St. Mary's Church

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Email: stmarysba@archtoronto.org Website: www.stmarysba.archtoronto.org 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. (livestreamed), 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.

CHURCH HOURS - OPENING/CLOSING

WEEKEND - Open 20 minutes prior to each Mass and closed directly after each Mass.

WEEKDAY - Open at 11:00 a.m. - Closed at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday's - Open at 4:00 p.m. - Closed 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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Contact the Parish Office R.C.I.A. - For adults wishing to become Catholic, and for the baptism of older children (aged 7-14) Public/Private School Program - for school aged children not attending Catholic Schools.

MINISTRIES TO THE HOSPITALIZED & SHUT-INS: If people are in the hospital or are unable to come to mass because of age or other limitations, contact the parish so that they may receive communion regularly.

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. Neyomal Liyanage Silva, Associate Pastor - ext. 107
Deacon Del Allan - ext. 125
Susan Scarff, Administrative Assistant - ext. 101
Catherine Ecker, Coordinator of Ministry with Maturing
Adults and Parish Catechist - ext. 115
Shannon Barks, Music/Youth Minister - ext. 116
or 705-229-7426
Clint Tyler, MSW Counsellor - ext. 101
Pat Borho, Finance - ext. 102

Cathy O'Connor-Horgan, Custodian of Records - ext113

PARISH SCHOOLS:

Dennis Cormier, Building Manager

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IN THE CHURCH PROPER

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
After the 12:10 p.m. Mass to 3:00 p.m. All welcome

Adoration Chapel: Mary Bond - 705-726-6641
Altar Servers: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

Bereavement Committee: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

Catholic Family Services: 705-726-2503

Catholic Women's League: Dianne Hunter - 705-725-9007

Cenacle: Audrey Belcourt - 705-792-0489

Children's Liturgy: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

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: Dean Beaudry - 728-1641 (Hall)

Lectors: Parish Office - 705-728-2985 Library: Arlene LeBlanc - 705-728-0736 Marriage Encounter: John & Daphne Jeffery-705-721-1694
Marriage Preparation Registration: 705-728-2985

Maturing Adults: Catherine Ecker - ext. 115

Ministry Affirmation: (Screening):Parish Office - 705-728-2985

New Beginnings: Mary Golds - 705-737-0368
Religious Articles Store: Pat Dunn - 705-718-1853
Retrouvaille: (for troubled marriages) - 416-281-6007
Rosary Apostolate - Anné Gariepy - 705-305-0911
Sacramental Preparation: Catherine Ecker - ext. 115
Simcoe Sojourners: Jacinta Kewin - 705-720-2492

Social Life: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

St. Mary's Cemetery: Larry Meyer 705-726-3931

St. Vincent de Paul: 705-722-0753

Youth Ministry: Shannon Barks - 705-229-7426

PARISH REGISTRATION

Please register with the parish before seeking any sacraments or any other services. Registration forms are available in the church foyer, on our parish website, and in our parish office.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, February 15 **Intentions of Parish Families** 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 16 10:00 a.m. **†** Grea Marshall Wednesday, February 17 T.B.A. **Ash Wednesday** Thursday, February 18 † Al Shrubsole T.B.A. Friday, February 19 T.B.A. † Patricia and Doug Murdoch

Saturday, February 20 Intentions of Mary Lorbetskie and Family T.B.A.

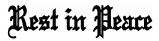


Please pray for those who are sick including:

Judy Turnbull, Jeff

Beairsto, Margaret Baker, Peter Grasman, John den Hoed, Lorraine Moore, Anna Gubbles, Patrick Collins, Denise Lee, Anita Turgeon, Marie DeMeis and Fr. Jerry Dunn.

Please remember those who have died including: Maria Vatri.



MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS



The Ministry with Maturing Adults seeks to support the lifelong faith development of women and men throughout all phases of the pre-

retirement and retirement years. Programs are open to parishioners in the second half of life. Christian Meditation is an ancient form of contemplative prayer rooted in the Christian tradition. During the pandemic this group meets online weekly. The next session is on Tuesday, February 16th at 11:00 a.m. All are welcome. No prior experience is needed. If you have any questions or to receive the link to the meeting please email Catherine Ecker at cecker@archtoronto.org.

For further information on the **Ministry with** Maturing Adults please contact Catherine the coordinator at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or by email: cecker@archtoronto.org.

