

# 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:** Susan Murley - 705-252-1918

**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

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

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## PARISH SCHOOLS:

St. Mary's School - 705-726-1843

St. Monica's School - 705-726-8221

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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

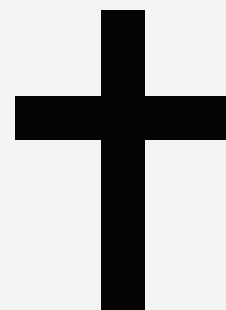
**Youth Ministry:** Shannon Barks - 705-229-7426

## 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

<b>Monday, January 15</b>	<b>12:10 p.m.</b>	† Madeleine Reitz
<b>Tuesday, January 16</b>	<b>12:10 p.m.</b>	† May McKendry
<b>Wednesday, January 17</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	† Eugenia and Saverio Cerra
<b>Thursday, January 18</b>	<b>12:10 p.m.</b>	† Eric and Beryl Fairchild
<b>Friday, January 19</b>	<b>12:10 p.m.</b>	† Guy Léger
<b>Saturday, January 20</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	† Valerio Ti Uvero
		† Walter Rhodes
		† Carol Reitzel
		† Patricia Greene



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: **Emil Jursa, Martin Foster, Michael Moore and Gerald Boulay.**



**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.

### Bible Study



We are planning to offer Bible Study commencing **Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup>** in the afternoon at 1:30 p.m. and in the evening at 7:00 p.m. Participants would

attend one session. The location will be at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Berczy Street. Sign up for either session is available after Mass. Further information including cost to follow.

### St. Mary's Classic Movies – Every Month



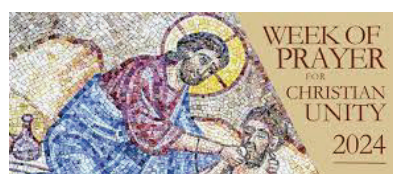
**CLASSIC MOVIES**  
AT ST. MARY'S PARISH

Join us for **Classic Movies** in the parish on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month in our parish hall.

Our next movie is on **Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>** at **2:00 p.m.** We will be showing the sophisticated comedy-drama **All About Eve (1950)** starring Bette Davis and Anne Baxter, a Best Picture winner about an aging actress who comes to learn that the younger protegee in her midst is taking over her life. Snacks are included and all are welcome!



### Service for Christian Unity



Each year the Downtown Ministerial Association (which includes St. Mary's Church, Collier Street United, St.

Andrews Presbyterian, and Trinity Anglican Church) work together to serve the needs of the Downtown core of the City of Barrie.

We work together to support the daily "Breakfast-To-Go" program which serves the needs of those who experience homelessness and addictions, and the Little Food Pantry Program.

We participate in shared Lenten and Advent study groups and organize an annual Service of Christian Unity. The Service for Christian Unity is part of the week of Prayer for Christian Unity organized by the Canadian Council of Churches, Prairie Centre for Ecumenism, and the Canadian Centre for Ecumenism. Its primary object is to bring Christians together to foster a stronger sense of shared ministry and mission and worship.

This year the service is on **Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>** (The Feast of the conversion of St. Paul) at **2:00 p.m.** and will be hosted by Trinity Anglican Church, 24 Collier Street, Barrie with the participation of the churches within the Downtown ministerial Association.

The theme is **"You Shall Love the Lord your God....and your neighbour as yourself..."** This years' prayer service was written by the people of Burkina Faso located in West Africa and explores the theme loving God and neighbour in the midst of a security crisis.

All are welcome. Please mark your calendar and plan on joining us. Refreshments to follow.

### Carpenter Needed

**Sister Catherine Donnelly Catholic School** are seeking someone with carpentry skills to build pews for their chapel. For more information, please call the school at 705-726-1221.

**Enrolment for Confirmation:  
Reminder to Candidates!**



All young people who have formally registered in the preparation process for Confirmation will bring their letter to Father Larry to the Enrolment. The letter will be presented during at one of the Saturday evening or Sunday morning Masses on **January 13/14 or January 20/21, 2024**. On the day of Enrolment, as a tangible sign of our membership in the Body of Christ and commitment to living as disciples each candidate is asked to bring new socks, gloves or hot paws. (Please not mitts). The items will be shared with those who are unhoused.

**Confirmation Preparation for Adults**

If you are an adult, baptized in the Catholic Church and would like to be Confirmed please contact Catherine Ecker ([cecker@archtoronto.org](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org) or 705 728 2985 ext. 115) for details regarding preparation. Confirmation will be celebrated close to the feast of Pentecost.

**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, January 16, 2024 on Zoom**. All are welcome! If you are interested in learning more about this form of prayer please contact Catherine Ecker ([cecker@archtoronto.org](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org) or 705 728 2985 ext. 115).



**Save the Date!** If it is your intention to celebrate a birthday in 2024 then please come to our **Birthday Party on Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.**

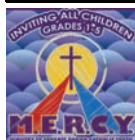
There will be refreshments, games, cake and ice cream and door prizes. All are welcome.

**An Afternoon of Music:  
Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>  
2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.**



Russ Clayton and Pat Gowan of "The Flailing Shilaleighs" will be performing mostly traditional Irish and East Coast Canadian music. Refreshments will be served. Free will offering. All are welcome.

**Youth Ministry**



**M.E.R.C.Y. (Ministry to Educate Roman Catholic Youth)** is for youth grades J.K. to Gr. 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, February 9<sup>th</sup>**. Registration required.

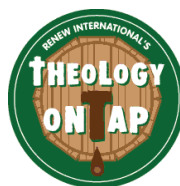


**EDGE** is a youth ministry program for youth grades 5-8 to come together once a month on a Friday from 6:00-7:30 p.m. EDGE is a safe, fun place for youth to find solid Catholic community, to get answers to their questions about faith and most importantly, to experience Jesus in a profound and personal way. Our next gathering is **Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>**.



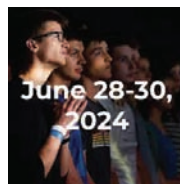
**LIFETEEN** – for high school teens to explore their faith through talks, prayer and friendship meeting monthly on Sunday nights. Our next gathering is **TODAY, Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup>** after the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Dinner provided.

**Young Adult Ministry**



**Theology on Tap** - At the Flying Monkeys Brewery (*in the Attic Lounge upstairs*) on the following Sundays from 6:00-9:00 p.m.: Jan. 21, Mar. 17, May 5 and June 23, 2024.

**STEUBENVILLE, OHIO – YOUTH RETREAT**



Calling all high schoolers! In our ever-changing world, Jesus is the answer to the longing of our hearts for meaning, fulfillment, security, and love. Join hundreds of Catholic teens at Steubenville, OH on **June 28<sup>th</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024** to be illuminated in the light of Christ. All teens entering or presently in high school are invited to attend this retreat with our group. **Deadline to register is Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024.**

If you are interested in attending the Steubenville Youth Retreat or would like additional information on our Youth Ministry or Young Adult Ministry please call Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426 or email [stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com).

**Catholic Women's League**

The next General Meeting is **Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** in the parish hall.

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