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 Parish Secretary: Eloisa Mandelker

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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, FEBRUARY 7TH 12:10 P.M. *MASS*

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH 8:00 A.M. +Mary Sandanam req. The Sandanam Family

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH 12:10 P.M. Helen Fabro req. Eva Jacob

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10^{TH} 8:00 A.M. MASS

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH 12:10 P.M. Thanksgiving Intentions of Francisco Espinoza

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12^{TH} 10:00 A.M. *MASS*

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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.



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

(FRFE) FIRST RECONCILIATION CATECHETICAL PREPARATION CLASS

The *First Reconciliation*

Catechetical Preparation Class will take place <u>online</u> on Saturday, February 26, 2022 at 6:45 pm. For more information & the schedule



of classes, please visit our Parish website: www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.

2022 (ROC) RITE OF CONFIRMATION



REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN for the 2022 (ROC) Rite of Confirmation preparation program. Visit www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org

for the online registration form. The first of six virtual classes is on Wed., Feb. 16 at 4 pm.

<u>RCIA 2022</u>

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 & receiving Eucharist for the first time).





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.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Do not be afraid. If the Lord is calling you to the ordained or consecrated life, do not be afraid. Jesus calls and will give you the grace to respond wholeheartedly. 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, 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 <u>www.archtoronto.org/synodality.</u>

CALLING ALL CATHOLIC ADVISORS

Are you a lawyer, financial or insurance advisor? If yes, then we want to hear from you! The Archdiocese of Toronto has spent a number of years creating a network of advisors, who understand our faith and can assist us with our estate and financial affairs. Come and be a part of our network where you have the opportunity to integrate your spiritual and professional lives. For further information, contact the Development office at 416-934-3400 ext. 561/519; email <u>development@archtoronto.org</u>.

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. Pre-authorized 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 preauthorized 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>.

USING OUR GIFTS FOR DISCIPLESHIP

In the readings this Sunday, we are invited to reflect on the call to discipleship that we all receive as Christians. Just as Jesus called His first disciples to closely follow Him, so too are we called to follow Him in an ever deeper way through our commitment to stewardship.

In the Gospel today, we see Jesus getting into Peter's fishing boat so that He could preach to the vast crowds that had come to see Him. Jesus used Peter's possessions to help with His ministry. Peter, like a good disciple, obeyed and cooperated with Jesus' request and Jesus was able to further spread the Good News to those who had gathered around Him.

So too in our lives of stewardship, are we allowing Jesus to use the gifts we possess, namely our time and talents, so that others can come to know the Gospel? We can offer our time to Christ through our commitment to daily prayer. We can also use our time to journey with and support our fellow parishioners, especially those who are going through a time of difficulty. With respect to our talents, we can reflect on our particular gifts and offer them to the appropriate ministries in the parish. For example, if we have the gift of music, perhaps we can look into joining a choir, or if we have a background in teaching, perhaps various catechetical ministries in the parish. There are many ways in which God can use us to serve Him. Let us echo the words of the prophet Isaiah in the first reading and boldly say to God, "Here am I; send me!"

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