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 - 705-720-2483 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, September 21 Tuesday, September 22

Wednesday, September 23 Thursday, September 24 Friday, September 25 Saturday, September 26 12:10 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 12:10 p.m. 12:10 p.m.

9:00 a.m.

† Manuel DaSilva For the Respect for Life from Conception to Natural Death
† Gladys Young
† Daniel Maloney
† Mickie Oakes
† Fr. Bob Reddy
† Katharine Meechan
† Frank Milani

The St. Vincent de Paul Collection weekend, September 19 and 20, 2020. We are able to serve our clients only through the generosity of our parishioners. During Covid we have been providing gift cards through Giant Tiger, Cundles location, where our clients can purchase their groceries. We will continue this practice until it becomes safe to have face to face visits. Tax receipts from this collection will be included in your St. Mary's receipt. As well, memorial donations can also be made to St. Vincent de Paul.



On behalf of our Ministry and the people we serve, thank you for your continued support and prayers.



Please remember to pray for those who are sick including *Infant Paisley Carter, David Samuel, Maria Demarco,*

Emily Kelly, Francesca Arrigo, Edward Gelfand, Ameila Da Silva, Jeff McGibbon, Lorraine Moore and Myriam Swan.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Are you getting married in the near future? It's not too late for you to join the parish marriage preparation program which runs 8 weeks from **Thursday, September 17 to Thursday,**

November 6. The meetings are held in our parish library from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

For registration, please contact Susan in the parish office at 705.728.2985 ext. 101.

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO CATHOLIC WAY OF LIFE?

We are once again offering the opportunity for those who are not yet members of the Catholic Church to journey with us through the process known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). This journey is one of faith-discovery and sharing as participants discern their calling to become full members of the Catholic Church. For further information, please contact Catherine Ecker at 705-728-2985 extension 115 or email caecker@archtoronto.org

ALL PARISHIONERS

WOMEN AND CHILDREN'S SHELTER: The Catholic Women's League will be accepting financial donations for the Women's and Children's Crisis Centre in Barrie.

During times of Covid-19, families have experienced a great amount of stress and the Crisis Centre is in need. The centre is full at this time. Please put your donation (cash or cheque) into an envelope that is clearly marked, "CWL CRISIS CENTRE DONATION" and leave it either through the mail slot at the church office or in the collection basket in the foyer of the church. If you are writing a cheque, please make it out to "Women & Children's Shelter of Barrie"

USED PRINTER CARTRIDGES: This weekend and next weekend, Sept. 26/27, the CWL will also be accepting printer cartridges to be recycled. Please leave your cartridges in the basket in the foyer of the church. *Thank you to all who are able to contribute to these causes.*

BAPTISM FOR SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN

If your child is not baptized or was not baptized in the Catholic Church and he or she wishes to celebrate a sacrament please contact Catherine Ecker at 705 728 2985 ext. 115 or email Caecker@archtoronto.org

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MINISTRY WITH MATURING ADULTS

Christian Meditation is an ancient form of contemplative prayer rooted in the Christian tradition. This group meets weekly on Tuesday mornings from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. This meeting is held online, you may join using your telephone or computer, Smartphone, Laptop, I-Pad. If you wish to participate please email Catherine Ecker at caecker@archtoronto.org and details will be sent to you. All are welcome and no prior experience is needed.

The **Next Chapter Network** is a faith-based support network for women who are widowed. The network encourages and empowers widows to move forward into a positive future.

This group is not a bereavement support group and is not intended to replace the Bereavement Support Group at St. Mary's Church.

The next meeting will be Monday, September 28th from 7:00 – 8:15 p.m., please remember to wear **vour mask.** No refreshments will be served and physical distancing will be maintained. Questions or for more information please contact Catherine Ecker at caecker@archtoronto.org.

SHARELIFE AGENCIES NEED **YOUR SUPPORT DURING COVID-19**

Vita Centre is ShareLife-St ShareLife funded agency that provides practical support, education and counselling for pregnant and parenting young women in Peel Region. With your support, Vita Centre can continue to ensure young mothers and their babies benefit from a healthy start. Next weekend, September 26/27, we welcome Gisele Mello Murphy and Jim Fitzgerald, both staff

members of Catholic Family Services here in Barrie. They will be speaking after all Masses about the importance of ShareLife contributions and their impact in Simcoe County.

Our Parish Goal this year is \$115,000 To-date we have raised \$69,760 **October 11 is ShareLife Sunday**

COUNSELLING OPPORTUNITY



Clint Tyler, MSW, is on staff in the parish to provide individual and couple counseling, each Thursday. Due to the current pandemic, all appointments are administered over the phone. To make an

appointment please call Susan in the parish office at ext. 101 or email stmarysba@archtoronto.org.

EXCITING NEWS IN YOUTH MINISTRY!!!

We will begin a new season in youth ministry in just a few short weeks and pleased to offer:



M.E.R.C.Y. (Ministry to Educate Roman *Catholic Youth*) with an *EDGE* virtually once a month

EDGE (for youth in grades 5-8) once a month in person.



LIFETEEN (all high schoolers) will resume the normal schedule

of meeting after the 4:00 p.m. Mass on Sundays for a Pizza physically-distanced dinner, and our Lifenight. God bless each of your families as you start this new school year - no matter what direction you take! Looking forward to seeing you soon!

CELEBRATING FIRST SHARING IN HOLY COMMUNION

If your child was preparing to celebrate first Holy Communion during the Easter season of 2020 and you would like to complete the preparation and schedule the celebration please contact Catherine Ecker by email <u>caecker@archtoronto.org</u> or call and leave a message 705 728 2985 ext. 115.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN PUBLIC / PRIVATE /ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS

All parents with children in a public / private or alternative school wishing to provide their child with ongoing religious education are to email Catherine Ecker for details on the program.

Email: caecker@archtoronto.org or call 705 728 2985 ext. 115.

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES

The COVID-19 pandemic has presented some unique challenges for the Church, as well as for our efforts to plan for this year's World Day of Migrants & Refugees. In response, our office arranged for this year's World Day of Migrants & Refugees, which will take place on Sunday, September 27, **2020** to be celebrated virtually. On that day, Cardinal Collins will be the celebrant and homilist at the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. The Mass will be livestreamed. Following the livestream, the Mass along with pre-recorded videos from several guest speakers will be made available on ORAT's website and Facebook page. These are intended to draw our attention to the plight of so many who have been displaced from their homes and homelands.

