

# 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:

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, SEPTEMBER 5TH LABOUR DAY

10:00 A.M. Thomas Medon

Req. Margaret Medon

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

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

& Deceased Members of her Family

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>

12:10 P.M. +Frank McDermott

Req. Brian & Betty Lyn Wall

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH

8:00 A.M. +Antoninette Witjes

Req. Margaret McGuinness

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

12:10 P.M. +Jose "Oying" Bajog, Jr.

Req. Lucy Rodriguez

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>

10:00 A.M. +Elio Rancati

## **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>FOR RCIA 2022-2023!</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).

## 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 <a href="mailto:stmonicatoronto@gmail.com">stmonicatoronto@gmail.com</a>



### **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 <a href="www.littleliturgy.ca">www.littleliturgy.ca</a> to access videos & great craft ideas!



LIFE CHAIN is an annual prayerful and peaceful witness to the sanctity of human life and the harm of abortion. Participants pray and hold non-graphic signs with messages such as "Life, the first inalienable right" & "Abortion kills children" at hundreds of locations across North America for one hour. Please join us this year at the southeast corner of Yonge & Eglinton on Sunday, October 2nd, 2022 from 2 to 3 pm.

# SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE UP COLLECTION

The Bundle Up Collection for the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be held on the weekend of <u>October 29-30</u>,



**2022**. A truck will be parked outside the church to receive gently used clothes and household linens. Please refer to the bulletin board for more details.

## Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 4, 2022

Having a loose grasp on those things that rightly



belong to God is required of every follower. The open hands you are left with will be filled by God and overflowing. Can you let go? 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, <a href="mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org">vocations@archtoronto.org</a>, <a href="www.vocationstoronto.ca">www.vocationstoronto.ca</a>.

## **GIVING THE GIFT OF OURSELVES**

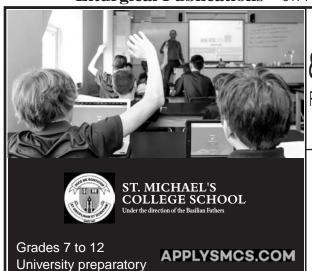
At first glance, Jesus' words in the Gospel this Sunday seem like a cruel and impossible ideal for any Christian to live. Surely, he doesn't mean for us to hate our fathers and mothers and even life itself, right? However, these words all point to the most central mystery of today's gospel, that "whoever of you does not give up all their possessions cannot be my disciple." Now, the Lord doesn't mean to suggest that all of us should have no possessions, but rather to live with a lens that gratefully views all our possessions as gifts from God, that are meant to be used for His glory and the good of the Church. This lens is at the very core of what it means to live as a steward.

Cardinal Collins, in his *Pastoral Letter on Stewardship\** states that good stewards are "meant to use God's gift fruitfully and creatively, so that with true gratitude for what we have received, we may return God's gifts to Him with increase." These gifts do not involve simply financial goods, but the gifts of our time and talents as well.

As the new school year is beginning and many ministries in the parish are gearing up for a new year, we should ask ourselves, how can we lend our time and gifts to serve others? By taking today's Gospel message to heart, we can learn to be even more generous with the gift of our lives, as we boldly and joyfully proclaim our identity as Jesus' disciples.

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

\* Thomas Cardinal Collins, Pastoral Letter on Stewardship. Available at: https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-andministries/sub-sites/stewardship/home/ pastoral-letter/



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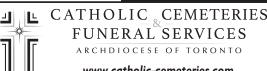


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