# 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:* 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, JANUARY 24<sup>TH</sup> 12:10 P.M. Ernesto Gatchalian req. Roberta Blanco-Pador

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25<sup>TH</sup> 8:00 A.M. Ernesto Gatchalian req. Roberta Blanco-Pador

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26<sup>TH</sup> 12:10 P.M. *MASS* 

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27<sup>TH</sup> 8:00 A.M. +Esther Jacob req. Eva Jacob

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28<sup>TH</sup> 12:10 P.M. +Agapita Gonzales Diaz req. Brenda & Delia Gonzales

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29<sup>TH</sup> 10:00 A.M. *MASS* 

## 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 <u>stmonicatoronto@gmail.com</u>.



(WL VIRTUAL ROSARY will take place on Friday, Feb. 11, 2022 from 7-7:30 p.m. Please visit https://cwl-st-monica.mailchimpsites.com/.

### THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

You are the body of Christ; every one of you is a member of it. As a member of the body, we serve different roles. Are you willing to do your part? If God is calling you to be



a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997, <u>www.vocationstoronto.ca</u>, <u>vocations@archtoronto.org</u>.

# (FRFE) FIRST RECONCILIATION CATECHETICAL PREPARATION CLASS

The *First Reconciliation Catechetical Preparation Class* will take place <u>online</u> 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.

2022 RITE OF CONFIRMATION (ROC)



**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN** for the 2022 Rite of Confirmation (ROC) preparation program. Visit

www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org for the online registration form. The first of six virtual classes is on Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at 4 pm.

## 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 Jan. 24, 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 & crafts, & much more! Visit <u>www.littleliturgy.ca</u> to access videos & great craft ideas!



### CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE – FEB. 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.

#### 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.

#### **PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING**

The Archdiocese of Toronto has established a Pre-Authorized Giving Plan (PAG) to assist you in your support of the work of the parish through your regular parish offerings. To accomplish the mission entrusted to us by Christ, the parishes depend entirely on the generosity of their parishioners. Preauthorized giving allows you to give to your parish through scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account or credit card. These funds are then deposited directly to the parish account.

There are various benefits of participating in pre-authorized giving, both for you and for your parish.

#### Advantages for you:

- The convenience of having your offering automatically contributed to the parish.
- Knowing you continue to support the parish even when you are away.
- Continual support of ministries and programs funded through the parish.

#### Advantages for the Parish:

- Regular, dependable contributions to the parish.
- Reduction of cash on hand.
- Reduction of paperwork.

For information on how to enrol, please contact your parish office or email <u>development@archtoronto.org</u>.

## **EMBRACING OUR UNIQUENESS**

In today's second reading, St. Paul teaches us a great lesson that can enrich our lives of stewardship. He says, "Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ." We are made up of many different body parts that each have their own important and distinct role to play in order for the entire body to live. It is the same way in the Church.

The Church is made up of many individuals who are all uniquely and wonderfully made. If we tried to change ourselves to become like someone else, we would be robbing the Church of our own unique contributions. St. Therese uses a beautiful image of a garden to express the importance of embracing who God made us to be. She says, "The splendor of the rose and the whiteness of the lily do not rob the little violet of its scent nor the daisy of its simple charm. If every tiny flower wanted to be a rose, spring would lose its loveliness."

In our lives of stewardship, these different types of flowers represent how all of us have our own unique set of gifts from God. When we recognize that we each have our own strengths, we are less likely to compare ourselves to others and we begin to rid ourselves of envy and pride. We all have a role to play in our parish communities. Let us gratefully acknowledge the unique gifts God has given us and seek ways to offer them back to the Church.

### **SUMMARY**

In today's second reading, St. Paul tells us that just as the body is made up of many individual parts, so too the church is made up of many individual disciples, all of which have an important role to play. We each have a unique set of gifts and talents that God has bestowed only on us. Let us gratefully acknowledge these unique gifts us and seek ways to offer them back to the Church.

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