St. Mary's Church

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Email: secretary@stmarysbarrie.com Website: www.stmarysbarrie.com Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

MASSES:

Sat.: 5:00 p.m. Sun.: 8:00, 10:00, 12:00 & 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.

RECONCILIATION:

Wed. 6:15 to 6:45 p.m. or Sat. 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS (2ND & 4TH SUNDAYS): Request a Baptism Package from one of the priests after a Sunday Mass. BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS: 1ST Tuesday of each month from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Please contact the parish office to register.

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.

CONFIRMATION & 1st COMMUNION: Contact the parish for information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Parish Office

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

COUPLES AND INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING: Call the parish office to make an appointment.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: ADORATION CHAPEL Monday to Friday: 1:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m. All welcome.

Adoration Chapel: Mary Bond - 705-726-6641

Altar Servers: Rita Cyr - 705-721-5151

Bereavement Committee: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

Birthright: 109 Bayfield Street - 705-737-3550 **Catholic Family Services:** 705-726-2503

Catholic Women's League: Anne Marie Martyniuk-728-0109

Cenacle: Audrey Belcourt - 705-792-0489

Children's Liturgy: Phil Deschenes -705-730-7946

Development & Peace: Becky Johnson - 705-325-4614

Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Communion - 705-728-2985

Finance Committee: Pia Elston - 705-726-3744

Knights of Columbus: Paul Gamble - 728-1641 (Hall)

Simcoe Sojourners: Frank Kewin - 705-720-2492

Lectors: Parish Office - 705-728-2985 **Library:** Leola Chiasson - 705-728-1451

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

PARISH STAFF:

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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 St. Joan of Arc High School - 705-721-0398 Board Office - 705-722-3555

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.

PARISH REGISTRATION: Registration forms are in the church foyer, on our parish website, and in our parish office. Please register before seeking other services.

Marriage Preparation Registration: 705-728-2985
Maturing Adults: Mary Perry White - 705-728-2985
Ministry Affirmation: (Screening): Parish Office - 705-728-2985
Ministers to Shut-Ins: Parish Office - 705-728-2985
New Beginnings: Mary Golds - 705-737-0368
Out of the Cold: Carol Forget - 705-726-1036
Parish Council: Barry Martyniuk - 705-728-2985
Property Committee: Michael Lukachko - 705-487-5005
Refugee Committee: Christine Ignas - 705-770-9199
Retrouvaille: (for troubled marriages) - 416-281-6007
Rosary Apostolate - Anné Gariepy - 705-737-5263
Share Life Committee: Tom Bolland 705-321-7803
Social Life: Parish Office - 705-728-2985

Stay 'n Play: Mickie Oakes - 705-728-2985
St. Mary's Cemetery: - 705-726-3931
St. Vincent de Paul: - 705-722-0753

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, November 23rd 12:10 p.m. † Rosaria Manno Tuesday, November 24th 12:10 p.m. † Melissa Fava and Marc Caputo Wednesday, November 25th 7:00 p.m. † Paul Kubica Thursday, November 26th 12:10 p.m. † Paul Quilty Friday, November 27th 12:10 p.m. **† Sara Hammond** Saturday, November 28th † Celine Vaillancourt; † Antoine Grozell, 9:00 a.m.



Please remember to pray for those who are sick especially *Kathy Byles, Rita Owsijko*,

Donald Boudreau and Paula Strasser.



Please remember to pray for those who have died especially *Melanie White, Irene Gillard, and Alan*

Baker.

MEMORIAL LAMP & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

November 21 to November 28



Our sanctuary lamp is lit -

In loving memory of our dear daughter and sister:

† Céline Vaillancourt

Requested by: Jim, Shirley, Angèle, Chantèle and Marc

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Theology on Tap North will be taking place on **Monday, November 23rd at 7:00 p.m.** at Donaleigh's Pub in Barrie. Our guest speaker is Fr. Paul Magyar, speaking about his journey from bodyguard of the stars to parish priest. There will be free food provided! This is an event for young adults aged 19 to 39.

SCHOOL NEWS



St. Monica's School is hosting a free Christmas skate on Friday, November 27th from 6-8:00 p.m. at Eastview

Arena. Admission is 2 food bank items per skater, every skater needs a helmut! Come out and enjoy some ice time with the St. Monica's community!

<u>St. Joseph's High School</u>: Anyone who bought Citrus Fruit from St. Joseph's CHS, can pick up their order on **Friday**,

November 27th **after 1:00 p.m.** Please have your yellow copy of the order form to verify your order. Thank you for supporting our fundraiser.

