



St. Monica's Roman Catholic Church

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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: 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/

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 27TH

12:10 P.M. Jean Commissiong, Steven
Commissiong & Ann Tattersdill
Req. Fay Rodriguez

TUESDAY, MARCH 28TH

8:00 A.M. +Desmond Fitzsimons
Req. Judith Muldoon

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29TH

12:10 P.M. +Jenny Hu
Req. Gwen Kou

THURSDAY, MARCH 30TH

8:00 A.M. Dominic Rodriguez
Req. Fay Rodriguez

FRIDAY, MARCH 31ST

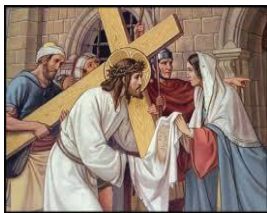
12:10 P.M. +Teresita Nixon
Req. Susan Gonzales

SATURDAY, APRIL 1ST

10:00 A.M. Intentions of Patrick Morrison

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.



The next **in-person STATIONS of THE CROSS** will be held **in the church** at 6:00 p.m., on March 24, March 31 and April 7, 2023 (Good Friday). *All parishioners are invited to participate in this Lenten devotion. (Please note that on April 7th, there is no First Friday Adoration.)*

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY – APRIL 6, 2023

(There is no 8 a.m. Mass.)

8:00 P.M. MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST
WASHING OF FEET
REPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

GOOD FRIDAY – APRIL 7TH, 2023

(There is no 11:40 a.m. Confession & 12:10 p.m. Mass.
The Parish Office is closed.)

3:00 P.M. PASSION OF THE LORD
LITURGICAL SERVICE
EUCHARIST

VENERATION OF THE CROSS

6:00 P.M. STATIONS OF THE CROSS

There is no First Friday Adoration.

HOLY SATURDAY – APRIL 8TH, 2023

(There is no 9:30 a.m. Confession & 10 a.m. Mass.
There is no 4:00 p.m. Confession & 5:00 p.m. Mass.)

8:30 P.M. EASTER VIGIL MASS

EASTER SUNDAY of the

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - APRIL 9TH, 2023

9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. MASS

EASTER MONDAY – APRIL 10TH, 2023

11:40 A.M. CONFESSION & 12:10 P.M. MASS

(The Parish Office is closed.)

Regular Mass & Office Schedule Resumes Tues., April 11, 2023.

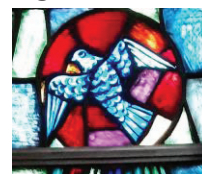
FIRST EUCHARIST CLASS

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.



RITE OF CONFIRMATION (ROC) 2023

Registration is open for the 2023 Rite of



Confirmation (ROC) preparation program. Please visit 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.

MARCH 26, 2023



INSTALLATION & REGIONAL MASS OF CELEBRATION TO WELCOME ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS (FRANK) LEO

The installation of Bishop Francis (Frank) Leo as Archbishop of Toronto will take place on Saturday, March 25, 2023, at 10 a.m. Given capacity restrictions at Saint Michael's Cathedral Basilica, this will be an invitation-only event. The Mass of Installation will be livestreamed through www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live and broadcast on Salt & Light Catholic TV and through their website: www.slmedia.org. ***Saint Monica's Parishioners are invited to attend the Central Regional Mass of Welcome for Archbishop Francis (Frank) Leo taking place on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at Blessed Trinity Parish, 7 p.m. A reception will follow in their parish hall. All are welcome. Please continue to keep Archbishop Leo in your prayers as he begins his ministry as our shepherd.***

BUNDLE UP COLLECTION SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

The Bundle Up Collection for the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be held on the weekend of April 1 & 2, 2023. 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.



Fifth Sunday of Lent - March 26, 2023

This weekend is ShareLife Sunday.

ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign. In the words of Cardinal Collins: "Vulnerable members of our community are relying on you and me to ensure ongoing access to the care they so desperately need. This is why it's crucial we meet our parish campaign goal. Our goal can be met, but only if we each do our part." Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Fifth Sunday of Lent - March 26, 2023

"Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" Do you believe that your plan is God's plan? 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.



The Journey through Lent video series is again available on the website of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

(<https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-lent-2023/>).

RAISING FROM DEATH TO LIFE

In today's Gospel, we encounter the great mystery of the raising of Lazarus from the dead. This apparent death of Lazarus was not in vain, for Jesus says it occurred so "that the Son of God may be glorified through it." After raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus instructs the crowd to "unbind him, and let him go."

This "unbinding" signifies that Jesus doesn't just raise him from the dead but also sets him free. So too, through God's great gift of forgiveness, He raises us from the death of sin and leads us to interior freedom. This Lent, let us seek God's forgiveness by availing ourselves to the sacrament of Reconciliation before Easter. The Catechism says that "the sacrament of Reconciliation with God brings about a true "spiritual resurrection," restoration of the dignity and blessings of the life of the children of God, of which the most precious is friendship with God" (CCC 1468).

Moreover, after Lazarus was freed, it says that many people believed in Jesus. Likewise, after we receive God's forgiveness and live in freedom and friendship with God, we should be true stewards of God's gifts and evangelize those around us. Through the grace of the sacrament, we will have the necessary strength to offer our time and talents to our parish community. So this Lent, let us not remain in the death of sin but turn to Jesus and receive the life and freedom of forgiveness.

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