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: 11:40am-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, AUGUST 15TH 12:10 P.M. +Christine Fisher Req. Theresa Keller
- TUESDAY, AUGUST 16TH 8:00 A.M. +Mary Sandanam Reg. The Sandanam Family
- WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17TH
- 12:10 P.M. +Norberto Jagodilla, Sr. Req. Norberto Jagodilla, Jr.
- THURSDAY, AUGUST 18[™]
- 8:00 A.M. +Abrehet Bahta Tekle Req. Amleset & Family

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19TH

12:10 P.M. Lolita Fornelos Req. Gloria Gillego

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20TH

10:00 A.M. Protection of Unborn Children Req. Masses for Life Project

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>.





<u>RCIA</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).

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 shirt - any shade of blue will do!*

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.

DID YOU KNOW

The current church was built in 1959, but the original church, built in 1906, stood where the current parking lot is. To read more about our parish history, go to: https://stmonicasto.archtoronto.org/en/ourcommunity/our-parish/



2021 Camp Monica --- REPLAY!

While we are not able to offer Camp Monica this year due to a lack of camp staff, we are making the 2021 Camp Monica videos available to everyone! Please go to our parish website,

<u>www.stmonicasto@archtoronto.org</u>, and scroll down to the Camp Monica videos link in the home page. We hope that the timeless message will bless your family!

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, and much more! Please Visit www.littleliturgy.ca to access videos & great craft ideas!

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 Saint Monica's Parish.



Special Collection: Canadian Missions, Aug. 13 & 14

The Canadian Missions Collection supports remote dioceses in NWT & in northern Alberta

as well as Catholic Missions in Canada. CMIC will benefit from your generosity to sustain & extend the Catholic faith to isolated, poor & hard-to-reach mission areas in our country. Thank you for your support of this important work!

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

Although Jesus is the Lord of peace, Jesus never promised us that the life of a Christian disciple would be easy or peaceful. In fact, the Gospel tells us that Jesus comes not to bring peace, but division, to set the world on fire. This division comes from those who reject the teachings of Jesus and refers to the way in which the Gospel will divide those who accept or reject it.

Jesus was aware that those who would follow him would face opposition from the people around them. Not everyone is keen to hear the message of the Gospel, and as a result, some pushback and resistance is expected. This happened throughout the entire history of Israel, and in the first reading, we observe how even the prophets were rejected and persecuted. Moreover, we read how certain men hated Jeremiah for his teachings and sought to put him to death. If the people rejected and persecuted the prophets, the disciples, and Jesus himself, then we too must be ready for similar treatment.

Despite the challenges however, we can take heart in knowing that God does not abandon the faithful who are persecuted for his sake. In the second reading, St. Paul reminds us to consider how much opposition Jesus endured, and to keep our eyes fixed on him when we ourselves encounter similar challenges. As we live a life of stewardship, let us make sure to frequent the Lord in prayer to seek his help in our own struggles. If we aren't spending time with Jesus in prayer, let us make an earnest effort to spend a few minutes each day with the Lord, asking for his strength to courageously face every challenge that comes our way.

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