

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: 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:

Please visit cwl-st-monica.mailchimpsites.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, MARCH 6TH

12:10 P.M. +Stasia & Henry Ciapovie

Req. Margaret Medon

TUESDAY, MARCH 7TH

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

Deceased Members of her Family

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8TH

12:10 P.M. Moira Rodriguez

Req. Fay Rodriguez

THURSDAY, MARCH 9[™]

8:00 A.M. John Balanovich & his Living

& Deceased Family Members

Reg. Patrick Morrison

FRIDAY, MARCH 10TH

12:10 P.M. +Danny Pangindian

Reg. The Pangindian Family

SATURDAY, MARCH 11TH

10:00 A.M. Ferdinand Daniels

Req. Theresa Gruber

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



stmonicatoronto@gmail.com.

RCIA 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 *in-person* <u>STATIONS of</u> <u>THE CROSS</u> will be held every Friday *in the church* at 6:00 p.m., starting February 24th and concluding on April 7th (Good Friday). *All*

parishioners are invited to participate in this Lenten devotion.

FIRST EUCHARIST CLASS

The *First Eucharist Preparation Class* will take place *in-person in the church*Saturday, March 25, 2023 at



on

6:15 pm. For more information and the schedule of classes, visit www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.

<u>REGISTRATION OPEN FOR 2023</u> RITE OF CONFIRMATION (ROC)

Registration is open for the 2023 Rite of Confirmation (ROC)



preparation program. Please visit our website: www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org for the online registration form. Registration closes March 26, 2023. The first of six virtual classes takes place *online* on Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at 4 pm sharp.



This is a project for parishioners, by parishioners!

We invite everyone to join us in
learning more about the lives of Saints.

For more information, please visit our parish
website: www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.





The Journey through Lent video series is again available on the website of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB): https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-lent-2023/.

Second Sunday of Lent - March 5, 2023

Peter, James and John had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following God's Will for our life. If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto. 416-968-0997.

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



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

BECOMING LIKE GOD

In the Gospel this Sunday, we are invited to reflect on the account of the Transfiguration. In this mystery, Jesus goes up the mountain with Peter, James and John, and is transfigured before them and briefly "discloses His divine glory" (CCC 555).

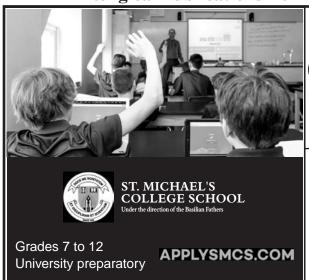
Moreover, "the Transfiguration gives us a foretaste of Christ's glorious coming, when he will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body" (CCC 556). The mystery of the Transfiguration alludes to the teaching of the Church called divinization, in which we believe that we humans will be made like God. Not only does Jesus raise us from sin, death and hell, but He even raises us up to divine life. He desires us to be made sharers in His own divine nature and participate in the life of the Trinity. St. Athanasius boldly proclaims that "He was made man that we might be made God."

We can share in the Trinitarian life by cooperating in the work of God. The USCCB in their Pastoral Letter on Stewardship* states that "God wishes human beings to be his collaborators in the work of creation, redemption, and sanctification; and such collaboration involves stewardship in its most profound sense." To be a steward is to be deified and take part in the life of the Trinity. How often do we appreciate this rich reality of being a steward for Christ? Let us take some time to reflect on our raised identities in Christ and strive to be greater stewards in our parishes.

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*United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Stewardship: A Disciple's Response, 2002.

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