

St. Mary's Church

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Email: secretary@stmarysbarrie.com Website: www.stmarysba.archtoronto.org Parish Office Hours: Monday to Thursday 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. & 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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MASSES:

Sat.: 5:00 p.m. Sun.: 8:00, 10:00, 12:00 & 4:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES: 12:10 p.m. (except Wed.) Wednesday & 1st Friday......7:00 p.m. Saturday & Holidays.....9:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION:

Wed. 6:15 to 6:45 p.m. or Sat. 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS (2ND & 4TH SUNDAYS): Please pick up a Baptism Package from the parish office.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS: 1ST Tuesday of each month from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

MARRIAGE: Contact the parish priest one year prior to the anticipated date of marriage. Couples are reminded not to book a banquet hall before meeting with the Pastor.

CONFIRMATION & 1st COMMUNION: Contact the parish for information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Parish Office

R.C.I.A. - For adults wishing to become Catholic.
R.C.I.C. - For the baptism of older children(aged 7-14).
Public/Private School Program - for school aged children not attending Catholic Schools.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: ADORATION CHAPEL

Monday to Friday: 1:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m. All welcome.

Adoration Chapel: Mary Bond - 705-726-6641 Altar Servers: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

Bereavement Committee: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

Birthright: 109 Bayfield Street - 705-737-3550 **Catholic Family Services:** 705-726-2503

Catholic Women's League: Anne Marie Martyniuk-728-0109

Cenacle: Audrey Belcourt - 705-792-0489

Children's Liturgy: Alyssa Hendy - 705-562-4423

Development & Peace: Becky Johnson - 705-325-4614

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Communion - 705-728-2985

Knights of Columbus: Dan Dooley - 728-1641 (Hall)

Simcoe Sojourners: Frank Kewin - 705-720-2492

Lectors: Parish Office - 705-728-2985 **Library:** Leola Chiasson - 705-728-1451

Marriage Encounter: John & Daphne Jeffery-705-721-1694

PARISH STAFF:

Rev. Msgr. Marco Laurencic, Pastor - ext. 107
Rev. Jeremias Inoc, Associate Pastor - ext. 116
Rev. Gustave Mombo Mabiala, Assoc. Pastor - ext. 126
(Chaplain to the Barrie French Community)
Susan Scarff, Administrative Assistant - ext. 101
Deacon Ron MacLellan - ext. 115
Deacon Del Allan - ext. 125
Sherry Chapman, Adult Faith Moderator - ext. 111
Mickie Oakes, Pastoral Associate - ext. 110
Mary Perry White, Minister with Maturing Adults - ext.104
Shannon Barks, Music/Youth Minister - 705-229-7426
Pat Borho, Finance - ext. 102
Cathy O'Connor-Horgan, Custodian of Records - ext. 113
Dennis Cormier, Building Manager

SCHOOLS:

St. Mary's School - 705-726-1843 St. Monica's School - 705-726-8221 Monsignor Clair School - 705-737-2812 St. Marguerite d'Youville School - 705-726-5849 The Good Shepherd School - 705-728-2302 Sister Catherine Donnelly - 705-726-1221 St. Joseph's High School - 705-728-3120 Board Office - 705-722-3555

MINISTRIES TO THE HOSPITALIZED & SHUT-INS: If people are in the hospital or are unable to come to mass because of age or other limitations, contact the parish so that they may receive communion regularly.

