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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.

EUCCHARISTIC 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:

Rev. Anthony Werunga, Pastor

Rev. Joseph Lazar, Associate Pastor

Susan Scarff, Parish Secretary

Deacon Ron MacLellan

Deacon Del Allan

Mickie Oakes, Pastoral Associate

Mary Perry White, Maturing Adults Ministry

Clint Tyler, MSW, Registered Social Worker

Shannon Barks, Music Director - 705-229-7426

Sharon LaPlume, Youth Minister

Pat Borho, Finance

Rita Cyr, Sacristan

Cathy O'Connor-Horgan, Custodian of Records

Dennis Cormier, Custodian

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 Garipey - 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 30 th	12:10 p.m.	† Susan Benoit
Tuesday, December 1 st	12:10 p.m.	† Doris Burke
	7:00 p.m.	St. Marguerite D'Youville School at the school
Wednesday, December 2 nd	7:00 p.m.	† The Larin Family
Thursday, December 3 rd	12:10 p.m.	† Joseph Aikins
	6:00 p.m.	St. Mary's School Candlelight Liturgy at the church
Friday, December 4 th	12:10 p.m.	† Deceased members of the Moreau and Leddy Families
	7:00 p.m.	† Frank and Carmela Camilleri
Saturday, December 5 th	9:00 a.m.	† Carmelo Galle, † Antonio Fialho,
		† Joseph Laverdiere, † Fred Harper



Please remember to pray for those who are sick especially **Paula Strasser, Donald Boudreau and Bernice Taylor.**



Please remember to pray for those who have died especially **Susan Benoit and Gilberte MacMillan.**

HOLY HOUR AND BENEDICTION

Friday, December 4th
from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

MEMORIAL LAMP & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

November 28 to December 5

Our sanctuary lamp is lit –

In loving memory of my beloved wife:

† Aggie Murray

Requested by: Harvey Murray



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 **Wed., Dec. 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.

SHEPHERD'S TRUST



Thank you to those that contributed to the Shepherd's Trust. Our parish collected \$27,902.70 towards helping our retired priests.

ARCHDIOCESAN WEEK OF CONFESSIONS



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 16th 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/>.

CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to the forty-six Grade 7 candidates and sixty-four Grade 8 candidates who were confirmed last weekend by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick. Thank you to all those who gave so generously of their time to prepare our candidates for Confirmation and thank you to the parents and sponsors for their dedication and commitment to the faith.



RCIC



Next **Sunday, December 6th at the 12:00 p.m.** Mass the children that took part in R.C.I.C. will be baptized.

Twice a year a group is formed of children seven and older who need baptism. They travel together through group catechesis after 10:00 a.m. Mass which culminates in their being baptized together.

The St. Vincent de Paul Collection

The second collection **next Sunday, December 6th is for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.** Your continued support during the past year is much appreciated. Because of your support, it is possible for us to continue helping the less fortunate of our city. The demand for our services continues with several new clients weekly. During the past year we have serviced 4,400 clients. Over and above our special collection and a few special donations during the year, our average monthly income from our Sunday Poor Box is approximately \$3,100.00 and our monthly expenses average \$8,050.00. All proceeds from the December 6th collection will help support our clients in 2016. **Please note:** Donations received in the GREEN envelopes will be included with your parish receipts for tax purposes. **Thank you for your generosity.**



MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS



Advent Reflection: Unveiling the Mystery of Iconography, on **Wed., Dec. 2, 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. All are welcome.

Neighbourhood Circle: This is a parish-based support group of maturing adults who live in the same neighbourhood. The group meets together for "coffee and conversation." As a sign of our faith-base, a simple form of prayer is part of these gatherings. The program is held monthly. St. Mary's Residence: **Thurs. Dec. 3 in community the room, 2-4:00 p.m.** For more info. please contact Mary Perry White at 705-728-2985.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY



Next weekend.....the Children's Christmas Party will be held on **Sunday, December 6th** 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).

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING 2016 Special Collection Envelopes



The 2016 Special Collection Envelopes will be mailed directly to all Pre-Authorized Giving participants the first week of December. PLEASE DO NOT pick-up a regular box of envelopes. We invite you to consider this option of parish support for 2016. New Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) supporters will become active in January with the monthly withdrawals taken on the 20th of the month. Forms are available in the foyer or parish office.

CHRISTMAS CHEER



Christmas Cheer is in full swing. Please consider helping by purchasing canned foods, packaged foods (please no glass containers), new unwrapped toys, new books and any knitted items (hats, scarves, and mittens). Most needed items are for boys aged 8-10 years old, diapers (all sizes) and baby items. Cash donations are welcome along with Canadian Tire money. You may leave these with the parish office. Please drop off your donations at the back doors of Flags Unlimited on St. Vincent Street located at the bottom of the overpass. If donations are brought here, you may leave them in the parish hall. We will call them for pick up. **The deadline to drop off donations is Monday, December 14th.** **Thank you!**

CWL BAZAAR

Thank You

Many thanks to the CWL Bazaar Committee, CWL members, and all the men and women of the parish who donated their time and talents at home and at the church for the Nov. 14/15 bazaar weekend. It was an amazing weekend. God asks us to use the gifts granted to us and many in our parish community gave freely of their talents. With the money we earn at the bazaar we are able to support many worthwhile organizations.

GIFTS THAT GIVE FAIR: Thank you to all those who came out to support the 2015 Gifts That Give Fair which took place Nov. 21 and 22 in the Church Hall. The diversity of initiatives in social justice and aid and development being undertaken in our community was enthusiastically represented by 13 participating groups. Thanks also to these participants and their volunteers for providing us with the opportunity to purchase gifts while supporting some of the good work happening in our community.

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