2020 TAX RECEIPTS



2020 Tax receipts for parish donations will be mailed this year. We expect that by February 28th, all parishioners should receive their tax receipts in hand. We take this

opportunity to thank you for your generous and continued support.

JOURNEY THROUGH LENT TO EASTER!

You are invited to participate in a Lenten journey as we "Rediscover **Jesus**". In preparation for the great feast of Easter we will use Matthew Kelly's book,



"Rediscover Jesus". Meetings will be held on Wednesday afternoon from 1:15 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. beginning Wednesday, February 24th. If we are still in lockdown the sessions will take place online via Zoom. To reserve a copy of the book and your spot in the group, please email Catherine Ecker cecker@archtoronto.org or call 705 728 2985 ext. 115.

PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION OR FIRST SHARING IN HOLY COMMUNION

At this time, (Wednesday, Feb. 10th) we are waiting for direction from Cardinal Collins and public health to know when we may be able to open for public Masses.

Parents are asked to check their emails regularly and watch for a message from Flocknote. Directions will be communicated as soon as we have information.

Bereavement Support Group Virtual

Sessions - The Office of Formation, Archdiocese of Toronto, is sponsoring sessions on Tuesdays, March 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. "Grieving with Great HOPE" is a Catholic faith-based program that consists of a five-week grief support workshop. It offers a prayerful, practical and personal approach for anyone who is grieving the loss of a loved one. Facilitated by Sr. Gabriel Mary Riddle, CPS, pastoral assistant at St. Peter's Parish in Toronto, and assisted by seminarians from St. Augustine's Seminary of Toronto. There is no cost to attend, but online registration is required. Please register by Tuesday, February 23 at: http://bit.ly/BS-RegisterMar2021.

YOUTH MINISTRY



"M.E.R.C.Y. with an EDGE" will continue to meet once a month on zoom following to original schedule. The next date for this is *Friday*,

February 26th at 6:00 p.m. You can catch any missed episodes on St. Mary's YouTube Channel to see what Albert has been up to :) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VKICv3WHcM&feature=youtu.be



EDGE – if you are in grades 5 – 8, enjoy games and love to laugh, come out to our first

EDGERS ONLY new virtual games night beginning this Friday, February 12th at 6:00 p.m. Join us on www.zoom.us and enter the Meeting ID: 810 2303 3855, and the Passcode: 512683 and one of your hosts will let you in! We are looking forward to seeing everybody – even if it is virtually.



LIFETEEN – Our first Lifenight in a new series entitled, "**KEEP IT**

TOGETHER", begins this Sunday, February 14th at 6:00 p.m. This series is a powerful and relatable 4-week journey diving into the current climate faced by teens, discussing how to seek and see God through it all. Teens are invited to join through zoom by going to www.zoom.us and using the following: Meeting ID: 878 9866 4685 Passcode: 560756.

For information on our youth ministry or for any further questions, please email stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com or call

Shannon Barks at 705.229.7426.

THE SEASON OF LENT



The Church reminds us that Lent has two major purposes: It recalls or prepares for baptism and emphasizes a spirit of penance. The emphasis on a spirit of penance assists us in

preparing to renew our baptismal promises. For those who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil the spirit of penance is to assist them in preparing for their baptism. Throughout the season of Lent we are called to listen more attentively to the Word of God and to set aside additional time for prayer. The traditional

Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and works of charity (almsgiving) are to assist us as we prepare to renew our baptismal promises.

NURTURING FAMILY PRAYER



The family is the domestic church, the place where we encounter the love of God for the first time. As we prepare to mark Family Day on Monday,

February 15th we invite you to reflect on your family prayer and commit or re-commit to praying together as a family. Developing a routine for family prayer is helpful. Before each meal pray together. Begin your day with a prayer to the Holy Spirit and end each day with a time of prayer.



Prayer for begin the Day

Come Holy Spirit, Breath of heaven, Bring me peace and help me to bring peace to others.

Prayer to end the Day

- Thank God for the gifts of the day.
- Pray for those you met this day.
- Ask God for forgiveness for any harm you caused this day.
- Ask God for guidance for the day ahead.
- Ask God for protection using your own words or this prayer:

Divine Companion, shelter me under your wings of love.

Grant me a peaceful night and a restful sleep. Amen.

Prayer for Parents and Grandparents

All praise to you, Lord Jesus, lover of children: bless our family and help us to lead our children to you. Give us light, strength and courage when our task is difficult.



Let your Spirit fill us with love and peace, so that we may help our children to love you. All glory and praise are yours. Amen.

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