

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

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Catherine Ecker, Coordinator of Ministry with Maturing Adults and Parish Catechist -ext.115

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PARISH SCHOOLS:

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

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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 25	12:10 p.m.	† Kevin Krelove
Tuesday, May 26	12:10 p.m.	† Margie Padfield
Wednesday, May 27	7:00 p.m.	† Kelly Bettencourt
Thursday, May 28	12:10 p.m.	† Mark and Michael Gellegan
Friday, May 29	12:10 p.m.	† Bill and Marion Lynn
Saturday, May 30	9:00 a.m.	† Joan Belanger
		† Amanda Smutek
		† Joanne Maria Muto
		† Wanda Marie Jenkins
		† Reno Suarez



Save the date! On **Sunday, June 7th, 2026 at 1:00 p.m.** (following the noon Mass), all are invited to our annual parish picnic! Everyone is asked to bring a side dish, main dish or dessert to share which can be taken to the kitchen before the 8am, 10am or noon Mass. The Knights of Columbus, Council 1626 will be providing a BBQ for us. Please also bring chairs and/or blankets to sit on. Join us for an afternoon of entertainment, food, activities for the kids and more! *We hope to see you there!*



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.



Rest in Peace

We remember in prayer those who have died recently.

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.



Wedding Anniversaries: Celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage



The married couples in our parish are a sign to us of God's faithfulness and through their witness we are strengthened. If you celebrated a wedding anniversary in May we shall pray with you and share in your joy at all Sunday, (Saturday evening) Masses on May 30th and 31st. We thank God for the gift of the married couples in our midst.

Celebrating Confirmation: June 5th and June 6th

We will celebrate Confirmation at 7:00 p.m. on June 5th and at 5:00 p.m. on June 6th. All candidates and sponsors are to arrive at least 20 minutes before the start of Mass. If you have any questions / concerns please contact Catherine Ecker (cecker@archtoronto.org) or David Murdoch (dmurdoch@archtoronto.org) Please pray for the candidates, their sponsors and families.



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Our parish goal this year is \$150,000. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate. Thank you!

Marriage Preparation

Through the Marriage Preparation and Family Life Office of Catholic Family Services Toronto, St. Mary's Church is offering in-person marriage preparation courses for engaged couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage.

July 15th to August 19th, 2026 on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in St. Joseph's room. The course will be offered twice in fall on October 3rd to October 31st, (no class on Oct. 10) on Saturday mornings from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and November 5th to December 10th, Thursday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Cost is \$350.00 each couple. **To register please visit www.cfstoronto.com**

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.



**The Feast of Pentecost:
May 23/24, 2026
Wear Red to Mass!
Prayer for a Pentecost
Tongue**

"Holy Spirit of life, enflame

me with passion for the Good News.

Let my voice ring with the hope and promise of Christ.

Holy Spirit of grace, enlighten my mind and heart.

Fill my speech with expressions of peace and understanding.

Holy Spirit of love, immerse me in compassion and kindness.

May my words bring comfort to those in need of consolation and assurance. Amen."

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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 26th 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@archoronto.org or 705 728 2985 ext. 115.

**Celebrating the Gift of Years!
June is Seniors' Month**

All people in the second half of life are invited to join us for lunch on **Wednesday, June 24th at 12:00 p.m.** to celebrate and give thanks for the gift of years.

We will provide soup and beverages. You are asked to bring either a salad, main course, finger food or dessert to feed four.

Join us for fellowship, good food, a folk music interlude with Steve McDonald, door prizes and a 50 / 50 draw with proceeds

going to our St. Vincent de Paul Society. **To assist with planning please sign up after Mass on June 13 /14 or June 20 / 21 or contact Catherine Ecker at**

cecker@archtoronto.org or call 705 728 2985 ext. 115. All are welcome as we celebrate the gift of years!



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!*



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. **EDGE** for youth Grades 5 -8. Both M.E.R.C.Y. and **EDGE** will resume in September 2026. *Thank you for a wonderful year, see you at our parish picnic on June 7th!*



LIFETEEN - 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 **TODAY 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**

Celebrate our 50th Anniversary 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. All are welcome!



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** starring John Wayne, James Stewart and Lee Marvin. Join us on June 9th for **"The Rainmaker"** starring Burt Lancaster and Katharine Hepburn.

Just Sing! - Thursday, June 18th at 2:00 p.m. in St. Joseph's room for an afternoon of songs and fellowship. We will be singing summer and traditional campfire songs. Bring your voice whether you can sing or not! All are welcome! No sign up required. Snacks and refreshments!



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