



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 12TH
12:10 P.M. Thanksgiving Intentions of
Ana Tabaldo

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13TH
8:00 A.M. +Irene L. Kukola
Req. The Lagdameo Family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14TH
12:10 P.M. +Crisalia Couto
Req. Manuel Couto

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15TH
8:00 A.M. Protection of Unborn Children
Req. Masses for Life Project

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16TH
12:10 P.M. +Maria & Stefan Medon
Req. Margaret Medon

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17TH
10:00 A.M. +Abrehet Bahta Tekle
Req. Amleset & Family

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, the 8 am Mass will be offered specifically for the conversion of souls. If there is a person(s) you are praying for, you can submit their name(s) as follows:

1. 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.
 3. Send the list through an email to stmonicatoronto@gmail.com.
 4. Drop the list through the mail slot on the parish office door.
- You can submit names starting on Saturday, August 10th, until *before* the 8 am Mass on Tuesday, August 27th, during which all the names will be offered.

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 September 6th, 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).

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.

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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.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time –
Aug. 11, 2024



"I am the living bread that came down from heaven." Each of us must be a living sign and symbol of God's presence within us. If you are willing to witness Christ with your life as a priest, religious or 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.

THE BREAD FROM HEAVEN

The Gospel today begins with a response from the Jewish people that seems unfounded. Jesus had just finished performing a great miracle in their midst, and afterwards reveals his identity to them, that he is the bread of life which comes down from heaven. One would think that after witnessing the miracles, the people would believe the words of Christ, however, the response of the people to Jesus' claim was of disbelief. They could not believe or understand how Jesus could be from heaven. Didn't they know his family, know his parents, and where he came from?

Jesus doesn't take back or mince his words with this teaching. In the Gospel, he goes on to tell the crowd "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." Christ is the living bread, who gives himself to us to eat, so that through Him we may have eternal life and life in abundance. This teaching is the core of our belief in the Eucharist – that God loves us so much that he wants to give us the gift of himself, food that will last forever.

This love that God has for his people is a deep and special one. As Catholics, we believe that receiving Jesus in the Eucharist leads us to eternal life. Through the Eucharist, we are given every grace needed to journey in this life and make our way to him in the next. How often do we participate worthily in the Mass, and receive the living bread? How often do we take the graces we receive and share them with others as Christ calls us to? Let us in a particular way pray this week as we receive the Eucharist in faith, that Christ touches the heart of those who struggle with faith in the Eucharist themselves, that they may come to the Lord and receive many blessings.

Summary: The people who came to hear Jesus began to question him when Jesus reveals to them that he is the bread of life which came from heaven. They could not understand how Jesus could be from heaven, and how his flesh would become the means to eternal life for them all. We now understand that Jesus was speaking of the Eucharist, which through the appearance of bread and wine, Christ nourishes us with his body and blood, soul and divinity, giving us all the graces needed to live a life of Christian stewardship.

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