

# St. Monica's Roman Catholic Church

"Joyfully bringing Christ to the world and intentionally bringing the world to Christ."



#### Sunday Masses:

Saturday: 5:00pm Sunday: 9:00am & 11:00am

#### Weekday Masses:

Mon/Wed/Fri: 12:10pm Tue/Thurs: 8:00am Saturday: 10:00am Public Holidays: 10:00am

#### Baptisms:

Every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:30pm.

#### RCIA:

Please contact the Pastor.

#### Weddings:

Please contact the Pastor at least one year before the wedding date.

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#### Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 1:00pm - 5:00pm

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Mon/Wed/Fri: 11:40 am-12 noon Tue/Thurs: 7:30-7:50 am Sat: 9:30-9:50 am, 4:00-4:45 pm Private Confession: Contact the Parish Office

#### Anointing of the Sick:

Please contact the Parish Office. Upon request, Communion can be administered with this sacrament.

#### **Funerals**

Please contact the Parish Office

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER.

#### Catholic Women's League:

Meets 2nd Sunday of the month after the 9:00am mass

### Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

416-322-2797 (message centre) sanvincentdepaul@yahoo.com

#### **Elementary School**

St. Monica Catholic Elementary School

Phone: 416-393-5224

Website: www.tcdsb.org/schools/stmonica/

### MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>

12:10 P.M. +Brendan Plonka reg. Kathy Sharkey

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST

8:00 A.M. +Fe Castaneda

req. Lia & Paul Racioppa

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND

12:10 P.M. *MASS* 

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD

8:00 A.M. *MASS* 

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>

12:10 P.M. *MASS* 

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>

10:00 A.M

+Elio Rancati reg. The Family

#### **CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

Monday to Friday: 30 minutes before Mass Saturday: 9:30 am to 9:50 am

#### **DAILY MASS SCHEDULE**

Mondays / Wednesdays / Fridays 12:10 pm Tuesdays /Thursdays 8:00 am Saturdays / Public Holidays 10:00 am

#### **SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturdays 5:00 pm

Sundays 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Mass attendance: walk-in only, first-come, first-served.

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

(For Walk-in visits)

Mondays / Wednesdays / Fridays 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Outside these times, please make an appointment by calling 416-483-1513 or sending an email to stmonicatoronto@gmail.com.

#### PERPETUAL NOVENA TO SAINT MONICA

Dear Saint Monica, you were once the mournful mother of a prodigal son. Your faithfulness to prayer brought you and your son so close to God that you are now with him in eternity. By your intercession and God's grace, your son Saint Augustine became a great and venerable Saint of the Church. Please take my request to God with the same fervor and persistence with which you prayed for your own son.

(Mention your intentions here.)

With your needs, worries and anxieties, you threw yourself on the mercy and providence of God. Through sorrow and pain, you constantly devoted yourself to God. Pray for me that I might join you in such a deep faith in God's goodness and mercy.

Above all, dear Saint Monica, pray for me that I may, like your son, turn from my sin and become a great saint for the glory of God. Amen.



#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

If you would like to <u>Offer a</u> <u>Weekday Mass</u>, please call the Parish Office at 416-483-1513 or send an email to stmonicatoronto@gmail.com.

# REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR RCIA 2021-2022!



Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested in becoming Catholic or if you are already Catholic but have not completed the Sacraments of Initiation (Confirmation and receiving Eucharist for the first time).



# VIRTUAL CHILDREN'S LITURGY SEPTEMBER 2021

We invite all children 3 to 7 years old to join us in discovering the Gospel through music, dancing, storytelling, arts and crafts and much more! Please visit <a href="www.littleliturgy.ca">www.littleliturgy.ca</a> to access videos and great craft ideas!



The Catholic Women's League of Canada

#### **CWL Virtual Rosary and Membership Drive**

The CWL will be hosting a Virtual Rosary on Thursday, October 7, 2021 from 7 to 7:30 p.m. The CWL is also accepting new members until December 31, 2021. For more information, please visit <a href="https://cwl-st-monica.mailchimpsites.com/">https://cwl-st-monica.mailchimpsites.com/</a>.

#### Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 19, 2021

"Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." This life is the ministry of a priest, sister, brother or deacon. If you feel God is calling you to one such vocation, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997, or email vocations@archtoronto.org. For more information, please visit www.vocationstoronto.ca.

### Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 19, 2021

**SL ShareLife** 

### Will you help us reach our ShareLife campaign goal?

"Our goal can be met, but only with your help. I invite you to join today's generation of heroes by making a sacrificial gift to ShareLife. As you contemplate the blessings God has entrusted to you, please join me in giving to ShareLife to the best of your ability."

-- Cardinal Thomas Colllins

October 3 is the next ShareLife Sunday.

Please give generously.

#### **CELEBRATING THE STEWARDSHIP OF OTHERS**

In today's readings, we learn the importance of having the right attitude and disposition in our approach towards stewardship. A steward is called to live in humility. We are not the owners of our gifts but are simply the humble caretakers of them and it is our job to give them back to God with increase.

St. James in the second reading says, "Where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind." As stewards, we will often face the temptation to compare our gifts with those of others. It is a human reaction to seek recognition for our good works and want to be rewarded. However, the goal of stewardship is not our own glory, but rather the glory of Christ and the Church. One way to combat envy and ambition is to intentionally celebrate the talents of others. Since we are all one Body of Christ, the gifts of our brothers and sisters are the gifts of the whole Church.

Relatedly, in the Gospel today Jesus instructs His apostles saying, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." True stewards seek to serve others before themselves. We should ask ourselves, am I assisting at the parish to serve my own ego or to serve my neighbour? Let us constantly try to reorient our priorities so that we can serve Christ first through serving our brothers and sisters.

Summary: St. James in the second reading says, "Where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind." As stewards, we will often face the temptation to compare our gifts with those of others and seek recognition for our own talents. One way to combat this envy and ambition is to intentionally celebrate the talents of others for the gifts of our brothers and sisters are the gifts of the entire Body of Christ.

From: Archdiocese of Toronto, Office of Formation for Discipleship, Stewardship Bulletin Reflections, Year B

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