

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. Mr. Damian Maliki, Deacon Intern

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

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PARISH SCHOOLS:

St. Mary's School - 705-726-1843

St. Monica's School - 705-726-8221

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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

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Bereavement Committee: Parish Office

Catholic Family Services: 705-726-2503

Catholic Women's League: Cindy Labas

Email: cl.mailit255@gmail.com

Young Adult Ministry: Shannon Barks - 705-229-7426

Development & Peace: Becky Johnson - 705-327-9609

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Communion: 705-728-2985

HopeLine (Palliative care resources and services) - 416-619-5700

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, May 18	9:00 a.m.	† Antonio Placidi
Tuesday, May 19	12:10 p.m.	† Rev. Scott Young
Wednesday, May 20	7:00 p.m.	† Allison Chiasson
Thursday, May 21	12:10 p.m.	† Patricia Greene
Friday, May 22	12:10 p.m.	† Maria Khien
Saturday, May 23	9:00 a.m.	† Margaret Baker † Zabdriel Chavez † Bev, Bill, Mark and Judy Vincer † Joe, Leo and Peter Gubbels

Intentions of the Pietras Family

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. If you have asked for someone to be added to the list please consult the list and let us know if the person has recovered so they may be removed.



+ We remember in prayer those who have died recently including: **Mary Lynne Atkinson, Bernice Harrison, Ngozi Ngadi, Vera Forbert, Aurora Ramos, Michelle Calma and Nancy Desjardins.**

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.



Lectio Divina Thursday Morning
Our final session will be on **Thursday, May 21st**. We will gather in St. Joseph's Room from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. for Lectio Divina. Lectio Divina is Latin and means Divine Reading or Holy Reading. **Our primary focus will be the Gospel for May 24th**. Registration is not required. Questions: please contact Catherine Ecker (cecker@archtoronto.org or 705 728 2985 ext. 115). All are welcome.



The Feast of Pentecost: May 23/ 24, 2026 Wear Red!



Pentecost Sunday marks the end of the Easter season. We celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit on the apostles and the beginning of the Church. This day is often described as the 'birthday of the Church'. All parishioners are invited to add to our celebration of Pentecost by wearing red to church. There are many different shades of red – the vibrant colour and the different shades will be a visual reminder to us of the diversity of our God given gifts and talent.

Catholic Women's League Spring Fundraiser

Saturday, May 30th from 9:30 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. Plants, surplus craft supplies, and baked goods for sale at great prices. Come early for best selection. Craft Donations can be placed in the box in the foyer. Plant donations can be brought to the church, Friday May 29 from 3pm to 7 pm. Please see bulletin board for more information. Thank you for your support!



Ordinations into the Priesthood of Jesus Christ in the Archdiocese of Toronto.

On Saturday, May 9th 2026 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto ordained four transitional deacons with the Sacrament of Holy Orders as they became priests to the Archdiocese of Toronto.



Rev. Matteo Bertozzi
Rev. Moonjun Alphonse Choi
Rev. Matthew Steven Tuanquin Tulio
Rev. Victor Manuel Valdés

Please pray for them and for an increase in vocations.

Annual Parish Picnic

You're invited to our **Parish Picnic on Sunday, June 7th** after the 12 noon Mass from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on the back lawn. The Knights of Columbus will be cooking hamburgers and hot dogs for everyone. Those attending are asked to provide a **salad, cookies or squares** which can be taken to the kitchen before the 8 a.m., 10 a.m. or noon Mass. Hope to see you there!



Parish Religious Articles Store

Open every Sunday between the morning Masses. Hours of operation September through June are: **(9:00 a.m. to 9:50 a.m., 11:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m., and 1:00 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.)** We have a wonderful selection of items for First Communion, Confirmation and Baptism. We have wedding and anniversary rosaries, crosses, jewelry, books, unique items, greeting cards and lots more! *Why not think ahead and buy a gift for the next special occasion?* For further information please call Pat Dunn at 705-718-1853. **Thank you for your support!**

A Day with Mary

Saturday, May 30th, 2026 at Villanova College in King City. A family-friendly day with Holy Mass with His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, praying of the Rosary, Confessions, and more! There will be music, fellowship and more. There is no fee to register – this is a free event open to all. Visit <https://archtoronto.org/Mary> for information.



