

# 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 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.

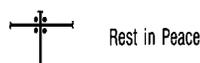
## Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, November 28	12:10 p.m.	† Raymond and David Fenech and Joseph Agius
Tuesday, November 29	12:10 p.m.	† Céline Vaillancourt
Wednesday, November 30	7:00 p.m.	† Mark Anthony and Michael Gellegan
Thursday, December 1	12:10 p.m.	† Bonnie-Leigh Pain
Friday, December 2	12:10 p.m.	† Rita LaVerdiere
	7:00 p.m.	† Elsa Lopez
Saturday, December 3	9:00 a.m.	† Cidaliza Paiva
		† Roland Tessier
		† Arthur Gerard
		† Blandine Trudel
		† Elisee Tessier



Please  
pray for  
the sick

**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.

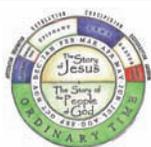


We remember in prayer those who have died recently including: **Judy Luckett, Bill Forbes, Jim McRae, Madelyn Crawford, Dave Holloway and Jean Webster** and all those whose names are in our parish book of remembrance.

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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 November we shall pray with you and share in your joy at all Sunday (Saturday evening) Masses on November 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. Please join us in thanking God for the gift of the married couples in our midst.

### A NEW LITURGICAL YEAR: YEAR A



The Church follows a three-year cycle and on the first Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2022 we embark on a new liturgical year. On Sundays during Year A the Gospel reading will most often be from the gospel of St. Matthew. The new Sunday Missal on page 554 includes a brief introduction to St. Matthew's gospel.

### HOW TO USE THE MISSAL



You are invited to review the instructions for using the Missal found on pages 4 and 5. Copies of the Missal are still available for purchase, \$5.00/copy.

### CELEBRATING ADVENT: A SEASON OF JOYFUL EXPECTATION Prayer for the First Week of Advent



Before your family meal, light the first candle on your Advent wreath. If you do not have an Advent wreath you may light a taper before you pray.

**O God, as we light this candle, remind us of the need to bring the light of hope into the world. Help us to stay awake to the needs of others by seeing with our eyes and hearts. Give us courage to reach out in hope to the lonely in our schools, parishes and communities. Amen**

### CELEBRATING ADVENT



Join us for **Advent Lessons and Carols on Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

### FAMILY CHRISTMAS DANCE



**Family Dance**

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

**Being Lifted Up! Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>  
AN ADVENT REFLECTION  
1:00 – 3:30 p.m.**



As we move closer to the feast of Christmas, give yourself a gift and gather for a time of prayer, reflection, and conversation. The facilitator will be Laurie van den Hurk. Laurie has spent more than 30 years in community outreach, spiritual development and group facilitation with people of all ages and widely

diverse circumstances, including 10 years in Tanzania. Laurie is a trained Spiritual director. All are welcome to attend this session. Simple refreshments will be provided. Cost: free will offering.

**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.

**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. Our next sessions will be on **Tuesday,**

**November 29<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org) or 705 728 2985 ext. 115) All are welcome.



**Thursday December 1<sup>st</sup> from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Bid Euchre, Cards and Games!** All are welcome to attend. Simple refreshments will be provided.

**SOCK AND GLOVE DRIVE**



The **Breakfast to Go Program** is asking for donations of socks and gloves for participants that they serve weekly. Both men's and ladies would be appreciated. A table will be

available in the parish hall TODAY, Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> after the Lux Vitae Christmas market. Thank you for your support. Please call Eileen if you have any questions at 705-791-6249.



**PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION!  
Catechetical Meeting # 1:  
Parent, Candidate & Sponsor**



All families who have registered in the preparation process for Confirmation are reminded to attend the parent candidate sponsor meeting. The meeting will begin with Mass at 7:00 p.m. and conclude by 9:00 p.m. It is understood that the candidate, sponsor and parent will attend the meeting. The candidates are grouped alphabetically. If you **cannot** attend the assigned meeting date, please attend the other meeting. You **do not** need to notify the parish office that you are attending a different meeting.

**Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Surnames A to G

**Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Surnames H to Z

**PREPARING FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION  
AND FIRST RECONCILIATION**

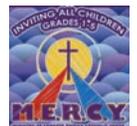


All families who have formally registered their child in the preparation process are reminded to participate in the Enrolment ceremony at one of the Sunday (Saturday evening) Masses on **December 3 /4 or December 10 /11.** Please remember to bring the 'lamb' with you to enrolment. Please continue to check your emails for updates and reminders. If you any questions / concerns regarding preparation for the sacraments please contact Catherine Ecker at [cecker@archtoronto.org](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org) or call 705 728 2985 ext. 115

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**M.E.R.C.Y. (Ministry to Educate Roman Catholic Youth)** is for youth

grads J.K.-4 and gathers once a month on Friday nights from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Our next gathering is **Fri., Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>!**



**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. **Our next gathering is Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>!**



**LIFE TEEN** – for high school teens. Our next gathering is **Sun., December 11<sup>th</sup>** after

the 4:00 p.m. Mass. For more information please email [stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com) or call Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426.

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