



# 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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## ***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/)

## MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, AUGUST 21<sup>ST</sup>

12:10 P.M. +Crisalia Couto  
Req. Manuel Couto

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22<sup>ND</sup>

8:00 A.M. +Herminigilda Najera  
Req. The Najera Family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23<sup>RD</sup>

12:10 P.M. Thanksgiving Intentions of  
The Sandanam Family

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24<sup>TH</sup>

8:00 A.M. +Wendy-Ann Rodriguez  
Req. Dr. Maise, Kim & Claude

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25<sup>TH</sup>

12:10 P.M. Wedding Anniversary of  
Nicola & Raffaella

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26<sup>TH</sup>

10:00 A.M. Thanksgiving Intentions of  
Nicola & Raffaella

## St. Monica's Feast Day

August 27, 2023

Celebrate 117 years with us!



- Pray our [Novena to St. Monica](#) during Mass from August 18 to 26, 2023.
- Participate in our [parish community picture-taking](#) after the 5 pm Mass on Aug. 26th, and the 9 am & 11 am Masses on Aug. 27th. *Wear a plain blue shirt - any shade of blue will do!*

## 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).



## PERPETUAL NOVENA TO SAINT MONICA

Dear Saint Monica, you were once the mournful mother of a prodigal son. Your faithfulness to prayer brought you and your son so close to God that you are now with him in eternity. By your intercession and God's grace, your son Saint Augustine became a great and venerable Saint of the Church. Please take my request to God with the same fervor and persistence with which you prayed for your own son.

(Mention your intentions here.)

With your needs, worries and anxieties, you threw yourself on the mercy and providence of God. Through sorrow and pain, you constantly devoted yourself to God. Pray for me that I might join you in such a deep faith in God's goodness and mercy.

Above all, dear Saint Monica, pray for me that I may, like your son, turn from my sin and become a great saint for the glory of God. Amen.



## FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

will take place on September 1, 2023 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the church. For the Adoration pamphlet with prayers, visit [www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org](http://www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org).

**All parishioners are welcome!**



**The first baptism recorded in our parish register was held on March 3, 1907?**

To learn more about our baptismal preparation process, go to: <https://stmonicastoronto.archtoronto.org/en/sacraments/baptism/>



**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).

We need **VOLUNTEERS** to serve as ***Ministers to the Sick & Homebound,***



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interested, please contact the Parish Office by phone at (416) 483-1513; email [stmonicatoronto@gmail.com](mailto:stmonicatoronto@gmail.com).

**Archdiocese of Toronto - Office of Catholic Youth RENEW TORONTO**, a conference for young adults, ages 19-39, will take place on Sat. Nov. 4, 2023 at Canada Christian College in Whitby, Ontario. The conference includes workshops, Confession, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration & more. Early-bird registration opens on August 14<sup>th</sup> until September 29<sup>th</sup>, & regular price registration closes on October 13<sup>th</sup>. For more information please visit: [www.renewtoronto.org](http://www.renewtoronto.org) or email: [youngadult@ocytoronto.org](mailto:youngadult@ocytoronto.org).

**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 20, 2023**

"Woman, great is your faith!" It takes faith to hear God's call in our lives and sometimes it may not be what we expect. Is God calling you to live as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? 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).

**POPE FRANCIS' ANGELUS**  
**(Excerpt) on Matthew 15:21-28**

Today's Gospel (Mt 15: 21-28) presents us a unique example of faith in Jesus' encounter with a Canaanite woman. The scene unfolds while He is on the way to the cities of Tyre and Sidon, northwest of Galilee: it is here that the woman implores Jesus to heal her daughter who, the Gospel says, "is severely possessed by a demon" (v. 22). Initially the Lord seems not to listen to this cry of grief, so much so as to solicit the intervention of the disciples, who intercede for her. Jesus' apparent detachment does not discourage this mother, who insists in her invocation.

We can say that it is love that moves faith, and faith in turn becomes the reward of love. Her heartrending love for her daughter induces her "to cry: 'Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David!'" (v. 22). And her steadfast faith in Jesus enables her not to be discouraged, not even when faced with His initial refusal; so the woman "knelt before Him, saying: 'Lord, help me!'" (v. 25).

Therefore, He consents saying: "'O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire'. And her daughter was healed instantly" (v. 28). Jesus points out this humble woman as an example of unwavering faith. Her insistence on invoking Christ's intervention is a stimulus for us not to be discouraged, not to despair when we are oppressed by life's harsh trials. The Lord does not turn away in face of our needs and, if at times He seems insensible to requests for help, it is to test and strengthen our faith. We must continue to call out like this woman: Lord, help me! Lord, help me!" Like so, with perseverance and courage. And this is the courage we must have in prayer.

This evangelical episode helps us to understand that we all need to grow in faith and to strengthen our trust in Jesus. He can help us to rediscover the way, when we have lost our bearings; when the way no longer seems flat but rough and arduous; when it is hard to be faithful to our commitments. It is important to nurture our faith every day, listening attentively to the Word of God, with the celebration of the Sacraments, with personal prayer as a "cry" to Him — "Lord, help me!" — and with concrete attitudes of charity to our neighbour.

<https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2017/08/20/170820b.html>





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