St. Mary's Church

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Let us give thanks to the Lord We thank thee, Lord, For fields of grain Gold and ripe from summer's rain, For hillsides bright With scarlet trees That rustle in the autumn breeze, For friends so dear. For those we love, For all things sent From heaven above... We thank thee, Lord

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, October 9	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Rosemary Kavan
Tuesday, October 10	12:10 p.m.	Intentions of Mary Lorbetskie
Wednesday, October 11	7:00 p.m.	† Dennis LeClair
Thursday, October 12	12:10 p.m.	† Sheila Quinn
Friday, October 13	12:10 p.m.	† Alick Paguandas
Saturday, October 14	9:00 a.m.	† Fran Cadeau
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Ruth Beninger † Margaret and John Duivenvoorde

† Truus Roozendaal

On behalf of our St. Vincent de Paul conference In Appreciation On behalf of our St. Vincent de Paul confe and the clients we serve, thank you to our parishioners for your very generous donations over

the past few weeks. Your contributions for our annual collection totalled \$26,608.00. Your continued support and prayers is very much appreciated.





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 Janina Pszenny,



Anton Schlosser and Jeanne Moloney.



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.

Hospitality Sunday!



Parish families and ministries are invited to host a hospitality Sunday -all expenses paid. The following weekends are

available: Nov. 4-5, Feb. 3-4 and March 2-3. If you can help serve at any of these weekends, please call Susan in the parish office at ext. 101.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

hank you to all who have responded to the food drive to this point. If you forgot your bag of groceries this weekend, by all means bring it next week and place it in the



hall. All donations go to the Barrie Food Bank. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for overseeing this important parish effort.

SLShare!

Combating Hunger Through your Compassion

any of our brothers and sisters grapple with the daily challenge of putting food on the table. In response to their urgent need, ShareLife has launched the Food Security Grants dedicating over half a million dollars to combat hunger. Your compassionate support of our parish's ShareLife Campaign will make possible this bold action.

Please support our fight against hunger at sharelife.org/donate or by giving at the parish with a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for heeding the Lord's call to feed the hungry in our community and beyond.

Giving Thanks to God!

As you gather with family or friends to celebrate Thanksgiving Day you are invited to begin with prayer.



O God, you dispel the darkness of our lives with the shining glory of the resurrection of your Son. Bless this food and drink which you provide for us, that being renewed in body and soul, we may serve you with holiness of life, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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, October 10th 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)

Alumni Writing Group: this is a gathering for those who have already completed the Life Story Writing program. The monthly meeting will be held on **Thursday, October 12**th at 2:00 p.m. in St. Joseph's Room.

Thursday Afternoon: October 19th



On the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month join us for cards or your favourite board game. We serve simple refreshments. No Registration is required. All are welcome.

Listening Deeply to One Another
Come and Discover Again the Importance of
Listening from the Heart
Wednesday, October 25th
2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Join us for an informative session led by a member of The Listening Post.
Come and discover how you can offer the priceless gift of listening to others. Deep listening makes our homes and community better places.
Care givers, spouses, parents,

grandparents, visitors to the homebound do not want to miss this session. Refreshments will be available. No registration is required. Mark the date now and plan to attend this informative and timely session.

Mark Your Calendars!

Wednesday, November 22nd at 12:30 p.m. - **Soup and a Movie**



Wednesday December 13th at 2:00 p.m. - *Advent Reflection: Living in Hope*

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 next gathering is Friday, October 27.



LIFE TEEN —You're invited to a We The North
Theology of the Body Retreat on Saturday.

October 14th, 2023 from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Location: Holy Spirit Parish, 650 Essa Road, Barrie. \$25.00/per person, meals, games and fun! To register for the retreat and for more information on our Youth Ministry, please email:

<u>stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com</u> or call Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426.

Knights of Columbus, Council 1626 Parish Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus invites you to their, first in-a-long-time, Parish Breakfast in our parish hall on Sunday, October 15th after the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Good Will donations will be accepted at the door.



Happy Thanksgibing!

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