



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.

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, AUGUST 28TH

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29TH

8:00 A.M. +Marietta Estandarte
Req. The Fitzpatrick Family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30TH

12:10 P.M. +Edmundo Sardinha
Req. Manuel Couto

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31ST

8:00 A.M. Thanksgiving Intentions
of the Simbol Family,
and +Mario Lumboy
Req. Lucille Simbol

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST

12:10 P.M. +Ana Perez Kalaw
Req. The Kalaw Family

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND

10:00 A.M. +Roberto Gonzales
Req. Susan Gonzales

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.



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.stmonicastoronto.org. **All parishioners are welcome!**

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!**

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.



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://stmonicasto.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,***



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Choir Members and Garden Volunteers! If you are

interested, please contact the Parish Office by phone at (416) 483-1513; email 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 14th until September 29th, & regular price registration closes on October 13th. For more information please visit: www.renewtoronto.org or email: youngadult@ocytoronto.org.

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 27, 2023

"For who has known the mind of the Lord?"

Sometimes our mind is not necessarily the mind of the Lord. If God is calling you to serve as a priest, deacon, sister or brother, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto,



416-968-0997. www.vocationstoronto.ca.
vocations@archtoronto.org.

THE FEAST of SAINT MONICA
Excerpt from Pope Benedict XVI Angelus

Today, 27 August, we commemorate Saint Monica and tomorrow we will be commemorating Saint Augustine, her son: their witnesses can be of great comfort and help to so many families also in our time. Saint Monica lived her mission as a wife and mother in an exemplary way, helping her husband Patricius to discover the beauty of faith in Christ and the power of evangelical love, which can overcome evil with good. As Augustine himself was to say, his mother gave birth to him twice; the second time required a lengthy spiritual travail of prayers and tears, but it was crowned at last with the joy of seeing him not only embrace the faith and receive Baptism, but also dedicate himself without reserve to the service of Christ.

How many difficulties there are also today in family relations and how many mothers are in anguish at seeing their children setting out on wrong paths! Monica, a woman whose faith was wise and sound, invites them not to lose heart but to persevere in their mission as wives and mothers, keeping firm their trust in God and clinging with perseverance to prayer.

As for Augustine, his whole life was a passionate search for the truth. In the end, he found in Christ the ultimate and full meaning of his own life and of the whole of human history. In adolescence, attracted by earthly beauty, he "flung himself" upon it - as he himself confides (cf. *Confessions*, 10, 27-38) - with selfish and possessive behaviour that caused his pious mother great pain. Through a toilsome journey and thanks also to her prayers, Augustine became always more open to the fullness of truth and love until his conversion.

Saint Monica and Saint Augustine invite us to turn confidently to Mary, Seat of Wisdom. Let us entrust Christian parents to her so that, like Monica, they may accompany their children's progress with their own example and prayers. Let us commend youth to the Virgin Mother of God so that, like Augustine, they may always strive for the fullness of Truth and Love which is Christ: He alone can satisfy the deepest desires of the human heart.

https://www.vatican.va/content/benedict-xvi/en/angelus/2006/documents/hf_ben-xvi_ang_20060827.html



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