

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, MAY 22ND VICTORIA DAY

10:00 A.M. Thanksgiving Intentions

of Lucille Simbol

TUESDAY, MAY 23RD

8:00 A.M. +Simon Kenny

Req. The MacCarthy Sisters

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24TH

12:10 P.M. Intentions of

Margaret Medon

THURSDAY, MAY 25TH

8:00 A.M. Protection of Unborn Children

Req. Masses for Life Project

FRIDAY, MAY 26TH

12:10 P.M. Thanksgiving Intentions of

Roy Narciso

SATURDAY, MAY 27TH

10:00 A.M. +Manuel Gonzales

Req. Susan Gonzales

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.



The <u>(ROC) RITE OF</u> <u>CONFIRMATION MASS</u>

will take place in the Church on Saturday, May 27, 2023 at the 5 p.m.



Mass. Please pray for the candidates as they prepare to receive this sacrament.



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

will take place on June 2, 2023 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the church. For the Adoration pamphlet with prayers, please visit www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.

All parishioners are welcome!

RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

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).



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.





We need <u>VOLUNTEERS</u> to serve as <u>Ministers</u> to the Sick & Homebound, Extraordinary <u>Ministers of Holy Communion</u>, Lectors, Choir <u>Members and 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.

SL ShareLife

Ascension of the Lord - May 21, 2023

ShareLife and World Communications Day

On this World Communications Day, your support of ShareLife is improving the lives of Deaf people in our community. More than 60% of families with a Deaf child do not know or use a signing language. Silent Voice, a ShareLife agency, is able to provide an array of accessible programs and services, responding to the needs of Deaf adults, youth, children, infants, and their families in American Sign Language (ASL). This is because of you. The help and support you give brings hope and changes many lives.

Thank you for your generosity. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Ascension of the Lord - May 21, 2023

Jesus said, "Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." If you are discerning God's call for the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997.

www.vocationstoronto.ca
vocations@archtoronto.org.

BEING THE HANDS AND FEET OF CHRIST

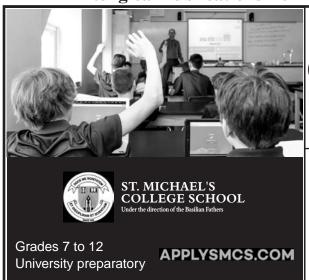
This Sunday, we celebrate the great feast of the Ascension of the Lord which is ripe with spiritual importance and depth. Let us examine how the Lord's ascension affects us as stewards. Firstly, when the apostles watched the Lord ascend into heaven, two angels appeared and asked them, "Why do you stand looking up toward heaven?" The apostles were not meant to stay there constantly gazing heavenward. Instead, they, like us, are called to live firmly on this earth with our whole purpose set on reaching heaven and leading as many people with us as possible.

We see this at the end of Saint Matthew's Gospel when Jesus gives the great commission to "make disciples of all nations." Jesus' ascension is a firm call to action. A call to be stewards and use our gifts to spread the Gospel within our parishes and the Church. We do this through the strength of Christ within us who says, "Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

It is now up to us to cooperate with the Spirit and make disciples of the whole world. Let us end by pondering the beautiful saying of Saint Teresa of Avila. "Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which He looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which He walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which He blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are His Body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours."

SUMMARY: Jesus' ascension is a firm call to action for us at the end of Saint Matthew's Gospel. He gives us the great commission to "make disciples of all nations." This is a call to be stewards and use our gifts to spread the Gospel within our parishes and the Church. Let us strive to do this through the strength of Christ within us who says, "Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

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