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 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, November 13 Tuesday, November 14 Wednesday, November 15 Thursday, November 16 Friday, November 17 Saturday, November 18

1	2:10	p.m.
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- Intentions of Jim and Laura Simon
- † Dean Edgar
- † Madeleine Reitz
- † Joanne and Manuel Pontes
- † Roland and Vera LeBlanc
- † Larry Kitchen, † Michael Bagley
- † Bertha Meza, † Guy Léger

SHEPHERD'S TRUST COLLECTION Next Weekend - November 18/19, 2023

The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to help ensure that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Your generous gift will help our priests to maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the Trust ensures they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. Thank you for your support of this important work. Please also consider remembering The Shepherds' Trust in your will.



Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Praying 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 *Guy Léger, William Wingfelder and Deacon Dominic Pullano* and all those mentioned in Our Book of

Remembrance.



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.

Vitamin F: Communion of Saints and Life Everlasting!

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Faith Matters

The Church invites us to continue to grow in our relationship with God and our understanding of our faith. All are welcome to attend this time of catechesis, conversation and prayer.

We will have some simple refreshments available and conclude by 9:00 p.m. All are welcome.

Red Wednesday – November 15th, 2023

In the Archdiocese of Toronto, and throughout all of Canada, we are blessed with freedom of religion where we can all choose to worship Christ openly. Sadly, this is not the case elsewhere. Throughout parts of Africa, Asia and South America, tens of millions of people are oppressed, victimized and abused for the sole reason of holding a belief in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. The treatment of these Christians can extend beyond the inability to worship freely, and often involves violence, imprisonment and in the worst of cases, death.

For more than 75 years, Aid to the Church in Need (ACN-Canada) has been advocating for persecuted Christians worldwide. The annual Red Wednesday event to pray for and raise awareness to the plight of persecuted Christians will take place once again this year.

I will be offering the holy sacrifice of the Mass for the intentions of persecuted Christians at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica on November 15 at 5:00 p.m. I invite you and your parishioners to consider joining me for this occasion or pray the rosary in solidarity with faith communities around the world on Red Wednesday. ACN-Canada has prepared a Rosary for Persecuted Christians available at this link: https://acn-canada.org/rw/wpcontent/uploads/2023/09/Rosary-for-Persecuted-Christians.pdf. I invite you all to earnestly pray for Christians around the world who are suffering many kinds of persecution. May the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of peace, intercede for us and bring the needs of these suffering people to the feet of her son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Sincerely Yours in Jesus with Mary, Most Rev. Francis Leo.



St. Mary's Catholic Women's League Bazaar and Tea Room Saturday, November 18th, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Crafts, knitting/crochet, jewelry, take a chance and baking!

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, November 14th 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).



Thursday Afternoon: November 16th 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. 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.

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



You are invited to join us at 12:30 p.m. for soup, bread and sweets followed by the movie "Rudy". Cost: free will donation. To be sure we have sufficient food please reserve your spot by Monday, November 20th. Call Catherine at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or email:

cecker@archtoronto.org.



Mark Your Calendars!

Thursday, November 30th at 2:00 p.m. Classic Movies

Wednesday, December 6th at 2:00 p.m. Advent Lessons and Carols





Wednesday, December 13th at 2:00 p.m. Advent Reflection: Living in Hope led by Fr. Scott Young

Help Us to Serve You

If you have Offertory Envelope # 645, #549, #299, #251 or #23 please write your NAME and ADDRESS on the next envelope used so we may provide you with an income tax receipt. Thank you!

Parish Religious Article Store - We have a variety of beautiful Christmas items; cards, Advent wreaths and candles, stocking stuffers and lots of special gifts! Open Sundays before/after the 8am, 10am, and 12pm Masses and located in the parish hall. Why not stop by and start early shopping!

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, December 2nd.

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, November 24.



LIFE TEEN –for high school teens to explore their faith through talks, prayer and friendship meeting monthly on Sunday

nights at 4:00 p.m. Our next gathering is TODAY, Sunday, November 12th.



Young Adult Ministry - Theology on Tap At the Flying Monkeys Brewery (in the Attic Lounge upstairs) on the following Sundays from 6-9:00 p.m.: November 19. 2023 and

January 21, March 17, May 5 and June 23, 2024.

Save the Date! Sunday, December 10th at 6:00 **p.m**. here at St. Mary's Church when we will have a Holy Hour of Adoration in conjunction with a talk from His Excellency Bishop Boissonneau. Auxillary Bishop of the Northern Region of the Archdiocese of Toronto. Everyone is welcome! For more information on our Youth Ministry, please email: stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com or call Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426.

Preparing for first Holy Communion: Parent Catechetical Meeting # 1



All families who have registered in the preparation process for first Holy Communion are reminded to attend the parent catechetical meeting in November. Parents will receive a family book and

catechesis focused on preparing to celebrate reconciliation (confession). We ask that only parents attend. It is fine for one parent to attend. The parent meeting will be held from 7:30–8:45 p.m. This meeting is offered twice, you attend one meeting. You may attend on Thursday, November 16th OR Tuesday, November 28th. You must attend one of the meetings.

