



# 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](http://cwl-st-monica.mailchimpsites.com).

### **Society of St. Vincent de Paul:**

416-322-2797 (message centre)  
[sanvincentdepaul@yahoo.com](mailto:sanvincentdepaul@yahoo.com)

### **Elementary School**

St. Monica Catholic Elementary School  
Phone: 416-393-5224  
Website: [www.tcdsb.org/schools/stmonica/](http://www.tcdsb.org/schools/stmonica/)

**MASS INTENTIONS**

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>  
12:10 P.M. Living Members of the  
Lin Family  
Req. Martha Lin

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>  
8:00 A.M. Sister Theresa  
Req. Martha Lin

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>  
12:10 P.M. Sister Gloria Radomske  
Req. Patrick Galvin

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>  
8:00 A.M. -----

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>  
12:10 P.M. -----

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup>  
10:00 A.M. +Elio Rancati

**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](mailto:stmonicatoronto@gmail.com).*



**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION**  
will take place on  
September 6, 2024 from  
7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the  
church. For the Adoration  
pamphlet with prayers, visit  
[www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org](http://www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org).  
**All parishioners are welcome!**



**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR 2024-2025  
RCIA RITE OF CHRISTIAN  
INITIATION OF ADULTS**

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).



**EUCCHARISTIC GEMS**

*What happiness do we not feel in the presence of God, when we are alone at his feet before the Sacred Tabernacle! Redouble your fervor; you are alone to adore your God; his eyes rest upon you alone.*

*- Saint John Vianney*

From: Donald H. Calloway, MIC, *Eucharistic Gems: Daily Wisdom on The Blessed Sacrament*, (Stockbridge, MA: Marian Press, 2023), 160



We need **VOLUNTEERS** to serve as **Ministers to the Sick & Homebound, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Choir Members and Garden Volunteers!** If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office by phone at (416) 483-1513 or by email at [stmonicatoronto@gmail.com](mailto:stmonicatoronto@gmail.com).



**Answer the call to compassion**

100,000 people in Toronto are expected to turn to food charities for the first time in 2024. Through our parish's support, ShareLife Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto and a generous anonymous donor are committing \$750,000 to fund food banks and meal programs throughout the Archdiocese. Please help combat hunger at [sharelife.org/donate](https://sharelife.org/donate) or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for your compassion.



The annual event of the **SEASON OF CREATION 2024** begins on September 1st (the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) and ends on October 4th (the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, patron saint of ecology). This year's theme is *"To hope and act with Creation"* and the symbol is *"The first fruits of hope,"* inspired by Romans 8:19-25. An introductory video & resources to observe this season at home, church & school may be found at the following links:



**VIDEO:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vLI5cT-56Yk>

**RESOURCES:**

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/12M3weSD4D2mvjCil3Mxen3JQZ5Rrazz3/view>.

**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time –  
September 8, 2024**

Did not God choose those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the Kingdom? Count your blessings, then come and help others count theirs too, as a priest, religious or deacon. If you feel you have such a vocation, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997. [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca); [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).



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**EPHPHATA!**

In the Gospel today, Jesus encounters a deaf man who is brought to Jesus to be healed of his impairment. The deaf man didn't come on his own initiative, but rather was brought by the people who begged Jesus to lay his hands on this man and heal him. This selfless action of the people, who didn't seek healing for themselves or for some favour to be granted to them, but instead sought the healing of the deaf man is a beautiful example of the power of intercessory prayer. The deaf man was healed not because of his faith or desire, but of the faith and desire of those who brought him to Jesus.

As the prophet Isiah declared in the first reading, "Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense he comes to save you." Christ came to bring healing, comfort, and forgiveness. Jesus desires to speak those healings words we hear in today's Gospel to everyone, 'be opened!', yet many people, including ourselves are not able to hear it because of our spiritual deafness. We may not even realize that we need the healing, after being so caught up in our own spiritual deafness. When people are unable to come to Jesus because they feel unworthy, or maybe don't know that Jesus loves them, our intercessory prayer becomes crucial as we bring before the Lord the people who need Jesus' healing touch and love.

As stewards, we are responsible for bringing people to Christ through our prayers and work of evangelization. Stewards understand that they have received many gifts from the Lord and wish to share that with others so that those around them can also partake in God's blessings. In what ways do we bring people to Christ so that Christ can bestow his blessings? Do we participate in the missionary action of the Church? Do we welcome new parishioners? Do we pray often for the needs of the people around us? Even if we are unable to bring people physically to church, let us make a greater effort to spend more time in prayer, praying for those we know in our lives who require Christ's healing.

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



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