

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.

Mass is livestreamed on Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

and Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

The Church opens at 8:00 a.m. and closes at 5:00 p.m.

except Wednesdays when we close 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 Silva, Associate Pastor

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 Assistant

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 4:00 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: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

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

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

Rosary Apostolate - Anné Garipey - 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, October 31	12:10 p.m.	† Kevin Nicol
Tuesday, November 1	12:10 p.m.	† Stephen McBride
Wednesday, November 2	7:00 p.m.	† Annual Memorial Mass
Thursday, November 3	12:10 p.m.	† Nancy Greco
Friday, November 4	12:10 p.m.	† Members of the Oliveira Family
	7:00 p.m.	† Patricia Anderson
Saturday, November 5	9:00 a.m.	† Rita LaVerdiere

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.



We remember in pray those who have died recently including

Francine Hillier, Eileen Eydt, James Kitchen, Paul Berthiaume and Edward Louis.

ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS



On **Wednesday, November 2nd**, All Souls Day, we will pray for all of the faithful departed at the **7:00 p.m. Mass**. Our Bereavement Committee has extended a personal invitation to all families who had

a loved one buried from St. Mary's Parish during the past year to attend this Mass.

All parishioners are welcome to attend as we pray for our family near and far who have died this past year. When you arrive, we will give you a lit candle which is placed on the steps near the altar. After Mass everyone is invited to join us in the parish hall for simple refreshments and fellowship.

When Mass has ended you are welcome to take a candle home or to leave it burning in the church.

This Mass will also be livestreamed on our parish Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/St.MarysBarrie/live>.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

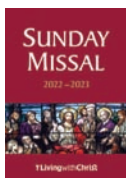


The parish Book of Remembrance is available in the church proper so that you may inscribe the names of those who have gone before you

marked with the sign of faith. *Please remember to use your own pen.*

SUNDAY MISSALS FOR THE NEW LITURGICAL YEAR!

The new Missals are available in the foyer or from the parish office. The cost is \$5.00. *Please remember to put your name in the Missal!*



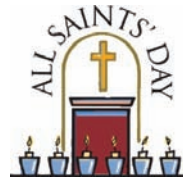
HALLOWE'EN IS ACTUALLY A CHRISTIAN CELEBRATION THAT IS OVER 1000 YEARS OLD

October 31st Hallowe'en and November 1st All Saints Day have been celebrated since the early 8th century. Pope Gregory III wanted to establish a day to celebrate all Saints. The word Hallowe'en comes from "All Hallows Eve" that refers to the night before All Hallows Day, also known as All Saints Day. Hallow as a noun is an old English word for saint and Hallow as a verb is to make holy or to honour as holy.



Traditions - The supernatural aspects of Hallowe'en, like ghosts and demons, have their roots in Catholic belief. At certain times of the year it was believed that the veil separating earth from the afterlife was very thin. When this veil is "thin" the ghosts and demons could be seen. October 31st and November 1st were considered a time when the veil was thin. People would wear costumes to scare away the ghosts and demons.

ALL SAINTS DAY



On November 1st the church celebrates All Saints Day. On this day we celebrate the women and men who have lived before us and the Church has given them the title of saint. For example, people like

St. Peter, St. Paul, St. Theresa, St. Matthew, St. Agnes and St. Monica. On all Saints Day we also celebrate all of the people who lived holy lives and have died. Some of these people would be our grandparents, aunts, uncles, leaders who have worked for justice and peace. We believe in the communion of saints which means we believe that through baptism we are united with the baptized who are living on earth, those who have died and all who have been named saints. We pray: All holy men and women, pray for us.

**MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS:
For All Adults 55+**

All are welcome to attend the various session offered for those in the second half of life.



Wednesday, November 23rd - Soup and a Movie - You are invited to join us at 12:00 noon for soup, bread and sweets followed by a movie. Cost: free will donation. *Please reserve your spot by Monday, November 21st.*

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



Christian Meditation is an ancient form of contemplative prayer rooted in the Christian tradition. Our next session will be on **Tuesday, October**

25th at 10:30 a.m. on Zoom. If you are interested in learning more about this form of prayer or have questions please contact Catherine Ecker. (cecker@archtoronto.org or 705 728 2985 ext. 115) All are welcome.

**REGISTRATION FOR CONFIRMATION
OR
FIRST SHARING IN HOLY COMMUNION**



Families who participated in the September / October parent information meeting for **Confirmation** or **first sharing in Holy Communion** received a package of material.

The completed registration form including a legible **photocopy** of the young person's baptismal certificate, the Parish Registration Form and the Sacramental Preparation envelope will be accepted **AFTER** Mass has ended on **October 29 / 30.** **Please note: Registration forms are only accepted after Sunday (Saturday) Mass.** If you have questions about the form or the preparation process please email Catherine Ecker, parish catechist at cecker@archtoronto.org or call 705 728 2985 ext. 115.

CELEBRATING ADVENT



Join us for **Advent Lessons and Carols on Wednesday, November 30th at 2:00 p.m.** At the beginning of the Advent season you are invited to pause from preparations for Christmas to hear

God's Word. Following this time of prayer and reflection there will be time for fellowship and simple refreshments. All are welcome.

YOUTH MINISTRY



M.E.R.C.Y. (Ministry to Educate Roman Catholic Youth).

ALL SAINTS DAY PARTY!



Our next gathering is **Friday, November 11th** from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for an All Saints Party! We invite those in J.K. to Grade 4 (and helpers) to come dressed as their favourite Saint.



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, November 25th.**



LIFE TEEN – for high school teens to explore their faith through talks, prayer and

friendship meeting monthly on Sunday nights. Our next gathering is **TODAY - Sunday, October 30th at the 4:00 p.m.** For information on our Youth Ministry please email stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com or call Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426.

FAMILY DANCE



Family Dance

Save the Date! Please join us on **Friday, December 9th** at 6:00 p.m. for a **Family Dance** in our parish hall. DJ, snacks and prizes for the whole family! Tickets are \$20/family and can be purchased in advance at the parish office.

PARISH RELIGIOUS ARTICLE STORE

Open every Sunday between the morning Masses. (9-10 a.m., 11-12 p.m., 1-1:15 p.m.). We have a collection of religious articles, gifts, books and greeting cards. We'll have a nice selection of cards and gifts available as of the first Sunday of Advent. Call Pat Dunn @ 705-718-1853 for information.

READING BUDDIES NEEDED - The Reading Buddy Program is a group of volunteers who go to St Mary's school Wednesday mornings to help students who are struggling with their reading skills. The CWL of St Mary's runs the program but you do not need to be a member to help out. You will need to submit a Criminal Record and vulnerable Sector check before entering the school. If you can assist please contact Eileen Bethune at 705 791 6249.

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