, forgiveness and service through the celebration of the sacraments, prayer, stewardship and fellowship with respect and dignity to all.

Rev. Ambrose O. Ugwuegbu
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Parochial Vicar

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Deacon Casey Walker

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Joe Martinez - Facility Maintenance

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Monday - Friday
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Music Ministry
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Josie Hibbard ~ Director

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(707) 644-8309
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St. Vincent de Paul
Food Assistance ~ (707) 644-0376

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday:
5:30pm (Vigil Mass)
8:30am - 1st Saturday

Sunday:
7:30am, 9:30am,
11:30am & 5:30pm

Daily:
7:15am in the Mary Chapel
7:00pm - Wednesday

Holy Days:
7:15am, 9:30am & 7:30pm

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday, 4:00 to 5:00pm
Wednesday, 6:00 to 7:00pm

Sacrament of Baptism: Pre-Baptism preparation class required. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

Sacrament of Marriage: Minimum 6 months advance notice required. Please contact the Parish Office to make an appointment with the Marriage/Wedding Coordinator.

Pastoral Care for the Sick/Homebound: Please call the Parish Office to arrange for home and hospital visits.

Stewardship at St. Basil Parish
Grow our Gifts...Share Our Blessings
Stewardship of Treasure

WEEKLY COLLECTION

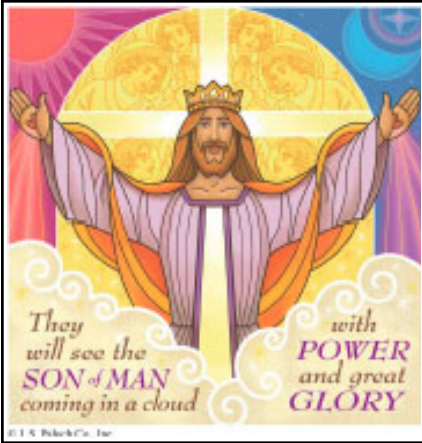
Average Weekly Expense.....	\$12,250.00
Nov. 18 Collection.....	9,365.15
Faith Direct.....	750.00
Others.....	650.00
Weekly Surplus/(Deficit).....	(\$1,484.85)
All Souls.....	\$95.00
Camp for Human Development.....	\$3,376.53

Average Weekly Expense.....	\$12,500.00
Nov. 25 Collection.....	8,643.88
Faith Direct.....	750.00
Others.....	480.00
Weekly Surplus/Deficit.....	(\$2,626.12)

PLEASE PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER YOUR GIFT TO ST. BASIL PARISH.

Thank you.
Your ongoing support is essential in helping us meet the many needs of our parish and community.

“Be on guard,” Jesus warns in today’s Gospel, “lest your spirits become bloated with indulgence.” Let us heed His warning and follow the advice of St. Paul, conducting ourselves in a way pleasing to God, overflowing with love for one another.
 See Luke 21:34



**First Sunday of Advent
December 2, 2018**

I will raise up for David a just shoot;
he shall do what is right and just in the land.
— *Jeremiah 33:15*

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: First Sunday of Advent; Hanukkah begins
- Monday: St. Francis Xavier
- Tuesday: St. John Damascene
- Thursday: St. Nicholas
- Friday: St. Ambrose; First Friday
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
- Saturday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary



THE PROMISE OF JUSTICE

We are in fairly good company when we ask God for justice. Often enough we hear and agree with the lament of the people of Israel asking God why the wicked prosper. However, when we call out for justice, we usually want someone to get his or her comeuppance. God's justice is something other than this, of course. God's justice comprises a wonderful rightness between God and humankind.

Today, Jeremiah looks ahead to a time when a just one will sprout from the shorn-off stump of Jesse of the house and family of David. Life was not fair in Jeremiah's time. Israel's kings held the promise of God's fidelity, but it was difficult to see how God's promise could be realized through them.

