

St. Mary's Church

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Parish Office Hours: Monday to Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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.

BAPTISM INFORMATION: Contact a priest after Mass on Sunday.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Contact the Parish Office

R.C.I.A. - For adults wishing to become Catholic, and for the baptism of older children (aged 7-14)

Public/Private School Program - for school aged children not attending Catholic Schools.

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: 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.

PARISH STAFF:

Rev. Larry Léger, Pastor - ext. 104

Rev. Jeremias Inoc, Associate Pastor - ext. 107

Deacon Ron MacLellan - ext. 110

Deacon Del Allan - ext. 125

Susan Scarff, Administrative Assistant - ext. 101

Catherine Ecker, Coordinator of Ministry with Maturing Adults and Parish Catechist - ext.115

Shannon Barks, Music/Youth Minister - ext. 116 or 705-229-7426

Clint Tyler, MSW Counsellor - ext. 101

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Cathy O'Connor-Horgan, Custodian of Records - ext.113

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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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN OUR 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

Catholic Family Services: 705-726-2503

Catholic Women's League: Dianne Hunter - 705-725-9007

Cenacle: Audrey Belcourt - 705-792-0489

Children's Liturgy: Alba Aray - 705-719-0429

Development & Peace: Becky Johnson - 705-327-9609

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

Knights of Columbus: Dean Beaudry - 728-1641 (Hall)

Simcoe Sojourners: Jacinta Kewin - 705-720-2492

Lectors: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

Library: Arlene LeBlanc - 705-728-0736

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

Marriage Preparation Registration: 705-728-2985

Maturing Adults: Catherine Ecker - 705-728-2985

Ministry Affirmation: (Screening):Parish Office - 705-728-2985

New Beginnings: Mary Golds - 705-737-0368

Refugee Committee: Christine Ignas - 705-770-9199

Religious Articles Store: Pat Dunn - 705-720-2483

Retrouaille: (for troubled marriages) - 416-281-6007

Rosary Apostolate - Anné Gariepy - 705-305-0911

Social Life: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

Stay 'n Play: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

St. Mary's Cemetery: Larry Meyer 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, February 3	12:10 p.m.	† Colin Baker
Tuesday, February 4	12:10 p.m.	† Dora Jackson
Wednesday, February 5	7:00 p.m.	† Antonio Nicoletta
Thursday, February 6	12:10 p.m.	† Enza Pape
Friday, February 7	12:10 p.m.	† Marjorie Gail Oliveira
	7:00 p.m.	† Barb Keogh
Saturday, February 8	9:00 a.m.	† Vlad Kavan † Allison Chaisson
		† Steven Ogilvie † Jan, Matthew and Irene Barla
		† Members of the Camilleri and Matys Families



Blessing of Throats - Monday, February 3 - Feast of St. Blaise: Bishop and Martyr

After Mass we will have a blessing of throats. St. Blaise is the patron saint of throat maladies.



Please remember to pray for those who are sick including

Rosa Saladino, Bryson

Vincent Shepherd, Jeffrey Kinch, Tibor Toth, Joe Hargreaves, Tim Taylor and Mike Carbone.



In Loving Remembrance

Please remember to pray for those who have died including

Elias Dandan.

MEMORIAL LAMP & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

January 31st to February 7th

Our sanctuary lamp in our chapel dedicated to the

Sacred Heart of Jesus is lit:--

For the Special Intentions of

Jenny Griffiths

Requested by: A Friend



REFUGEE COMMITTEE MEETING

The parish is holding an information meeting for our Refugee Committee. All those who are interested in exploring the possibility of resettling refugee families are invited to attend this meeting on **Tuesday, February 4th in room 3 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** No experience necessary.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Every Tuesday from 1-3 p.m., the Knights of Columbus host an afternoon of Bid Euchre with light refreshments at Columbus Hall, 93 Berczy St. Open to all parishioners seeking an opportunity for regular fellowship. Drop in and give it a try!

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES STORE – SALE!

Throughout the month of February, our parish store is listing many items for sale. This is a great opportunity to pick up gifts for the coming year. Open each Sunday after the 8 & 10 a.m. Masses.

