

# 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 27<sup>TH</sup>

12:10 P.M. Protection of Unborn Children

req. Masses for Life Project

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>

8:00 A.M. Thanksgiving Intentions

of Fraciah Muriuki

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH

12:10 P.M. +Kevin Quinto

req. The Quinto Family

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>

8:00 A.M. MASS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1ST

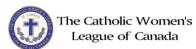
12:10 P.M. Protection of Unborn Children

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2ND

10:00 A.M +John Levitt

reg. Ana Tabaldo



#### **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 https://cwl-stmonica.mailchimpsites.com/.

### Living with Christ

The daily Mass readings are available through the free *Living with Christ* apps. For iPhone: https://apps.apple.com/ca/app/living-with-christcanada/id1295879400. For Android: https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com. groupebayard.livingwithchrist.en.us&hl=en CA&gl= US. Paper subscriptions are also available at www.novalis.ca.

#### **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.



Life Chain is an annual prayerful and peaceful witness to the Chain sanctity of human life and the harm of abortion. Participants hold

non-graphic signs with messages such as "Life, the first inalienable right" & "Abortion kills children" at hundreds of locations across North America for one hour. Please join us this year at the southeast corner of Yonge & Eglinton on Sunday, October 3, 2021 from 2 to 3 pm.

#### Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sept. 26, 2021

Today's readings speak of the gifts of prophesy and of casting out demons. If you feel that God



is calling you with the gift to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, 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.



## 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).

## FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST EUCHARIST (FRFE) REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Registration is open to all students who have not received their First Reconciliation (Confession) & First Eucharist (Communion). The registration form and schedule are available through the parish website: <a href="https://www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org">www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org</a>. Registration deadline is Sunday, Oct. 3, 2021.



#### **VIRTUAL CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

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!

#### **SL ShareLife**

## Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - World Day of Migrants and Refugees - September 26, 2021

Your gift to ShareLife facilitated the arrival of 528 refugees through the Office of Refugees of the Archdiocese of Toronto last year. They are among the 150,000 people helped by generous donors like you. As we emerge from the pandemic, let's not forget the plight of those facing hardship and persecution, and continue our efforts to welcome them to Canada.

Next Sunday, October 3 is the next ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously during the special collection or anytime at sharelife.org.

#### REMOVING THE OBSTACLES

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives us the bold teaching that we should rid ourselves of anything that causes us to sin, for the price of losing our eternal salvation is far too great. This teaching can seem harsh at times, yet it is actually one of great truth and love. The radical implication in Jesus message' is that the salvation of our souls is the most important thing in life.

As followers of Christ, we should ask ourselves, is there anything that is causing us to sin? Sin begins to weaken our relationship with God, which hinders our ability to truly love others and act as authentic stewards. If we want our stewardship to flourish, we should take concrete actions to avoid the near occasions of sin and seek forgiveness in the sacrament of Confession for whenever we do fall.

Additionally, not only should we seek to remove the causes of sin in our lives, but we should try to remove all those things that hinder us from being better stewards of our time and talents. For example, if our pride and ego get in the way of us being willing to humbly serve others, we should pray for the strength to grow in humility. Likewise, if our addiction to television or movies stops us from giving our time to others, we should try to intentionally limit our viewing time. There are many ways we can grow as faithful stewards of Christ so let us start by taking small steps towards being more generous.

#### Summary

Jesus instructs us in the Gospel to remove anything that causes us to sin for the most important thing in life is the salvation of our souls. Likewise, we should strive to remove anything that hinders us from being better stewards of our time and talents. There are many ways we can grow as faithful stewards of Christ, so let us start by taking small steps towards being more generous.

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

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