Nevertheless, Jeremiah lifts his voice and announces that the Promised One will come. Luke's Gospel echoes that announcement, and Paul is filled with sturdy encouragement. And so Advent begins with a promise.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Occasionally, someone raises a surprised complaint that while Christmas arrives on Santa's sleigh at the Macy's parade on Thanksgiving Day, the Church doesn't catch on too fast. They may even say that Advent is a new-fangled idea. Not so. To trace its beginnings, we have to go back to the fourth or fifth century in France (then Gaul), when Epiphany was the favored day, next to Easter, for baptism. The old pagan structures of Rome were collapsing then, and many people sought to be baptized. Since adults always prepared for baptism by fasting, folks counted back a few weeks for a kind of retreat. Before too long, bishops were advising everyone to attend church frequently beginning on December 17. Soon, artists were imagining ways of expressing the Advent mystery, and in Italy this gave rise to beautiful mosaics of empty thrones awaiting the arrival of the Lord of all creation.

Advent as we know it develops on two separate tracks: the first having to do with our spiritual preparation for celebrating the Christmas feast, and the second having to do with the way this is organized and expressed in the liturgical readings and prayers every day of the season.

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THE THREE COMINGS OF ADVENT

There are three distinct comings of the Lord of which I know: His coming to humankind, His coming into humankind, and His coming against humankind.

—St. Bernard: *Third Sermon for Advent*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The days are coming when the LORD will fulfill the promise made to Israel and Judah (Jeremiah 33:14-16).

Psalms — To you, O Lord, I lift my soul (Psalm 25).

Second Reading — Abound in love for one another and for all (1 Thessalonians 3:12 — 4:2).

Gospel — Stand erect and raise your heads; your redemption is at hand (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36).

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PARISH REGISTRATION.....

If you are not yet registered as parishioners of St. Basil, it's never too late. Please complete the short form below and drop in collection basket or stop by the Parish Center Office. Don't miss out on the benefits of being registered parishioners, such as planning your baptism, wedding, religious education or preparing to receive sacraments. Your registration helps us to serve you better.

WE WELCOME THE NEW MEMBERS OF OUR ST. BASIL'S FAITH COMMUNITY

Our warmest welcome to all who worship with us!

If you are not yet registered, please fill out the form below and place it in the offering basket or mail it to

**Saint Basil Parish Center
1225 Tuolumne Street, Vallejo, CA 94590**

Upon receipt of this form we will mail you the parish registration form to complete and return. Thank you!

NAME: _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ ZIP _____
 TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____
 (Change Address/Remove from list_____)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11
- Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;
Lk 10:21-24
- Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37
- Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a;
Mt 7:21, 24-27
- Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
- Saturday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4;
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
- Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11;
Lk 3:1-6



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Mass Intentions For The Week



Saturday, December 1
 Ellen Dauz-Chan (BD)
 Eduardo Cuevas, Jr. (BD)
 Paula Hanson (+)
 Jaime & Benita Belen (+)
 Concepcion Laturgo (+)
 Ireneo Laturgo (+)
 All Souls in Purgatory (+)

5:30pm
 Domilyn Alvarez (TG)
 Ursula Charifa (SI)
 Estela Sayre (SI)
 Manuel & Ana Buenviaje (+)
 Kho Chong Hai (+)
 Valentina Ganade (+)
 Tan Ching (+)
 Maria Buenviaje (+)

Sunday, December 2
7:30am
 Mass for St. Basil Parish

9:30am
 Mr. & Mrs. Amando Evangelista (54th WA)
 Honesto Evangelista & Family (TG)
 Ursula Charifa (SI)
 Estela Sayre (SI)
 Sandy Morgado (+)

11:30am
 Florita Ilagan-Lazaro (BD)
 Holly Bloom (+)
 Eugnia Mananquil (+)

5:30pm
 Ayat Aparajita Bhat (BD)
 Natali & Sham Bhat (TG)
 Winston Shen (+)

Monday, December 3 - 7:15am
 Elsie De Guzman (BD)
 Ursula Charifa (SI)
 Estela Sayre (SI)
 K. C. Chu (+)

Tuesday, December 4 - 7:15am
 Ursula Charifa (SI)
 Estela Sayre (SI)
 Juanita Sagun (+DA)
 Grace Cabuco (+)

Wednesday, December 5 - 7:15am
 Ursula Charifa (SI)
 Estela Sayre (SI)
 Salem Nodado (+BD)
 Ruperto Visaya, Jr. (+)
 Theresa Chan (+)

7:00pm
 Tirso, Francisca and Susana Ubungen (+)

