St. Mary's Church

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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.

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

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 Dennis Cormier, Building Manager

PARISH SCHOOLS:

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

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 2212:10 p.m.Tuesday, February 2312:10 p.m.Wednesday, February 247:00 p.m.Thursday, February 2512:10 p.m.Friday, February 2612:10 p.m.Saturday, February 279:00 a.m.

Intentions of the Simon Family † Bernie Lavigne Intentions of Laura Simon † Rose Marie Holmes † Al and Mary Bethune † Leo Arrigo





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 and Denise Lee.

Please remember those who have died including: *Gordon*

Rest in Peace

D'Eri, Joan Brophy, Tammy Owsijenko, Craig Williams and Alfredo Furtado.

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 23 at 10:30 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: <u>cecker@archtoronto.org</u>.

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.

VON SMART (Seniors Maintaining Active Roles Together) Exercise Program is held on Tuesday mornings. For details regarding registration etc. please call: 705 737 5044 ext. 221.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES LIVING AND CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The expression a wedding lasts a day a marriage lasts a lifetime highlights the importance of celebrating and living marriage vows day after day. 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 February we shall pray with you and share in your joy at all Sunday (Saturday evening) Masses on **February 27 /28**. Please join us in thanking God for the gift of the married couples in our midst.

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.

PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION Information for Families who Have Registered Catechetical Meeting # 1: Parent, Candidate & Sponsor All candidates who have formally registered are to attend a meeting with their parent and sponsor. The meeting will begin with Mass at 7:00 p.m. and conclude by 9:00 p.m. It is understood that the candidate, sponsor and parent will attend the meeting. Information regarding the Enrolment process will be shared at the meeting. The candidates are grouped alphabetically. If you cannot attend the assigned meeting date, please attend the other meeting. You do not need to notify the parish office that you are attending a different meeting. Wednesday, March 3rd 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Surnames A to L Wednesday, March 10th 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Surnames M to Z

PREPARING FOR FIRST SHARING IN HOLY COMMUNION AND THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Enrolment during Sunday Liturgy



The children and their parents will participate in an enrolment ceremony during any of the following Masses:

Saturday, February 27th at 5:00

p.m. or

Sunday February 28th at 4:00 p.m. Saturday, March 6th at 5:00 p.m. or Sunday, March 7th at 8:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.; 12:00 p.m.; or 4:00 p.m.

Parent Child Meeting #1 - The parent(s) and child preparing for first Reconciliation will attend a family catechetical meeting. The young people are grouped alphabetically. If you **cannot** attend the assigned meeting date, please attend the other meeting. You **do not** need to notify the parish office that you are attending a different meeting.

We ask that you arrange childcare for siblings so that you and your child may participate fully. Thursday March 11th from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Surnames A to L

Tuesday March 16th from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Surnames M to Z

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=VKICv3WH cM&feature=youtu.be

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



out to our EDGERS ONLY virtual games night on <u>Friday, March 12th at 6:00 p.m</u>. Join us on <u>www.zoom.us</u> 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 – The next Lifenight in our new series entitled, "KEEP IT TOGETHER", is <u>Sunday</u>,

February 28th 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 <u>www.zoom.us</u> and using the following: Meeting ID: 878 9866 4685 Passcode: 560756.

For information on our youth ministry or for any further questions, please email <u>stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com</u> or call Shannon Barks at 705.229.7426.



The Lenten series begins on Wednesday Feb. 24th. A link will be sent to those who have registered.

