

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

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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, October 2	12:10 p.m.	† Paula, Joseph and Leona King
Tuesday, October 3	12:10 p.m.	† Beth Emmerson
Wednesday, October 4	7:00 p.m.	† Kenneth Kay
Thursday, October 5	12:10 p.m.	† Briant Duncan
Friday, October 6	12:10 p.m.	† Janet Scott
	7:00 p.m.	† Cidaliza Paiva
Saturday, October 7	9:00 a.m.	† Martha Slaght
		† All Souls

Intentions of Dorothy Marley



Indigenous Healing and Reconciliation Fund Special Collection this weekend

Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this special collection to support the *Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund*. The collection is a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land. Funds will support culture and language revitalization, education and community building, healing and reconciliation for communities and families and dialogue involving Indigenous elders, spiritual leaders and youth with a focus on Indigenous spirituality and culture. This is an opportunity to follow the invitation of the Holy Father for each one of us to become engaged in the healing and reconciliation journey. For more information or to donate online, visit: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation. Thank you for your generosity.



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 **Arlene Dafoe, Janina Pszenny Patrick Meehan and George Harradine.**

HOLY HOUR AND BENEDICTION
Friday, October 6 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



Members of the Barrie Council 1626, Knights of Columbus will be collecting donations for this year's Thanksgiving Food Drive next weekend, **October 7 and 8th** after all Masses. The Barrie Food Bank has asked that people consider making donations in cash, cheque, gift card or by visiting www.barriefoodbank.org. For those that wish to bring food, please donate the food using reusable grocery bags if possible as the Barrie Food Bank uses them to distribute food to their clients.
Thank you for your support!

Hospitality Sunday!

Parish families and ministries are invited to host a hospitality Sunday -all expenses paid. The following weekends are available: **Nov. 4-5, Feb. 3-4 and March 2-3**. Please call Susan in the parish office at ext. 101 for further information.

New Banners in the Church Proper

The two new banners hanging in the church proper depict a painting that is dedicated to the hope of explaining and contributing to the truth, peace, and reconciliation with the Indigenous community. It is in fact one painting divided into half. The left side deals with the coming of colonial powers beginning of discovery. The sun contains a subtle compass which refers to the doctrine of discovery. Clouds begin to move in as a symbol of dark times to come. Creation through nature reacts with animals in flight and foliage deteriorating. The earth on the back of the turtle represents the Indigenous communities around the globe who have suffered through colonialism. The sand gradually covers the turtle but there is still hope with much of the image still showing. The children's shoes are of course reference to residential schools and loss in general of a foot in society. The right side offers Hope of reconciliation with the father mother creator hands reaching down to the eagle and dove. There is still reference to the shoes and loss. The Indigenous eagle and Christian Dove/Holy Spirit come together as the eagle wings start to wrap around of embrace of the spirit hopefully in forgiveness. Lastly, our Indigenous drummer/singer offers an invitation of us all in Wahkotowin a Muskeg Cree expresses to being in relationship with the creator. She is surrounded by colourful nature in the hope of a brighter and better future.

**All Adults 55+
Ministry with Maturing Adults**



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, October 3rd 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)



Thursday Afternoon: October 5th 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!

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



Confirmation

There will be an information meeting for parents and young people who are in grade 7 or older, 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. on Thursday, October 5th.** You do not need to register for the meeting.

Please note: If you attended the September meeting you do not attend again. Questions: please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext.115 or email: cecker@archtoronto.org

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.

**Preparing Young People for
First Holy Communion
An Information Meeting for Parents**

There will be an information meeting for parents of children in grade 2 or older, 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 and begins at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 3rd.

You are asked to arrange for childcare so you may participate fully. You do not need to register for the meeting.

Please note: If you attended on September 28th you do not attend again.

Questions: please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext.115 or email: cecker@archtoronto.org

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 next gathering is Friday, October 27.**



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

Sunday nights. Our next gathering is **TODAY, Sunday, October 1st** following the 4:00 p.m. Mass.

Mark your calendars for a **We The North** overnight retreat on **October 14/15th**. For information on our Youth Ministry please email stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com or call Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426.



LIFECHAIN TODAY!

Sunday, October 1 from 2-3:00 p.m. Bayfield Street at Cundles Road.

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