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PARISH STAFF:

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

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Sherry Chapman, Adult Faith Moderator - ext. 111 Mickie Oakes, Pastoral Associate - ext. 110

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*Father, You revealed Your Son to the nations
by the guidance of a star. Lead us to
Your Glory in Heaven by the Light of Faith.*

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 7	12:10 p.m.	† Manuel DaSilva
Tuesday, January 8	12:10 p.m.	† Annette Kelly
Wednesday, January 9	7:00 p.m.	† Gladys Young
Thursday, January 10	12:10 p.m.	Respect for Life at All Stages
Friday, January 11	12:10 p.m.	† Patrick Beatty
Saturday, January 12	9:00 a.m.	† Pauline Grenon



With best wishes for the coming year

DO YOU WANT YOUR MARRIAGE BLESSED?



Many couples for various reasons are opting not to be married in the church. It is important that you recognize that you can remediate this choice by coming and having your marriage blessed. Please call the parish office to arrange an appointment with the priest to begin the process. Part of the meeting with the priest will be a discussion about the sacramentality of marriage which is at the heart of why the church wishes to be part of couples' marriages.

MEMORIAL LAMP & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

January 5 to January 12

Our sanctuary lamp is lit –

For the Special Intentions of Eleanor Comeau

who is forever in our prayers
Requested by: The Euchre Group



COMMUNION MINISTERS TO SHUT-INS



Can you imagine taking on the commitment and privilege of bringing the Sacrament to a certain number of people on a weekly basis? We are looking for new communion ministers to visit and take communion to those who are shut-in and reside in care homes connected with the parish. Please call Deacon Ron at extension 115.

PARISH LIBRARY

Do you have a good book to read on those quiet days that come after Christmas? Maybe a visit to our parish library will give you an opportunity to reflect on our faith in a new and particular way. Also, if you have any books that you wish to pass on to the parish library, drop them off at the office. Any that are fairly new that are not already in the holdings will be put in the library. The same goes for DVDs and CDs. Thank you.

Sincere Thanks!

Sincere thanks to Adams Funeral Home located at 445 St. Vincent Street here in Barrie. Doug Adams, once again, generously provided the pointsettias that decorated the church and the parish calendars that so many parishioners look forward to using.

Thank you Doug and the staff at Adams Funeral Home

PREAUTHORIZED GIVING

One of the advantages of Pre-Authorized Giving is that we know that your support for our parish is there when we are spending time at the cottage or travelling. The process for getting started is quite easy. The form to be completed is available in the parish office, in the foyer literature rack, or available on our parish website. Once you complete it, please attach a void cheque. Your form can be placed on the collection plate or dropped in at the parish office. **Thank you!**



PARISH SUPPORT

KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS, COUNCIL 1626

The Knights of Columbus #1626 wish to thank those who purchased our "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnets allowing others to feel and reflect on the Prince of Peace and true meaning of Christmas. We sold all 180 over the last two weekends.

FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS

Please be reminded that commencing tomorrow, Monday, January 7, you may email Susan in the parish office at secretary@stmarysbarrie.com to arrange your interview time between January 21 and March 23.

PUBLIC SCHOOL RELIGION

Public School Religion will begin again **Saturday, January 12** from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. For information please contact Mickie Oakes at ext. 110.

With sincere thanks... As we celebrate the visit of the three wise men to Jesus we mark the end of the Christmas season. We have so much to be thankful for in St. Mary's Parish as we look back on the Christmas Season we have just celebrated.



Sincere thanks and appreciation to Yvonne Hargreaves who generously gave of her time and talent to decorate the church at Christmas, to Frank and Nadia DeAmicis who provided the beautiful arrangements for the front entrance and to Jeanette Binsfield for her tireless work around the church. To the parish schools, Principals and teachers for the joyful celebrations of Mass; to our music ministry who enriched our liturgies and to our lectors, communion ministers, altar servers and ushers, a heartfelt thank you for all you do! And to all who shared their good cheer with kind words and actions, your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. Let us look to this New Year with its great promise and hope. Msgr. Marco, Fr. Jeremias, Fr. Gustave, Fr. Reddy, Deacon Ron, Deacon Del and Parish Staff.

MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS



VON SMART (Seniors Maintaining Active Roles Together) resumes tomorrow, **Monday, January 7** at 9:30 am in the parish hall. Please note pre-registration is required.

Lunch and Learn- an ongoing life-long learning series of DVD lectures help on Mondays following the 12:10 Mass p.m. in room 3. The program resumes tomorrow, **Monday, January 7**.

Christian Meditation: An ancient form of contemplative prayer rooted in the Christian tradition will meet on **Tuesday, January 8 at 10:30 a.m. in room 3**.

Ministry with Maturing Adults Advisory Committee: meet on **Wednesday, January 9 at 1:30 p.m. room 3**.

Writing Circle Alumni: meet on **Thursday, January 10 in room 3 at 1:00 p.m.** Those who have completed the Life Writing program are welcome to attend.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?



Have you thought of becoming a Catholic or completing your initiation as a Catholic through

First Communion or Confirmation? If so, please call or email the parish office indicating your interest. The parish program begins this fall.

CENACLE – PRAY FOR PRIESTS

The Cenacle meets every Monday morning in the adoration chapel at 10:30 a.m. (except holiday Mondays) to pray for our priests. We are currently seeking new members. Please call Audrey Belcourt at 705-792-0489 for more information.



UNDECORATING THE CHURCH

With the Baptism of the Lord, the Christmas Season officially ends. We will take down our decorations in the church **next Sunday, January 13th after the noon Mass**. Anyone who can help is encouraged to assist. Thank you!



DAILY MASS READINGS



Canadian daily readings are now available on our parish website. Working with our publishing partners at Living with Christ/Novalis, the Archdiocese of Toronto has been able to include this new feature on the www.archtoronto.org website and all parish websites within the archdiocesan website network. The Daily Readings tab can be found under the Our Catholic Faith drop-down menu on the archdiocesan and parish websites within the archtoronto.org network.

HOSPITAL VISTING



Please be reminded that if a family member or friend is in the R.V.H. the parish makes regular visits more than once a week to the hospital. It is necessary however, that you let us know the name, and if possible, location of the patient. **With the patient's permission**, we would be most happy to visit them. Please do not presume that there is some automatic way that we discover who is in the hospital. It is required that the family contact the parish.

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