

St. Mary's Church

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PARISH STAFF:

Rev. Msgr. Marco Laurencic, Pastor - ext. 107

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prepare the way...

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, December 24	SEE BELOW	CHRISTMAS EVE
Tuesday, December 25	SEE BELOW	THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD, CHRISTMAS DAY
Wednesday, December 26	9:00 a.m.	† John Inoc
Thursday, December 27	12:10 p.m.	† Philomena Southall
Friday, December 28	12:10 p.m.	† Leo and Helen Bruneau
Saturday, December 29	9:00 a.m.	† Phillip Kennedy
	10:00 a.m.	Simcoe Terrace, 44 Donald Street
Monday, December 31	SEE BELOW	VIGIL OF THE FEAST OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
Tuesday, January 1	SEE BELOW	SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
Wednesday, January 2	7:00 p.m.	† Charles Lineham
Thursday, January 3	12:10 p.m.	Intentions of Mary Bethune
Friday, January 4	12:10 p.m.	† Matt Rousselle
	7:00 p.m.	† Bernice Chulumovich
Saturday, January 5	9:00 a.m.	† Gordon and Marguerite Churchill



From the Pastor's Desk

The Christ Child, not surprisingly, first came among the lowly, the shepherds. Christmas is a reminder to us, as Church, that God became one of us (Emmanuel) so that we should share these "tidings of great joy"; redemption with the poor; the lowly and the outcast. May each of us give glory to God by our actions of love and generosity.

May the peace, joy and love which is manifest in Jesus live in your hearts and may you be blessed throughout this coming year!

Msgr. Marco

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve – Monday, December 24

5:00 p.m. (Youth Band)

7:00 p.m. (Folk Choir)

9:00 p.m. & Midnight (Traditional Choir)

The Nativity of Our Lord - Christmas Day

Tuesday, December 25

10:00 a.m. (Traditional Choir)

12:00 p.m. (Folk Choir)

Boxing Day – Wednesday, December 26

9:00 a.m.

(No Mass at 12:10 p.m.)

Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday, December 29 - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 30 - 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,

12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

New Year's Eve – Monday, December 31

Vigil of the Feast of Mary, Mother of God

4:00 p.m.

(Weekday Mass at 12:10 p.m.)

New Year's Day - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Tuesday, January 1

10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

During the 2018 Christmas Season, the Eucharistic Adoration Chapel hours will be:

Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and Wednesday, December 26 (Boxing Day) – CLOSED

Thursday, December 27 through to Friday, December 28 – OPEN for usual hours.

New Year's Eve, Monday, December 31: OPEN (only if there are enough people interested **after** the 4:00 p.m. Mass until 12:00 a.m. (midnight)). To commit to the extended time please see the sign-up sheet posted outside of the chapel or contact Mary Bond at (705) 726-6641.

New Year's Day, Tuesday, January 1 – CLOSED

Wednesday, January 2 – OPEN for usual hours.

Come and thank the Lord for the blessings of 2018 and ask for continued blessings in 2019.





Welcome and Merry Christmas!



We warmly welcome all who will come to join us in celebrating

the glorious feast of Christmas.

We welcome the stranger, the traveler and guest.

We welcome our students home from university and college for a good winter's rest.

We welcome parishioners who moved away but join us today as old friends and guests!

We welcome all who have not been active of late in their Catholic faith and hope they will find new hope and inspiration this Christmas to come back again and again.

We welcome our faithful parishioners, loyal and true, may the Lord bless you for all that you do!

Welcome to all!

May our gathering this Christmas gladden our hearts and deepen our bonds.

We are, after all, one people of God, redeemed by the Light.

May we walk by the Light and live by the Light, together in love.

May this Christmas season fill us all with hope and gratitude for the many blessings we receive in our lives.

YOUTH MINISTRY



M.E.R.C.Y. (Ministry to Educate Roman Catholic Youth) for grades J.K. to 4. Gathers once/month on Tuesday nights, 6:00-7:30 p.m. where we explore our faith in a dynamic way through activities, games, crafts and music. Our next M.E.R.C.Y. is on **Tuesday, January 8, 2019.**



EDGE grades 5-8, gathers once/month on Tuesday nights, 6:00-8:00 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.

Next EDGE night: **Tuesday, January 22, 2019.** Save the date for **EDGE CAMP – August 25-29, 2019.** Additional information in the New Year!



LIFE TEEN

LIFETEEN is a youth ministry program for high school teens that leads these youth into a deeper relationship with Jesus and the church.

We explore the richness of the faith through talks, guest speakers, prayer and friendship. For further information on the parish youth ministry please email stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com or call Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426.

FIRST COMMUNION

Candidate Interviews: January 21 through to March 23, 2019. Book your 15 minute appointment beginning **January 7** by emailing secretary@stmarysbarrie.com and indicate in the subject line: **"FIRST COMMUNION APPOINTMENT BOOKING."** Please include your cell or home #.

MEMORIAL LAMP & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

December 22 to December 29

Our sanctuary lamp is lit –

In loving memory of dear mother, grandmother and great grandmother

† Stella Lesperance

who is forever in our hearts and prayers.

Requested by: Shirley Vaillancourt and Family

December 22 to December 29

Our sanctuary lamp is lit –

For Special Intentions of

Agnes Watson

who is forever in our prayers.

Requested by: Anonymous



Please pray for those who are sick and for those who have died. For a listing of names over the Christmas season, please see our bulletin board.

MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS

Ministry with Maturing is for people in the second half of life, 50's plus. The programs will resume in January 2019. To learn more about this ministry and programs please contact Mary Perry White, Ministry with Maturing Adults Minister, at 705-728-2985, ext. 104, or maturingadults@stmarysbarrie.com.

CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS CLOSED

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Thurs., Dec. 27, Fri., Dec. 28, Mon., Dec. 31

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