

# 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

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## **PARISH SCHOOLS:**

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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

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## **COMMUNAUTÉ CATHOLIQUE FRANCOPHONE DE BARRIE**

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

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

**Catholic Women's League:** Lesley Recker - 705-728-6351

**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

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**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

<b>Monday, February 2</b>	<b>12:10 p.m.</b>	† Nadine McKeown
<b>Tuesday, February 3</b>	<b>12:10 p.m.</b>	† Terry Chapman
<b>Wednesday, February 4</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	† Ike Ritchie
<b>Thursday, February 5</b>	<b>12:10 p.m.</b>	† Russell Evanshen
<b>Friday, February 6</b>	<b>12:10 p.m.</b>	<b>Intentions of Frank and Theresa Matys</b>
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	† Lorraine Silvani
<b>Saturday, February 7</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	† Amanda Smutek
		† Rev. Fred Schmid
		† Hugo Suasnabar
		<b>Intentions of Hugh Gill</b>



## Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026 World Day of the Sick

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. We will celebrate a Mass with Anointing of the Sick on **Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:10 p.m.** 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.

**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 pray those who have died recently including: **Paul Marley.**

## 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.

## Vitamin F: Reflecting on Our Relationship with Non-Christian Traditions Tuesday, February 10, 2026 from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

### Faith Matters



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 learn about the document *Nostra Aetate*: In Our Time. This document from the 2nd Vatican Council in part, invites us to deepen our understanding of our relationship with Jewish and Muslim traditions. We will have some simple refreshments available and conclude by 8:30 p.m. All are welcome.

## Pancake Supper - Youth Ministry Fundraiser



You're invited to the **Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** on **Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>**. Our Parish Youth will be serving pancakes, sausages, syrup or berries and whipped cream, juice, coffee/tea, and there's gluten-free! Come out to the parish hall 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10.00 per person or \$40.00 per family and are available after all Masses **next weekend, February 7/8** or from the parish office. We will also have door prizes and a Silent Auction!



**Marriage Sunday 2026** will be celebrated on the weekend of **February 7–8**. This occasion highlights the importance of the institution of marriage rooted in faith and affirms couples who

strengthen our faith community through their witness. Married couples are invited to attend the **Celebration of Marriage Mass** with **Bishop John Boissonneau** on **Sunday, February 8, 2026 at 2:30 p.m.** at **St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica** (65 Bond St., Toronto). All married couples will have the opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. Reserved seating is available for couples celebrating a **25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, or 60+ anniversary in 2026**. Seating is limited and available by advance registration. All other seating is first-come, first-served.

Those unable to attend in person are invited to join via livestream. Registration and additional information: [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage)

## Mary Matthew Public Speaking Contest – 2026



The Catholic Women's League invites all **Grade 7 and 8 students** to participate in the Public Speaking Contest held at St Mary's Parish next **Saturday, February 7, 2026**. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. The contest is from 10:00

a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Contestants will present a prepared speech that is not less than 3 minutes and no more than 5 minutes in length.

Contestants will also be asked to prepare a 1 minute impromptu speech. Topic will be given after the prepared speech has been presented.



## Celebrating the Liturgy of the Word with Children



We will celebrate a separate Liturgy of the Word with Children on **February 8 and 22, March 8 and 22 during the 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. Masses**. All children between the ages of 4 and 8 are invited to participate.

### Confirmation Preparation for Adults

If you are an adult, baptized in the Catholic Church and would like to be Confirmed please contact Catherine Ecker ([cecker@archtoronto.org](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org) or 705 728 2985 ext. 115) for details regarding registering for the preparation. Confirmation will be celebrated close to the feast of Pentecost.

### Reminder for all Families who have formally registered to prepare for first Holy Communion!

#### Parent Child Meeting # 2 Reminder

Families who have formally registered are reminded to attend the **Parent Child Meeting # 2** on the assigned date. You are asked to arrive a few moments early. We will begin at 7:00 p.m. and conclude by 8:15 p.m. Please note only the parent(s) and the child preparing for the sacrament are to attend. You only attend one meeting. To balance the number of people at the meeting please make every effort to attend the assigned meeting:

**February 3<sup>rd</sup> – Surnames A through G**

**February 9<sup>th</sup> – Surnames H through Z**

IF you are sick or unable to attend your assigned date, simply attend the alternate meeting.



### 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 February 3<sup>rd</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.

### Guided Book Discussion Group for Women: Praying our Goodbyes A Spiritual Companion Through Life's Losses and Sorrows

We will meet for six **Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. beginning February 12<sup>th</sup> and concluding March 19<sup>th</sup>**. The cost for the book is \$25.00 (cash) and preregistration before February 6<sup>th</sup> is necessary. To register and reserve a copy of the book please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or email [cecker@archtoronto.org](mailto:cecker@archtoronto.org).

### St. Valentine's Youth Dinner and Dance



**We The North** Parishes invite you to a St. Valentine's Dinner and Dance at St. Mary's Church on Saturday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. \$20.00 per person. Please contact Shannon Barks at

[stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com) or come to the parish office to register!

### Lift Jesus Higher Rally

Join thousands of Catholics on **Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026** at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. Adults \$80/pp and youth \$60/pp. Bus departs at 7am from St. Mary's Church and return approx... 6 p.m. To register call or stop by the parish office.

On the weekend of **February 7/8<sup>th</sup>** the prayer shawls will be blessed at each Mass. After each Mass there will be a short message from a member of the Prayer Shawl Ministry acknowledging the support of the CWL.



**Blessing of Throats-Tuesday, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026**

**Feast of St. Blaise: Bishop and Martyr**

After Mass we will have a blessing of throats. St. Blaise is the patron saint of throat maladies.

### Hospitality Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup> after all masses

Our parish schools, **Sister Catherine Donnelly, St. Mary's and St. Monica's** are hosting coffee Sunday. You are invited to stop by the parish hall to enjoy refreshments, treats and fellowship!



### Youth Ministry and Young Adult Ministry

Welcome! We have something for everyone; babies to young adult! Please contact Shannon Barks at [stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com) or call Shannon at (705) 229-7426 for further information.

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

**M.E.R.C.Y. (Ministry to Educate Roman Catholic Youth)** Grades Kindergarten to Grade 4. runs once a month from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Our next date is **Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup>**.

**EDGE-** Grades 5 -8, once a month from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Our next date is **Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup>**.

**LIFE TEEN** is a ministry for teens interested in diving deeper into their faith, relationship with Jesus, scripture, and each other. Our next date is **Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> 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, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Worship and Adoration Night**.

If you are interested in any of the following programs, please contact David at [dmurdoch@archtoronto.org](mailto:dmurdoch@archtoronto.org).

**Classic Movies at St. Mary's Parish** - Twice a month in the parish hall we offer great movies at no cost (free will offering).

















Snacks and drinks included! All are welcome. No sign up – Tuesdays at 2:00 pm. Our next film is entitled **Ball of Fire (1941)** with Gary Cooper and Barbara Stanwick on **February 3<sup>rd</sup>**. On February 24<sup>th</sup> our film is **The Heiress** starring Olivia de Havilland and Montgomery Clift.



**Just Sing!** - You're invited to join us for song and fellowship as we come together to JUST SING our way through folk, pop, gospel and traditional music. No sign up – just come and just sing! Light snacks and refreshments will be provided. Come out on **Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.** in St. Joseph's Room as we gather to celebrate the spirit of St. Valentine's Day.



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