Interpreted Mass for the Deaf Community



An interpreted Mass for the deaf community is offered on the last Sunday of each month at the 12:00 p.m. Mass. The next interpreted Mass will take place on **Sunday, May 31st, 2026.** All are welcome to attend.

Catholic Cemeteries Pre-Planning Seminar



Planning ahead is one of the most thoughtful and compassionate decisions you can make for your family. Join us for an informative seminar designed to help you understand your options and make

confident, faith-informed decisions. **Learn about:**

- Funeral and burial options
- Planning in advance to ease burden on loved ones
- Catholic teachings on cremation
- Flexible payment options (*incl. 0% financing options*)

Presented by St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery on **Saturday May 23rd, 2026 at 1:00 p.m.** in St. Joseph's room. Please R.S.V.P. to Larry Meyer at 705-726-3931 or email stmarysinquiry@cc-fs.ca.

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, May 19th 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@anchoronto.org or 705 728 2985 ext. 115.



The Happiness Compass for Midlife Transition Wednesday, May 20th at 2:00 p.m.

Come out and join Shirley Edwards of Boomer 3.0 as she shares:

- The #1 source of happiness
- The #1 source of health
- The Happiness Compass to navigate what's next

Join us for some inspiration and fun conversations about what makes us happy, healthy and fulfilled. We are still relevant. In fact, we are needed now more than ever. We are 'modern elders'. **Everyone between the ages of 50 and 100 are welcome! No registration needed, simple refreshments provided.**



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 welcome and no sign up. **Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m.** Our next film is **"The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance"** (1962) on May 26th. John Ford's class western starring John Wayne, James Stewart and Lee Marvin about the difference between truth-telling and myth as a mild-mannered lawyer faces off against bully outlaw Liberty Valance with help from cynical rancher in a small western town, also starring Vera Miles.



Just Sing! - Thursday, May 21st at 2:00 p.m. in St. Joseph's room for an afternoon of songs and fellowship; this month's

music is from classic movies and TV shows. Bring your voice whether you can sing or not! All are welcome! No sign up required. Snacks and refreshments!

Youth Ministry and Young Adult Ministry

Welcome! Please contact Shannon Barks at 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 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. is completed until September 2026. *Thank you for a wonderful year, see you in September and at our parish picnic on June 7th!*

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



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, May 22nd**.

LIFE TEEN for teens interested in diving deeper into their faith, relationship with Jesus, scripture, and each other. Included are sports, music, and games to help strengthen the friendships made. Our next meeting is **Sunday, May 24th after the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Topic is "What Now?"**



YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY:

Spiritus North 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. Our next gathering is **Friday, June 12th at 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for a Barbeque Social and Praise and Worship Night.**

EDGE CAMP 2026 – August 23-27 at Camp White Pine with an EDGE stream for youth going into grades 5-9, and a teen stream for high school youth.

OVERNIGHT BICYCLE PILGRIMAGE: Calling all teens! We depart from the parish on **Friday, May 29 at 2:30 p.m.** The cyclists are picked up at Martyr's Shrine in the afternoon on Saturday, May 30. Families are invited to meet the cyclists and join us for Mass and a potluck dinner at the Shrine. Questions and to register, email stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com.

Monsignor Clair Catholic School 345 Livingstone Street East, Barrie 50th Anniversary Celebration

We are delighted to invite all former students, staff, families and friends of Monsignor Clair Catholic School to celebrate our 50th Anniversary! Join us on **Thursday, May 28th, 2026 from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** for an evening of fellowship, memories, and celebration as we honour five decades of faith, learning and community.



We are especially hoping to reconnect with alumni and would greatly appreciate your help in spreading the word to former classmates and families. All are welcome! We look forward to celebrating this special milestone together!

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