

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 24	12:10 p.m.	† Michael and Mark Gellegan
Tuesday, July 25	12:10 p.m.	† Norman Crandles
Wednesday, July 26	7:00 p.m.	† Stephen McBride
Thursday, July 27	12:10 p.m.	† Agnes Lachance
Friday, July 28	12:10 p.m.	† Teresa Jesus Vaz
Saturday, July 29	9:00 a.m.	Int. of Grandparents and the Elderly



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: **Dian Benoit, Paul Milewski, Bernice Betteridge and Shirley Breton.**

The Annual Mass of the Faithful Departed



The Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed will be celebrated by Rev. Larry Léger on **Wednesday, August 16th 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.



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 next weekend, **July 29th and 30th.** Please join us in thanking God for the gift of the married couples in our midst.

ShareLife

Work together for good through ShareLife

The second reading tells us that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to His purpose. (Romans 8:28) He is calling us to live our lives as disciples, and we can do so by sharing what we can with those who need it the most. Through ShareLife, we can reach out to the most vulnerable in our communities and those who continue to suffer around the world.

Our parish goal this year is \$125,000.00.

To date we have collected \$106,750.63

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Are You Interested in Becoming a Catholic?

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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.

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.

Today is 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 today, 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 this weekend, July 22/23rd.

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) for details on the preparation process.

SUMMER CLASSIC MOVIES!



If you enjoy a great movie and are looking to beat the heat, why not join us Thursday afternoons for a classic movie in our parish hall at 2:00 p.m. Our next movie date is **Thursday, July 27th**! Drinks and snacks will be

provided. All are welcome. Free will offering.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING



Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in October 2023 and supports the bulletin service.

Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

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.

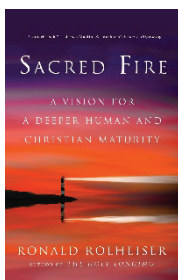


Undertaken from a faith perspective, it is a search for evidence in your life that God has been with you and is still with you. Such discovery nourishes one's inner being, renews one's spirit and energizes for the journey ahead."

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 18th**. 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 or call 705 728 2985 ext. 115.

Sacred Fire: A Vision for A Deeper Humanity and Christian Maturity



Father Ronald Rolheiser O.M.I. a Roman Catholic priest is well known to many readers. He is a community-builder, teacher and writer.

You are invited to join a guided discussion of the book Sacred Fire: A Vision for a Deeper Humanity and Christian Maturity. Sessions will be held on Thursday mornings in St. Joseph's Room from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. beginning September 21st and concluding November 9th. All participants will need a copy of the book. To register and order a copy of the book please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext 115 or email cecker@archtoronto.org

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