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. Mass is livestreamed on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. and Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

The Church opens at 8:00 a.m. and closes at 5:00 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 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

Bereavement Committee: Parish Office **Catholic Family Services:** 705-726-2503

Catholic Women's League: Dorothy Cepas-705-627-0026

Liturgy of the Word with Children: Parish Office

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

Evera Ordinary Ministers of Communication 705 738 2009

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Communion: 705-728-2985 Interfaith Refugee Committee: Sheila Lewis-Watts

705-737-1880

Knights of Columbus: Bob Tinkess - 705-220-9103 Cell

Lectors: Parish Office

Library: Arlene LeBlanc - 705-728-0736

PARISH STAFF:

Rev. Larry Léger, Pastor – ext. 104 Rev. Neyomal Silva, Associate Pastor

Rev. Scott Young – In Residence (Health Leave)

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

David Murdoch, Pastoral Assistant Pat Borho, Finance – ext. 102

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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 4:00 p.m. All welcome

Marriage Encounter: John & Daphne Jeffery-705-721-1694

Marriage Preparation: Parish Office Maturing Adults: Catherine Ecker - ext. 115

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

New Beginnings: Parish Office - 705-728-2985
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

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 6 12:10 p.m. Tuesday, February 7 12:10 p.m. Wednesday, February 8 7:00 p.m. Thursday, February 9 12:10 p.m. Friday, February 10 12:10 p.m. Saturday, February 11 9:00 a.m.

† Anna Vavala † André Moreau

† Remo and Maria Vatri Int. Debbie and Gord Tardif

† Andy Wojtowicz

† Basil Sebastian

† Roland Tessier

† John LaFrance



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

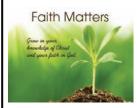
posted in the gathering space of the church.

Rest in Heare those who have died

We remember in prav recently including:

Vera Herra, Gwen Murphy and Elaine O'Connor.

You are Invited to Join Us for **Faith Nourishment** Tuesday, February 14, 2023 Heaven, Hell and Purgatory



As we move towards the season of Lent Easter you are invited to an evening of conversation and catechesis. our topic is *Heaven Hell and* Purgatory. We gather for

7:30 p.m. and conclude by 9:00 p.m. All are welcome. Simple refreshments will be provided.

Catholic Women's League Mary Matthews Public Speaking Contest For Youth



St. Mary's Catholic Women's League will be holding the Mary Matthews Public Speaking Contest in our parish hall on Saturday, February 11 at 10:00 a.m. Grades 7 & 8 students who have won or are

runner - up from all schools in the St. Mary's catchment area will be invited by their school to compete.

The winner from this competition will be invited to compete in the CWL Regional Contest on February 25th at 10:00 a.m. at St. John Vianney Church in Barrie. For further inquiries contact Karen Boyle 705-321-0898 or kboyle@bell.net.

Pop-Up Covid-19 Vaccine Clinic



The Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit will host a Covid-19 Vaccine Clinic in our parish hall on:

> Monday, February 6th 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Primary doses are available for

eligible people 6 month+

Booster doses are available for eligible people 5 vears+.

Appointments can be booked at https://covid-19.ontario.ca/book-vaccine or by calling 1-833-943-3900.

Walk-ins accepted while supplies last.

Preparing for First Holy Communion: Parent Meeting # 2 Preparing for Full Participation in the **Celebration of Mass!**

To assist all parents in preparing their children for first sharing in Holy Communion each parent is to attend one of the following parent meetings. You will receive the second family book at this meeting. We ask that only parents attend the meeting on Tuesday, February 7th from 7:30 -8:30 p.m. OR Thursday, February 16th from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. You attend only one of the meetings.

Confirmation Preparation for Adults



If you are an adult, baptized in the Catholic Church and wish to be confirmed please contact Catherine Ecker

(cecker@archtoronto.org or 705 728 2985 ext. 115) for a registration form and details on the preparation process.

2022 TAX RECEIPTS



2022 Tax receipts for parish donations have been mailed, you should receive it shortly in the mail. *Thank you for your* generous and continued support.

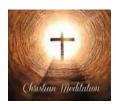
Ministry with Maturing Adults: For All Adults 55+



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 is an ancient form of contemplative prayer rooted in the Christian tradition. We will meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, February 7th on Zoom. If you are interested

in learning more about this form of prayer please contact Catherine Ecker. (cecker@archtoronto.org or 705 728 2985 ext. 115).

Writing Circle Alumni Group: this is a gathering for those who have already completed the Life Story Writing program. The monthly meeting will be held in person on Thursday, February 9th at 2:00 p.m. in St. Joseph's Room.

Wednesday, February 15th at 2:00 p.m. Preparing for the Final Journey



It is not too early to have a conversation about your wishes around end of life care and funeral arrangements. This session will focus on key issues you are encouraged to discuss with your family about end of

life and the importance of communicating your expectations for your funeral. All are welcome and encouraged to attend this session. Simple refreshments will be provided.

DO YOU HAVE FURNITURE TO DONATE?



Our Refugee Committee is working with the Redwood Furniture Bank to supply future

newcomer families with furnishings for their homes. This will make our jobs easier as we no longer have to store and move heavy furniture items. We are encouraging parishioners to support the Furniture Bank if you have items to donate. They will pick up items (there is a pick-up fee) and will issue a charitable tax receipt for the value of the goods. Please support this worthy cause! More information can be found on their website: https://redwoodparkcommunities.com/furniture-bank/

YOUTH MINISTRY



M.E.R.C.Y. (Ministry to Educate Roman Catholic Youth) is for youth grades J.K.-4 and gathers once a month on Friday nights from 6:00-7:30 p.m. where we explore our faith in a

dynamic way through activities, games, crafts and music. **Our next gathering is Friday, February 10**th from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.



EDGE is a youth ministry program for youth grades 5-8 to come together once a

month on a Friday from 6:00-7:30 p.m. EDGE is a safe, fun place for youth to find solid Catholic community, to get answers to their questions about faith and most importantly, to experience Jesus in a profound and personal way. Our next gathering is Friday, February 24th.



<u>LIFE TEEN</u> – Thank you to all who attended and supported our We the North semi-formal

dinner and dance this weekend!

Lifeteen is for high school teens to explore their faith through talks, prayer and friendship meeting monthly on Sunday nights. Our next gathering is Sunday, **Saturday**, **February 25**th for a We the North overnight Retreat at St. Mary's Church. For information on our Youth Ministry please email stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com or call Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426.

EDGE Catholic Adventure Camp

A 5-day Catholic adventure camp with many sports & activities, catechesis, Mass, praise & worship and fellowship! A fun and exciting Christ-centered camp experience!

Who: Students currently in grade 5-8 who attend

EDGE.

When: August 27th to August 31st, 2023 **Where:** Camp White Pine, Haliburton, ON

Cost: \$475.00 (before April 30 early bird deadline) / \$525.00 until from May 1-31 (last day to register)

All-Inclusive (Food, Transportation,

Accommodations, Camp T-shirt, Water bottle)
Space limited to a first come, first register basis.

For questions & to register, contact: Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426 or stmarysyouthministrybarrie@gmail.com

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY Saturday, March 4th, 2023

St. Mary's Church will be taking a bus for our young people and any adults interested in attending the Life Jesus Higher Rally in Toronto at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. Tickets are \$50/pp. Please contact Shannon Barks at 705-229-7426.

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