Marriage Preparation Registration: 705-728-2985
Maturing Adults: Mary Perry White - 705-728-2985
Ministry Affirmation: (Screening): Parish Office - 705-728-2985
New Beginnings: Mary Golds - 705-737-0368

Out of the Cold: Carol Forget - 705-726-1036 Refugee Committee: Christine Ignas - 705-770-9199 Religious Articles Store: Pat Dunn - 705-720-2483 Retrouvaille: (for troubled marriages) - 416-281-6007 Rosary Apostolate - Anné Gariepy - 705-737-5263

Social Life: Parish Office - 705-728-2985 Stay 'n Play: Mickie Oakes - 705-728-2985 St. Mary's Cemetery: - 705-726-3931 St. Vincent de Paul: - 705-722-0753

Youth Ministry: Shannon Barks - 705-229-7426

PARISH REGISTRATION

Please register with the parish before seeking any sacraments or any other services. Registration forms are available in the church foyer, on our parish website, and in our parish office.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, December 11 10:00 a.m. St. Monica's School at the church 12:10 p.m. † Jake Calvert Tuesday, December 12 9:30 a.m. St. Mary's School at the school

12:10 p.m. † Vincenza Magnolil 7:00 p.m. † Rose Morgan

Thursday, December 14 9:30 a.m. St. Marguerite d'Youville School at the school

12:10 p.m. † Members of the Gray and Van Niekerk Families The Good Shepherd School at the church Friday, December 15 9:45 a.m.

> 12:10 p.m. t Leona King

9:00 a.m. † Rob and Jeff Plunkett; Saturday, December 16

† Vlad Kavan; † Paul Kennelly



Wednesday, December 13

Please remember to pray for those who are sick especially Jackson and Paisley

Bauman, Mary Teresa Gervais, Annette Surette, Renish Wilson, Betty Brassard, Jeanette McIver and Carol Fairchild.

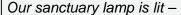


Please remember to pray for those who have died especially Marlene Maria Frank, Ted

Fortosky, Mary McHale and Fr. John Kiesling.

MEMORIAL LAMP & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

December 9 to December 16



† Eugenio Tolfo

Requested by: Antonia Tolfo

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES STORE



Our parish religious articles store has a vast array of many special items to complete your Christmas list! There are Advent wreaths and candles,

Advent calendars and greeting cards. These items won't last long. Next Sunday, December 17 is the last opportunity! Please visit us from 9am-10am and 11am-12pm in the hall.

CHURCH OPEN AND CLOSURE

Due to security issues within the parish the worship area of the church will be open daily at 11:00 a.m. and close at 1:00 p.m. except on Wednesday's it will open at 5:00 p.m. There is still access to the chapel and meeting rooms through the main doors.

COMMUNION MINISTERS TO SHUT-INS AND PRIVATE HOMES

All Eucharistic Ministers who visit our parishioners in care centres and private homes must now come to the parish office to enter the sacristy and leave through the side door of the church. Thank you.

Christmas Mass Schedule New Year's Eve

Christmas Eve-Dec. 24

5:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm and 12:00 (midnight)

Vigil of the Feast of Mary -Dec. 31 4:00 pm

Deace

Christmas Day-Dec. 25 10:00 am & 12:00 pm

Boxing Day - Dec. 26 9:00 am

New Year's Day Feast of Mary Mother of God Jan. 1 10:00 am &12:00 pm

YOUTH MINISTRY

STEUBENVILLE, OHIO JULY 13 -15, 2018. For the past 40 years, high school youth from across the Canada and the United States have had their faith awakened and their hearts set on a fire through a personal encounter with Jesus at a Steubenville Conference. This summer, over 54,000 teens and their leaders will be a part of this movement of grace at one of our 25 conferences. St. Mary's Youth Ministry will be taking a group of teens to the Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio this summer on the weekend of July 13-15, 2018. We have ordered 35 tickets, so spots are limited! The cost will be approx. \$400 however, we will be doing one fundraiser to help offset the cost. If you are interested in sponsoring a teen or for more information about how to register, please email: stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com or call Shannon at 705-229-7426.

NEW BEGINNINGS



A support group for separated, divorced and widowed persons. We will meet on Tuesday, December 12, 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. in room 1 for a potluck!

Bring your favourite dish! This is instead of the regularly scheduled meeting in December. For further information please contact Mary Golds at 705-737-0368.

