



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

Retrouvaille: (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

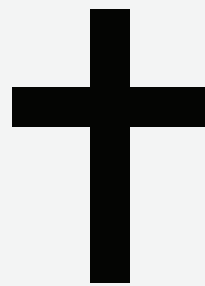
Youth Ministry: Shannon Barks - 705-229-7426

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 17	12:10 p.m.	† Barb Taylor
Tuesday, November 18	12:10 p.m.	† Roland and Vera LeBlanc
Wednesday, November 19	7:00 p.m.	Intentions Teddy and Ashley Nigh
Thursday, November 20	12:10 p.m.	† Patricia Greene
Friday, November 21	12:10 p.m.	† Manuel Da Silva
Saturday, November 22	9:00 a.m.	† Members of the Traditional Choir Intentions Andrew and Marie Biggers



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The mission of The Shepherd's 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. **Your generosity is greatly appreciated.**



Praying for the Sick: 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 pray those who have died recently including **Heidi Kadlec, David Williams, Russell Evanshen, Patricia Rybka, Vivian Chenier, and Freda Mullen** 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.



TODAY! Coffee Sunday is hosted by St. Joseph's High School Parent Council 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!

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.



Friday, December 5th at 7:00 p.m.

Save the Date!
Annual Parish Christmas Concert featuring choirs from both the church and school communities on



Make your gift to ShareLife and DOUBLE your impact!

Your gift will double in value! From November 3 until year end, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$500,000.

For those who turn to ShareLife agencies, the challenges are great - uncertainty feels heavy, hope feels far away. You can ease the struggles of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Your support for ShareLife becomes a saving grace for at-risk children and youth, refugees in crisis, and survivors of domestic violence, ensuring they receive the care and resources they need. Additionally, 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! 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.

Refugee Committee Christmas Wreath Fundraiser

The Christmas wreath annual fund raiser is after all Masses **TODAY, November 15-16th. Distribution is next weekend, November 22-23rd.** The price is unchanged at \$35.00 (no tax). All proceeds will go to our Refugee Fund. To order please call or text Sheila at 705-715-5948. Payment may be made by cash or etransfer.



Days for Girls

The Barrie Days for Girls Team would like to thank St. Mary's Parish and the CWL for supporting our Team for the last ten years. Our mission is to provide sustainable menstrual kits worldwide. To that end, financial contributions are welcome. Income Tax receipts provided. E-transfers accepted at tefanison@gmail.com.



The cost of a kit is approximately \$20. We appreciate your consideration for support. For more information please contact Evelyn Stefanson at 705-722-6675 or Ann Cavanaugh at 705-305-4875.

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. 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 25th 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.

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.



Preparing for first Holy Communion: Parent Catechetical Meeting # 1



Parents who have registered their child in the preparation process, and did not attend the meeting on November 13th are reminded to attend the meeting on **Tuesday, November 25th**. This meeting is for the parents only.

To foster full participation please arrange child care. It is fine if one parent attends. 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).



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.

Our Advent and Christmas singalong is on **Thursday, December 18th at 2:00 p.m.**

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.

****Please note** – there is no classic movie on November 25th as advertised. Our next movie is on **December 9th** and entitled "**Mrs. Miniver**" starring Greer Garson. An academy award winning movie. Our Christmas matinee is on **December 16th** and entitled "**The Shop Around the Corner**" starring Jimmy Stewart



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, December 12th, 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 **Sunday, November 23rd, 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.**



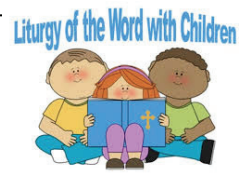
Liturgy of the Word with Children

All children between the ages of 4 – and 8 are invited to participate.

We celebrate **this weekend, November 16th at the 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. Masses and on December 7th and 21st.**

Questions? Please contact David at dmurdoch@archtoronto.org.

Retrouvaille: Help for Troubled Marriages. A live-in weekend and post sessions to help couples experiencing troubles in their marriage relationships. Visit www.torontoretrouvaille.com.



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