



**A Day with Mary 31 May 2025 10am – 4pm**(doors open at 8:30)

Villanova College 2480 15<sup>th</sup> Sideroad King City, ON L7B oP5

During this Jubilee Year, spend a day with our Blessed Mother, Our Lady of Hope

# **Group Information Package**

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### 1. A Day With Mary - General Information

On Saturday, May 31 of 2025, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a new archdiocesan event called "A Day With Mary" will be taking place at Villanova College located at 2480 15<sup>th</sup> Sideroad in King City.

We will gather together from all corners of the archdiocese to participate in Mass, pray the Rosary, grow deeper in our devotion to Our Lady through a keynote address by Dr. Josephine Lombardi for the adults, inspiring personal witnessings and children's catechesis for the kids. There will be music, food and fellowship and we hope that you will consider joining His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo and so many others who love the Blessed Mother.

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# 2. Program Schedule

# Day With Mary Holy Year of Jubilee 31 May 2025

# PROGRAM SCHEDULE current as of 1 April 2025

(\*subject to slight changes)

8:30 a.m. - Doors open

- Registration/Information table open

- Confessions available

- Atrium for children open

10:00 a.m. - Morning program begins.

10:15 a.m. - Keynote Address: Mary: A Sure Sign of Hope by Dr. Josephine Lombardi

11:15 a.m. - Holy Mass with His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo

12:30 p.m. - Lunch Break

Confessions availableRosary craft for children

2:00 p.m. - Mary in Song and Inspiring Witnessings

- Children's Catechesis

3:00 p.m. - The Holy Rosary

3:45 p.m. - Closing Remarks

4:00 p.m. - Conclusion



# 3. Location

Join us at Villanova College located at 2480 15th Sideroad, King City, ON L7B oP5.



The day will take place outdoors, on the artificial turf field at the school. Some children's programming and catechesis will take place inside the school.

Washrooms are available inside the school and at field level for those with limited mobility.

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King City is located between Highways 400 and 404, North of Vaughan. Villanova college is easily accessible and the nearest intersection is that of Keele Street and 15th Sideroad.



### 4. Parking and Transportation

Parking is free at Villanova College. However, it is very limited. For those arriving by car, you are encouraged to arrive early and our parking attendants will assist in directing you to designated parking lots.

Parishes, religious communities, lay associations and ecclesial movements bringing groups of any size are encouraged to book buses for transportation or arrange for car-pooling. Parking attendants will be on hand to direct automobiles to designated parking lots and buses to loading/unloading zones and will direct you to the designated bus parking location.

Some suggested bus companies for consideration:

- Attridge Transportation Peel: 905-855-7771
   1775 North Sheridan Way, Mississauga, ON L5K 1S5
- Attridge Transportation Toronto: 416-255-5199
   Akron Road, Etobicoke, ON M8W 1T2
- Century Transportation: 905-430-6888
   1549 Victoria Street East, Whitby, ON L1N 9E3
- 4. Durhamway Bus Lines: 905-433-1392 485 Waterloo Court, Oshawa, ON L1H 3X2
- First Student Ajax: 905-683-2350
   MacKenzie Ave. Ajax, ON L1S 2G1
- 6. First Student Brampton: 905-857-4370 12117 Airport Rd, Caledon, ON L7C 2X3
- First Student Brooklin: 905-683-2350
   MacKenzie Ave. Ajax, ON L1S 2G1
- 8. First Student Mississauga: 905-270-0561 3599 Wolfedale Rd, Mississauga, ON L5C 1V8
- First Student Newmarket: 905-770-1866
   Kent Drive, Newmarket, ON
- First Student Richmond Hill: 905-770-3299
   Yonge Street, Richmond Hill, ON
- Landmark Bus Lines Aurora Branch: 905-888-7290
   Cardico Drive, Gormley, ON
- 12. Landmark Bus Lines Newmarket Branch: 905-967-9020 1590 Green Lane, East Gwillimbury, ON

- 13. Landmark Bus Lines Vaughan Branch: 905-856-4363 151 Jevlan Drive, Vaughan, ON
- 14. Parkview Bus Lines: 705-721-2626 229 Mapleview Drive East, Barrie, ON L4N oW5
- 15. Parkview Bus Lines: 905-853-5331 95 Forhan Avenue, Newmarket, ON
- Stock Transportation: 705-357-3187 or 1-800-889-9491
   P.O. Box 220, Hwy. #12, Sunderland, ON LoC 1Ho
- 17. Switzer-Carty: 905-361-1084 3075 Lenworth Dr., Mississauga, Ontario L4X 2G3
- Voyago: 647-249-6567
   Cardico Dr, Gormley, ON
- Wheelchair Accessible Transportation: 905-780-3086
   7250 Keele St., Vaughan, ON

#### 5. Registration

For online registration, please visit <u>archtoronto.org/mary</u> to complete your registration.

For large groups (parish, school, lay movements, ecclesial associations, religious communities, etc.) you are welcome to register online or, if more convenient, you are welcome to complete the registration form below and return it by mail. Group registration forms must be received no later than end of day on 19 May 2025. Once registration closes, we will confirm our numbers with our vendors for food, tables and chairs and therefore we will be unable to extend the deadline

<u>Lunch Orders</u>: We have secured a food vendor to provide lunch for participants. This is optional and comes at a cost of \$10 per meal. Attendees are welcome to bring their own picnic lunch to enjoy if they do not want to purchase lunch. All food orders must be placed in advance at time of registration. Groups are asked to survey members attending and provide final food numbers on the group registration sheet. Payment for this can be done via cheque, submitted at time of registration (one cheque per group, please).