CHRISTMAS CHEER

hristmas Cheer needs our help.
Donations of canned and packaged foods (please no glass containers), new unwrapped toys and new books.). Most needed items are for boys and girls aged 8-10 years old, toddler sized diapers, pull-ups and baby items. Cash donations and Canadian Tire money can be left at the parish office. You may drop off your donation directly, at Flags Unlimited on St. Vincent Street at the back doors. If not you may leave them in the parish hall. **Deadline here at the parish is Sun. Dec. 17**th.

YOUTH MINISTRY

CHRISTMAS MINUTE TO WIN IT! EDGE is this Friday, December 15, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. where we will have an exciting night of games and laughter! Please remember to bring your stockings for the Out of the Cold if you received one at our last EDGE night on Thirst For Change. A big shout out the Jamie Forget for his teaching on being the change in the world today. Random Fact: Did you know that dolphins can recognize themselves in mirrors? Remember this random fact for your chance to win a prize!

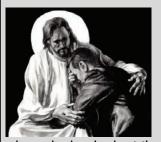
CHRISTMAS POSTAGE STAMPS

The tradition of religious Christmas postage stamps is no accident. This was the result of resolution. Presented and accepted by The Catholic Women's League of Canada who urged Canada Post to include a Nativity-related theme in future Christmas stamps. As Catholics we are very privileged to have these annual religious stamps produced by Canada Post, however, this tradition must be supported by us, for it to continue. Please ask for these beautiful and very special postage stamps from your local Post Office as they are available during the Christmas season only. You may use them throughout the year. Grace your Christmas mailings with these special stamps as an extra gift to your family and friends. Thank you.

FIRST COMMUNION

Registration deadline: January 8. Registration packages can be collected after Mass on the weekend or at the parish Office. Parents are invited to call the parish office to arrange a First Communion Interview time. Interviews are scheduled between Jan. 9 and March 23, 2018. The final First Communion Tour of the church for candidates and families is this Monday, December 11 at 6:30-7:30 p.m. Call Mickie Oakes at ext. 110 for any questions or to sign up.

ARCHDIOCESAN WEEK OF CONFESSIONS



From December 10 to 16, 2017, each parish in the Archdiocese of Toronto will be holding a Day of Confessions.

This week, let us make the journey into the heart of our relationship with God. Take a

long, loving look at the ways God calls us to grow. Take this challenge and hold it in readiness for the rich blessing that is manifest in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confessions will be available on:

Wednesday, December 13 at St. Mary's Church 4:00-6:00 p.m. and 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 14 at Holy Spirit Parish 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2:30-6:45 p.m.

Friday, December 15 at St. John Vianney Parish 9:00-11:00 a.m. and 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Resources will be available at the back of the church and by visiting

http://www.archtoronto.org/confession/.

MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS

Lunch and Learn DVD Series is held in room 3 following the 12:10 p.m.

Mass. The series is 'The Jesus of Scripture' and is presented by Rev. Donald Senior, a Catholic priest of the Passionist order. Some of the lecture topics are: The Gospels as

Portraits of Jesus, Jesus and His Disciples, Jesus the Healer, Jesus as Teacher, Jesus the Prophet. Bring your lunch if you wish, tea and coffee will be provided. Bring your lunch and coffee will be provided. No registration required.

Christian Meditation: based on the work of Fr. John Main a Benedictine monk who was one of the 20th Century's great spiritual masters, he pioneered the practice of Christian meditation. The Christian Meditation Group meets twice per month the second Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. and the fourth Thursday and at 2:00 p.m. each month in room 3. Next meeting Tuesday, Dec. 12 at 10:30 a.m.

Writing Circle Alumni meeting will be held on Thursday, December 14 at 1:00 p.m. in room 3. This meeting is for those who have already participated in the Life Story writing program. For more information please contact Mary Perry White at 705-728-2985, ext. 104.

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