



# 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:** 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, September 1	9:00 a.m.	† Carol Cancilla
Tuesday, September 2	12:10 p.m.	† Pauline MacDonell
Wednesday, September 3	7:00 p.m.	† Stephen Loftus
Thursday, September 4	12:10 p.m.	† Duilio Antonioni
Friday, September 5	12:10 p.m.	Intentions Gabrielle and Deacon Robert Suthers
	7:00 p.m.	† Marco Bosco
Saturday, September 6	9:00 a.m.	† Achille Scarsella
		† John Walsh
		† Anne Bourdeau
		† Ivan Ansley



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:  
**Patricia Devlin-Best, John Murphy, Joan Holloway, William Baetsen, Maurice O'Connell, Timothy Higgitt, Rodney Chicorli, Bruce Busby, Sandra Estrela, Cornelis Balk and Raymond Micheau.**

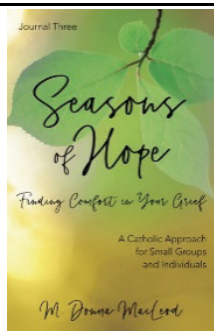
#### HOLY HOUR AND BENEDICTION

Friday, September 5th  
6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.



**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.

#### Seasons of Hope Bereavement Group



Our Lord assured us that those who mourn are blessed and shall be comforted. *Seasons of Hope* helps us come together to share in God's love. Whether your loss is recent or long ago, *Seasons of Hope* is a nurturing link to the Church, our God and people of faith who understand what it means to grieve. This program is centered on Jesus Christ and grounded in the healing wisdom, traditions and practices of the Catholic Church. Come and be comforted.

The group meets at 7:30 p.m. for six consecutive Wednesdays beginning **September 24, 2025** in the parish library. Registration is required. For more details or to register please contact Catherine Ecker in the parish office at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or email [cecker@archtoronto.org](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org).

#### 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 2nd OR Tuesday, October 7th**. 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.

#### Vitamin F: Pilgrims of Hope:

##### Inspired to Live Rooted in Hope

**Tuesday, September 9th, 2025 from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.**

Join us for a time of catechesis, conversation and prayer as we reflect on those who inspire us to live rooted in hope. All are welcome to attend this time of catechesis, conversation and prayer. Simple Refreshments are provided.

#### Mass with Anointing of the Sick on Wednesday, September 17th at 12:10 p.m.

The Anointing of the Sick conveys several graces and imparts the gifts of strengthening in the Holy Spirit against anxiety, discouragement and temptation and conveys peace and fortitude. The Anointing of the Sick is a prayer of healing including spiritual health and for the courage, strength and peace to bear the burden of illness. All those requesting the Sacrament of Anointing, young and elderly are welcome to attend. A reception of soup and sandwiches will follow in the parish hall.

## 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. We will meet on **Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org) or 705 728 2985 ext. 115.

## Wednesday September 24<sup>th</sup> in our Parish Hall

Join us for Lunch at 12:45 p.m. with food provided by the Mandarin.

The cost is \$22.00 per person. Tickets available in September and must be purchased by **September 22<sup>nd</sup>**.

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](mailto: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. The program nourishes



participants and offers an opportunity for renewal. The program will be offered on Monday afternoons from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. beginning September 22<sup>nd</sup> and concluding November 3<sup>rd</sup>. 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](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org) or call 705 728 2985 ext. 115.

## St. Mary's Men's Core Spirituality Group



We are a men's group that, for the past 1½ years, has met regularly to discuss topics of faith to strengthen our

commitment to prayer, to Christ and the teachings of our Catholic church. The group is called COR (*Latin for 'Heart'*) and meets in St. Joseph's room on the 3rd Saturday of each month between 2:00-4:00 p.m. Led by Fr. Scott, the group discussions are usually centered on the week's Gospel as well as a topic taken from a video presentation. Discussions have been intense and energetic with each of us sharing as much as he feels comfortable. Most of us feel a sense of fulfillment after each meeting.

In Matthew's Gospel, our Lord tells us not to hide our light under a basket, but to place it on a lampstand so it can illuminate the entire house. We invite the men of the parish to share in that light. Our next meeting is scheduled for **Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**. The coffee is always on and we hope to see you there. For further information contact Al MacLeod at: [esl2@rogers.com](mailto:esl2@rogers.com).

## Youth Ministry

**W**elcome to youth ministry at St. Mary's Church! We have something for everyone; babies to young adult! If you are an adult or teen interested in helping with youth ministry (*lots of volunteer hours to be had!*) or for more information on how to register, please contact Shannon Barks at [stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com) or call Shannon at (705) 229-7426.



**PLAY GROUP: Calling all Moms and Tots!** We are beginning a playgroup in October on Monday mornings at 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. For more information on how to become involved, please contact

Shannon at the email above.

## M.E.R.C.Y. (Ministry to Educate Roman Catholic Youth)

is for youth grades Kindergarten to Grade 4. M.E.R.C.Y. runs once a month on a Friday night, from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. where we explore our faith in a dynamic way through activities, games, crafts and music. Our first gathering for this year is **Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025**.



**EDGE** is our youth ministry for youth Grades 5 -8, to come together once a month on a Friday night from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. EDGE is a ministry for

youth to encounter Christ in a safe, fun environment, where they will get answers to their questions about faith, and most importantly to experience Jesus in a profound and personal way. Save the date: **Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025** for our first EDGE night!

**LIFE TEEN** is a ministry for teens interested in diving deeper into their faith, relationship with Jesus, scripture, and each other. We have discussions, panels, and time of prayer to discuss the issues and teachings surrounding our teens today. Our Life Nights also include sports, music, and games to help strengthen the friendships made. Our first Life Night is **Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 after the 4:00 p.m. Mass**.



## Liturgy of the Word with Children












**Adult Leaders are NEEDED** for the 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. Sunday Masses. An information and formation session will be held on **Wednesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Contact David for more details at [dmurdoch@archtoronto.org](mailto:dmurdoch@archtoronto.org).



**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 **\*\*THURSDAY, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.**

**SUMMER CLASSIC MOVIES:** Join us for our last summer movie on **Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00 p.m.** in our parish hall for **"That's Entertainment."** A classic retrospective of the sights and sounds of fifty years of MGM musicals. 1974. Our fall series starts on **September 16<sup>th</sup>** and we will be showing **"Going My Way."**



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