

# 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 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (livestreamed),  
12:00 p.m., 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.

## CHURCH HOURS - OPENING/CLOSING

**WEEKEND** - Open 20 minutes prior to each Mass and closed directly after each Mass.

**WEEKDAY** - Open at 11:00 a.m. - Closed at 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday's - Open at 4:00 p.m. - Closed at 8:00 p.m.

## RECONCILIATION:

Wed. 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. or Sat. 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**BAPTISM INFORMATION:** Contact a priest or Catherine Ecker, Parish Catechist 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. Neyomal Liyanage Silva, Associate Pastor - ext. 107

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

Pat Borho, Finance - ext. 102

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

Dennis Cormier, Building Manager

## PARISH 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 THE CHURCH PROPER

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

After the 12:10 p.m. Mass to 3:00 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:** Parish Office - 705-728-2985

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

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

**Interfaith Refugee Committee:** Sheila Lewis-Watts  
705-737-1880

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

**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 - ext. 115

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

**New Beginnings:** Mary Golds - 705-737-0368

**Religious Articles Store:** Pat Dunn - 705-718-1853

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

**Rosary Apostolate** - Anné Gariépy - 705-305-0911

**Sacramental Preparation:** Catherine Ecker - ext. 115

**Simcoe Sojourners:** Jacinta Kewin - 705-720-2492

**Social Life:** 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

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| Monday, April 19    | 12:10 p.m. | † Respect for Life from Conception to Natural Death |
| Tuesday, April 20   | 12:10 p.m. | † Patricia Greene                                   |
| Wednesday, April 21 | 7:00 p.m.  | † Al Shrubsole                                      |
| Thursday, April 22  | 12:10 p.m. | † Stein-Arne Meisler                                |
| Friday, April 23    | 12:10 p.m. | † Elena Scaini                                      |
| Saturday, April 24  | 9:00 a.m.  | † Bill Bolger                                       |
|                     |            | † Melissa Cogswell                                  |
|                     |            | † Terry Rielly                                      |



*Thank you*

On behalf of the Knights of Columbus (Council 1626) we would like to sincerely thank the parishioners of St. Mary's for a tremendously successful **Palm Sunday Foodbank Fundraiser and the special Holy Thursday Foodbank Collection** with your donations of cash, cheques and gift cards. The total funds raised on Palm Sunday was just over



**\$6,000.00** and on Holy Thursday just over **\$3,500.00**. **This total of \$9,500.00 represents close to 20,000 lbs of food for those in need.** This is a record for donations to the Foodbank!

We thank Father Larry and the Parish team for supporting this effort and again we thank all the parishioners of St Mary's for their kindness and generosity to this exceptional cause.



Please pray for those who are sick including: **Judy Turnbull, Jeff Beairsto,**

**Esther Drobot, Ernie Allard, Ruth Johnson, Greg Keevaney, Sandra Hickey, Denise LaPorte, Joanne Leroux, Ruth Hanson, Kathleen O'Donnell, Jerry Elias, Paul Mizzie, Celinda Canas, Jorge Tello, Norma and Oscar Godoy, Liliana Gomez de Godoy, Sabrina Rodriguez, Pablo Quinteros and Irene Echeverria.**



*In Loving Remembrance*

Please remember those who have died including: **Phillip Bourget, Ron Butler,**

**Sister Antoinette, Ben March, Armande Marie Needham, Terry Rielly, Jim Egan, Angela Roth, Geraldine Lynch and Alie Sloodbeek.**

### NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK -APRIL 18-24

Today, at the start of Canada's National Volunteer Week, the parish would like to recognize the immeasurable efforts of each of you who strengthen our Church community through your commitment to service and to acknowledge the *difference* that each person in ministry has made in faithfully answering their baptismal call to serve. Every day across the Archdiocese of Toronto, parishioners selflessly give of their time and talent to nurture and strengthen the faith experience of the Catholic community and announce the Gospel. "*Well done my good and faithful servant.*" Matthew 25: 23.

