

# 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

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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, December 12	12:10 p.m.	† Jake Calvert
Tuesday, December 13	12:10 p.m.	† David Raizenne
Wednesday, December 14	7:00 p.m.	† Rita Black
Thursday, December 15	12:10 p.m.	† Dean Edgar
Friday, December 16	12:10 p.m.	† Mathilda D'Souza
Saturday, December 17	9:00 a.m.	† Gerard Beaudry
		† The Moore and Bolzonello Families
		† Jose Domingo Acuna
		† Corinne Vaillancourt
		† Liz Strapulat



### Advent Confessions are available on:

Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup> 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

#### 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 pray those who have died recently including **Nancy Stone, Carmen Di Martino and Mary Ellen Tanner.**

#### CELEBRATING ADVENT: A Season of Joyful Expectation Prayer for the Third Week of Advent



Light three candles on your Advent wreath. If you do not have an Advent wreath you may light a taper before you pray.

*As we draw near to you, Lord God, keep us aware of your presence in all we do. Come with power to enlighten us by your grace, that we may live in praise and peace all our days. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

#### PARISH SUPPORT FOR 2023

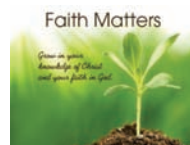


Offertory envelopes are available for pick up in the parish hall. Please remember to write your name on the envelopes for the first couple of weeks in January to ensure

proper credit. For those who prefer to switch to P.A.G. at this time, forms are available at the back of the church, from the parish office or from our website. **Thank you for your support**

#### Being Lifted Up! Wednesday December 14<sup>th</sup>

##### An Advent Reflection 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.



In December Vitamin F will be held on Wednesday December 14<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon. 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.



#### LECTORS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE



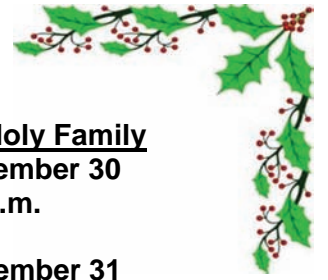
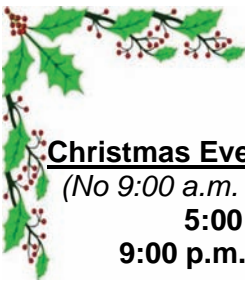
Please sign up in the sacristy for the Christmas Masses on December 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> and the Masses on December 31<sup>st</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### SHARELIFE GOAL UPDATE



**NEW:** Your year-end gift will double in value! From now until the end of 2022, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$1 million.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).



# Christmas Mass Schedule

## Christmas Eve –Saturday, December 24

(No 9:00 a.m. Mass and no confessions)

5:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m.,  
9:00 p.m., and 12:00 Midnight

## Christmas Day – Sunday, December 25

10:00 a.m. (this Mass will also be livestreamed)  
12:00 p.m.

Monday, December 26 and  
Tuesday, December 27  
9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, December 28  
(Confessions 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.)  
7:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 29  
12:10 p.m.

## Feast of the Holy Family

Friday, December 30  
7:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 31  
9:00 a.m.

(Confessions 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.)

## Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Saturday, December 31  
5:00 p.m.  
Adoration from 6:00 p.m. until midnight

## Sunday, January 1 – Full Schedule

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.  
and 4:00 p.m.

Monday, January 2  
9:00 a.m.

### 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, December 13 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.

**Classic Christmas Movie: Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>** at 2:00 p.m. Simple Refreshments will be provided. All are welcome!

### CHRISTMAS PRAISE & WORSHIP SING A LONG



Come and join us for an evening of Advent and Christmas music on **Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** in the church proper. You are invited to come and sing along to both old and new Advent and Christmas favourites! Refreshments to follow in the parish hall.

### 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 second and final opportunity to attend this meeting is **Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

### 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 this weekend, **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.

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