

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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Email: stmonicatoronto@gmail.com Website: www.stmonicatoronto.ca

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, NOVEMBER 20TH 12:10 P.M. Thomas Medon

Req. Margaret Medon

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST

8:00 A.M. +Sir S.M.C. Ihekweazu

Req. Ugochi Okoro

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND 12:10 P.M. +Crisalia Couto

Reg. Manuel Couto

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD

8:00 A.M. +Loretta Marie McCann

Req. Lisa & Paul Racioppa

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH

12:10 P.M. Veronica Yusha Pirzada

Req. Margaret Medon

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH

10:00 A.M. +Kenneth Peter Assing

Req. Patrice Assing

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 <u>stmonicatoronto@gmail.com</u>.





FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

will take place on December 1st, 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!

(FRFE) FIRST RECONCILIATION CATECHETICAL CLASS

The First Reconciliation Catechetical Preparation

Class will take place on

Saturday, November 25, 2023 at **6:15 pm, in-person in the**

<u>church</u>. (The third of six classes will take place on Saturday, December 16, 2023.) For more

information and the schedule of classes, please visit our Parish website:

www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.

REGISTRATION OPEN FOR RCIA 2023-2024



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).

2023 Christmas Fundraising

We are selling Purdy's chocolates to raise funds for our RCIA program. Please visit our website, www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org to place your orders until Nov. 28th, for pickup starting Dec. 16th. If you prefer to pay by cash or cheque, please contact the parish office by calling 416-483-1513 or sending an email to stmonicatoronto@gmail.com.



REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

During the month of November, the faithfully departed will be remembered at each Mass. We are providing several alternatives for you to submit the names of your departed relatives and friends:

- 1. Submit the names through the online form at our website www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.
- 2. Send a list of the names by email to stmonicatoronto@gmail.com.
- 3. Prepare a list of the names and place your list in the basket provided in the church foyer *before* Mass starts. This basket will be available before all Masses during the month of November.
- 4. Drop off your list of names through the mail slot of the Parish Office.
- 5. Mail your list of names to St. Monica's Parish, 44 Broadway Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, M4P 1T4.



Archdiocesan Consultation Initiative

Archbishop Leo invites the Catholic community to participate in a period of consultation to help inform future

pastoral planning. For more information and to complete the survey on or before Dec. 15, 2023, go to: www.archtoronto.org/consultation.



The Shepherds' Trust Special Collection Nov. 18 & 19, 2023

As members of our Catholic community, we regularly benefit from the tireless service of our priests. The Shepherds' Trust ensures our priests can live their retirement years with dignity. This fund is a tangible way to give thanks for the blessings we have received through them. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Nov. 19, 2023

What will you say when you meet God face to face?
Better still, what will God say to you?
Will you be able to answer that you served faithfully? Can you answer that now? If God is calling you to 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.

ENTERING INTO OUR MASTER'S JOY

"Well done, good and trustworthy slave; enter into the joy of your master." These are the beautiful words that all of us long to hear after a life of following Christ. The parable of the talents is often seen as the classical parable on stewardship. Let us take some time reflecting on it more deeply today.

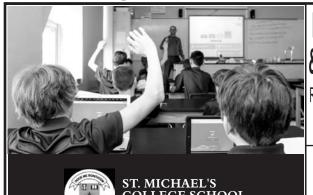
Cardinal Collins comments on this parable in his Pastoral Letter on Stewardship* saying, "As good stewards, we are meant to use God's gift fruitfully and creatively, so that with true gratitude for what we have received we may return God's gifts to Him with increase." The key word in that sentence is increase. Although the third slave did not waste or squander the talents or gifts he had received, the Master did not utter that beautiful phrase to him. The third slave did not work so as to create an increase of his goods. Stewardship always remains as an active way of life.

If we want to hear those beautiful words at our judgement, we must live in such a way that fully embraces the spirituality of stewardship. How well are we using our gifts for the glory of God and the Church? Let us not be passive in our service but seek ways to be used as an instrument of God. Let us start with prayer and move into acts of charity. We can serve in our parish community whether it be joining various ministries or helping people in need. This weekend let us renew our commitment to serving Christ.

Summary: "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; enter into the joy of your master" are the beautiful words that all of us long to hear after a life of following Christ. If we want to hear that spoken to us at our judgement, we must live in such a way that fully embraces the spirituality of stewardship. Let us ask ourselves, how well are we using our gifts for the glory of God and the Church?

* Thomas Cardinal Collins, Pastoral Letter on Stewardship. https://www.archtoronto.org/stewardship/Pages/Pastoral-Letter-Cardinal-Thomas-Collins.aspx

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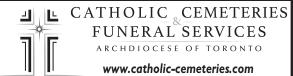


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