



# St. Mary's Church

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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., 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.

The Church opens at 8:00 a.m. and closes at 6:00 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.

## PARISH STAFF:

Rev. Larry Léger, Pastor - ext. 104

Rev. Neil Pereira, Associate Pastor ext. 107

Rev. Scott Young - In Residence

Deacon Del Allan - ext. 125

Deacon Robert Suthers, Retired

Catherine Ecker, Coordinator of Ministry with Maturing Adults and Parish Catechist - ext. 115

Shannon Barks, Music/Youth Minister - ext. 116 or 705-229-7426

Susan Scarff, Administrative Assistant - ext. 101

David Murdoch, Pastoral Assistant - ext. 113

Pat Borho, Finance - ext. 102

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

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday through Friday

1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. All welcome

**Adoration Chapel:** Mary Bond - 705-726-6641

**Altar Servers:** David Murdoch - 705-728-2985

**Bereavement Committee:** Parish Office

**Catholic Family Services:** 705-726-2503

**Catholic Women's League:** Susan Murley - 705-252-1918

**Young 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 - 705-737-6563

**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

**Retrouaille:** (for troubled marriages) - 437-234-5610

**Rosary Apostolate** - Anné Gariépy - 705-305-0911

**Sacramental Preparation:** Catherine Ecker - ext. 115

**Social Life:** Parish Office

**St. Mary's Cemetery:** Larry Meyer 705-726-3931

**St. Vincent de Paul:** 705-722-0753

## PARISH REGISTRATION

Please register with the parish before seeking any sacraments or any other services.

Registration forms are available in the church foyer and in our parish office.

## Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, May 12	12:10 p.m.	† Fran Cadeau
Tuesday, May 13	12:10 p.m.	† Ann Gubbels
Wednesday, May 14	7:00 p.m.	† Laurenso Thuan V. Nguyen
Thursday, May 15	12:10 p.m.	† Manuel DaSilva
Friday, May 16	12:10 p.m.	† George and Paulette Harradine
Saturday, May 17	9:00 a.m.	† Tony Placidi
		† Bev, Bill and Mark Vincer



This weekend is the Catholic Women's League Annual Diaper Drive. The CWL are collecting diapers, pull ups, wipes, diaper cream or vaseline, cash or gift card donations after all Masses for The Women's and Children's Shelter of Barrie. *Thank you for your support!*

**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.

### Rest in Peace

We remember in prayer those who have died recently including: **Pope Francis and**

**Carole MacAskill.**

### IN THE HOSPITAL

**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.



### Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

For 50 days we celebrate the great feast of Easter! In our parish and homes, we continue to praise our God and celebrate Jesus' victory over death. Alleluia!

### ShareLife

#### Sow the seeds of hope for the next generation.

The future of the Church depends on men and women heroically answering God's call. When you support ShareLife, you enable the discernment, formation and education of those who will serve in our parishes through the Office of Vocations and seminaries. Your kindness makes it possible for future priests to attend St. Augustine's Seminary and the Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary where they learn to tend to the Lord's vineyard and work for the salvation of souls. In addition, St. Augustine's Seminary educates permanent deacons and lay people serving our parishes.

Our parish goal this year is \$150,000. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [www.sharelife.org/donate](http://www.sharelife.org/donate)

#### Celebrating Initiation During Easter

In the Church the Easter season is the normative time for celebrating the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Beginning today children will join us at the table of the Lord for the first time. You are asked to pray for all families who will join us at the Lord's table. *We thank God for their witness of faith.*

#### Proclaiming God's Word! Is God Calling you to be a Lector?



If you would like to learn more about serving as a lector at Sunday Mass please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or email [cecker@archtoronto.org](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org)

**Priest's Retreats 2025** - Fr. Larry be on retreat in the coming week. Fr. Neil will be on retreat the week following. *Please keep them both in your prayers during this time of renewal.*



#### On Mother's Day

we pray for all mothers, living and deceased, for those who have loved us with a mother's love, for grandmothers, grandaunts and for all care givers.

Visit the following links to read Archbishop Leo's messages:

[Frank Cardinal Leo's Mother's Day](#)

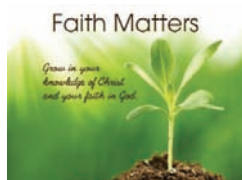
[Message 2025](#)

[Frank Cardinal Leo's Message for the Month of the Blessed Mother](#)



#### Vitamin F: Pilgrims of Hope:

**Strengthened at Mass for the Life of the World**  
Tuesday May 13 from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.



Join us and deepen your understanding of living as a Pilgrim of Hope for the life of the world. All are welcome to attend this time of catechesis, conversation and prayer. Simple Refreshments are provided.

