

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: 11:40am-12 noon Tue/Thurs: 7:30-7:50am Sat: 9:30-9:50am; 4-4:40pm 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, JULY 25TH

12:10 P.M. +Edmundo Marquina

Req. Guadalupe Marquina

TUESDAY, JULY 26TH

8:00 A.M. +Teresa Scully & the Living &

Deceased Members of her Family

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27TH

12:10 P.M. +Kumarthavelli (Sheila) Pather

Req. Rebecca Bedford

THURSDAY, JULY 28[™]

8:00 A.M. +Sybil Copeland

Req. Kai-Ann Fletcher

FRIDAY, JULY 29TH

12:10 P.M. Rosalina Parale

Req. Rosanna Fitzpatrick

SATURDAY, JULY 30TH

10:00 A.M. For the end of the pandemic

& the end of the war in Ukraine

Req. The Senis Family

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to <u>Offer</u>
<u>a Weekday Mass</u>, please
call the Parish Office at
416-483-1513 or send an



email to <u>stmonicatoronto@gmail.com</u>.

RCIA

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).



St. Monica's Feast Day August 27, 2022 Celebrate 116 years with us!



- Pray our <u>Novena to St. Monica</u> during Mass from August 18 to 26, 2022.
- Participate in our <u>parish community</u> <u>picture-taking</u> after the 10 am Mass on August 27, 2022. Wear a plain blue <u>shirt - any shade of blue will do!</u>

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.



We need <u>VOLUNTEERS</u> to serve as *Ministers* to the Sick & Homebound, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, and Garden Volunteers! If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office by phone at (416) 483-1513, or by email at stmonicatoronto@gmail.com

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services -Archdiocese of Toronto invites all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed. Mass will

take place at Mount Hope Cemetery, Celebrant: Rev. Msgr. Paul Zimmer. In the event of rain, Mount Hope Cemetery will



celebrate Mass at St. Monica's Parish.



Blessed Sacrament Parish TOTUS TUUS SUMMER CAMP: July 24-29, 2022

While St. Monica's Parish will not

offer a summer camp this year due to lack of camp staff, registration is still open for the Totus Tuus Summer Camp of Blessed Sacrament Parish from July 24 to 29, 2022. Please visit the Blessed Sacrament Parish website,

<u>www.blessedsacrament.archtoronto.org</u>, for more details.

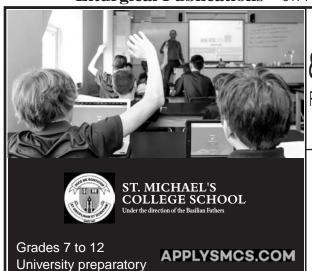
PRAYER

The readings this week remind us of the importance of perseverance in prayer. The first reading tells us about how Abraham prayed to God for the sake of Sodom and Gomorrah because God was going to destroy the cities for their sins. Abraham bargained with God, asking him to spare the cities if God would find even just ten holy people there. Abraham was able to speak to God in an intimate and sincere fashion because he had a relationship with God. Abraham was aware of the awesome power that God had, but like friends speaking to each other, Abraham was able to ask the Lord for mercy on the people.

The Lord wants us to persevere in prayer. Jesus teaches us this lesson again through the story he presents in the Gospel. When the first friend in the story approaches the second in the middle of the night for food, the second listens because of the relationship that they have and because of the persistence of the first. When Jesus teaches the disciples the "Our Father," he shows us that God is not a distant God. Rather, he is close to us and cares for us with a Father's love. Like any good father, God will give to his children what they ask for, just as long as it is for the well-being and salvation of themselves and others.

Do we see God as our Father? Do we go to him with all our problems and needs? Are we persistent in prayer like Abraham was? When we see ourselves as beloved children of God and learn to rely on God for our every need, our lives become transformed. This is the core of stewardship, to love and give to others out of gratitude for the love and gifts that God has given us. If we struggle with our identity as beloved children of God, let us take some time this week to reflect on this identity, and how as children of God, we are called to serve the Church out of love for God and neighbour.

From: Archdiocese of Toronto, Office of Formation for Discipleship, Stewardship Reflections, Year C.



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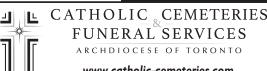


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