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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
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Deacon Robert Suthers, Retired
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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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Lectors: Parish Office
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Marriage Preparation: Parish Office
Maturing Adults: Catherine Ecker - ext. 115
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EUCHARISTIC 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 16	**12:10 p.m.**	**† Robert Sutton**
Tuesday, November 17	**12:10 p.m.**	**† Barb Taylor**
Wednesday, November 18	**7:00 p.m.**	**† Rev. Scott Young**
Thursday, November 19	**12:10 p.m.**	**† Kevin Krelove**
Friday, November 20	**12:10 p.m.**	**† Patricia Greene**
Saturday, November 21	**9:00 a.m.**	**† Rosaria Manno**
		† Gilles Langlois
		† Estella Lopez
		† Giuseppe, Antonietta and Michael Ugliano

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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 ***Joseph Leo King*** 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.



Advent: A Period of Devout and Expectant Delight

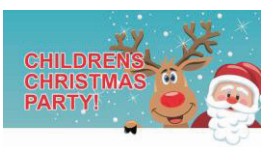


During Advent we shall gather in St. Joseph's Room on Thursday mornings beginning **November 26th from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.** for **Lectio Divina**. Lectio Divina is Latin and means Divine Reading or Holy Reading. **Our primary focus will be the Gospels of Advent.** Registration is not required. For more information please contact Catherine Ecker (cecker@archtoronto.org or 705 728 2985 ext. 115). *All are welcome.*



Save the Date! Annual Parish Christmas Concert featuring choirs from both the church and school communities on **Friday, December 4th at 7:00 p.m.** Free will offering.

Knights of Columbus's Childrens' Christmas Party in our parish hall on **Sunday, November 30th from 1 to 3:30 p.m.** with a **special visitor arriving at 2:15 p.m!** Free to all and no reservations needed.



Did you lose a Mailbox key with a red coloured key tag? If so, please contact the parish office

A November Prayer

Throughout November we pray for those who died. Although the falling leaves and days that are getting shorter can create a picture of death we know that Jesus in his resurrection has destroyed death for all time. During this month you are invited to light a candle when you gather for a meal or family prayer and to include a prayer for those who have died including those who have no one to pray for them. A traditional prayer for those who have died is:

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord,
And let perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,
Through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Make your gift to ShareLife - DOUBLE your impact!

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. **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.***

Who Stands with Persecuted Christians? Red Wednesday 2026 - November 18th



On November 18th, 2026, Canadians are invited to participate in Red Wednesday, led by Aid to the Church in Need (ACN). The day remembers Christians who face violence, discrimination, or death for their faith. In Toronto, home to Red Wednesday since 2018, a Mass will be held at 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica where Bishop Vincent Nguyen, Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto will preside. The Cathedral's facade will once again be illuminated in red, a powerful symbol of solidarity. More info: www.acn-canada.org/red-Wednesday or contact Evellyne Lemos at el@acn-canada.org.

Ministry with Maturing Adults

All are welcome to attend the various session 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. 221.



Christian Meditation an ancient form of contemplative prayer is deeply rooted in the Christian tradition. We will meet on **Tuesday November 24th 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.

Preparing for first Holy Communion: Parent Catechetical Meeting # 1



All families who have registered their child in the preparation process for first Holy Communion are reminded to attend the first **parent catechetical** meeting. **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**. The final opportunity to attend this meeting is Monday November 16th** from **7:30 – 8:45 p.m.** 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).

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,

St. Mary's Men's Core Spirituality Group

All adult Catholic men are invited to join us for our next COR meeting on **Saturday, November 21st at 2:00 p.m.** in St. Joseph's Room. COR provides an opportunity for Catholic men to deepen their faith, strengthen their relationship with Christ, and grow together through prayer, reflection, and fellowship. **All adult Catholic men are welcome. Come and join us!**

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.

Needed for our New Comers - ***Do you have any ipads, laptops or computers at home that you are not using?*** Our new families would be able to give them a good home! Please call the parish office.

Next Sunday, November 22nd after the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses Coffee Sunday will be hosted by St. Mary's School**.** You are invited to bring some treats to share! Please 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! 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! **Mondays 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)* 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. Join us on **Friday, November 20th.**

EDGE - is for youth Grades 5 -8, to come together once a month on a Friday night from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. 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. Join us on **Friday, November 27th.**

LIFE TEEN – is a ministry for teens interested in diving deeper into their faith, relationship with Jesus, scripture, and each other. We have speakers, discussions and time of prayer to reflect on the issues and teachings surrounding our teens today. Included are sports, music, and games to help strengthen the friendships made. Join us **Sunday, November 22nd after the 4:00 p.m. Mass**.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY:
Spiritus North - 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. Our next gathering is **Friday, December 19th from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m**.

Classic Movies

Join us **Tuesday, November 24th at 2:00 p.m.** for ***"Random Harvest"*** 1942. A beautifully mounted, and yet mysterious love story about an amnesiac man (Ronald Coleman) and the lonely woman (Greer Garson) who loves him in the years following World War 1. Our next film on December 8th is the classic ***"The Bells of St. Mary's"*** (1946) starring Ingrid Bergman and Bing Crosby. *Interesting fact – this movie will mark the 100th film shown in the parish since Classic Movies started in 2022.* Snacks and refreshments. No sign-ups. Free will offering.



Just Sing! - Join us on **Thursday, November 19th at 2:00 p.m**. in St. Joseph's room for a laid back afternoon of song and fellowship as we come together and sing songs from the different war eras. Bring your voice whether you can sing or not! All are welcome! No sign up required. Snacks and refreshments.

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