Thursday, December 6 - 7:15am
 Ursula Charifa (SI)
 Estela Sayre (SI)
 George Cheng (SI)
 Carol Johansen (+)

School Mass 8:30am

Friday, December 7 - 7:15am
 Ursula Charifa (SI)
 Estela Sayre (SI)
 Gregory Baker (SI)
 Eduardo S. Lagman (+)
 Estrella Pamogog (+)
 David G. de los Reyes (+)



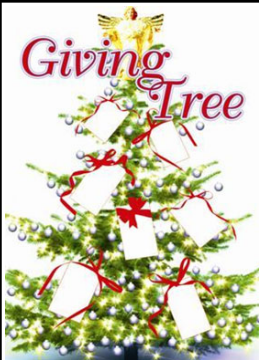
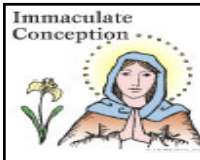
The Guadalupana Association of St. Basil invites you to our **Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe Mass** on Saturday December 8th at 11:30am. The entire Mass is celebrated in Spanish. Watch as Juan Diego enters the church with the roses he gathered on Tepeyac and gives them to our clergy during Mass as proof of the appearance of Guadalupe. The Knights of Columbus, a children's choir, and Aztec dancers will participate in the Mass. A small luncheon will be served after Mass in the school gym. All are welcome.

Everyone is invited to...

ST. BASIL THE GREAT PARISH MINISTRY CHRISTMAS PARTY SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15th 1:00PM TO 4:00PM PARISH GYM

There will be music, singing, dancing and games!!!

*\$5.00 fee per person (to offset food cost only)
 Food will be traditional Christmas menu.
 RSVP- Pilar or Gilda - Parish Center Office*



The St. Basil's Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will again sponsor the Christmas Giving Tree. The Giving Tree will be set up inside the Church on December 1st. There will be ornaments on the Tree requesting gifts for small children and teens. Each ornament will indicate the age and gender of the child. It may include clothing sizes and possible toys. The requested items are only suggestions. It is not necessary to buy everything that is listed on the ornament. Please take an ornament and return the gift for the child with the ornament attached to the outside of the wrapped gift. If possible, include a gift receipt inside the package. The Giving Tree will also have ornaments requesting 5 pound canned hams. The gifts and the canned hams (unwrapped) must be returned by December 16th.

Parishioners may wish to "adopt" a family this year and provide gifts for all of the children in a family. If you wish to "adopt" a family, please call Anna Johnson at 643-8392 by November 28th. Please leave your name, phone number, and the size of the family you would like to adopt. You will be contacted with the information and ornaments. SVdP thanks all of the parishioners for your continued generosity in helping us to assist the less fortunate in our community.

Please pray with our Lazarus Ministry for all who recently departed especially:

- +Eugenia Mananquil
- +Mary Fife
- +Christian Rimando
- +Elena Blanco
- +Eulolina R. Poblete
- +Amelie Matela
- +Consuelo Jose
- +Angelina Sanchez

Please pray for the sick...

Jesus, we ask you to bring your peace and healing touch to those who are ill or afraid or worried. AMEN.

Katie Abeyta, Joe Apelado, Mary Arnold, Prudencio Alvares, Lina Antonio, Yolande Bekhit, Ellen M. Bulangon, Myrna Caoili, Ursula Charifa, Rosita Cunanan, Simon Dauz, Jessalyn Detosil, Theresa Dizon, Marissa Esplana, Katrina Anderson Gomez, Severina Ilagan, Dennis LaBarr, Michael Marissa Lewis, Normita Mangalendan, Joaquin Manibusan, Paul B. Manibusan Vic Mararac, May Neal, Michael O'Regan, Dolly Marquez, Proceso Marquez, Jr., Winnie Meadows, Joseph Montesclaros, Zeny Morato, Dolores Owens, Fred Pablo, Adoracion Perez, Magnus Perez, Ed Peña, Nicolas Policar, Jeanine Prenton, Louie Romero, Ed Sablan, Lucila Samaniego, Eli Samonte, Adriana Silva, Lorene Soto, Sonia Rita Tanciongco, Sara Rose Teding-Weiss, Anne Torres, Phil Torres, Andres Villafuerte, Raquel Villafuerte, Sara Rose Teding-Weiss, Matilda Wilson