

# 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 1:30pm.

#### RCIA:

Please contact the Parish Office.

#### Weddings:

Please contact the Parish Office at least one year before the wedding date.

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#### Office Hours:

44 Broadway Avenue

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 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 online until further notice. cwlstmonica@gmail.com

# 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, NOVEMBER 15<sup>™</sup> 12:10 P.M. +Elisa Maher req. Norma Tay

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH 8:00 A.M. +Antony Mathew req. Augustine Antony

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH 12:10 P.M. Intentions of Gloria Gillego

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH 8:00 A.M. +Abrehet Bahta Tekle req. Amleset & Family

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH 12:10 P.M. Theresa Gruber req. Kathy Sharkey

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH 10:00 A.M. +Bertha Ricketts req. The Family



The Catholic Women's League of Canada

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

The CWL will be hosting a Virtual Rosary on Sunday, November 21, 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://cwlst-monica.mailchimpsites.com/.

## Come & See: Day Retreat, St. Augustine's Seminary



The Office of Vocations is hosting a Come & See Day Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on Saturday, November 20, 2021 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. This day

retreat offers men a way to discern a call to priesthood, with prayers, Mass, & a special address from Cardinal Collins. Register online: www.vocationstoronto.ca.

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org.

## REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

During the month of November, the faithfully departed will be remembered at each Mass. Due to the current pandemic restrictions, we are providing several alternatives for you to submit the names of your departed relatives and friends:

- 1. Submit the names through the online form at our Parish website www.stmonicatoronto.ca.
- 2. Send a list of the names by email to stmonicatoronto@gmail.com.
- 3. Prepare a list of the names and place your list in the basket provided in the church foyer before Mass starts. This basket will be available before all Masses during the month of November.
- 4. Drop off your list of names through the mail slot of the Parish Office.
- 5. Mail your list of names to St. Monica's Parish, 44 Broadway Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, M4P 1T4. Thank you for your understanding and patience during this time.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

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



# (FRFE) FIRST RECONCILIATION CATECHETICAL **PREPARATION CLASS**

The First Reconciliation **Catechetical Preparation Class** will take place online on Saturday, November 20, 2021 at 6:45 pm. For more information and the schedule of classes, please visit our Parish website: www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.



The archdiocesan-wide **ADVENT** Archdiocese DAY OF CONFESSIONS will take place every day at St. Monica's

Parish during the week of December 13 to December 17, 2021. The days & times are as follows:

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13 11:40 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M. TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14 7:30 A.M. TO 7:50 A.M. WED.. DECEMBER 15 9:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M. THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16 7:30 A.M. TO 7:50 A.M. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17 11:40 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M.



#### **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!

# REGISTRATION 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).





# The Shepherds' Trust Special Collection November 13 & 14, 2021

The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to ensure that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Your generous gift will help our priests maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the trust ensures that they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. Please put your donation in an envelope marked **SHEPHERDS' TRUST** with your name and address, and drop the envelope in the collection basket after the Mass. Thank you for your support of this important work.

#### "THANK YOU!" from Society of St. Vincent de Paul



Thanks to our donors, we would like to report the good news that all our neighbours in need in the parish received a donation or other assistance from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul during the pandemic. We have been working in the background taking calls

and mailing donations since the first lockdown. Now that Masses have resumed, we will be placing the donation box outside the church after Masses, starting the weekend of November 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup>. If you would like a donation tax receipt, kindly put your donation in an envelope marked 'Society of St. Vincent de Paul' with your name & mailing address so we can mail your donation tax receipt to the correct address. Thank you for your ongoing generosity!

## **WE WERE MADE FOR HEAVEN**

Today's readings point our attention to the second coming of Christ and our final judgement. "Heaven and earth will pass away" and though no one knows when that day will come, we are all aware that it will indeed come. Each of us will stand before the judgement throne of God. Let us ask ourselves, will He be pleased with us and with the way in which we used the gifts He granted us?

Today's apocalyptic message gives us a great opportunity to reflect on the meaning of our lives. We were not created to live solely for our time on earth. Rather, we were made for something greater. We were made for Heaven. The way in which we live our lives should reflect our eternal destination and not focus merely on this short earthly stopover.

One beautiful way of life we can choose to adopt here on earth that will greatly prepare us for our heavenly home is that of stewardship. If we live our lives worthy of the call that Christ has given us, by being united to Him in prayer, being strengthened by the sacraments, and striving to offer our gifts to others, we need not fear judgment. We should instead rely solely on the mercy of God and do our part of being faithful stewards that are sustained by His grace. Let us decide today to recommit all the more fervently to our call of stewardship.

# Summary

Today's apocalyptic readings give us a great opportunity to reflect on the meaning of our lives and on own eventual day of judgement. One beautiful way of life we can choose to adopt here on earth that will greatly prepare us for our heavenly home is that of stewardship. If we live our lives worthy of the call that Christ has given us, by being united to Him in prayer, being strengthened by the sacraments, and striving to offer our gifts to others, we need not fear judgment.

From: Office of Formation for Discipleship Stewardship Reflections, Year B.

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