# 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, OCTOBER 16<sup>TH</sup>

12:10 P.M. Bleselda Gonzales Aspiras Req. Brenda & Delia Gonzales

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17<sup>TH</sup>

8:00 A.M. Thanksgiving Intentions of Agnes Chan & Family

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup>

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

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19<sup>TH</sup>

8:00 A.M. +Leonora Lim Pelejo Req. Roberta Blanca-Pador

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>

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

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup>

10:00 A.M. +Benito Samson Sta. Ana Req. Elenita Sta. Ana

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.





#### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

will take place on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the church. For the Adoration pamphlet with prayers, visit

www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org. All parishioners are welcome!

### (FRFE) FIRST RECONCILIATION CATECHETICAL CLASS

The First Reconciliation Catechetical

Preparation Class will take place on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>October 28, 2023</u> at <u>6:15 pm, in-person in the</u> <u>church</u>. (The second of six classes will take place



on Saturday, November 25, 2023.) For more information and the schedule of classes, please visit our Parish website:

www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.

#### <u>REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR</u> <u>RCIA 2023-2024</u> <u>RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS</u>



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 <u>VOLUNTEERS</u> to serve as *Ministers* to the Sick & Homebound, Extraordinary *Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Altar Servers, Choir Members and Garden Volunteers!* If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office by phone at (416) 483-1513 or by email at stmonicatoronto@gmail.com.



Archdiocese of Toronto - Office of Catholic Youth <u>RENEW TORONTO</u>, 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. Registration closes on October 13, 2023. For more information, please visit: <u>www.renewtoronto.org</u> or email: youngadult@ocytoronto.org.

#### St. Augustine's Seminary, Nov. 17-19, 2023 Come & See Discernment Weekend Retreat

"Discernment is not trying to figure out what God is thinking. It is trying to receive what God is giving."



- Fr. Greg Carruthers, S.J. The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Retreat for men 18 years and older at Saint Augustine's Seminary on Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, at

6:30 p.m., until Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 p.m. This retreat, which offers a way for men to discern a possible call to the priesthood, includes Mass, Adoration, & reflection talks at our seminary. Register online: <u>www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee</u>. For more information, please email: <u>vocations@archtoronto.org</u>.

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support the Archdiocese of Toronto. When you donate stocks, mutual funds and other publicly traded securities to a registered charity, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. It means a great tax break for you and more significant, support of your Parish and various archdiocesan charities such as ShareLife, St. Augustine's Seminary, The Shepherds' Trust and many others. To donate securities, follow this link: <u>https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-andministries/social-justice--outreach/developmentand-sharelife/home/giftsof-securities/</u>.

## <u>REFLECTION FROM THE</u> <u>PONTIFICAL SOCIETY FOR THE</u> <u>PROPAGATION OF FAITH</u>

#### OCTOBER IS MISSIONARY MONTH

Sunday, October 15, 2023 "He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast" (Matthew 22:3)

There is wealth of meaning carried by the imagery used in the readings of today. The end-time is depicted as a banquet, a time of great happiness. The power of that image was much more evident to the people of Isaiah's or Christ's time, than it is to our own. The feast celebrated on the mountain in Isaiah, the wedding feast in the Gospels in a word, a meal done well, experienced rightly, all of that is life as God intended it to be, life done well, acted out rightly.

Matthew's story is so overlaid with symbols that it is easy to forget the central image of God as a gracious host who hopes that everyone will come to his banquet. We hold precious the image of God who calls the good and the bad to the banquet of life. The invitation to the banquet that is given us is an invitation to nothing less than life itself, life as God means it to be. And that, if done rightly, is a thing to celebrate.

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