

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, 10:00, 12:00 & 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.

RECONCILIATION:

Wed. 6:15 to 6:45 p.m. or Sat. 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

BAPTISM INFORMATION: Contact a priest after Mass on Sunday.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Contact the Parish Office

R.C.I.A. - For adults wishing to become Catholic, and for the baptism of older children (aged 7-14)

Public/Private School Program - for school aged children not attending Catholic Schools.

MINISTRIES TO THE HOSPITALIZED & SHUT-INS: If people are in the hospital or are unable to come to mass because of age or other limitations, contact the parish so that they may receive communion regularly.

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. Jeremias Inoc, Associate Pastor - ext. 107

Deacon Ron MacLellan - ext. 110

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

Clint Tyler, MSW Counsellor - ext. 101

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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 IN OUR ADORATION CHAPEL

Monday to Friday: 1:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

All welcome.

Adoration Chapel: Mary Bond - 705-726-6641

Altar Servers: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

Bereavement Committee: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

Catholic Family Services: 705-726-2503

Catholic Women's League: Dianne Hunter - 705-725-9007

Cenacle: Audrey Belcourt - 705-792-0489

Children's Liturgy: Alba Aray - 705-719-0429

Development & Peace: Becky Johnson - 705-327-9609

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Communion - 705-728-2985

Knights of Columbus: Dean Beaudry - 728-1641 (Hall)

Simcoe Sojourners: Jacinta Kewin - 705-720-2492

Lectors: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

Library: Arlene LeBlanc - 705-728-0736

Marriage Encounter: John & Daphne Jeffery-705-721-1694

Marriage Preparation Registration: 705-728-2985

Maturing Adults: Catherine Ecker - 705-728-2985

Ministry Affirmation: (Screening):Parish Office - 705-728-2985

New Beginnings: Mary Golds - 705-737-0368

Refugee Committee: Christine Ignas - 705-770-9199

Religious Articles Store: Pat Dunn - 705-720-2483

Retrouaille: (for troubled marriages) - 416-281-6007

Rosary Apostolate - Anné Gariepy - 705-305-0911

Social Life: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

Stay 'n Play: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

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, December 16	10:30 a.m.	Amica Little Lake, 70 Lakeside Terrace
	12:10 p.m.	Respect for Life at all Stages
Tuesday, December 17	12:10 p.m.	† Eric Fairchild
Wednesday, December 18	9:30 a.m.	St. Mary's School at the School
	1:50 p.m.	St. Marguerite d'Youville School at the School
	7:00 p.m.	† Katherine Flegel
Thursday, December 19	9:30 a.m.	St. Joseph's High School at the School
	12:10 p.m.	† Ross and Marie Saunders
	2:30 p.m.	Woods Park Care Centre, 110 Lillian Cr.
Friday, December 20	12:10 p.m.	† Angelica Manzone
Saturday, December 21	9:00 a.m.	† Kenneth Kay, † John Truen, † Maria Hanelt
		Intentions of Family Sibley-Ypelaar
		Intentions of Grace Sison and Family



Please
pray for
the sick

Please remember to pray for those who are sick especially **Denis DeNarda, Dollina Pitman, May Flynn, Rosita Bearisto, Tibor Toth, Russ Cadeau, Antony Gariepy, Mike Prior, Nada Halban, Marilyn Wolfe, Maria Mai, Myrna Belza and Mike Carbone.**



In Loving
Remembrance

Please remember to pray for those who have died especially **Cheri Michael and Elizabeth O'Neill.**

Christmas Mass Schedule

<p>Tuesday, Dec. 24 Christmas Eve 5:00 p.m. (Sun. 4pm Choir) 7:00 p.m. (Sat. 5pm Choir) 9:00 p.m. (Traditional Choir) 12:00 a.m. (Traditional Choir) (No regular weekday Mass)</p>	<p>Tuesday, Dec. 31 New Year's Eve Vigil of the Feast of Mary 5:00 p.m. (No regular weekday Mass)</p>
<p>Wednesday, Dec. 25 Christmas Day 10:00 a.m. (Traditional Choir) 12:00 p.m. (Cantor)</p>	<p>Wednesday, Jan. 1 New Year's Day Feast of Mary Mother of God 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.</p>
<p>Thursday, Dec. 26 Boxing Day 9:00 a.m.</p>	

**ADVENT: A SEASON OF DEVOUT
AND EXPECTANT DELIGHT!
PRAYER FOR THE THIRD WEEK**

Before your family meal, light two purple candles and the pink candle on your Advent wreath. If you do not have an Advent wreath you may light a taper before you pray. *As we draw near to you, Lord God, keep us aware of your presence in all we do.*

Come with power to enlighten us by your grace, that we may live in praise and peace all our days. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

MEMORIAL LAMP & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

December 14 to December 21

Our sanctuary lamp is lit –
*In loving memory of a dear husband,
father and grandfather*



† **Frank Moore**

Who is forever in our hearts and prayers.

