

St. Basil the Great Mass Intentions

What is a Mass Intention & a Mass Offering?

Under Canon law, any priest celebrating a Mass is permitted to receive an offering (donation) to apply that Mass for a specific intention. The Christian faithful who give an offering to apply the Mass for their intention contribute to the good of the Church and by that offering, share its concern to support its ministers and works. Generally, a priest can accept only one offering for one intention for each Mass.

How do I get a Mass Intention at St. Basil's?

You may make an offering to obtain a Mass intention by completing our Mass Intention Request Form and mailing it and your payment to the Parish. They can also be dropped off in the PLC mailbox in front of the gym. The suggested offering is \$10 per Mass intention, which is payable by cash or check only. The Parish will record your Mass intention in a Mass Book. You may request a specific Mass, which may be given to you if available. Otherwise, a

Mass date and time will be given to you. **This year the Mass Book will open on October 25, 2021.** You may obtain Mass intentions throughout the year until they run out.

Are there any limits?

Mass offerings will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. **To further the purposes of fairness and to encourage as many as possible to participate in this practice: (1) the offering must be received before any Mass intention will be reserved in the Mass Book; and (2) no household may obtain more than six (6) Mass intentions and no more than two (2) of those may be Sunday Masses.** If there are additional Mass intentions available after an initial period, Fr. Gary may allow such households to obtain additional Mass intentions in his sole discretion.

Where does my Mass Offering go?

All Mass offerings are deposited in and paid from a separate bank account designated for that sole purpose. The Mass Account is reflected separately in the Parish financial statements. No other monies are included in the Mass Account. All Mass offerings go to the priest celebrants or the Pontifical Mission Society. The Parish does not, therefore, receive any Mass offerings.

Please contact the Parish Office with questions or for more information.
Please allow time for processing. Thank you for your support!