MISSION STATEMENT

We, the clergy of St. Basil the Great, guided by the Holy Scripture, Tradition and Magisterium inspired by the Holy Spirit are called by Christ to evangelize, to educate and to motivate the lay faithful to become active witnesses to the spirituality of the Second Vatican Council (Vatican II) through sacraments, liturgy, praise and worship.

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Please PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER YOUR GIFT TO ST. BASIL PARISH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

SACRAMENTS
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday, 4:00 to 5:00pm

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.

May 15, 2016 - PENTECOST SUNDAY

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

Collection for 5/08/16: $11,838.80
Ascencion: $1,771.00
Cath. Communication Campaign: $2,017.20

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

One miracle of Pentecost was that, despite their diversity, each listener heard God’s word in his or her own language. The meaning for stewardship is that, by sharing the gifts poured out on us by the Holy Spirit, we will be empowered to meet the needs of our brothers and sisters, whatever they may be.
Pentecost Sunday
May 15, 2016

[1]n one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

— 1 Corinthians 12:13a

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Pentecost Sunday
Monday: Seventh Week in Ordinary Time
Wednesday: St. John I
Friday: St. Bernardine of Siena
Saturday: St. Christopher Magallanes and Companions; Blessed Virgin Mary; Armed Forces Day

THE FULLNESS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The church wakes up to an amazing message this morning. Look around and see who has been called. Listen to the voices of those who proclaim Jesus is Lord. You’ll find no race of people left out; you’ll find no language on earth unfit to proclaim the glory of God. We call Pentecost Sunday the “birthday of the church.” In many ways, the church is still being born. Only when we all know the peace Jesus offered in today’s Gospel will we really know the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

St. Paul assures us in today’s second reading that “all of us have been given to drink of the one Spirit.” When we look around us in the church we should see everyone. But we don’t. Not yet. What is holding us back from fully embracing the one Body of Christ? When will we see our differences as manifestations of the same Holy Spirit?

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

“Order” and “presbyter” are not everyday words in our vocabulary, since we think of order as a quality of life rather than a collective noun, and “priest” usually does just fine in everyday conversation. Yet each word has deep roots in our tradition. At an ordination we select men for service to the community. Ordo is a Latin word drawn not from pagan religious life but from Imperial Rome. It meant a distinct body standing apart from the people, such as a body of people responsible for civil governance, senators for example. Think of the selectmen or board of governors in your civic home, and you will get the idea. The church borrowed the term to describe the place of certain people within the people of God, thus the “order of deacons,” “the order of presbyters,” and even “the order of virgins, catechumens, widows, neophytes, penitents,” and so on, as distinct groups within the church.

Just as ancient Rome had various uniforms for the ranks and stations in civil life, so too did certain garments give clues to membership in an “order” in the church. So, our tradition favors the idea of an ordination liturgy not as receiving something so much as being received. This is clearly expressed in the liturgy. The “kiss of peace” is given only by the ordaining bishop and priests to the newly “ordained,” not by the faithful, the deacons, or the concelebrating bishops who are present.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).
Psalm — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).
Second Reading — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13) or Romans 8:8-17. 
Gospel — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23) or John 14:15-16, 23b-26.


READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-11; Mk 9:38-40
Thursday: Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50
Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mk 10:1-12
Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16
Sunday: Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-9; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

A PRAYER TO THE SPIRIT

Spirit of Jesus, poured out in flames of fire upon your disciples on the day of Pentecost, we pray to you:
Set afire the hearts of your faithful so that they will announce in all the languages of the world the wonders of the salvation of God.

—From Come, Lord Jesus by Lucien Deiss, CSsR, copyright © 1976, 1981, Lucien Deiss. Published by World Library Publications, p.182
Catholics Care. Catholics Vote.
Catholic voters should use Catholic teaching to examine candidates’ positions on issues and should consider candidates’ integrity, philosophy, and performance. It is important for all citizens “to see beyond party politics, to analyze campaign rhetoric critically, and to choose their political leaders according to principle, not party affiliation or mere self-interest” (USCCB, Living the Gospel of Life, no. 33). The four principles of Catholic Social Teaching for special consideration include human rights and responsibilities, respect for work and the rights of workers, care for God’s creation, and the preferential option for the poor and vulnerable.
For more information on Catholic Social Teaching – Faithful Citizenship, see the USCCB website.
www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship

Sacramento Catholic Forum presents Fr. Mark Richards -Understanding the New Annulment Procedures
Fr. Mark Richards is the Judicial Vicar for the Diocese of Sacramento, and serves as the presiding judge of the Diocesan Tribunal, which is responsible for determining whether Catholic marriages may be annulled. He will speak about the new regulations for processing annulment cases issued by Pope Francis in 2015, which streamline some aspects of the process. Fr. Richards will also offer reflections on how these reforms relate to Francis’ pontificate and to the Year of Mercy.
When: Thursday, May 19, 2016,
check in at 11:30am, lunch at noon
Where: Red Lion Woodlake Hotel
500 Leisure Lane, Sacramento
Cost: $30.00 in advance or $40.00 at the door
Further information and reservations:
www.saccatholicforum.org.

PACIFIC ISLAND DINNER
St. Basil’s School Gym, Saturday, May 21, 2016
Doors open at 6pm
Ticket Prices:
Children - 5 & under: Free
Children - 6 - 12 ~ $12.00 or $15.00 at the door
Adults - 13 - 54 ~ $20.00 or $25:00 at the door
Seniors -55+ ~ $12.00 or $15.00 at the door
Contact Info: 707-644-8309 or stbasilyouthgroup@gmail.com

From Mourning to Hope Ministry seeking Prayer Team
Prayer is Powerful! Our Grief Support Group is seeking to establish a prayer group to pray for all those in mourning. No need to attend meetings or group sessions. The Prayer Team will simply be asked to add those in our group and all who are grieving to your daily/weekly prayers. If you are interested please contact the parish center at 644-5251 and ask to be placed on the “From Mourning to Hope Prayer Registry”.
All that is required is your name, phone number and/or email address. We will give you a prayer intention card with a list of those to pray for by name.
Please pray for all those in our parish that are in need of Grief support. That they will find comfort and hope. As we embark on answering God’s call to assist those in mourning, May God relieve any anxiety and bless us all with wisdom, understanding, love and mercy. Amen.

Lord Jesus, we ask you to bring your peace and healing touch to those who are ill, or afraid or worried. AMEN.
Katie Abeyta
Nomie Almendra
Debra Ann Anderson
Shannon Antonio
Maria Aranda
Cora Arozal
Percy Belantes
Yolanda Bektih
Ursula Charita
Andre Davis
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