

## 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, FEBRUARY 12<sup>™</sup>

12:10 P.M. Francisco Espinoza

Reg. Mary Nicholas

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13<sup>TH</sup> 8:00 A.M. +Gemma C. Alleva

Reg. Gladys Bulac

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH DAY OF FASTING & ABSTINENCE

**ASH WEDNESDAY MASS** 12:10 P.M. 6:00 P.M. ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15<sup>™</sup>

8:00 A.M. +Ricardo P. Balalilhe, Jr.

Req. Richen Balalilhe

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16<sup>TH</sup>

12:10 P.M. +Julianna O'Brien

Req. Margaret McGuinness

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>

10:00 A.M. +Amy Garside

Req. The Pador Family

#### **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 March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, from 7 to 8 p.m. in the church. All are welcome! Adoration pamphlet with prayers, please visit

www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.



#### ASH WEDNESDAY: FEBRUARY 14, 2024

Masses will be at 12:10 & 6:00 p.m.



The in-person **STATIONS** of **THE CROSS** will be held every Friday *in the church* at 6:00 p.m., starting February 16th

and concluding on March 29th (Good Friday). All parishioners are invited to participate in this Lenten devotion.

#### (FRFE) FIRST **RECONCILIATION CATECHETICAL CLASS**



The First Reconciliation **Catechetical Preparation** 

Class will take place on Saturday, February 24, 2024 at 6:15 pm, in-person in the church. (The next class, after this one, will take place

on Saturday, March 16, 2024.)

#### RCIA 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).

#### **REGISTRATION OPEN FOR** 2024 RITE OF CONFIRMATION (ROC)



Registration is open for the 2024 Rite of Confirmation (ROC) preparation program. Please visit our Parish website:

www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org for the online registration form. Registration closes on April 9, 2024.



We need <u>VOLUNTEERS</u> to serve as <u>Ministers to</u> the Sick & Homebound, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Choir Members, <u>Offering Collectors, and Garden Volunteers!</u> If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office by phone at (416) 483-1513 or by email at <a href="mailto:stmonicatoronto@gmail.com">stmonicatoronto@gmail.com</a>.



#### **CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS**

As part of Marriage Sunday 2024 celebrations, Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. The Mass will take place at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 11, 2024, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment. All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2024 may register for reserved seating. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/. The broadcast will begin at 2:45 p.m.

#### Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 11, 2024



Today's Gospel says that, "Jesus was moved with pity when He saw a leper". Are you moved with love and compassion when you see the outcasts of today's society? Today,

Jesus continues to call forward men and women to minister as he did. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Father Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997. www.vocationstoronto.ca. vocations@archtoronto.org.

#### **BEING A BILLBOARD FOR CHRIST**

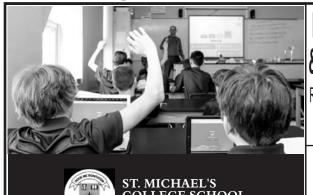
"You are a billboard for Christ." These are the words of popular Catholic speaker Father Mike Schmitz. He's trying to convey that if we are disciples of Christ, everything we do is a representation of Him. This beautiful reality is combined with a heavy responsibility. We must regularly ask ourselves, are we faithfully reflecting the love and goodness of Christ in our lives?

In today's second reading, St. Paul says that "whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." As stewards, every facet of our lives should be done to try to glorify God. This does not mean that we must always be in the chapel or being performing extraordinary works of charity. Rather, it means that we must infuse the ordinary events of our life with the powerful love of Christ. One aspect that we can sanctify is our daily work.

We should strive to realize that our work can be the sacrifice that we offer up to God. In realizing that we are working for God, we ourselves will be sanctified. We will slowly realize that everything we do is for Him, spurring us onto greater virtue. This will ultimately lead us to sanctify others for they will see the glory of God in our simple witness. Therefore, let us strive to intentionally say a prayer every morning asking God to help us glorify Him through our daily tasks.

<u>Summary</u>: In today's second reading St. Paul says that "whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." As stewards, we can glorify God through our work by realizing that our daily tasks can be the sacrifices we offer up to God. Therefore, let us strive to intentionally say a prayer every morning asking God to help us glorify Him throughout our day.

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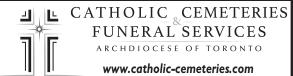


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