

# 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 you or a family member is admitted to the R.V.H. or are unable to attend Mass, please contact the parish office so that we may provide pastoral care.

**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.

**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:** Al MacLeod - 705-728-4076

**Lectors:** Parish Office

**Library:** Arlene LeBlanc - 705-728-0736

## PARISH STAFF:

Rev. Larry Léger, Pastor – ext. 104

Rev. Sávio Bruto da Costa, Associate Pastor – ext. 107

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

Monday through Friday

1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. All welcome

**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, July 17	12:10 p.m.	† Compton DeCunha
Tuesday, July 18	12:10 p.m.	Intentions Yvonne Patterson
Wednesday, July 19	7:00 p.m.	† Agnes Lachance
Thursday, July 20	12:10 p.m.	† Patricia Greene
Friday, July 21	12:10 p.m.	† Laura Nervo
Saturday, July 22	9:00 a.m.	† Art Noseworthy



If you have a family member who 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. The list will be updated weekly.



Please remember all who have died recently including **Anne Bridgid D'Orazio, Sophie Weeden and Baby Reign Antonio Sooman.**



**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.

### 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 July we shall pray with you and share in your joy at all Sunday (Saturday evening) Masses on **July 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>**. Please join us in thanking God for the gift of the married couples in our midst.

### ANNUAL BLUEBERRY PANCAKE FESTIVAL



Barrie Council 1626 Knights of Columbus and the Gervais Family invite everyone to celebrate the annual blueberry pancake festival on **July 29 & 30 from 8:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.** at

Barrie Hill Farms, 2935 Barrie Hill Rd. Cost: \$12.00/adult & \$8.00/child and includes: pancakes with blueberries, sausages and coffee or juice. Net proceeds will be donated to Hospice Simcoe.

### World Day for Grandparents and Elderly



In January 2021 Pope Francis established the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. This year the Church will celebrate this day on July 23, the Sunday before the feast of **Saints. Anne and Joachim**, the grandparents of Jesus.

The theme for the day, selected by the pope, will be *"His mercy is from age to age"* (Luke 1:50).

According to the Vatican Dicastery for Laity, Family, and Life, the theme is linked to the theme for World Youth Day 2023, which also comes from the first chapter of the Gospel of Luke: *"Mary arose and went with haste"* (Luke 1:39).

Pope Francis will preside over a special Mass in St. Peter's Basilica to mark the grandparents' day and has invited parishes, dioceses, associations, and communities around the world to celebrate the day *"in their own pastoral context."* We will include a blessing for grandparents, grand aunts and uncles at all Masses on Sunday (Saturday evening) Masses on **July 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>**.

### Are You Interested in Becoming a Catholic?

Interested  
Becoming?  
Catholic



The journey towards becoming a full member of the Catholic Church includes time for prayer, catechesis (teaching) and conversation. The initiation process is for those who are not baptized and for those baptized in another Christian tradition and seek to be full members of the Catholic Church. If you would

like more information about becoming a member of the Catholic Church please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or email: [cecker@archtoronto.org](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org).

### A HUGE THANK YOU!



Thank you to all of the leaders, pastoral team, Knights of Columbus, parents, grandparents and campers for a successful Bible Camp. Learning and fun was had

by all as we celebrated the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Mary's Bible Camp! We look forward to Bible Camp next year! Save the date July 2-5<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

### Baptism for Children Over the Age of 7



The preparation for baptism of children over the age of seven is distinctly different than the process for infants and young children. If you are seeking baptism for your child who is seven years of age or older, please contact Catherine Ecker

([cecker@archtoronto.org](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org)) for details on the preparation process.

### Summer Classic Movies Family Film Afternoon



Join us on Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. for a classic Walt Disney film festival. Our afternoon program will be made up of Walt Disney shorts and a feature film, as well as trivia and prizes. A great way to get out of the heat and see some classic Disney movies on the big screen! All members and families of the parish are

welcome! Free will donation with light snacks included.

### The Annual Mass of the Faithful Departed



The Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed will be celebrated by Rev. Larry Léger on **Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** at St. Mary's Cemetery, 208 Sunnidale Road. In the event of rain, the

Mass will be held at St. Mary's Church at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

### Eucharistic Adoration

Take place daily in the chapel Monday through Friday from 1:00 p.m. Mass until 6:00 p.m. For information or if you have any question, please call Mary Bond at (705) 726-6641.

### 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.



### Life Story Writing Program: September 2023



*The Life Story Writing Programme provides an opportunity to stop, take stock, and look back over the process of life in order to gain deeper understanding, clearer perspective and a more integrated view. Undertaken from a faith perspective, it is a search for evidence in your life that God has been with you and is still with you. Such discovery nourishes one's inner being, renews one's spirit and energizes for the journey ahead."*

You do not need to be an experienced writer to participate in the Life Story Writing Program. Each person receives a workbook and the sessions provide suggestions and opportunities to practice writing.

We will offer this six-week program beginning **Monday, September 18<sup>th</sup>**. The sessions will be held on Mondays from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. A fee of \$20.00 is requested to cover the cost of printing. Advance registration is required. To register or for more information please contact Catherine Ecker at [cecker@archtoronto.org](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org) or call 705 728 2985 ext. 115.

### Our Labyrinth



As part of the 2010 renovation project a labyrinth was laid in 2011. The labyrinth is located directly in front of the main doors of the church. It is 43 feet in diameter with 8 circuits. Four benches are placed on the perimeter of the labyrinth. A labyrinth combines the imagery of a circle and a spiral. A circle is infinite that God's love and a spiral draws us deeper into our relationship with God. A labyrinth is often called a walking meditation. A labyrinth is not a maze, you cannot 'get lost' in the labyrinth, when you reach the centre you then walk out and the entrance becomes the exit. If you would like to learn more about walking the labyrinth please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or Email:[cecker@archtoronto.org](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org).

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