

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.

(All daily Masses are livestreamed.)

CHURCH HOURS - OPENING/CLOSING

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

WEEKDAY - Open 11:00 a.m. - closed at 3:00 p.m. except Wednesday's - open at 4:00 p.m. and 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.

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: for school aged-children attending public/private alternate schools. Contact parish office.

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

Rev. Gomi Fernando – In Residence

Rev. Scott Young – In Residence (Health Leave)

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

David Murdoch, Pastoral Worker, 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

Bereavement Committee: Parish Office

Catholic Family Services: 705-726-2503

Catholic Women's League: Susan Murley – 705-252-1918

Liturgy of the Word with Children: Parish Office

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: Bob Tinkess - 705-220-9103 Cell

Lectors: Parish Office

Library: Arlene LeBlanc - 705-728-073

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

Marriage Preparation: Parish Office

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

St. Mary's Cemetery: Larry Meyer 705-726-3931

St. Vincent de Paul: 705-722-0753

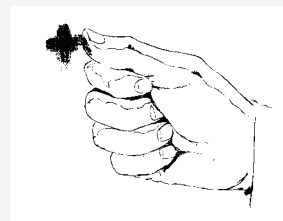
Youth Ministry: Shannon Barks - 705-229-7426

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 28	12:10 p.m.	† Leo Arrigo
Tuesday, March 1	12:10 p.m.	Intentions of Beryl Fairchild
Wednesday, March 2	12:10 p.m.	Ash Wednesday
	7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday
Thursday, March 3	12:10 p.m.	† Al Shrubsole
Friday, March 4	12:10 p.m.	† Ted Chapman
	7:00 p.m.	† Cidaliza Paiva
Saturday, March 5	9:00 a.m.	† Fred Campling
		† Stella Lesperance
		† Gerald and Cecile Vaillancourt



ASH WEDNESDAY: March 2nd marks the beginning of Lent. There will be Mass at 12:10 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Each will include the distribution of ashes.

ADDITIONAL MASS DURING LENT: Wednesday's at 12:10 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: We will celebrate the Stations of the Cross during Lent and will publish the dates and time. Prayers for Indigenous People and Residential School survivors will be included.

PRAYING FOR THE SICK



If you or a family member is sick please let us know and we shall add their

name to our prayer list which is posted in the gathering space of the church.

Rest in Peace

We remember in prayer those who have died recently including:

John Francis Walsh, Vince DesGasperis, Kenneth Klempert, Robert Paul Martin and Anna Holden.

THE SEASON OF LENT

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The Church reminds us that Lent has two major purposes: It recalls or prepares for baptism and emphasizes a spirit of penance. The emphasis on a spirit of penance assists us in preparing to renew our

baptismal promises. For those who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil the spirit of penance is to assist them in preparing for their baptism. Throughout the season of Lent we are called to listen more attentively to the Word of God and to set aside additional time for prayer. The traditional Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and works of charity (almsgiving) are to assist us as we prepare to renew our baptismal promises.

A 6 WEEK BIBLE STUDY WITH THE DOWNTOWN BARRIE MINISTRY GROUP

Online 6 Tuesday's - 12 Noon – 12:45
March 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5, 12



In the six-week study - **The Grace of Les Miserables**, author and pastor Matt Rawle dives into six ideals found in the story--grace, justice, poverty, revolution, love, and hope--each represented by a character in Hugo's story. As these imperfect and relatable

characters interact, we can see how these ideals work together (perhaps even in spite of each other) out in the world. You will need to purchase a copy of the book to participate.

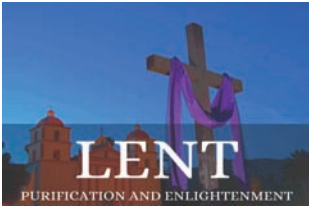
<https://www.amazon.ca/Grace-Miserables-Matt-Rawle/dp/1501887106>.

Please note: Registration is not required.

Barrie On Days for Girls Team will be holding their workshop in the hall on **Wednesday, March 9 from 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.** The Team has been busy home sewing thru Covid. We have sent kits to South Sudan and Zambia thru organizations. We look forward to seeing our volunteers. Covid protocols for March 9 is being discussed and will be available closer to the date. For more information please contact Ann Cavanaugh at 705-305-4875 or Evelyn Stefanison at 705-722-6675. Inquiries can be forwarded thru barrieon@daysforgirls.org.

JOURNEY TO EASTER!

**A Time of Purification and Enlightenment
A Lenten Series: March 10, 17, 24
and March 31st.**



The season of Lent is a time to prepare for baptism or to prepare to renew our baptismal promises. You are invited to participate in a four-part series on Thursday mornings. We will hear and reflect on the Gospels that will be proclaimed on the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent. We will meet online from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. All are welcome. For more information and the link please email Catherine Ecker at cecker@archtoronto.org or call 705 728 2985 ext. 115.

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 February we shall pray with you and share in your joy at all Sunday (Saturday evening) Masses this weekend, February 26th and 27th. Please join us in thanking God for the gift of the married couples in our midst.

MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS

VON SMART (*Seniors Maintaining Active Roles Together*) Exercise Program is held on Tuesday mornings. For details regarding the program and registration please call: 705 737 5044 ext. 221.

Christian Meditation is an ancient form of contemplative prayer rooted in the Christian tradition. This group meets on Tuesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. The next session will be on Tuesday March 1st on Zoom. If you are interested in learning more about this form of prayer, have questions or would like the link please contact Catherine Ecker. (cecker@archtoronto.org or 705 728 2985 ext. 115)

YOUTH MINISTRY



M.E.R.C.Y. (*Ministry to Educate Roman Catholic Youth*) is for youth grades J.K. to Gr. 4 and gathers once a month on Friday 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 gathering is **Friday, March 11th**. Registration required.



EDGE is a youth ministry program for youth grades 5-8 to come together once a month on a Friday from 6:00-7:30 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 gathering is **Friday, March 25th**. **EDGE CAMP** – Registration is Open! For those who currently participate in our Edge Program. For more information please contact Shannon.



LIFETEEN – for high school teens to explore their faith through talks, prayer and friendship meeting monthly on Sunday nights. Our next gathering is **Sunday, March 13th** after the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Dinner provided. For information on our Youth Ministry please email stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com or call Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426.

VOCATIONS

Come and See - Day Retreat – Saturday, March 19th from (9:00am – 3:30pm) at St.

Augustine's Seminary:
Inviting single Catholic men 18 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with



Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations via email: vocations@archtoronto.org.

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