



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/

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 14TH
12:10 P.M. MASS

TUESDAY, MARCH 15TH
8:00 A.M. +Asuncion Fabunan Evangelista
req. Brenda & Delia Gonzales

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16TH
12:10 P.M. +Elizabeth Klafter &
Paul Farsang
req. Elizabeth Nedeczky

THURSDAY, MARCH 17TH
8:00 A.M. +Pat Morrison & other
deceased members of
the Morrison & Kelly Families
req. Patrick Morrison

FRIDAY, MARCH 18TH
12:10 P.M. +Abrehet Bahta Tekle
req. Amleset & Family

SATURDAY, MARCH 19TH
10:00 A.M. +Mickey Spillane

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.



2022 (ROC) RITE OF CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASS



The next **ROC Rite of Confirmation** preparation class will take place **ONLINE** on Wednesday, April 6 at 4 p.m. For more information, please visit

www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.

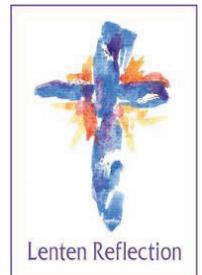
VIRTUAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS & LENTEN REFLECTION



Every Friday during Lent, at 7:00 p.m., Saint Monica's CWL will be hosting the **VIRTUAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS**, in collaboration with Saint Monica's

Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Ushers & the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. The CWL will also

be hosting a **VIRTUAL LENTEN REFLECTION**, led by Teresa Hartnett on Saturday, March 19, 2022, at 11 a.m. *All parishioners (not just CWL members) are invited to join the Virtual Stations of the Cross & the Virtual Lenten Reflection.* Please visit: <https://cwl-stmonica.mailchimpsites.com/>. ***(Virtual Rosary Scheduled for March 25th is cancelled.)***



(FRFE) FIRST RECONCILIATION CATECHETICAL PREPARATION CLASS

The **First Reconciliation Catechetical Preparation Class** will take place **ONLINE** on Saturday, March 26, 2022 at 6:45 pm. For more information & the schedule of classes, please visit our Parish website: www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.



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 & great craft ideas!

RCIA 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 & receiving Eucharist for the first time).





SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Live the Gospel by supporting ShareLife. ShareLife Sunday is

March 27th. This year, we are encouraging you to make your donation online via the parish website or at sharelife.org. Monthly Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) is a convenient way to spread your ShareLife contribution throughout the year. Contact ShareLife at slife@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3411 if you have any questions about pre-authorized giving. Parishioners who have previously supported our parish campaign are being sent a letter from Cardinal Collins. Information about how to again support our campaign is also found in the included letter from His Eminence. *Thank you for supporting ShareLife!*

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Peter, John and James had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following God's Will for our lives. 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.



St. Augustine's Seminary: Saturday, March 19, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Inviting single Catholic men 18 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life & relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. There will be a special address from **His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins**. Register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee. For more info, please contact the Office of Vocations at 416-968-0997 or email: 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, please visit www.archtoronto.org/synodality.

ASCENDING & DESCENDING THE MOUNTAIN

Every Second Sunday of Lent the Church invites us to reflect on the account of the Transfiguration of Christ. This passage describes how Jesus went up a mountain with Peter, James and John, and was transfigured before them, revealing His divine glory. The apostles, although wanting to stay upon the mountain, are brought back down into the real world. These two movements, of ascent and descent, are critical in the lives of stewards.

Firstly, we too are invited to ascend the heights of mountain-top spiritual experiences. To ascend the mountain is to take some time away from the noise of the world to experience the glory and majesty of Christ. Sometimes this involves large mountains such as attending retreats or conferences. However, we can also ascend the mountain every time we turn to prayer and build up our relationship with God. All these moments are essential in keeping our faith alive and active.

However, this is where the second aspect of descent becomes so important. Unless we are called to live as a brother or sister in a contemplative religious order, we are not called to always remain tucked away in retreats or prayer. Instead, we are called to be strengthened through our mountaintop experiences so that we will have the grace to go out into the world and spread the Gospel. This Lent, let us take some time to be nourished on the mountain so that we will be all the more ready to proclaim the Good News.

SUMMARY: Just as the apostles were invited to ascend the mountain for the Lord's transfiguration, we too are called to ascend our own mountains. We can do this whenever we take some time away from the noise of the world so that we may experience the glory and majesty of Christ in prayer. We are then called to descend the mountain and use the grace of our mountain-top experiences to spread the Gospel in the world.

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