

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.

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

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

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, September 4	9:00 a.m.	† Antoinette Bordin
Tuesday, September 5	12:10 p.m.	† Dian Benoit
Wednesday, September 6	7:00 p.m.	† Anne Bridgid D'Orazio
Thursday, September 7	12:10 p.m.	† Pauline Morrison
Friday, September 8	12:10 p.m.	† Ivan Ansley
Saturday, September 9	9:00 a.m.	† Mickie Oakes



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:

Getulio Belonio and Rita Stephenson.



Visiting the Hospital: if you or a family member are admitted to RVH please let them know you are Catholic and call the parish office to inform us.

If you wish to receive Holy Communion please let the parish office know and one of our pastoral visitors will come to see you.

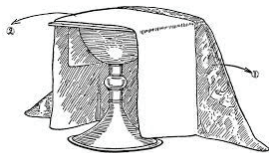
Altar Server Training



We invite all children in grade 3 and up who have received First Holy Communion to become an altar server in the parish. Training is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 12, 2023** from **6:00-7:00pm** in the church. No need to register. For any questions, please email David

Murdoch at dmurdoch@archtoronto.org or call the parish office.

Parish Linen Volunteers



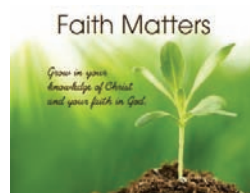
We are seeking volunteers who are willing to take home the small linens used at Mass (*not the large altar cloths*), to launder and iron.

The commitment is for one month throughout the year. Full training will be provided.

Please notify Susan in the parish office by phone at 705.728.2985 or email

stmarysbarrie@archtoronto.org. Thank you!

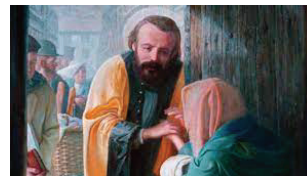
Vitamin F: Come Learn and Explore Our Place of Worship Tuesday, September 12, 2023 from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.



Each Sunday (Saturday evening) we gather to celebrate Mass together. Being at home and comfortable in our place of worship is important. Join us for a conversation and tour of our worship space. Use

this opportunity to ask questions and see the church from a different space. We will have some simple refreshments available and conclude by 9:00 p.m. All are welcome.

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul



September 16 and 17, 2023 is the annual collection for The St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Mary's Parish. We are able to support our clients

only through the generosity of our parishioners.

We continue to provide gift cards from Giant Tiger on Cundles. Each client receives a \$25.00 card for food, toiletries and/or cleaning items. For example, if there are 4 family members in the home, they will receive \$100.00 every OTHER month. We wish we could do more, however we have limited resources. Our conference issues \$10,000.00 of cards each month.

Thank you to everyone who supports us on a regular basis. We accept cash, cheques, payable to Society of St Vincent de Paul, St Mary's, and e-transfers. Please use the poor boxes at both the front of the church and the side door, or drop off your donation to the parish office. For e-transfer - ssvpoffice@gmail.com.

On behalf of our Ministry and our clients, thank you for continued support for the less fortunate in our community.

**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**,

September 5th on Zoom. All are welcome! 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).

**Life Story Writing Program:
September 2023**



The Life Story Writing Programme provides an opportunity to look back over the years in order to gain a deeper understanding, clearer perspective and a more integrated view. The program helps to uncover evidence that God has been with you and is still with you. The program nourishes participants and offers an opportunity for renewal. No writing experience is needed to participate. 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.



**Thursday Afternoon:
September 7th**
On the **1st and 3rd Thursday of the month** join us for cards or your favourite board game. We

serve simple refreshments. No Registration is required. All are welcome.

**Seasons of Hope
Bereavement Group to Begin**



This program is centered on Jesus Christ and grounded in the healing wisdom, traditions and practices of the Catholic Church. The program rooted in Catholic tradition, conveys God's consolation through scripture, prayer, reflection, and sharing our faith. A Christ-centered group is for you if any of the following are true:

- You are trying to figure out the meaning of your grief
- You want to get on with life, but have been unable to
- You find comfort in the teaching of Christ
- You are open to new ways of coping with your grief
- You are looking for friends in Christ to share your journey of sorrow.

The group meets at 7:30 p.m. for six consecutive Wednesdays beginning September 20, 2023 in St. Joseph's Room. Registration is required. For more details or to register please contact Catherine Ecker in the parish office at 705 728 2985 ext. 115.

Preparing Young People for First Holy Communion or Confirmation in Eastertime 2024



First Holy Communion - An Information Meeting for Parents.

There will be an information meeting for parents of children who were born in 2016 or earlier, baptized in the

Roman Catholic Church and would like to prepare to begin to share in Holy Communion. The parent meeting will in the church at 7:30 p.m.

You are asked to arrange for childcare so you may participate fully. **You may attend on either Thursday, September 28th or Tuesday, October 3rd.**



Confirmation - An Information Meeting for Parents and Young People.

There will be an information meeting for parents and young people who were born in 2008 or earlier, baptized in the Roman

Catholic Church and would like to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Participation in an information meeting is essential. Details regarding the preparation process, registration and the celebration of Confirmation will be shared at the meeting. The meeting will be at the church at 7:30 p.m. **You may attend on either Tuesday, September 26th or Thursday, October 5th.**

Please note: You only attend one of the meetings for First Holy Communion or Confirmation. You do not need to register for the meeting. Questions: please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext.115 or email: cecker@archtoronto.org.

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