# St. Mary's Church

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Feast of the Holy Family

# Mass Intentions for the Week

† Elizabeth O'Neill Monday, December 28 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, December 29 10:00 a.m. Intentions of Fr. Rob Brennan Wednesday, December 30 10:00 a.m. + Gerald King Thursday, December 31 10:00 a.m. Intentions of the People of God Friday, January 1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God 10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 2 10:00 a.m. Intentions of the People of God **Epiphany of The Lord** Sunday, January 3 10:00 a.m.

Starting Sunday, December 27 daily Mass will be livestreamed at 10:00 a.m. Please visit <a href="https://www.facebook.com/st.marysbarrie.live">https://www.facebook.com/st.marysbarrie.live</a>

The church and parish office are closed. Confessions are by appointment only.



Please remember to pray for the sick including: **Joe Hargreaves, Margaret** 

Baker, David Samuel, Carol Beatty, George Driscoll, Beryl Fairchild, Ron English, Joan Fenton, Judy Turnbull, Jeff Beairsto, Peter Grasman, Vic White and Vittorio Santaguida.

Please remember to pray for those who have died including *Jim Duggan* and Peter Byblow.



## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER TO THE HOLY FAMILY

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph,



in you we contemplate the splendor of true love, to you we turn with trust.

Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and

payer, authentic schools of the Gospel, and small domestic Churches.

Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence, rejection and division: may all who have been hurt or scandalized find ready comfort and healing.

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer. Amen.

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### FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Today we rejoice in the gift of family and thank God for the many ways we are able to reflect God's love to the world.

### **Prayer for Families**

O God, whose desire is that all the peoples of the world should be one human family, living together in harmony, grant that our home, by its worship and its witness, may help to hasten the day when your will is done on earth as it is in heaven.

Amen.

### A PARENT'S PRAYER

All praise to you, Lord Jesus, lover of children: bless our family and help us to lead our children to you.

Give us light, strength and courage when our task is difficult.

Let your Spirit fill us with love and peace, so that we may help our children to love you.

All glory and praise are yours.

Amen

### JANUARY 1 – FEAST OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD AND WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE

This feast celebrates Mary as the Mother of God. Every year on January 1<sup>st</sup> the Pope marks the World Day of Peace with a special message inviting all people to reflect on the important work of building peace. In 1967 Pope Paul VI, now St. Paul VI began this tradition.

### **Prayer for Peace**

This well-known prayer was composed sometime in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century and it has been attributed to St. Francis of Assisi (1181-1226).

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:



where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master,
grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that
we are born to eternal life. Amen.

## Sincere Thanks!

to Adams Funeral Home

445 St. Vincent Street, Barrie.
Doug Adams, once again this year,
generously provided the poinsettias that were
used to decorate the church this Christmas
and the parish calendars that so many
parishioners utilize.

Thank you Doug Adams and the staff at Adams Funeral Home.

### CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS UNTIL JANUARY 10, 2021

The Christmas season continues until the feast of the *Baptism of the Lord* celebrated this year on Sunday January 10, 2021. 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.

### MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS

Christian Meditation is an ancient form of contemplative prayer rooted in the Christian tradition. The group will meet on line on Tuesday January 5, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. No prior experience is needed, all are welcome. If you wish to attend please email Catherine Ecker at caecker@archtoronto.org for the link.

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