



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 5TH - CIVIC HOLIDAY
10:00 A.M. +Alphonse Benusis

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6TH
8:00 A.M. Aurora Lingan

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7TH
12:10 P.M. +Crisalia Couto
Req. Manuel Couto

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8TH
8:00 A.M. MASS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9TH
12:10 P.M. Dan Murphy
Req. Margaret McGuinness

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10TH
10:00 A.M. +Joseph Lloyd Hugh
Req. Gloria Hugh

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to Offer a Weekday Mass, please call the Parish Office at 416-483-1513 or please send an email to stmonicatoronto@gmail.com.



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

will take place on August 2, 2024 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!

RCIA

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).



St. Monica's Feast Day
August 27, 2024
Celebrate 118 years with us!



Please join us in praying the Novena to St. Monica during Mass from August 18th to 26th.

On St. Monica's Feast Day, Tuesday, August 27th, 2024, the 8 am Mass will be offered specifically for the conversion of souls. If you are praying for the conversion of someone you know, you can submit their names as follows:

1. Submit their names through the online form in our parish website:

www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.

2. Prepare a list of their names, and place your list in the basket provided in the church foyer.

You can submit names starting on Saturday, August 10th, until before the 8 am Mass on St. Monica's Feast Day, Tuesday, August 27th, during which all the names will be offered.

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.



Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed
Wednesday, August 14th at 7:00 P.M.



Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services – Archdiocese of Toronto invite all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed. Mass

will take place at Mount Hope Cemetery, Toronto. Celebrant: Bishop Robert Kasun. In the event of rain, Mount Hope Cemetery will celebrate Mass at St. Monica's Parish.

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 4, 2024



"I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Today's readings remind us that the priest is ordained by the Holy Spirit to be the means by which Jesus' words are fulfilled. *If you feel God could be calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997. www.vocationstoronto.ca. vocations@archtoronto.org.*

Archdiocese of Toronto - Office of Catholic Youth
RENEW TORONTO, a conference for young adults, ages 19-39, will take

place on **Sat. Nov. 23, 2024** at Canada Event Centre (formerly Canada Christian College) in Whitby. The conference includes workshops, Confession, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration & more. On **Sun. Nov. 24, 2024**, Mass and a social gathering with Archbishop Frank Leo will take place at Saint Michael's Cathedral Basilica. Early-bird registration will open soon until September 30th & regular price registration closes on October 28th. For more info:

www.renewtoronto.org. To send an email: youth@archtoronto.org.



TO GIVE THANKS

In the first reading, we hear of the Israelites who have just been freed from generations of slavery and are now wandering the desert. Once in the desert, the Israelites became hungry and begin to grumble against Moses, saying that their life in Egypt in slavery was better, for at least there they weren't hungry. The same scenario happens to Jesus in the Gospel, where just after multiplying five loaves and two fish for five thousand people, the very same people who witnessed this miracle asks for a sign from Jesus so that they may believe him.

How quickly we can forget the goodness of the Lord! It is easy to forget the good things that the Lord has done for us in our lives especially when going through hardship. Jesus tells the crowd that he will give them even a greater sign, greater than the multiplication of the loaves and fish, and greater than the manna which fell from heaven for the Israelites. Jesus would give us the Eucharist, His very body and blood, soul and divinity for us to eat.

The word Eucharist means "to give thanks." When we approach Jesus who is hidden in the Eucharist are we filled with gratitude? There may be times in our life when we feel like the Egyptians, hungry and going through a desert, and in these moments, it can be very easy to forget the goodness of the Lord. These difficult times are the moments when it is most important to go back to Jesus in the Eucharist. Jesus waits for us in the Mass, and it is in the Eucharist that we receive all the sustenance we need to complete our journey on this earth. As we are nourished by Christ, let us share the nourishment Christ gives us in the Eucharist and become a source of nourishment for others, especially by praying for those who may be going through tough times.

Summary: In the Gospel, we read of the Jewish people who ask Jesus for a sign so that they can believe what he teaches, just after he performs the miracle of multiplication of bread and fish to feed five thousand. In the same way, we can be so quick to forget the good things the Lord does for us especially when facing hardships. As we approach the Eucharist this week, let us approach with a grateful heart, remembering how the Lord cares for us and will bring us through hardships, just as he did for the Israelites.

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