



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.

Pastor: Fr. Damian Young-Sam-You

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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
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/

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JANUARY 10TH
12:10 P.M. +Danilo Pangindian
req. The Pangindian Family

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11TH
8:00 A.M. MASS

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12TH
12:10 P.M. +Collete Emond
req. Margaret McGuinness

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13TH
8:00 A.M. MASS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14TH
12:10 P.M. +Julianna O'Brian
Req. Margaret McGuinness

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15TH
10:00 A.M. +Margaret O'Mahony
req. The Catholic Women's
League

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,
January 22, 2022 at 6:45 pm. For
more information and the
schedule of classes, please visit our Parish website:
www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.



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.

RCIA 2022 REGISTRATION OPEN

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). You are invited to join our next set of ongoing classes starting January 2022.



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 www.littleliturgy.ca to access videos and great craft ideas!



The Catholic Women's
League of Canada

CWL Virtual Rosary

The CWL will be hosting a *Virtual Rosary* on Friday, February 11, 2022 from 7 to 7:30 p.m.

For more information, please visit <https://cwl-st-monica.mailchimpsites.com/>.



Archdiocese
of Toronto

Celebration of Marriage - February 12/13, 2022

First celebrated in the Archdiocese of Toronto in 2011, His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins designated the weekend prior to the Family Day long weekend in Ontario as "Marriage Sunday". This year, Bishop Robert Kasun will preside at the Celebration of Marriage Mass on Sunday, February 13, 2022, 2:30 p.m., St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. In-person attendance is limited - only couples celebrating their milestone 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, and 60+ wedding anniversaries & one (1) guest per couple will be able to register to attend. **Registration (now open) closes on Feb. 4, 2022.** www.archtoronto.org/marriage

Baptism of the Lord - January 9, 2022



As John the Baptist introduced the people of his time to Jesus, a voice from heaven said, "You are my Son, the Beloved, with you I am well pleased." Perhaps God is calling you to do the same in our time as a

priest, deacon or religious. If He is, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997, www.vocationstoronto.ca, vocations@archtoronto.org.

Synod on Synodality

Pope Francis has launched the Synod on Synodality: a two-year global process of listening to the faithful that will help the Church reflect on how we can do God's will in the world today. The comments of the faithful will ultimately be discussed at a meeting of the bishops in the Vatican in 2023. To learn more about the Synod on Synodality and to share your thoughts, visit www.archtoronto.org/synodality.

BECOMING ROLE MODELS

This Sunday, we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. The Catechism says that the sacrament of "baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission." Let us reflect on how Jesus' baptism can teach us more about our own baptism.

Firstly, Jesus didn't need to get baptized because he was already without sin. However, in doing so, He became a model for how we should be baptized for the forgiveness of our sins. Similarly, as stewards we are called to be authentic models of the faith to others. When people see us, do they see what it means to be a disciple? We should be examples of how to live a holy and virtuous life so that others may be inspired by our lives of stewardship.

Moreover, not only is it important to do good, but we must also consciously try to avoid anything that may scandal others. All of the baptized, especially stewards, represent Christ and the Church. If we perform actions that are negative or hurtful, people who observe us may be turned away from the faith. Of course, we are all human and are bound to make mistakes, but we should strive to avoid anything that may significantly hinder others from accepting the faith. Let us always turn to Jesus for help, our true model of holiness and stewardship.

Summary

As we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we should first realize that Jesus didn't need to be baptized but rather did so in order to give us an example to imitate. Similarly, as stewards we are called to be authentic models of the faith so that others can be inspired by our witness. Moreover, it is extremely important that we avoid anything that may scandal others because this could drive them away from the Church. Let us strive to be true models of the faith.

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