ARCHDIOCESAN WEEK OF CONFESSIONS



† Evaille LeBreton

During Advent the Archdiocese of Toronto is celebrating a week of reconciliation throughout its parishes.

Reconciliation will be available at St. Mary's on **Wednesday**,

December 10th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Confessions at our neighbouring parishes are as follows: Holy Spirit Parish, Tuesday, December 15th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and at St. John Vianney Parish, Thursday, December 17th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Resources will be available at the back of the church and by visiting

http://www.archtoronto.org/confession/.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY



The Children's Christmas Party will be held in St. Mary's Church on **Sunday, December 6**th in our parish hall from 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. There will be crafts, music, food

and a visit from Santa! Children of all ages from the parish are invited to attend.

Everything will be provided free of charge and this is open to all children of the parish. For information please contact Richard Lalonde at r.lalonde@rogers.com. (No reservations required).

GROCERY STORE TAPES

Please be advised that this program is no longer operational and therefore you do not need to collect grocery tapes. Thank you for your support.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for <u>Linen Helpers</u> to join our schedule commencing 2016. Each volunteer is allocated one month to take home and launder and press the small linens. Please call the parish office or see Rita Cyr if you are interested.

REFUGEE COMMITTEE UPDATE



Our Parish

St. Mary's Parish will sponsor two refugee families. Both

families are currently living in Amman, Jordan. The first family will arrive in the very near future, possibly January 2016. It is a Christian Iraqi family of 5 with 3 little girls. The family speaks Arabic. The second family will arrive in a year or two. They are a Muslim Sudanese family of 5, also with 3 little girls. The family speaks Arabic, and the father also speaks English fluently. Both have fled their countries for fear of persecution and cannot return to the lives they once had.

The funds to sponsor both families will come from Project Hope. Sincere thanks and appreciation to those who have donated to Project Hope. It has allowed our parish, and so far about 70 other groups to sponsor a refugee family.

Next weekend, November 28-29th, the Refugee Committee will host a shower sign up for the family. Posters will be hung in our parish hall with the household items that are needed to 'start a new life' here in Barrie. Please consider signing up to purchase one of the items new for the family. Once we know for sure when the Iraqi family will arrive we will then invite donations to be dropped off at the church so they can be moved to the family's accommodations.

We are still in need of accommodations for the Iraqi family somewhere in the north of Barrie. Thank you in advance for your donations and keeping all families living as refugees in your prayers.

Please contact Christine Ignas of the Refugee Committee at 705-770-9199 should you have any questions.

FIRST COMMUNION GRADE 3 TO GRADE 8



If your child has not had the opportunity to make his/her First Communion in the past it is not too late to register for Spring 2016.

Preparation will begin with a Parent Meeting on

Wednesday, December 2nd beginning with mass at 7:00 p.m. with a short meeting to follow immediately after in the church proper.

If you wish to register your child for Spring First Communion, you **must attend** this meeting. No later date will be offered.

MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS



Mext Chapter: meeting will be held on Monday, November 23rd at 7:00 p.m. in room 3. This a monthly network gathering for women who share a common experience of widowhood.

Speakers Bureau: Making Good Choices! A presentation on good nutrition for the mind, body and soul. Wednesday, November 25th at 1:30-3:30 p.m. in parish hall. Katherine Parent RNCP, will be speaking on the topic of Nutrition. Please join us to learn more.

Advent Reflection: Unveiling the Mystery of Iconography on Wednesday, December 2nd at 1:00 to 3:30 pm. in parish hall. Ria Kinghorn, Iconographer will bring a deeper understanding of this sacred form of art. She will give special focus on the icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

<u>Lunch & Learn</u> is held on Mondays following the 12:10 p.m. Mass in room 3. The DVD series is on St. Hildegard of Bingen *'Woman of Light'*. All are welcome.

Christian Meditation: an ancient form of contemplative prayer will be held on Thursday at 2:00 p.m. in room 1. The introductory program is based on the books by Fr. Laurence Freeman OSB. For more information please contact Mary Perry White, Maturing Adults Minister, at 705 -728-2985.

NEW BEGINNINGS



A support group for separated, divorced and widowed persons. For the month of December we will meet on

Tuesday, December 8th from 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. in room 1 for a potluck! Bring your favourite dish! For further info. call Mary Golds at 737-0368. *This is instead of the regularly scheduled meeting on Dec.* 22nd.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Next Saturday

We are proud to present an evening of Advent and Christmas music here in our church proper and presented by choirs from both church and school communities.



We look forward to seeing you next **Saturday**, **November 28**th at **7:00 p.m.** Free will offering.

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