

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 18	12:10 p.m.	† Henry Ried
Tuesday, September 19	12:10 p.m.	† Barb McBride
Wednesday, September 20	7:00 p.m.	† Patricia Greene
Thursday, September 21	12:10 p.m.	† Sheila Quinn
Friday, September 22	12:10 p.m.	† Michael and Mark Gellegan
Saturday, September 23	9:00 a.m.	† John and Marion Bryk
		† Bev, Bill and Mark Vincer

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul Annual Collection

This weekend, September 16/ 17 it is the annual collection for The St. Vincent de Paul Society here in 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. **Thank you for continued support for the less fortunate in our community.**



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.



We remember in pray those who have died recently including **Bernie MacDonald.**

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.

Hospitality Sunday – September 23/24 – hosted by the Catholic Women's League. After all Masses (Saturday 5 p.m., Sunday 8, 10, 12 and 4 p.m.) you are invited to stop by the hall for a time of conversation and simple refreshments. If you would like to bake some muffins or cookies please drop them off in the hall on your way into church.

Novena to Saint Michael the Archangel



Archbishop Leo is inviting the Catholic community throughout the archdiocese to join in offering a novena to Saint Michael the Archangel, leading up to the Solemnity of Saint Michael on September 29, 2023. You are invited to pray this prayer at home with your

family. The novena is for 9 days and starts on September 20th. Copies of the prayer are on the parish website and at the back of the church.

Celebration of the Solemnity of St. Michael & Conferral of the Pallium upon the Most Rev. Francis Leo
Friday, September 29, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica



The Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates the feast day of our archdiocesan patron, St. Michael, on Friday, September 29th, 2023. All are welcome to join in a special celebration on that day at 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica

(65 Bond Street). Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass, with music from the world-renowned St. Michael's Choir School. As part of the celebration, the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurkovič will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd to the faithful.

Catholic Women's League General Meeting – POT LUCK

Tuesday, September 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Potluck dinner and Years of Service pins will be awarded. All are welcome to attend.

Needs of the Church in Canada

Next weekend, September 23/24 there is a special collection. Your gifts are used by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops to support pastoral activity. **Thank you for your support of this important work.**

Youth Ministry



M.E.R.C.Y. (Ministry to Educate Roman Catholic Youth) is for youth grades J.K.-4 and gathers once a month on Friday nights from 6:00-7:30 p.m. where we explore our faith in a

dynamic way through activities, games, crafts and music. **Our next gathering is Friday, October 13!**



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. EDGE is a safe, fun place for youth to find solid Catholic community, to get answers to their questions about faith and most importantly, to experience Jesus in a profound and personal way. **Our Kick-Off night is Friday, September 29.**



LIFE TEEN – for high school teens to explore their faith through talks, prayer and friendship

meeting monthly on Sunday nights. **Our Kick-off night is **TONIGHT** Sunday, September 17 at 4:00 p.m.**

For information on our Youth Ministry please email stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com or call Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426.

**Preparing for Confirmation in Eastertime 2024
An Information Meeting for
Parents and Young People**



There will be an information meeting for parents and young people who were born in **2011 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 and begins 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. 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

**Preparing Young People for
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. You are asked to arrange for childcare so you may participate fully. **You may attend on either Thursday, September 28th or Tuesday, October 3rd. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.**

Please note: You only attend one of the meetings. 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

**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.

Thursday September 21st - Cards and Games

1:00 – 3:00 p.m. - Are you ready to meet some new people, learn a card game or play a favourite board game? Join us for Cards and Games on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month. You are welcome to bring your favourite board game. We have decks of cards and avid Bid Euchre players. They are always willing to teach you the game. Simple refreshments are provided. All are welcome and no registration is required!



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 26th 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)



Wednesday, September 27th at 12:30 p.m. Join us for Lunch with food provided by the Mandarin. The cost is \$20.00 (cash). You must get your ticket in advance. Tickets are

available from Catherine Ecker or at the parish office. Join us for conversation, fellowship and good food. There will be a 50 /50 draw. Proceeds will go to St. Vincent de Paul Society. Questions: contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext. 115

Hold the Dates: October 25th, November 22nd, December 5th and December 13th. Stay tuned for more details!

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