



# 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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**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](http://cwl-st-monica.mailchimpsites.com).

### **Society of St. Vincent de Paul:**

416-322-2797 (message centre)  
[sanvincentdepaul@yahoo.com](mailto:sanvincentdepaul@yahoo.com)

### **Elementary School**

St. Monica Catholic Elementary School  
Phone: 416-393-5224  
Website: [www.tcdsb.org/schools/stmonica/](http://www.tcdsb.org/schools/stmonica/)

## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

### MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup>

12:10 P.M. +Abrehet Bahta Tekle  
Req. Amleset & Family

TUESDAY, APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup>

8:00 A.M. +Teresa Scully & the Living &  
Deceased Members of Her Family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup>

12:10 P.M. +Carmen Graham  
Req. The Espinoza Graham Family

THURSDAY, APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup>

8:00 A.M. Margaret McGuinness  
Req. Mary Nicholas

FRIDAY, APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup>

12:10 P.M. Protection of Unborn Children  
Req. Masses for Life Project

SATURDAY, APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup>

10:00 A.M. MASS

### 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](mailto:stmonicatoronto@gmail.com).



### Divine Mercy Sunday is April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023



Pope Francis on Divine Mercy Sunday: "We think that we are experiencing unbearable pain and situations of suffering, and we suddenly discover that others around us are silently enduring even worse things. If we care for the wounds of our neighbour and pour upon them the balm of mercy, we find being reborn within us a

hope that comforts us in our weariness." *In conclusion, Pope Francis urged all Christians to make Divine Mercy Sunday their own by lending a helping hand or listening ear to those around us who may be suffering.*

### (ROC) 2023 RITE OF CONFIRMATION

The next ROC virtual class takes place online on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 4:00 pm sharp. For more information & the schedule of classes, please visit our parish website:



[www.stmonicastoronto.org](http://www.stmonicastoronto.org).

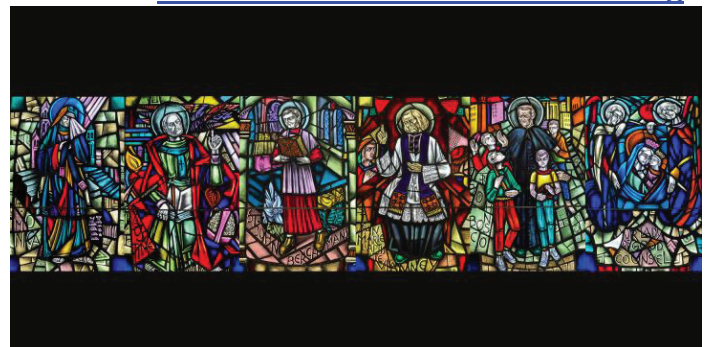
### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION



First Friday Adoration will take place on May 5, 2023 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Church. **All parishioners are welcome!**



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.stmonicastoronto.org](http://www.stmonicastoronto.org).





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 [stmonitoronto@gmail.com](mailto:stmonitoronto@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).



**Your SHARELIFE Gift Changes Lives**

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Thank you very much for supporting our parish's ShareLife campaign. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

**Second Sunday of Easter - April 16, 2023**

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Will you respond to God's call to be sent as priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997. [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca), [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).



**RECEIVING AND SHARING MERCIFUL LOVE**

In 2000, when Pope John Paul II was canonizing Saint Faustina, he declared that the Second Sunday of Easter will be called Divine Mercy Sunday for the entire Church. This Sunday, let us reflect on Jesus who longs to forgive us and to shower His love and mercy on us. We should never tire of running to Him for healing. Saint Therese of Lisieux says, "Even though I had on my conscience all the sins that can be committed, I would go, my heart broken with sorrow, and throw myself into Jesus' arms, for I know how much He loves the prodigal child who returns to Him."

As good stewards of Christ, we should first accept the mercy of God in our lives and then share it with others through our acts. Some spiritual works of mercy we can begin to cultivate are to "instruct the ignorant" and "counsel the doubtful" by helping with parish catechesis ministries. We can also "forgive offenses" and "pray for the living and the dead" through personal prayer as well as by joining various prayer groups within the parish. Some corporal works of mercy we can adopt is to "feed the hungry" and "clothe the naked" by taking part in parish organizations such as the St. Vincent de Paul society. We can also "visit the sick" and "visit the imprisoned" by seeking ministries that care for the sick and elderly.

This Divine Mercy Sunday let us seek to be filled with God's mercy. Let us then let His mercy overflow into our deeds within the parish so that we may become stewards of God's merciful love.

Summary: As good stewards of Christ, we should first accept the mercy of God in our lives and then share it with others through our acts. Some spiritual works of mercy we can begin to cultivate are to "instruct the ignorant" and "counsel the doubtful" by helping with parish catechesis ministries. Likewise, some corporal works of mercy we can adopt is to "feed the hungry" and "clothe the naked" by taking part in parish organizations such as the St. Vincent de Paul society.

*From: Archdiocese of Toronto, Office of Formation for Discipleship, Steward Reflections, Year A.*





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