St. Mary's Church

65 Amelia Street, Barrie, Ontario L4M 1M7 Telephone: 705-728-2985 Fax: 705-728-2989 Email: stmarysba@archtoronto.org Website: www.stmarysba.archtoronto.org 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 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

EUCHARISTIC 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 Retrouvaille: (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, July 31 Tuesday, August 1 Wednesday, August 2 Thursday, August 3 Friday, August 4

12:10 p.m. 12:10 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 12:10 p.m. 12:10 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. † Guy Bonneau
† Frank MacDonald
† Joe Donnelly
† Jackie Fleming
† Roger, Marie and Madlyn McBride
† Dominga B. Uvero Intentions of Rev. Neyomal Silva

Saturday, August 5



St. James reminds us of our calling to pray for those in need and for the sick. As the baptized we all share in

the ministry of prayer. 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 prayer those who have died recently including: *Ann Elizabeth "Beth" Emmerson and Giovanni "John" Cotugno.*

The Annual Mass of the Faithful Departed



The Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed will be celebrated by Rev. Larry Léger on **Wednesday**, **August 16th at 7:00 p.m.** at St. Mary's Cemetery, 208 Sunnidale Road.

In the event of rain, the Mass will be held at St. Mary's Church at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.



Visiting the Hospital: if you or a family member are admitted to RVH and would appreciate a visit from someone at St. Mary's please call or email the parish

office. Please note: the hospital no longer provides us with a list of Catholics who are hospitalized; therefore, you must notify the parish.

Wedding Anniversaries: Celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage



The married couples in our parish are a sign to us of God's faithfulness and through their witness we are strengthened. If you celebrated a wedding anniversary in July we shall pray with you and share in your joy at all Sunday

(Saturday evening) Masses this weekend, July 29th and 30th. Please join us in thanking God for the gift of the married couples in our midst.

ANNUAL BLUEBERRY PANCAKE FESTIVAL THIS WEEKEND !!!

Barrie Council 1626 Knights of Columbus and the Gervais Family invite everyone to celebrate the annual blueberry pancake festival on **July**



29 & 30 from 8:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. at Barrie Hill Farms, 2935 Barrie Hill Rd. Cost: \$12.00/adult & \$8.00/child and includes: pancakes with blueberries, sausages and coffee or juice. Net proceeds will be donated to Hospice Simcoe.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING



Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in October 2023 and supports the

bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

FREE CONCERT – Friday, August 4th



A free concert is being hosted at the sanctuary of Collier Street United Church on Friday, August 04 at 7:00 p.m. There will be an opportunity for a "free-will offering" if the attendees so desire that will be used for social ministry in the downtown area.

The quartet, GLORY WAY are international recording artists who

have performed across the continent. They will be sharing some old- time favorite music along with some modern gospel selections. Please mark your calendars!

SUMMER CLASSIC MOVIES!



If you enjoy a great movie and are looking to beat the heat, why not join us Thursday afternoons for a classic movie in our parish hall at 2:00 p.m. Our next movie date is **Thursday**, **August 10th!** Drinks and snacks will

be provided. All are welcome. Free will offering.

Ministry with Maturing Adults: For All Adults 55+



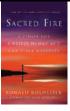
All are welcome to attend the various session offered for those in the second half of life.



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.

Life Story Writing Program: September 2023 The Life Story Writing Programme provides an opportunity to stop, take stock, and look back over the process of life in order to gain deeper understanding, clearer perspective and a more integrated view. Undertaken from a faith perspective, it is a search for evidence in your life that God has been with you and is still with you. Such discovery nourishes one's inner being. renews one's spirit and energizes for the journey ahead." You do not need to be an experienced writer to participate in the Life Story Writing Program. Each person receives a workbook and the sessions provide suggestions and opportunities to practice writing.

Sacred Fire: A Vision for A Deeper Humanity and Christian Maturity



Father Ronald Rolheiser O.M.I. a Roman Catholic priest is well known to many readers. He is a communitybuilder, teacher and writer. You are invited to join a guided discussion of the book Sacred Fire: A Vision for a Deeper Humanity and

Christian Maturity. Sessions will be held on Thursday mornings in St. Joseph's Room from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. beginning September 21st and concluding November 9th.

All participants will need a copy of the book. To register and order a copy of the book please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or email cecker@archtoronto.org

Support our seniors through ShareLife

Society of Sharing is one of the agencies you support through your generous donations to ShareLife. They serve our isolated, housebound, and lonely seniors in Toronto. Society of Sharing does not charge for services and it provides our seniors with assistance through your donations to ShareLife. Our parish goal this year is \$125,000.00.

To date we have collected \$112,307.63. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Preparing for Confirmation or First Sharing in Holy Communion



The preparation for the sacraments formally begins in September. Information meetings will be held in the Church during

September / October.

At the information meeting details regarding the preparation process and how to register for Confirmation or first Holy Communion will be shared.

The information meeting for **Confirmation** will be offered twice (you attend one meeting) at 7:30 p.m. on September 26th and Thursday October 5th. The parent and young person seeking Confirmation are to attend.

The information meeting for first Holy **Communion** will be offered twice (you attend one meeting) at 7:30 p.m. on September 28th and October 3rd. This meeting is for parents.

Questions regarding the preparation process for Confirmation or first sharing in Holy Communion please contact the parish catechist: Catherine at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or Email: cecker@archtoronto.org

Are You Interested in Becoming a Catholic?

The journey towards becoming a full member of the



Catholic Church includes time for prayer, catechesis (teaching) and conversation. The initiation process is for those who are not baptized and for those baptized in another Christian tradition and seek to be full members of the Catholic Church. If you would like more information about becoming

a member of the Catholic Church please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or email: cecker@archtoronto.org.

Baptism for Children Over the Age of 7

The preparation for baptism of children over the age of seven is distinctly different than the process for infants and young children. If you are seeking baptism for your child who is seven years of age or older, please contact Catherine Ecker (cecker@archtoronto.org)



for details on the preparation process.

