



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: 11:40am-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 12TH

12:10 P.M. +Americo De Sousa
Req. Paul & Lisa Racioppa

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

8:00 A.M. Intentions of Noreen Fowler

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH

12:10 P.M. +Lorna Rodrigues
Req. St. Monica's Parishioner

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

8:00 A.M. +Matilde Garcia Miralda
Req. Valentin Miralda

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

12:10 P.M. Living & Deceased Members of
The Bochensky Family
Req. Margaret Medon

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH

10:00 A.M. +Juliana Fabunan Gonzales
Req. Brenda & Delia Gonzales

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.



We need **VOLUNTEERS** 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.



There are six stained glass windows showing images of saints in the sacristy.

To see the images, go to our website:
www.stmonicastoronto@archtoronto.org



REGISTRATION NOW OPEN **FOR RCIA 2022-2023!**

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).



The Catholic Women's
League of Canada

The **next General Meeting of the Catholic Women's League** will be held on Saturday, Sept. 17th, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the church. All women are invited to attend.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

The Catholic Women's League will be collecting non-perishable goods for The Good Shepherd Ministries. Please drop your donations in the collection boxes in the church foyer starting September 17, 2022. A list of items needed is posted on the bulletin board. Thanks for your support.



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, vocations@archtoronto.org, www.vocationstoronto.ca.



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.



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 **October 29-30, 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.



SHARING THE GIFT OF MERCY

The readings and Gospel this Sunday are richly steeped with the central Christian mystery that Saint Paul proclaims in his first letter to Timothy that, "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." This message is the saving grace for all Christians, the lifeline we all hold onto as we journey throughout our time on earth with our eyes fixed heavenward. The forgiveness of our sins is the greatest, most transformative, gift that Christ bestows on our lives.

This gift of forgiveness, although freely given by Christ, needs to be cultivated with ongoing contrition, repentance, and penance. Moreover, this gift should not be held solely for oneself, but graciously shared in a two-fold manner to others. Firstly, as the words of the Our Father so frequently remind us, we must forgive the trespasses of others. In doing so, we are sharing the gift of God's forgiveness with our neighbour.

Secondly, we should be an example to others of the salvific power of God's forgiveness in our own lives, so that they may be inspired by our witness and be encouraged to turn to God's mercy as well. Perhaps one concrete practice we could do is invite others to join us in receiving the sacrament of Confession. Therefore, as true grateful disciples of Christ, let us continually seek His gift of forgiveness and ask ourselves how are we sharing the good news of this great gift with those whom we encounter?

SUMMARY

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