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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

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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: Dr. Geoff Bond - 705-726-6641

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, August 11	12:10 p.m.	† Phero Dieu
Tuesday, August 12	12:10 p.m.	† Magola Rangel
Wednesday, August 13	7:00 p.m.	† Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed
Thursday, August 14	**There is no Noon Mass Today**	
Friday, August 15	12:10 p.m.	† Manuel Da Silva
Saturday, August 16	9:00 a.m.	† Catherine Boxall
		† Jose Petit-Frere
		† The Marcelli Family
		† Francine Brouillard
		† Michael Andre Glazebrook
		† Jose Petitfrere



Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed



This year's Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed will be celebrated by Most Rev. John Corriveau on **Wednesday, August 13th at 7:00 p.m.** at St. Mary's Cemetery, 208 Sunnidale Road. In the event of rain, the Mass will be held at St. Mary's Church at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome. *Please note: there are no confessions on August 13th.*

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.



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: **Josephine Hunter, Sandra Estrela and Patricia Devlin-Best.**



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 visit you.

Baptism for Children Over the Age of 7



The preparation for baptism of children over the age of seven is distinctly different than the process for infants and young children. If you are seeking baptism for your child who is seven years of age or older, please contact Catherine Ecker (cecker@archtoronto.org) for details on the preparation process.

Proclaiming God's Word – Seeking Lectors!



If you are a fully initiated Catholic and would like to learn more about serving as a lector at a Sunday (Saturday evening) Mass or a weekday please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or email cecker@archtoronto.org Formation and training is offered to all new lectors. The proclamation of God's Word is an integral part of our liturgy.

*God bless you
with health and happiness*

Important Parish Notice

Please be advised there will be **no noon Mass** on **Thursday, August 14th, 2025.** The office will be **closed and there will be no adoration.** Those who wish to pray in the presence of the Lord may do so in the church proper. Cardinal Leo has invited all northern and eastern priests of the Archdiocese to attend a Jubilee Day for Priests at St. Augustine's Seminary. The priests from the central and western pastoral region are invited to attend on August 22nd.

Are You Interested in Becoming a Catholic?



The journey towards becoming a full member of the Catholic Church includes time for prayer, catechesis (teaching) and conversation. The initiation process is for those who are not baptized and for those baptized in another Christian tradition and seek to be full members of the Catholic Church. If you would like more information about becoming a member of the Catholic Church please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or email: cecker@archtoronto.org

Are You New to Our Parish ? We offer you a Warm Welcome!

Please take the time to register with our parish. Parish Registration Forms are available in the vestibule, at the parish office or from our parish website (see link below). We invite you to support the parish through either offertory envelopes (available from the parish office or vestibule) or preauthorized giving. For information on Preauthorized Giving or for a Parish Registration Form please see [Downloadable Forms](#) Thank you for your support and we are glad you're here!



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 weekly sessions will resume on **Tuesday, August 26th at 10:30 a.m. on Zoom**. If you would like information on Christian Meditation or to receive the link for the session please contact Catherine Ecker cecker@archtoronto.org or 705 728 2985 ext. 115.



Guided Book Discussion Group for Women



Women are invited to a guided discussion of the book "**The Shattered Lantern**." Sessions will be held on Thursday mornings in St. Joseph's Room from 10:00

a.m. to 11:30 a.m. beginning September 11th and concluding October 23rd. All participants will need a copy of the book. To register and order a copy of the book please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or email cecker@archtoronto.org.

Save the Date!

Wednesday, September 24th at 12:30 p.m. Join us for Lunch with **food provided by the Mandarin**.

Tickets will be available in September and must be purchased in advance. Join us for conversation, fellowship and good food. There will be a 50 /50 draw with proceeds going to St. Vincent de Paul Society. Questions? Contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or email cecker@archtoronto.org.



A Wonderful Opportunity! Life Story Writing Program: September 2025

If you are in the second half of life you are invited to participate in the **Life Story Writing Program**.

You do not need to be a writer or good speller! The writing program provides a structure to reflect and recall various events through the stages of our lives. Each person receives a workbook and the sessions provide suggestions and opportunities to practice writing. Participants gain a deeper understanding, clearer perspective and a more integrated view of God's action in our lives. The program nourishes participants and offers an opportunity for renewal.



The program will be offered on Monday afternoons from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. beginning September 22nd and concluding November 3rd.

A fee of \$20.00 is requested to cover the cost of printing. Advance registration is required. To register or for more information please contact Catherine Ecker at cecker@archtoronto.org or call 705 728 2985 ext. 115.

Important Information Meetings: Please Take Note of the Dates!

Preparing for Confirmation:

A Meeting for Parents and Young People

All parents of young people born in 2013 (*entering grade 7*) or before and baptized in the Roman Catholic Church are invited to attend an important information meeting on:

**Thursday, October 3rd OR
Monday, October 6th.**

The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. and will conclude at 8:30 p.m. Participation in one of the meetings is essential. **A parent and the young person seeking Confirmation** are to attend.



Preparing Young People for First Holy Communion



All parents of children born in 2018 (*entering grade 2*) or earlier and baptized in the Roman Catholic Church are invited to attend an important parent information meeting on:

**Thursday, September 18th OR
Monday September 29th.**

The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. and will conclude at 8:30 p.m. Participation in one of the meetings is essential. To allow for your full participation you are encouraged to arrange **child care**. It is **essential** that you attend the information meeting because details will be provided regarding registration, future gatherings and the celebration of both Reconciliation (Confession) and first sharing in Holy Communion.

Youth Ministry



Young Adult Hiking Pilgrimage:

Join us for a pilgrimage hike to Martyrs' Shrine for the Jubilee Year of Mercy on **Sunday, August 17th**. Hikers of all levels welcome!

Contact Elyse Schweighofer for more details at 249-989-1689.

EDGE and Life Teen Camp - Please keep all campers, leaders, priests and youth ministers in your prayers as they embark on their camp experience from **August 20th - August 24th, 2025**. **Thank you to all who supported our youth in prayer and financially to get the opportunity to go to camp!**



Summer Classic Movies

Come in from the heat and join us every Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. in our parish hall for some great movies.



Join us on **Tuesday, August 12th** for another classic movie entitled "**A Comedy Cavalcade**". A selection of short subject films from the world of slapstick comedy starring Laurel and Hardy, The Little Rascals and more!

Mark your calendars for our next film on **Tuesday, August 19th - "The Fortune Cookie"** - the first pairing of Walter Matthau and Jack Lemmon in this hilarious farce about a TV cameraman who gets injured at a football game and decides to sue, hiring his brother-in-law, Whiplash Willy, as his lawyer. Matthau won an Academy Award for his comic performance in this underrated Billy Wilder film about truth telling and shysters out for a buck. 1966.

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