St. Mary's Church

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Email: stmarysba@archtoronto.org Website: www.stmarysba.archtoronto.org 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
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PARISH SCHOOLS:

Dennis Cormier, Building Manager

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

EUCHARISTIC 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
Retrouvaille: (for troubled marriages) - 416-281-6007
Rosary Apostolate - Anné Gariepy - 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

Monday, May 24 10:00 a.m. † Compton DeCunha Tuesday, May 25 10:00 a.m. † Respect for Life from

Conception to Natural Death

Wednesday, May 26 10:00 a.m. † Paul Aikins Thursday, May 27 10:00 a.m. † Bill Bolger

Friday, May 28 10:00 a.m. For all those suffering in the Pandemic

Saturday, May 29 10:00 a.m. Intentions of the Barks Family

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth! Psalm 104

Feast of Pentecost - Each year, 50 days after we celebrate Jesus' resurrection from the dead we celebrate Pentecost. After Jesus' resurrection the disciples were fearful as they gathered behind

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closed doors. The Holy Spirit empowered the disciples and the message they proclaimed was heard by all who had come to Jerusalem. At Baptism and Confirmation, we receive the same Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit will empower us to be witnesses to all people. We pray:

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful And kindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created And you shall renew the face of the earth. Amen.



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

Beairsto, Esther Drobot, Ernie Allard, Ruth Johnson, Greg Keevaney, Denise LaPorte, Joanne Leroux, Kathleen O'Donnell, Jerry Elias, Will Dwyer, Wendy Brophy, Rita McCullough, Tony Neil, Christina Spykerman and Ruth Aughton.



Please remember those who have died recently: *John Duivenvoorde.*

CELEBRATING PENTECOST AT HOME



The Holy Spirit is often depicted as flames of fire. On Pentecost Sunday as you gather for a family meal you

are invited to wear something red. There are many different shades of red, may this vibrant colour and the different shades be a visual reminder of the diversity of our God given gifts and talent.



Celebrating Seniors During the Month of June!

Ministry with Maturing Adults Free Webinar!



The Office of Formation for Discipleship is offering a webinar on **Saturday**, **June 5** from **10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.** with Sr. Janet Schaeffler,

OP, on, "Prescription for COVID: A Daily Dose of Faith, Hope and Love."

These unprecedented times have been upsetting, unfair and challenging for maturing adults. We need our daily dose of faith, hope and love to fight off the fear, gloom and dread. As we reflect on what helped us through this past year, we discover that it was – and continues to be – the strength of the Gospel, which provides us with answers to the trauma and fears of the pandemic.

All men and women in the second half of life (50+), including volunteers, parish leaders, parish staff and priests are welcome to join this webinar.

To register, please visit: http://bit.ly/MAW-RegisterJune2021.

If you have any questions, please contact Ella Okonkwo at: 416-934-3400 ext. 523 or formation@archtoronto.org

ORDINARY TIME

On Monday, May 24th we enter the season of Ordinary Time. The white or gold vestments of Easter are put aside and we embrace green vestments. Green reminds us of life. This span of Ordinary Time extends to November 21st when we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King.

A Prayer for Ordinary Time

God of wisdom and love, source of all good, send your Spirit to teach us your truth and guide our actions in your way of peace. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son.

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen

AN INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN MEDITATION



Christian Meditation is not a new form of prayer. Learning to meditate takes time and practice. It is a prayer form that focuses on God and becoming

silent in God's presence. If you would like to learn more about Christian Meditation you are invited to an introductory session on Wednesday, May 26th at 7:30 p.m. We will meet online from 7:30 – 8:45 p.m. All are welcome. Please register by emailing Catherine Ecker cecker@archtoronto.org and you will receive a link to the session.

MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS



Christian Meditation meets weekly, online. The next session is on Tuesday, May 25th at 2:00 p.m. This ancient form of Christian contemplative prayer invites us into a time

of sacred silence. All are welcome. If you are new to Christian Meditation and would like some information or if you would like the link to the meeting please email Catherine Ecker cecker@archtoronto.org.

PRAYER FOR FAMILIES WAITING TO CELEBRATE A SACRAMENT



We invite you to pray in an intentional way for families preparing for Baptism, for our young people waiting to be confirmed and for all families preparing

their children to begin to share in Holy Communion.

Gracious God,

I pray for the families waiting to celebrate a sacrament. I ask for your blessing upon them.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph pray for our families.

WE ARE CALLED TO PRAY!

During this stage of the pandemic many people are suffering, our hospitals are over capacity and our front-line workers in the hospital, long term care facilities and nursing homes are exhausted. During the month of May, Monday through Friday you are invited to come together in prayer virtually at 3:00 p.m. to pray the rosary for those affected by Covid and all health care professionals. This week we will pray the Rosary online at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday May 25th to Friday May 28th. For those joining online the Zoom link will open at 2:50 p.m. and no one will be admitted after 3:00 p.m. as the leaders will be praying. You may find the link on our website. If you have questions please email Catherine Ecker at cecker@archtoronto.org or call 705 728 2985 ext. 115 and leave a message.



Our Parish goal is \$100,000
To-date we have collected \$36 053.00
Please make your sacrificial gift through the parish office or sharelife.org.

A VIRTUAL EVENT HOSTED BY SHARELIFE

ShareLife Speaker Series:

Caring for our Mental Health Thursday, May 27th at 7:00 P.M.

Struggles with mental health, anxiety and depression have increased drastically during the pandemic. Elizabeth Pierce, Executive Direction of Catholic Family Services of Durham – a ShareLifefunded agency – will present strategies for coping during these difficult times. These tools will be applicable for children, youth and adults. Following the 25-minute presentation, Elizabeth will answer your questions about mental health. Please visit: https://www.archtoronto.org/en/outreach/calendar-of-events/event-listing/archdiocesan/sharelife-speaker-series-caring-for-our-mental-health/

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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2). By E-transfer: **ssvpoffice@gmail.com**Please include your full name and mailing address in the message section so a receipt can be issued at the end of the year. *Thank you for your support!*

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