ANOINTING MASS

On **Tuesday, February 11 at 12:10 p.m.** the parish will celebrate a Mass of Anointing. All those requesting the Sacrament of anointing, young and old are invited to attend. A reception of fellowship will be held in the parish hall after Mass.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Ash Wednesday this year is Wednesday, February 26th. Each year, during the season of Lent, we celebrate the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. each Friday evening, or after the 7:00 p.m. Mass on First Friday. Our ideal is that different ministries, organizations, and institutions of the parish lead the stations. If your group, school, or ministry wishes to lead the stations, please call Susan ext. 101 to reserve a Friday. Available dates are: **Feb. 28, March 6, 13, 27 and April 3.**

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION FOR ADULTS

Adults baptized in the Catholic Church who have not been confirmed and wish to prepare for and celebrate Confirmation please call and register for the preparation. Five sessions will be held on Tuesday evenings beginning February 18th. Pre-registration is necessary. Please call or email Catherine at 705 726 2985 ext. 115 or caecker@archtoronto.org.

PARENT CATECHETICAL MEETING # 2

All parents who have already registered their child for first sharing in Holy Communion are to attend a meeting on either **Sun., February 9th from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.** OR **Thurs., February 20th from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.** At the meeting parents will participate in a time of catechesis and receive a copy of the 2nd family book which must be completed at home. To foster full participation, we ask that **only parents** attend. Please note the meeting is offered twice, additional meetings will not be offered. **Participation at one of the meetings is essential.**

Marriage Sunday



Cardinal Collins has designated the next weekend, February 8/9 as Marriage Sunday in the Archdiocese of Toronto. After all masses, a special blessing will be bestowed on all couples. The event provides an opportunity to honour husband and wife while saluting the faithfulness, sacrifice and joy that comes with the marriage covenant. To those preparing for marriage, newlyweds and those that have been companions on the journey for decades, we offer our prayers and best wishes in a special way this weekend.

Let us celebrate the tremendous contributions of married couples who continue to strengthen our faith community. Let us also pray and extend loving support to those who have lost a spouse or are struggling from a broken relationship. For more information visit: www.archtoronto.org/marriage.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

St. Mary's CWL will be holding the Mary Matthew's Public Speaking Contest for grade 7 and 8 students next **Saturday, February 8** in the parish hall.

Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. with speeches beginning at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome to attend to support these talented students.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: Reminder regarding Enrolment

All candidates are to present their letter during Mass **this weekend, Feb. 1 / 2 or Feb. 8 / 9**. On the day of Enrolment, as a tangible sign of our membership in the Body of Christ and commitment to living as disciples each candidate is asked to bring to church a package of new adult socks (sports, work socks). The socks will be donated to programs that serve youth and the homeless.

YOUTH MINISTRY

M.E.R.C.Y. (Ministry to Educate Roman Catholic Youth) gathers once a month on Tuesday nights from 6:00-7:30 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 **Tues. Feb. 11th** for "Who is St. Valentine? and Movie Night!"



EDGE is a youth ministry program for youth grades 5-8 to come together once a month on a Friday from 6:00-8:00 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 **Fri. Feb. 14th** for *The Artist – Does God Care About Me?*



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. Our next LIFETEEN night is **Sat., Feb. 8th** at 6:30 p.m. for "We the North" Valentine Dinner and Dance!! Questions? Please email stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com or call Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426.

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This day is also known as Candlemas. The feast is celebrated 40 days after the birth of Jesus. In the gospel we hear the prayer of Simeon, an old man, who was promised that he would not die until he had seen Christ the Lord. As Simeon held the infant Jesus in his arms he recognized Christ as the light for the world.

The words of Simeon are part of our Gospel Cantic for Night Prayer, "Now, Master, you can dismiss your servant in peace; you have fulfilled your word. For my eyes have witnessed your saving deed, displayed for all the peoples to see: A revealing light to the Gentiles, the glory of your people Israel" (Lk 2:29-32).

Simeon, announced that the Messiah has come not just for the Jew but the gentile; not just the righteous, but the sinner. Since the 7th century candles have been blessed at this Mass and used throughout the year.

Our parents presented us at church for baptism. We were claimed for Christ and given the name Christian. We received a lit candle from the Paschal Candle and the Church reminded our parents / godparents that we are to walk always as a child of the light. We are to bear witness to Our Lord.

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.

Neighbourhood Circle: The parish-based group of maturing adults will meet on **Thurs., February 6th at 2:00 p.m.** in the multipurpose room (*main floor*) of St. Mary's Residence for refreshments and conversation. All are welcome. For information please contact Catherine at 705 728 2985 ext. 115.

General Sessions: Save these Dates!

Wednesday, February 19th at 2 p.m. **Preparing for the 90 Day Season**, Facilitated by Fr. Larry Léger and Catherine Ecker.

Wednesday, March 18th at 12:00 noon **Soup and a Movie**. Preregistration is requested. Cost: free will offering.

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