Requested by: Dina, Lynne and Barbara



December 13 to December 20
Our sanctuary lamp in our chapel
dedicated to the
Sacred Heart of Jesus is lit:-



In loving memory of:

† **Bea and Fred Harper**

Who are forever in our hearts and prayers.

Requested by: The Harper Family

December 13 to December 20
The sanctuary lamp in our chapel
dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of
Mary is lit:-



In loving memory of:

† **Isabel Abascal Harper**

Who is forever in our prayers.

Requested by: The Harper Family

PARISH ADVENT CONFESSIONS

Wednesday, December 18 at 7:30 p.m.

(Please note: there will be no confessions at 6:15 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.)

To return to the Lord with integrity, we benefit greatly from celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Preparation for and the celebration of Confession allows us to set aside disruptive ways, to be renewed in heart and spirit, to be reconciled with our God who abounds with gracious, gentle tenderness. Confessions at our neighbouring parishes are

as follows: *Holy Spirit Parish, Friday, December 20th from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and at St. John Vianney Parish, Friday, December 20th from 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. and 6:00-8:00 p.m.* Resources are available at the back of the church and by visiting <http://www.archtoronto.org/confession/>.



The **Ministry with Maturing Adults** seeks to support the lifelong faith development of women and men throughout all phases of the pre-retirement and retirement years. The various programs are open to all members of St. Mary's who are in the second half of life.



VON SMART (*Seniors Maintaining Active Roles Together*) **Exercise Program** will not meet on December 23rd and 30th. **The program will resume January 6, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.**

Christian Meditation is an ancient form of contemplative prayer rooted in the Christian tradition. The next session is on **Thursday December 19th at 2:00 p.m. in meeting room 3.** All are welcome. No prior experience is needed.

Neighbourhood Circle: The parish-based group of maturing adults will meet on **Thursday January 2nd at 2:00 p.m.** in the multipurpose room (main floor) of St. Mary's Residence for refreshments and conversation. All are welcome. For information please contact Catherine at 705 728 2985 ext. 115.

Hold the Date: January 29, 2020! We shall gather at the **Mandarin Restaurant** for lunch. Details regarding cost and reservations will be available in early January.

For further information on the **Ministry with Maturing Adults** please contact Catherine the coordinator at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or by email: caecker@archtoronto.org.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION: A Sign of our Communion with God and Union with Others



Beginning the first Sunday of Advent at every liturgy, we shall be invited to share both the Body and Blood of Christ. It is always good for those of us who come to the table each week to pause and recall the proper way to receive Holy Communion.

At the time of Holy Communion, when the person in front of you has received Holy Communion and you are in the front of the procession you will bow your head, the Minister of the Body of Christ will say, "*The Body of Christ*", you will reply, "*Amen*". It is important to note that the only appropriate response is **Amen**. The Church expects that **Amen** is said in a voice that can be heard by the Minister of Holy Communion.

After saying **Amen** you will consume the host immediately and if receiving the Precious Blood you will move to the Minister of the Chalice who will say, "*The Blood of Christ*", you will reply, "*Amen*" and take a sip from the chalice. You will not bow a second time for the act of receiving the Body and Blood of Christ is one ritual gesture. (GIRM, paragraph 160) The Canadian Bishops have instructed that our common sign of reverence be a bow of the head. As a sign of our unity and respect for the Body of Christ we join in singing the Communion hymn. After everyone has shared in Holy Communion there will be a time of silence for prayer.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



The CWL General Membership meeting will be on **Tuesday, December 17**, beginning at 7:00 p.m. This will be our "*New Member Welcome*", so all new members are encouraged to attend as well as all other members. The pre-Christmas meeting is not just informative, but fun as well. All women of the parish are invited. Come out and celebrate the season while getting to know each other better.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS CAR MAGNETS



The Knights of Columbus Barrie Council #1626 are selling "**Keep Christ in Christmas**" car magnets today to silently evangelize about the real meaning of the Christmas season. Each vehicle featuring the magnet on its bumper provides another chance to minimize the commercialization of this blessed season. The magnets are \$5.00 each.

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