

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 26TH

12:10 P.M. +Domenico & Luigina Cafini

Reg. Barbara Cafini

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH

8:00 A.M. +Elias Sequeira

Req. Delsie & Family

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH

12:10 P.M. +Crisalia Couto

Req. Manuel Couto

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29TH

8:00 A.M. +Monty D'Souza

Req. Delsie & Family

FRIDAY, MARCH 1ST

12:10 P.M. +Patrick Larade

Reg. Cathy Anderson

SATURDAY, MARCH 2ND

10:00 A.M. +Sister Mary Carmencita, O.S.

Req. Theresa Gruber

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

www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.



The in-person

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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 <u>Saturday, February</u> <u>24, 2024</u> at <u>6:15 pm, in-person in the church</u>. (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).

<u>REGISTRATION OPEN FOR</u> 2024 RITE OF CONFIRMATION (ROC)



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

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

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ShareLife Sunday is March 17.



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Saturday, February 24, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

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- How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own legacy
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

- 1. scan this QR code:
- 2. follow this QR link:

https://QRCO.de/WebFeb24







<u>Development@ArchToronto.org</u> and write "webinar February 24" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

Come & See Discernment Weekend Retreat St. Augustine's Seminary, March 15-17, 2024



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, March 15th, at 6:30

p.m., until Sunday, March 17th, 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: www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee.

CONQUERING ALL THROUGH THE LOVE OF CHRIST

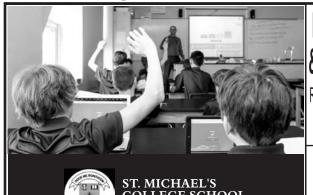
Following Christ is hard. This is a simple reality that anyone who has sought to be a disciple has quickly learned. In a culture that is increasingly secular, living out the Gospel can lead to many trials. Even as stewards we can often face many difficulties and sufferings from striving to offer all of our gifts to God. These sufferings could come from setbacks or failures in ministry or mocking and persecutions from our peers.

All of these things can cause us to lose hope and tempt us to stop fighting for Christ. This is where St. Paul's beautiful letter to the Romans can help bring us tremendous consolation. St. Paul boldly proclaims, "If God is for us, who is against us?" He encourages us to place all our hope in God despite the challenges we face. He goes on to say "Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us."

This is the lifeline that we must firmly hold onto if we wish to keep our head above water in the midst of an ocean of suffering. To know that we will always remain in the love of Christ is to know that Christ will bring us through any problem we face. When our life of stewardship becomes difficult, let us take a moment to simply pray: "I love you Jesus, help me to be more aware of your love for me."

<u>Summary</u>: In a culture that is increasingly secular, living out the Gospel and practicing stewardship can lead to many trials that may tempt us to give up our pursuit of holiness. In times like this we can find great consolation in the words of St. Paul who says that nothing can separate us from the love of Christ. When our life of stewardship becomes difficult, let us take a moment to simply pray: "I love you Jesus, help me to be more aware of your love for me."

From: Archdiocese of Toronto, Office of Formation for Discipleship, Stewardship Reflections, Year B.



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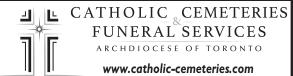


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