

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 13TH

12:10 P.M. +Johannes von der Gonna

Req. A Friend

TUESDAY, MARCH 14TH

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

Deceased Members of his Family

Req. Patrick Morrison

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15TH

12:10 P.M. +Monty Dsouza

Req. The Sequeira Family

THURSDAY, MARCH 16TH

8:00 A.M. +Pat Morrison & his Living

& Deceased Family Members

Req. Patrick Morrison

FRIDAY, MARCH 17TH

12:10 P.M. +Abrehet Bahta Tekle

Req. Amleset & Family

SATURDAY, MARCH 18TH

10:00 A.M. +Mickey Spillane

Reg. The Family

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.





ARCHDIOCESAN-WIDE LENTEN DAY OF CONFESSIONS

SAINT MONICA'S, MARCH 20 to MARCH 25, 2023

MONDAY, MARCH 20 11:40 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M.

TUESDAY, MARCH 21 7:30 A.M. TO 7:50 A.M. WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22 9:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24 9:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M. 11:40 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M.

SATURDAY, MARCH 25 9:30 A.M. TO 9:50 A.M. &

4:00 P.M. TO 4.40 P.M.



The *in-person* <u>STATIONS of 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* on Saturday, March 25, 2023 at 6:15 pm. For more



information and the schedule of classes, visit www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.



REGISTRATION OPEN FOR 2023 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.

SL ShareLife

Third Sunday of Lent - March 12, 2023

Live the Gospel by helping our vulnerable brothers and sisters. *ShareLife Sunday is March 26* and we once again ask you to give generously to support Catholic agencies, who in turn care for the most vulnerable in our communities. As a parish, this is our opportunity to live the Gospel! Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



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/.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - MARCH 12, 2023

"But the one who drinks of the water that I will give will never be thirsty." Do you thirst to know where God is leading you? Could you be thirsty for an understanding of your purpose? 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, www.vocations@archtoronto.org.

LIVING IN THE LIVING WATERS

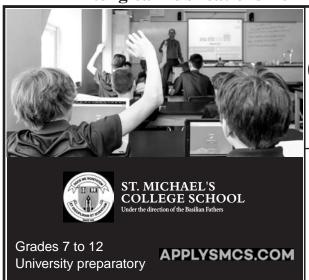
In the Gospel today, we reflect on the episode of Jesus' meeting with the Samaritan woman at the well. The passage recounts that Jesus was "tired" yet he still went out of His way to minister to the woman. Jesus tells her that, "the water that I will give will become a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." Through this image of water, Jesus is alluding to the gift of the Holy Spirit that the Lord wishes to lavish upon His children (CCC 728).

As stewards of Christ, we are called to generously share our time and talents with our parish community. However, a mere sharing of our gifts without the guidance and strength of the Holy Spirit can easily lead us to becoming burnt out, discouraged or resentful. It is important to have all of our charitable acts infused with the Spirit. This way it is not our own merits but the Lord's grace bringing about conversion in our parishes.

How often do we invoke the Holy Spirit before we serve the Lord as stewards? It is in this invocation that we humbly recognize that it is the Lord, through us, accomplishing great deeds. Let us begin each day with the traditional prayer to the Holy Spirit. "Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love." Let us bring about a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit into the hearts of our parish community by constantly turning to Him to strengthen us.

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