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, SEPTEMBER 19TH 12:10 P.M. +Abrehet Bahta Tekle Req. Amleset & Family

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH 8:00 A.M. +Teresa Scully & the Living & Deceased Members of her Family

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST 12:10 P.M. +Vaclav & Brendan Plonka Req. Margaret Plonka

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND

8:00 A.M. +Emilia De Guzman Req. The Pangindian Family

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD

12:10 P.M. Joseph Wood Req. K. Kaszuba

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH 10:00 A.M. Eva Jacob Req. Gloria Gillego

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>.





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



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

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



<u>REGISTRATION NOW OPEN</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).



The Catholic Women's League of Canada

The next General Meeting of the Catholic

<u>Women's League</u> 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 nonperishable goods for The Good Shepherd Ministries.



Please drop your donations in the collection boxes in the church foyer from September 17th to October 2nd, 2022. A

list of items needed is posted on the bulletin board. Thanks for your support.

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 18, 2022



We cannot serve two masters. Which one are you willing to follow? Could it be you are being called to serve the Master as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of

Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997, vocations@archtoronto.org, www.vocationstoronto.ca.



CARDINAL COLLINS' HOMILY STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY – SEPT. 18, 2022

Cardinal Thomas Collins has announced the institution of <u>Stewardship Sunday</u> as an annual occurrence across the entire Archdiocese on the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, which is on Sept. 18th. Each year, the Cardinal will prepare a homily for Stewardship Sunday and asks that parishes share it at all Masses, including the Saturday Vigil Mass. Cardinal Collins' homily is available at:

https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-andministries/subsites/stewardship/home/stewardship-sunday/.

LIFE CHAIN is an annual prayerful and peaceful witness to the sanctity of human life and the harm of abortion. Participants pray and hold nongraphic 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 on Sunday, October 2, 2022 from 2 to 3 pm, at the southeast corner of Yonge & Eglinton.

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.

SERVING THE GREATER MASTER

From a young age, society presents us the "perfect" roadmap for a life of happiness. This vision usually includes having the fancy job, a large house, extravagant clothes and a large sum of money in the bank. It is engrained in our upbringing that the amassing of wealth should be the most important facet of our life, which is why the Lord's words in today's Gospel, that "you cannot serve God and wealth," can be so difficult to swallow.

It is interesting that Jesus doesn't say we cannot have wealth, but instead, that we should not serve wealth. What does it mean to serve wealth? It is to preferentially prioritize our efforts for career advancement over our efforts to deepen our relationship with God. Essentially, those who serve wealth utilize all of their time and talents to attain more and more possessions. Stewards, on the other hand, utilize their time and talents to serve Christ and His Church.

In order to foster a healthy attitude towards our wealth, it is important to view it, and our very lives themselves, as a gift from God. It is only then that we can begin to move from gratitude to generosity, graciously sharing our gifts with others for the glory of God and the church. When the temptation to hold onto our wealth looms over us, let us remember Christ's words, and ask ourselves how are we sharing our gifts with the parish community?

<u>SUMMARY</u>

The Lord's exhortation that "you cannot serve God and wealth" can be difficult to swallow. In order to foster a healthy attitude towards our wealth, it is important to view it, and our very lives themselves, as a gift from God. When we view our wealth as a gift, we can then begin to move from gratitude to generosity, graciously sharing our gifts with others for the glory of God and the church.

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