

# St. Mary's Church

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Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

## PARISH STAFF:

Rev. Msgr. Marco Laurencic, Pastor - ext. 107

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*Feast of the Holy Family*

## Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, December 25	SEE BELOW	CHRISTMAS DAY
Tuesday, December 26	9:00 a.m.	† Helen Hoover
Wednesday, December 27	7:00 p.m.	† Steve Kovacek
Thursday, December 28	12:10 p.m.	Intentions of Antonino and Rosetta Barbaro
Friday, December 29	12:10 p.m.	† Aurele Hachey
Saturday, December 30	9:00 a.m.	† Paul Kubica
Monday, January 1	SEE BELOW	FEAST OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD
Tuesday, January 2	12:10 p.m.	† Noreen Egan
Wednesday, January 3	7:00 p.m.	† Nick Shelenko
Thursday, January 4	12:10 p.m.	† Colleen Bottineau
Friday, January 5	12:10 p.m.	† Vincenza Magnoli
	7:00 p.m.	† Gordon and Marguerite Churchill
Saturday, January 6	9:00 a.m.	† Bot Gutierrez; † Fred Harper



### From the Pastor's Desk

*Christmas is a time of peace, love, serenity and joy. As we rejoice and celebrate this wonderful season we focus on the reality of Emmanuel, God with us. We focus on His presence in Word and Sacrament, we focus on our community of faith at St. Mary's and the challenges of making Christ present in our world and our society.*

*It is my hope that the true meaning of Christmas will resonate in your hearts and in your actions.*

*May the Lord bless you now and throughout this coming year.*

*Msgr. Marco and the Pastoral Team*

## Christmas Mass Schedule



### Christmas Day

Monday, December 25

10:00 a.m. and  
12:00 p.m.

### Boxing Day

Tuesday, December 26

9:00 a.m.

### Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday, December 30 - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 31 - 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,  
and 12:00 p.m.

### New Year's Eve - Sunday, December 31

Vigil of the Feast of Mary, Mother of God

4:00 p.m.

### New Year's Day - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Monday, January 1

10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

During the 2017 Christmas Season, the Eucharistic Adoration Chapel hours will be:

**Christmas Day and Tuesday, December 26 (Boxing Day) – CLOSED**

**Wednesday, December 27 through to Friday, December 29 – OPEN** for usual hours.

**New Year's Eve, Sunday, December 31: OPEN** (only if there are enough people interested **after** the 5:00 p.m. Mass until 12:00 a.m. (midnight). To commit to the extended time please see the sign-up sheet posted outside of the chapel or contact Mary Bond at 726-6641.

**New Year's Day, Monday, January 1 – CLOSED**

**Tuesday, January 2 – OPEN** for usual hours.

*Come and thank the Lord for the blessings of 2017 and ask for continued blessings in 2018.*





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

**Bauman, Jackie Mucci, Antonella Tibbits and Annette Surette.**



Please remember to pray for those who have died especially **Richard Slusarek and John Inoc.**

**MEMORIAL LAMP & SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

**December 23 to December 30**



Our sanctuary lamp is lit –  
**In loving memory of my dear little sister**

**† Marie Lesperance**

**Requested by: Big Sister, Shirley Vaillancourt**

**December 30 to January 6**

Our sanctuary lamp is lit –  
**In loving memory of:**

**† Joseph Trahan and John Brennan**

**Requested by: Geraldine Trahan**

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**M.E.R.C.Y. (Ministry to Educate Roman Catholic Youth)** gathers once a month on Friday nights from 6:30-8:30 p.m. where we explore our faith in a dynamic way through activities, games, crafts and music. Our next M.E.R.C.Y. night is on **January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018**. We look forward to seeing you there!



**EDGE** is a youth ministry program for youth grades 5-8 to come together once a month on a Friday from 6:30-8:30 p.m. EDGE is a safe, fun place for youth to find solid Catholic community, to get answers to their questions about faith and most importantly, to experience Jesus in a profound and personal way. Our next EDGE night is **January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018** for an invitational 3 on 3 basketball tournament! Stay tuned for more info. Save the date for **EDGE CAMP – AUGUST 22-26<sup>th</sup>, 2018**. *Additional Information on registration in the New Year!*



**LIFETEEN** is a youth ministry program for high school teens that leads these youth into a deeper relationship with Jesus and the church. We explore the richness of the faith through talks, guest speakers, prayer and friendship.

**MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS**



Ministry with Maturing Adults has been an active ministry at St. Mary's parish for ten years. The ministry is for people in the second half of life, 50's plus. This 'New Generation' is living 20-30 years longer than previous generations and dealing with all the challenges and transitions that come with the second half of life. Pope Francis identifies the growing needs of those in the second half of life and recognized that we have a responsibility as a church to meet these needs. He speaks of the vocation and mission for those who are aging and suggests that we need to find our **new purpose**. He said, "It's still not time to 'rest on one's oars' and just coast along. There is a true vocation and mission set aside for those in the second half of life, who have a lot more free time at their disposal".

Ministry with Maturing Adults provides many opportunities to support the lifelong faith development of this population. Through a variety of programs there are opportunities to discover a new purpose and vocation, while considering being of service to the community. This ministry also strives to build a community of support for maturing adults, through relationships of mutual care and concern.

The Archdiocese of Toronto is now promoting this ministry and supporting it through the Office of Formation for Discipleship. The programs offered through Ministry with Maturing Adults, will resume in January 2018. To learn more about this ministry and programs please contact Mary Perry White, Ministry with Maturing Adults Minister, at 705-728-2985, ext. 104, or [maturingadults@stmarysbarrie.com](mailto:maturingadults@stmarysbarrie.com)

**FIRST COMMUNION**



**Registration:** The deadline for this spring is January 8<sup>th</sup>. Please collect and submit forms at the parish office.

**Interviews:** Parent, please contact Susan, Parish Secretary now to book your child's interview time between January 9<sup>th</sup> and March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**PUBLIC/PRIVATE SCHOOL RELIGION**

Religion classes begin for students. Grade 2-7 Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. here at St. Mary's Church. Contact Mickie Oakes, Pastoral Associate at ext. 110 for further information.



**THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED:**

**Monday, Dec. 25**                      **Tuesday, Dec. 26**  
**Wednesday, Dec. 27**              **Thursday, Dec. 28**  
**Friday, Dec. 29**                        **Monday, January 1**

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