Participants can choose from the following meal options, at a cost of \$10 per meal:

- 1) Grilled 1/2-lb. all beef hamburger + bag of chips + soft drink/water
- 2) Smoked European pork sausage on a bun + bag of chips + soft drink/water
- 3) BBO jumbo all beef hot dog + bag of chips + soft drink/water
- 4) Grilled veggie burger (vegan/gluten-free patty) + bag of chips + soft drink/water

There will be water refill stations available and participants are encouraged to bring a refillable water bottle in order to stay hydrated.

# Day With Mary 2025 - Group Registration Form

 $Return\ completed\ form\ no\ later\ than\ 19\ May\ to\ Office\ of\ the\ Archbishop,\ 1155\ Yonge\ Street,\ Toronto,\ ON\ M4T\ 1W2.$ 

#### **GROUP INFORMATION:**

P	arish or Group Name:
	Group Leader Name:
	Group Leader Email:
Gro	up Leader Telephone:
Number of	Attendees (Ages 13+):
Number of Attendees (Ages 7-12):	
Number of Attendees (Ages 2-6):	
Total Group Attendance:	
GROUP LUNCH ORDER (optional):	
Quantity	Selection
	Grilled 1/2-lb. all beef hamburger combo - \$10
	Smoked European pork sausage on a bun combo - \$10
	BBQ jumbo all beef hot dog combo - \$10
	Grilled veggie burger (vegan/gluten-free patty) combo - \$10
	# of lunch combos v \$10 - \$

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Please make cheque payable to: Archdiocese of Toronto

# **DONATION** (optional):

To help offset the cost of hosting this event, please consider making a donation so that we can continue offering this event on an annual basis. If your group would like to contribute, you can do so by adding a donation to your registration cheque, or go online to <a href="mailto:archtoronto.org/mary">archtoronto.org/mary</a> registration page and process it online with a card.

#### 6. Frequently Asked Questions

#### • What is a Day With Mary and what can I expect?

A Day With Mary is a one-day, family-friendly, outdoor event where participants will gather together from all corners of the archdiocese to participate in Mass, pray the Rosary, grow deeper in our devotion to Our Lady through a keynote address by Dr. Josephine Lombardi for the adults, powerful witnessings and children's catechesis for the kids.

There will be music, food and fellowship and we hope that you will consider joining His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo and so many others who love the Blessed Mother.

# When is a Day with Mary taking place?

The event will take place May 31, 2025. The day will begin at 10am and end at 4pm. Doors will open at 8:30am.

#### Who can attend and is there a cost to attend?

The day is specifically designed to accommodate members of the Catholic community of Toronto of all ages. There will be catechesis and activities for children of all ages, and a keynote address for adults. It is our hope that the day is attended by Catholics young and young at heart!

The event is free for all to attend, lunch is available for purchase at time of registration and is optional – participants are welcome to bring their own picnic lunch to enjoy if they wish. There is also an opportunity to donate to help offset the costs associated with planning an event of this magnitude.

# Where is the event taking place?

A Day With Mary will take place at Villanova College located at 2480 15<sup>th</sup> Sideroad in King City, ON L7B oP5. The majority of the day will take place on the school's football field with some children's programming and washrooms located inside the school.

# • Our parish or lay association would like to attend as a group and travel to and from the event on a bus – is this allowed?

While parking is free at Villanova College, there is limited space for parking and as such, not only are groups allowed to take a bus, we highly encourage it! The school has a huge bus loop that we will be using to help facilitate pick up and drop off of attendees, and we have a designated place for busses to park should they be staying for the day.

I am coming with on my own or with my family, can I drive to this event?
Yes, of course. There is limited parking on site, so we encourage you to arrive early in
order to park your car and make your way to the field where the event will be taking
place.

Our parking lot attendants will help direct you to the nearest parking and once the lot is full at the venue, we have a plan in place to accommodate overflow parking.

What happens if it rains, will the Day With Mary be rescheduled?
We are planning to hold the event rain or shine – it will not be postponed or
rescheduled. Attendees are encouraged to come dressed and prepared for the weather.
Suncreen, hats and water should the forecast call for sun and heat; a light jacket and
umbrella should the forecast call for light showers.

Should there be significant rainfall and/or thundershowers, we will move the event inside the school building.

# How can I register to attend?

Registration is required to attend the event – this is where you can order lunch if you would like (optional) and registering for a Day With Mary allows us to be in communication in advance of the event to provide additional information regarding parking, weather updates, and communicate other important notices about the event.

Registering for a Day with Mary also gives us an idea of how many people will be attending so that we can make the needed arrangements for chair rentals to ensure that everyone has a seat and can fully enjoy the day!

Registration can be done online at <u>archtoronto.org/mary</u> and the deadline to register is May 19. If you have a large group and would prefer to use our group registration form and pay via cheque for any lunch orders, please feel free to reach out to us at <u>events@archtoronto.org</u> and we will send you instructions on how to register using this paper method.

#### 7. Contact Information

A Day With Mary is being organized by a committee consisting of Archdiocese of Toronto employees and external ministry partners under the guidance of His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto.

For general inquiries and more information on registration, please contact: <a href="mailto:events@archtoronto.org">events@archtoronto.org</a>

For any other inquiries please contact: Eamonn Doyle Office of the Archbishop, Archdiocese of Toronto edoyle@archtoronto.org or (416) 934-3400 x558