*Thank you*

### MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS



**Christian Meditation** meets weekly, online.

The next session is on **Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>**

**at 10:30 a.m.** Christian Meditation is one

form of prayer and is a discipline that requires practice, concentration and commitment. This ancient form of Christian contemplative prayer invites us into a time of sacred silence. All are welcome. No prior experience is needed.

The **Next Chapter Network** is a faith-based support network for women who are widowed.

The network encourages and empowers widows to move forward into a positive future. *This group is not a bereavement support group and is not intended to replace the Bereavement Support*

*Group at St. Mary's Church.* The next meeting will be online on **Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 7:30 – 8:30**

**p.m.** For any questions or to receive the links for the above meetings, please email Catherine Ecker

at [cecker@archtoronto.org](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org).

### IMPORTANT REMINDER for Families Preparing to Celebrate Confirmation in May 2021



In April all candidates and their sponsors are to attend one session together. IF, the sponsor cannot attend the parent is to attend.

The candidates are grouped according to their surname.

**Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.**  
Surnames A to L

**Thursday, April 29<sup>th</sup> 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.**  
Surnames M to Z

Please make every effort to attend the assigned time.

# This weekend is ShareLife Sunday!



*"Vulnerable members of our community are relying on you and me to ensure ongoing access to the care they so desperately need. This is why it's crucial we meet our parish campaign goal of \$13.8 million. Our goal can be met, but only if we each do our part."*  
– Cardinal Thomas Collins

**Our Parish goal is \$100,000.00.**

**Today is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.**

## CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

For 50 days we celebrate the great feast of Easter! In our parish and homes, we continue to praise our God and celebrate Jesus' victory over death. Alleluia!



As we continue to celebrate the season of Easter you are asked to pray in an intentional way for families preparing for Baptism, for our young people who will be confirmed in May and all families preparing their children to begin to share in Holy Communion throughout the Easter season.

**Gracious God,**

***I pray for the families preparing to celebrate a sacrament during the Easter Season.***

***I ask for your blessing upon them.***

***Jesus, Mary and Joseph***

***pray for our families.***

### An Easter Prayer

*God, source of life,  
Pour in our hearts the joy of Easter, and grant us to live the new life  
that Christ has gained for us through his resurrection,  
for he reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God for ever and ever.  
Amen. (adapted from Blessings and Prayers for Home and Family, © Concacan Inc., 2004)*

## You are Invited to Join Us for Faith Nourishment

**Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.**

**Topic: The Holy Spirit**

The Church calls all people to continue to grow in understanding and knowledge of our faith. To assist all members of the parish we are offering a monthly session of prayer, catechesis (teaching) and discussion. During the time of lock down we shall meet on line. Our next session will be held on **Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>** and the topic is the Holy Spirit. Please email Catherine ([cecker@archtoronto.org](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org)) to get the link. All are welcome to join Father Larry and Catherine for a time of faith nourishment!

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

***Living and Celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage***

The expression a wedding lasts a day a marriage lasts a lifetime highlights the importance of celebrating and living marriage vows day after day. The married couples in our parish are a sign to us of God's faithfulness and through their witness we are strengthened. If you celebrated a wedding anniversary in April we shall pray with you and share in your joy at all Sunday (Saturday evening) Masses on **April 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>**. Please join us in thanking God for the gift of the married couples in our midst.



## YOUTH MINISTRY



**YOUTH RETREAT – Save the Date!** We are excited to announce that prolific Catholic speaker, Paul J. Kim who currently resides in Texas, is joining virtually on **Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup>** for a retreat for our

young people. It will run from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. For further details or to register for the retreat, please email

[stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com) or call (705) 229-7426.



**"M.E.R.C.Y. with an EDGE"** will continue to meet once a month on zoom following the original schedule. The next date for this is **Friday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>**. You can catch any missed episodes on St. Mary's YouTube Channel to see what Albert has been up to :)

<https://youtu.be/HE5XEujqawQ>

## ARCHDIOCESAN WEEK OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS Monday, April 19<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>

During this week, we ask you to pray for our 6 soon-to-be priests along with all those who are discerning and who are currently in formation.



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