# 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, September 25	12:10 p.m.	† Dan Maloney	
Tuesday, September 26	12:10 p.m.	† Manuel DaSilva	
Wednesday, September 27	7:00 p.m.	† Agnes Lachance	
Thursday, September 28	12:10 p.m.	† Rita Whall	
Friday, September 29	12:10 p.m.	† Gladys Young	
Saturday, September 30	9:00 a.m.	† Yanesh Prakash	
		† Alfredo Parra	

Praying for the Sick: 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: *George Harradine.* 



**Today is Hospitality Sunday** and is hosted by The Catholic Women's League. After all Masses (Saturday 5 p.m., Sunday 8, 10, 12 & 4 p.m.) you are invited to stop by the hall for a time of conversation and simple refreshments.

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

# Knight of Columbus



The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring this year's LIFE

**CHAIN**, an annual vigil to support the pro-life cause. The event is promoted by the Campaign Life Coalition. Please meet at the Kozlov Centre parking lot at the northwest corner of Bayfield and Cundles Rd from **2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 1.** All are welcome to join this peaceful demonstration. Signs are available to display.

# Prayer to St. Michael The Archangel



Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in this day of battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray. And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host.

by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen. Celebration of the Solemnity of St. Michael & Conferral of the Pallium upon the Most Rev. Francis Leo Friday, September 29, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica



The Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates the feast day of our archdiocesan patron, St. Michael, on Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023. All are welcome to join in a special celebration on that day at 5:30 p.m. at St.

Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street). Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass, with music from the world-renowned St. Michael's Choir School. As part of the celebration, the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurkovič will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd to the faithful.

# **Special Collection**

September 30/October 1 - Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation. As part of our ongoing efforts towards healing and reconciliation, the Archdiocese of Toronto has made a commitment to provide funds in support of programs and initiatives that respond to the various needs that exist among Indigenous Peoples both locally and throughout the country. This fund is part of a national effort announced by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and has raised close to 40% of the \$30 million target as pledged by the Canadian bishops. The archdiocese will contribute \$6 million towards the national pledge. For more information or to donate online please visit:

www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation.-

# Classic Movies 2023/24

Join us for Classic Movies as we gather once/month in the parish hall. Our next movie is on **Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 2:00p.m.** All are welcome! Snacks included.



# **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 Kick-Off night is Friday, September 29.** 



**<u>LIFE TEEN</u>** – for high school teens to explore their faith through talks, prayer and friendship

meeting monthly on Sunday nights. Our next gathering is **Sunday**, **October 1**<sup>st</sup> following the 4:00 p.m. Mass.

Mark your calendars for a *We The North* overnight retreat on **October 14/15<sup>th</sup>.** For information on our Youth Ministry please email

stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com or call Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426.

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



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. You may attend on either Tuesday, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> or Thursday, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>.

Please note: You only attend one of the meetings. You do not need to register for the meeting. Questions: please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext.115 or email: cecker@archtoronto.org.

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

There will be an information meeting for parents of children who are in grade 2 or older, baptized in the Roman Catholic Church and would



Roman Catholic Church and would like to prepare to begin to share in Holy Communion. The parent meeting will in the church. You are asked to arrange for childcare so you may participate fully. You may attend on either Thursday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

Please note: You only attend one of the meetings. You do not need to register for the meeting. Questions: please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext.115 or email: cecker@archtoronto.org

### 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**,

September 26<sup>th</sup> 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)



Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m. Join us for Lunch with food provided by the Mandarin. The cost is \$20.00 (cash). You must get

your ticket before **September 26<sup>th</sup>!** Tickets are available from Catherine Ecker or at the parish office. Join us for conversation, fellowship and good food. There will be a 50 /50 draw. Proceeds will go to St. Vincent de Paul Society. Questions: contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext. 115.

The 109<sup>th</sup> World Day of Migrants and Refugees Sunday, September 24

The theme is *"Free to Choose Whether to Migrate or to Stay.*" Pope Francis acknowledges that while the decision to migrate should always be free, in many cases it is not and referenced the words of the Lord, *"I was a stranger, and you welcomed me"* reminding us that the Lord's words are a *"constant admonition to see in the migrant not simply a brother or sister in difficulty, but Christ himself, who knocks at our door."* 