#### Register Today for "A Day With Mary"

This free outdoor event is taking place Saturday, May 31 on the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Villanova College in King City. There will be food, music, fellowship and Holy Mass celebrated by our Archbishop, His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo. For more information and to register, visit [www.archtoronto.org/mary](http://www.archtoronto.org/mary)



### A Sign of our Communion with God and Union with Others

Throughout May a number of our young people will begin to share in Holy Communion. They and their parents have been preparing for months. This is an ideal time to review the process for sharing in Holy Communion.

Our sharing in Holy Communion is a profoundly public personal act. We process forward to share in Holy Communion. It is most definitely a holy union with Jesus and with our brothers and sisters in Christ. There is nothing private about the Communion procession. In 2011, the Canadian Bishops instructed that our common sign of reverence before sharing in Holy Communion be a bow of the head. The Church's ritual does not expect anyone to genuflect, kneel or make the sign of the cross before or after receiving Holy Communion.

At the time of Holy Communion when the person in front of you has received Holy Communion and you are in the front of the procession, you **bow your head**, the Minister of the Body of Christ will say, "**The Body of Christ**", you reply, "**Amen**".

It is important to note that the only appropriate response is **Amen**. The Church expects that **Amen** is said in a voice that can be heard by the Minister of Holy Communion.

After saying **Amen** the Minister of Communion places the host in your hand. You put the host in your mouth immediately. If you are going to share in the Blood of Christ you move to the Minister and he / she says, "**The Blood of Christ**", you answer "**Amen**" and take the chalice and take a sip. Then you return to your place. The Communion procession is a time of communal prayer. We sing the Communion hymn as an outward sign of our unity. We sit or kneel for silent prayer when the priest sits down after Communion.

### 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** an ancient form of contemplative prayer is deeply rooted in the Christian tradition. Our next meeting will be at 10:30 a.m. on **Tues. May 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m.**

**on Zoom.** The Zoom link is on our parish website or contact Catherine Ecker if you are interested in learning more about this form of prayer or have questions. All are welcome! Catherine Ecker. [cecker@archtoronto.org](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org) or 705 728 2985 ext. 115.



**Hold the Dates - On Wednesday May 28<sup>th</sup>** we will gather at 2 p.m. for an informative session. Details to follow and on **Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup>** we will gather at **12 noon** for a potluck lunch as we celebrate the **Gift of Years!**

### Celebrating the Liturgy of the Word with Children

We will celebrate a separate Liturgy of the Word with Children on **May 25 and June 15 during the 12 noon Mass**. All children between the ages of 4 and 8 are invited to participate.

**Leaders are NEEDED** for September.

We hope to offer this ministry at the 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Sunday Masses. Training and materials will be provided. If you are interested in leading in this important ministry, please contact David: [dmurdoch@archtoronto.org](mailto:dmurdoch@archtoronto.org)



### Youth Ministry

For more information on youth ministry, or to register for Edge Camp or Bible Camp please contact Shannon Barks at [stmarysyouthministry-barrie@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysyouthministry-barrie@gmail.com) or 705.229.7426.



**EDGE**-for grades 5-8. Our next gathering is **Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

**LIFETEEN** – Youth program for high school teens to explore their faith through talks, prayer and friendship meeting monthly. Our next gathering is **Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup>** after the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Dinner provided.



**BIBLE CAMP 2025 - Monday, July 7<sup>th</sup> to July 11<sup>th</sup>** from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. daily. \$75.00 per youth.

**EDGE CAMP 2025 – August 20-24th** at Camp White Pine for grades 5-9, and high school youth.



### YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY -

#### THEOLOGY ON TAP – TODAY

**Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m.** at Flying Monkeys Brewery, 107 Dunlop St. East. (*Attic Lounge upstairs*).

**BICYCLE PILGRIMAGE:** All teens are invited. We depart from the parish on Fri., May 30<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. The cyclists are picked up at Martyr's Shrine in the afternoon on Sat., May 31<sup>st</sup>. Families are invited to meet the cyclists and join us for Mass and dinner at the Shrine. [Registration Form](#)



**Classic Movies** - Join us for classic movies on the big screen here at the parish. 2:00pm in the Parish Hall with snacks. All our welcome! No sign up.

**May 13 – The Searchers:** John Ford's classic western about family bonds and racism as John Wayne searches many years for his kidnapped niece.

**May 20 - Theodora Goes Wild** - a forgotten comedy gem from the golden years of comedy about a meek woman from the small town who lives a double life as a romance writer and what happens when her secret is brought out into the open.

**June 10 - The Manchurian Candidate**

**June 17 – Radio Days**

**JUST SING:** A laid back, fun afternoon of song and fellowship as we come together to **JUST SING!** our way through the folk,

pop, gospel and traditional music songbooks. Bring your voice whether you can sing or not! No sign up – just come and just sing! Cookies and tea included. Join us on **Tuesday, June 3 at 2:00pm at the parish.**





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