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 27 Tuesday, November 28 Wednesday, November 29 Thursday, November 30 Friday, December 1

Saturday, December 2

12:10 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 12:10 p.m. 12:10 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.

12:10 p.m.

† Agnes Lachance
† Paul and Ziggy Milewski
† Carmen DiMartino
† Douglas Mitchell
† Wendy Grech Intentions of Dolores Sexton
† Willena Ann Johnson
† Guy Léger
† May McKendry
† Michael McCarthy
† Marcel Giroux





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: *Bert Van Der*

Heyden, Shirley Crocco, Maria Moyano,

Marianna Adamski and all those whose names on in our parish book of remembrance.

HOLY HOUR AND BENEDICTION Friday, December 1 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

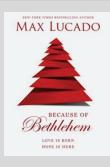


Give yourself - and Jesus - a gift! Commit to spending one hour a week with Him in the Eucharistic Adoration Chapel. Call the parish office or Mary Bond at (705)726-6641.



<u>Visiting the Hospital</u>: 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.



Advent Book Study "Because of Bethlehem" by Max Lucado Join us each Tuesday afternoon from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. in the parish hall beginning Tuesday, November 28th as the downtown ministerial association presents this book study.

Knights of Columbus, Council 1626Financial Benefits Discussion - On Saturday,
December 2nd, from 2:00 p.m. to
4:00 p.m. the Knights of Columbus



December 2nd, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. the Knights of Columbus Field Agent Dennis Beans will host a discussion for all parishioners regarding the various financial products including K of C insurance,

retirement and long-term care products available to men of the parish as knights and their families. The session will be at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 93 Berczy Street. For further information contact Al MacLeod: <u>esl2@rogers.com</u>.

Parish Breakfast - Join us next weekend, in the parish hall on Sunday, December 3rd after the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses. Goodwill donations will be accepted at the door.





<u>Children's Christmas Party</u> – Mark your calendars! Sunday, December 10th- in our parish hall from 12:00 p.m. -3:30 pm. More information to come!

A New Liturgical Year: Year B

The Church follows a three-year cycle and on the first Sunday of Advent, December 3, 2023 we embark on a new liturgical year. On Sundays during Year B the Gospel reading will most often be from the gospel of St. Mark.



How to Use the Missal: you are invited to review the instructions for using the Missal found on pages 4 and 5. A limited number of copies of the Missal are still available for purchase from the parish

office or in the main foyer. The cost is \$5.00 each.

Family Christmas Dance

You're invited to join us next Saturday, December 2nd at 6:30 p.m. for a Family Christmas Dance in our parish hall. DJ, snacks and prizes for the whole family! Tickets are \$25/family and available at the parish office or after all Masses this weekend.



Celebrating Advent: A Season of Joyful Expectation

Advent LESSONS

Join us for Advent Lessons and Carols on Wednesday December 6th at 2:00 p.m. At the beginning of the & GROLS Advent season you are invited to pause from preparations for Christmas

to hear God's Word. Following this time of prayer and reflection there will be time for fellowship and simple refreshments. All are welcome.



Advent Reflection: Living in Hope Wednesday, December 13th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. As we move closer to the feast of Christmas, give yourself a gift and gather for a time of prayer,

reflection, and conversation. The facilitator will be Father Scott Young. All are welcome to attend this session. Simple refreshments will be provided. Cost: free will offering for St. Vincent de Paul Society.

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

28th 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 at 115).

Join us for Classic Movies on the fourth Thursday of every month. Our next movie is on November 30th at 2:00 p.m. in our parish hall. We will show the classic war comedy-drama "Mister Roberts (1955)" set during the last days of World War II, starring Henry Fonda, Jack Lemmon, and James Cagney. Snacks are included and all are welcome!

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 November we shall pray with you and share in your



joy at all Sunday (Saturday evening) Masses on November 25th and 26th. We thank God for the gift of the married couples in our midst.

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. Our next gathering is Friday, January 12th!



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. Our next gathering is Friday, January 26th.

We hope to see all of you at the Christmas Family Dance next Saturday, December 2nd at 6:30 p.m.



LIFE TEEN -- for high school teens. Meets monthly on Sunday nights at 4:00 p.m. Our

next gathering is TODAY Sunday, November 26th and Sunday, December 17th.

Young Adult Ministry - Theology on

Tap - At the Flying Monkeys Brewery (in the Attic Lounge upstairs) on the following Sundays from 6:00-9:00 p.m.: Jan. 21, Mar. 17, May 5 and June 23, 2024. For more info. on Youth Ministry, please email: stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com or call Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426.





Parish Christmas Concert! Mark your calendars! Friday, December 8th in our church proper! Details to follow.

