# St. Mary's Church

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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.

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## Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 6 12:10 p.m. † Jerry Forget
Tuesday, January 7 12:10 p.m. † Jeanne-Darc Lemay
Wednesday, January 8 7:00 p.m. † Lancelot and Joseph

7:00 p.m. † Lancelot and Josephine Soff 12:10 p.m. † Michael O'Kane

Friday, January 10 12:10 p.m. † Rigo Ongaro

Saturday, January 11 9:00 a.m. † Kenneth Kay; † Valerie McGovern

† Deceased Members of the Calvin and Bagley Families

† Manuel DaSilva; † Ruth Grattan

# With best wishes for the coming year



Thursday, January 9

Please remember to pray for those who are sick in our community and for those who have died and all who are mourning their loss.

# MEMORIAL LAMP & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

January 3 to January 10

Our sanctuary lamp in our chapel dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is lit:--

For the Special Intentions of:



### **Gail Murphy**

"A Friend"

Requested by: Dolores Sexton

#### SUNDAY BUS SERVICE



Please be reminded, the church offers a Sunday bus service for the 10:00 am.

Mass. The bus will pick-up and drop off at the nearest designated spot on the roster

to your residence. If you live within the parish boundaries, this service is available to you at no cost. There is plenty of space available! Please call Landmark Bus Service at 705-722-6666 for further information and to register.

# DO YOU KNOW WHY WE PUT MASSES FOR OUR CARE HOMES IN THE BULLETIN?

It is for parishioners who may have friends or family resident in a care home who may wish to attend Mass. You may, in fact, not know anyone at the home but find the Mass time desirable. You are invited to come out and attend.

# Sincere Thanks!

We offer our sincere thanks and appreciation to

#### Adams Funeral Home

located at 445 St. Vincent Street here in Barrie.
Doug Adams, once again, generously provided all of
the poinsettias that were used to decorate the church
at Christmas and the parish calendars that so many
parishioners utilize.

Thank you Doug Adams and all the staff at Adams Funeral Home!

#### CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS UNTIL JANUARY 12, 2020



The Christmas season continues until the feast of the *Baptism of the Lord*, celebrated this year on Sunday, January 12, 2020. Throughout the liturgical season of Christmas, our Church celebrates the many ways that God is made present in our midst and world. We are invited to celebrate the full

season of Christmas.

From Christmas Day until the Baptism of the Lord, the following prayer can be prayed when your family gathers for a meal.

Father in heaven, you so loved us that You sent Your Son, among us as Savior and Lord.



Fill us with Your blessing, that we may grow in love and continue to live our Christian faith. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



As we celebrate the visit of the three wise men to Jesus we have so much to be thankful for in St. Mary's Parish as we continue to celebrate the Christmas Season.



To the parish schools, Principals and teachers for the joyful celebrations of Mass in the schools; to our music ministry who

enriched our liturgies and to our lectors, communion ministers, altar servers and ushers, a heartfelt thank you. To Jeanette Binsfeld who quietly works behind the scenes keeping the pews tidy, to those who generously gave of their time and talent to decorate the church at Christmas headed by Yvonne Hargreaves, and to Frank and Nadia DeAmicis who decorated the front entrance of the parish again this year. 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.

Fr. Larry

The **Ministry with Maturing Adults** seeks to support the lifelong faith development of women and men throughout all phases of the pre-retirement and retirement years.



Programs are open to parishioners in the second half of life.

<u>VON SMART</u> (Seniors Maintaining Active Roles Together) Exercise Program resumes tomorrow, Monday, January 6 at 9:30 a.m. For details regarding the program please call: 705 737 5044 ext. 221.

Writing Circle Alumni Group: this is a gathering for those who have already completed the Life Story Writing program. The monthly meeting will be: Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in room 3. Neighbourhood Circle: The parish-based group of maturing adults will meet on Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. in the Collier Place in the TV room at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome.

<u>Christian Meditation</u> is an ancient form of contemplative prayer rooted in the Christian tradition. The group meets twice a month. The next session is on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>January 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. in meeting room 3.</u> All are welcome. No prior experience is needed.



#### Lunch at the Mandarin Restaurant on Wednesday, January 29!

Beat the January blues and plan to join us for lunch. Each person is responsible to pay for his / her own meal. Seniors 65+ receive a 20% discount with ID. You must reserve your spot. Reservations will be taken after all Masses beginning next weekend January 11/12.

For further information on the **Ministry with Maturing Adults** please contact Catherine the coordinator at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or by email:

<u>caecker@archtoronto.org</u>.

# ENROLMENT FOR FIRST SHARING IN HOLY COMMUNION

All families who have registered their child to share in Holy Communion in Easter 2020 are reminded of Enrolment which will be celebrated at all liturgies on January 11/12 and January 18/19. You are reminded to bring the "completed lamb" to the day of enrolment. Questions: please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or email: caecker@archtoronto.org.

#### **MARRIAGE PREPARATION**



Marriage preparation will be offered in the coming year. Our next preparation program will begin March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and run through to April 28th. It is held every Tuesday evening from 7 – 9:00

p.m. Please call Susan in the parish office.

#### **PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST**

The Catholic Women's League will be holding Youth Contests in February. *The Mary Matthew's Public Speaking Contest* will be held in our parish hall on **Saturday, February 8**. Registration at 9:30 a,m. Speeches at 10:00 a.m. Grades 7/8 students who have won or are a runner up from all schools in St. Mary's catchment area will be invited by your school to compete. The winner will be invited to compete in the CWL Regional Contest on Feb. 29. Students from Grades 7-12 can also enter the *Mary Dobell Poetry and Essay* contest or the *Jean McCann Service Award* for Catholic youth from ages 15 to 18. Any student attending a public or private school who wishes to enter the contest should contact Catherine Webb at (705) 721-0146 or

cathywebbaway@gmail.com no later than February

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