

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.

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: Dorothy Cepas - 705-627-0026

Youth Adult Ministry: Shannon Barks - 705-229-7426

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 - 705-728-0736

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

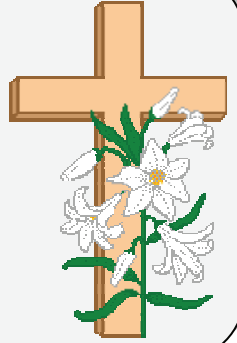
Youth Ministry: Shannon Barks - 705-229-7426

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, May 1	12:10 p.m.	† Dorothy McCallion
Tuesday, May 2	12:10 p.m.	Intentions of Justin Trudeau
Wednesday, May 3	7:00 p.m.	† Eric Glendenning
Thursday, May 4	12:10 p.m.	† Lino Odorico
Friday, May 5	12:10 p.m.	† Lina Buttino
	7:00 p.m.	† Dean Edgar
Saturday, May 6	9:00 a.m.	† Mario Larin
		† Eileen Curran
		† All Souls in Purgatory



Catholic Education Week — April 30-May 5, 2023

We are proud supporters of publicly funded Catholic Education.



As we begin Catholic Education Week, we continue to pray for all those who serve in our Catholic education system - Administrative Staff, Teachers, Educational Assistants, Support Staff, Custodial Staff and Students. Please also continue to pray for the students and staff from St. Joseph's High School who are on grade level retreats at St. Mary's throughout the month of May.

*We are many, we are one; we all form one body in Christ. Lord, when we see the one before us, let us reverence your presence within; when we listen to one another, let us hear with our hearts; when we reflect on each encounter, may we discern to understand; when we learn from those around us, let us respect our differences with joy; and when we act, may we be kind and generous to all, for each person is a member of your body, with all that they are.
We are many, we are one. Amen.*

Property Taxes and School Support

Are you an English Separate (Catholic) School Supporter?



Do you know if the education portion of your property taxes supports the Catholic

School system? If you are a baptized Roman Catholic you have a right to direct your tax dollars to the Catholic School system. Tenants and homeowners alike are able to designate their taxes. The number of supporters determines the number of trustees. Being a supporter allows you to elect a trustee for the Catholic school system. You do not need to have a child in school to support Catholic education. To ensure your property taxes are designated properly contact the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (M.P.A.C.) at 1-866-296-6722 or visit <https://smcdsb.on.ca/cms/one.aspx?portalId=30054&pageId=108844>. Have your assessment notice or property information available.



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.



Please remember those who have died including: **Guiliano Cassandro and Steve Lang**

Catholic Women's League Annual Diaper Drive



The CWL are collecting diapers (sizes 5, 6, 7), pull-ups, Goodnights, baby wipes and skin care diaper cream after all Masses on **May 13th/14th** in support of The Women's and Children's Shelter of Barrie. Donations of cash or cheques are welcomed – (cheques made payable to *The Women and Children's Shelter of Barrie*).

Visiting the Hospital

If you or a family member are admitted to RVH and would appreciate a visit from someone at St. Mary's please call or email the parish office. Please note: the hospital no longer provides us with a list of Catholics who are hospitalized; therefore, you must notify the parish.

Altar Server Training



If you are interested in serving at Sunday (Saturday evening) Mass, we invite you to attend the meeting on **Tuesday, May 9th at 6:15 p.m.** For any questions please contact David Murdoch dmurdoch@archtoronto.org or call 705 728 2985 ext. 101.

Today is the 2nd ShareLife Sunday!



Today is ShareLife Sunday and we also celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. When you support ShareLife, you support and help educate our future priests. Through ShareLife, you invested in our Church's future by supporting 58 seminarians at St. Augustine's Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary. We ask for your prayers and your generous support for our future priests. Thus far we have raised \$22,804 toward our goal of \$125,000. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

We thank you for your support and for living the Gospel through ShareLife.

Welcome Marco Busic



Next weekend, we will welcome a seminarian for the summer, Marco Busic. Marco is completing his third year of theology and entering his final year before his ordination to the diaconate and priesthood. He will be with us until the end of July. We look forward to welcoming him and including him in all areas of parish life.

Pray for Vocations

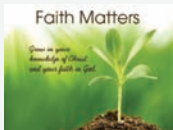


The Archdiocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations is on Friday, May 5, 2023. We ask that you pray for all those discerning vocations.

Meal Ministry for the Homeless



As part of our cooperative spirit with the downtown churches in Barrie, we are holding a meeting on **Thursday, May 11th at 7:00 p.m.** in our parish hall to discuss meal preparation for the homeless. You're invited to attend this important meeting to learn how you can help prepare meals for those less fortunate in the community!



You are Invited to Join us for Vitamin F: Tuesday May 9th
Topic: Mary: The First Disciple
Join us for a time of prayer,

catechesis and conversation as we discuss Mary, the first disciple. We will devote some time to deepening our understanding of the stained-glass windows in the church. We gather at 7:30 p.m. and conclude by 9:00 p.m. All are welcome.

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 registration please call: VON at 705 737 5044 ext. 221.

Christian Meditation is an ancient form of contemplative prayer rooted in the Christian tradition. We will meet at 10:30 a.m. on **Tuesday, May 2nd on Zoom**. If you are interested in learning more about this form of prayer please contact Catherine Ecker. (cecker@archtoronto.org or 705 728 2985 ext. 115).

Bid Euchre, Cards and Games – all are welcome to participate. Lessons will be provided for those new to Bid Euchre! Join us in the parish hall on **Thursday, May 4th** from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Simple refreshments are provided.



New Date! Common Frauds and Scams: Wednesday, May 24th at 2:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Join us for an important information session facilitated by Barrie Police Service on how to protect yourself and family! The session will also include important information on preventing senior abuse. All are welcome, no pre-registration required!

Youth Ministry



M.E.R.C.Y. (*Ministry to Educate Roman Catholic Youth*) for grades J.K.-4. and gathers once a month on Friday nights from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Our next gathering is **Friday, May 5th, 6:00-7:30 p.m.**



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, May 12th.**



LIFETEEN – is for high school teens to explore their faith through talks, prayer and friendship meeting monthly on Sunday nights. Our next gathering is next **Sunday, May 7th at the 4:00 p.m. Mass**. For information on our Youth Ministry please call Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426 or email smarysyoungministrybarrie@gmail.com.

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