



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
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

COMMUNAUTÉ CATHOLIQUE FRANCOPHONE DE BARRIE

Abbé Cyrille Tenejou L'aumônier
L'Eucharistie est célébrée chaque dimanche à 10 h 30 dans les locaux de l'École Secondaire Catholique Nouvelle-Alliance, située à l'adresse suivante :249 rue Anne Nord, local 113, Barrie, Ontario L4N 0B5

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

Liturgy of the Word with Children: Parish Office

Marriage Preparation: Parish Office

Maturing Adults: Catherine Ecker - ext. 115

Ministry Affirmation: (Screening):Parish Office - 705-728-2985

Music Ministry: Shannon Barks – 705-229-7426

New Beginnings: A. Limanni (416) 921-1163 ext. 2225

Religious Articles Store: Pat Dunn - 705-718-1853

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

Rosary Apostolate - Dianne Hunter dihun04@gmail.com

Sacramental Preparation: Catherine Ecker - ext. 115

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

St. Vincent de Paul: 705-722-0753

Youth Adult Ministry: Shannon Barks – 705-229-7426

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Monday through Friday 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. All welcome.

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, November 10	12:10 p.m.	† Andrea Timbrell
Tuesday, November 11	12:10 p.m.	† Roland Gervais (Veterans Appreciation Mass)
Wednesday, November 12	7:00 p.m.	† Antonio Nicoletta
Thursday, November 13	12:10 p.m.	† Linda Pye
Friday, November 14	12:10 p.m.	† Laurenso Thuan V. Nguyen
Saturday, November 15	9:00 a.m.	† Suma Makiel † Ernie Ashley Intentions of John and Shannon Barks and family



SHEPHERD'S TRUST COLLECTION

Next Weekend – November 15/16, 2025



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: 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 **William Tate, Heidi Kadlec** and all those mentioned in Our Book of Remembrance. The parish **Book of Remembrance** is in the church proper during

the month of November so that you may inscribe the names of those who have gone before you marked with the sign of faith.

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.



Coffee Sunday will be hosted by St. Joseph's High School on **Sunday, November 16th after the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses.** You are invited to bring some of your favourite cookies or muffins to share. Please stop by the parish hall to enjoy refreshments, treats and fellowship!

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. **This meeting is ONLY for families who have formally registered in the preparation process.** 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 13th or Tuesday November 25th.** If you have any questions please call Catherine Ecker 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or email (cecker@archtoronto.org) or David Murdoch (dmurdoch@archtoronto.org).



Thank you to ShareLife for supporting the needy in our parish community.

Our parish and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at St. Mary's Conference will each receive \$15,000 grants to support families in need. This is only possible because of your generosity!

A generous anonymous parishioner within the Archdiocese of Toronto has once again pledged to **match every gift to the ShareLife Parish Campaign, up to \$500,000, between November 1st until December 31st.** When you give \$100.00 to ShareLife, ShareLife receives \$200.00.

Double the impact of your kindness by giving at the parish with a ShareLife envelope or anytime at sharelife.org/donate. Thank you for living the Gospel.

Patron Saint of Widows and Widowers: St. Elizabeth of Hungary



It is customary to celebrate wedding anniversaries. The witness of a married couple is life giving and a sign of God's presence. In our parish, many widows and widowers continue to serve God, our parish and the community at large through their witness and living faith. The years of their married life continues to bear great fruit in our midst.

St. Elizabeth of Hungary is the patron saint or an example for widows and widowers. The universal Church marks her feast day on the day of her death, November 17th.

Next weekend on Sunday, November 16 (Saturday November 15) at all Masses we will thank God for the witness of these many widow and widowers and ask God to bless them.



Veterans Appreciation Mass

On Tuesday, November 11th at 12:10 p.m. we will honour our veterans. The veterans who are present will be invited to stand for a blessing. Veterans are encouraged to wear their blazers and medals. Regular and Reserve Force personnel and Cadets are invited to attend in uniform.

Vitamin F: Dying and Death: What does the Church say about dying, death and our funeral rites.

Tuesday, November 11th from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.



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 as we reflect on the topic of dying, death and our funeral rites. Simple refreshments available.

Celebrating the Season of Advent Rooted in Hope

The liturgical season of Advent is a time of preparation for the season of Christmas. You are invited to join us for this three-part series. This will be a time of prayer, discussion and reflection from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on **Thursday, November 27th, December 4th and 11th**. There is no cost. To assist with planning preregistration is requested. For questions and to register please email Catherine Ecker at cecker@archtoronto.org or call 705 728 2985 ext. 115.



All Adults 55+ Ministry with Maturing Adults

All are welcome to attend the various sessions offered for those in the second half of life.

VON SMART (Seniors Maintaining Active Roles Together) Exercise Program is held on Tuesday mornings. **Please note:** there will be **no class** on Tuesday November 11th. For details regarding registration please call: VON at **705 737 5044 ext. 8108**.



Christian Meditation an ancient form of contemplative prayer is deeply rooted in the Christian tradition. We will meet on **Tuesday November 11th**

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

Alumni Writing Group: this is a gathering for those who have already completed the Life Story Writing program. The monthly meeting will be held at 2:00 p.m. on **Thursday November 13th** in St. Joseph's Room.



Wednesday, November 19th at 2:00 p.m. We will have a presentation on **Decluttering and Downsizing** led by the owners of **Treasured Transitions**. Whether you are ready to

downsize or are in the state of sorting and decluttering this presentation will be helpful. No registration required. Simple refreshments available. All are welcome.



Liturgy of the Word with Children – All children between the ages of 4 and 8 are invited to participate. We celebrate at the 12 pm & 4 pm Mass on **November 16th, December 7th and 12th**. Questions? Please contact David at dmurdoch@archtoronto.org.

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Youth Ministry and Young Adult Ministry

Welcome! 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 for any of the programs listed below, please contact Shannon Barks at stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com or call Shannon at (705) 229-7426.

PLAY GROUP: Inviting all Moms, Dads, Grandparents and Caregivers! Join us **Monday mornings at 10:00 a.m.** for playgroup, for babies and toddlers! Crafts, snacks and songs in the Youth Room.



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 next date is **Friday, November 14th, 2025**.



EDGE is 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. Our next date is **Friday, November 21st, 2025**.



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. Included are sports, music, and games to help strengthen the friendships made. Our next date is **TODAY Sunday, November 9th, 2025 after the 4:00 p.m. Mass**.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY:

Spiritus North is a ministry for Catholic young adults (18-35) that gathers once a month for a time of Praise and Worship, Adoration, Speaker, followed by refreshments and a discussion. Spiritus North's purpose is to create a strong sense of community with young adults, addressing catechetical teaching, social issues and spiritual facets of life through the lens of our Catholic Faith. Our next gathering is **Friday, November 28th from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**



Just Sing! – Thursday, November 20th at 2:00 p.m. in St. Joseph's Room. Song and fellowship! We come together and JUST SING our way through folk, pop, gospel and traditional music.

Classic Movies - Snacks included (*free will offering*). All welcome—no sign ups. Movies shown on Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. in our parish hall. Our next movie is a wartime comedy entitled **"Hail The Conquering Hero"** starring Eddie Bracken on **November 11th**.



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