

# St. Monica's Roman Catholic Church

"Joyfully bringing Christ to the world and intentionally bringing the world to Christ."



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Pastor: Fr. Damian Young-Sam-You Parish Secretary: Eloisa Mandelker

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 1:00pm - 5:00pm

### 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.

# 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.

#### **Elementary School**

St. Monica Catholic Elementary School

Phone: 416-393-5224

Website: www.tcdsb.org/schools/stmonica/

# MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> 12:10 P.M. -------

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> 8:00 A.M Maty Arada Reg. Mari Endaya

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup> 12:10 P.M. ------

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup> 8:00 A.M. Zenaida Balagot Req. Nina Decena

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>
12:10 P.M. +Narcisa Narciso
Reg. The Narciso Family

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup> 10:00 A.M. +Bertha Ricketts

# **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 <u>stmonicatoronto@gmail.com</u>.





### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

will take place on December 6th, 2024 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the church. For the Adoration pamphlet with prayers, please visit

<u>www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org</u>. *All parishioners are welcome!* 

# REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

During the month of November, the faithfully departed will be remembered at each Mass. We are providing several alternatives for you to submit the names of your departed relatives and friends:

- 1. Submit the names through the online form at our website www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.
- 2. Send a list of the names by email to stmonicatoronto@gmail.com.
- 3. Prepare a list of the names and place your list in the basket provided in the church foyer *before* Mass starts. This basket will be available before all Masses during the month of November.
- 4. Drop off your list of names through the mail slot of the Parish Office.
- 5. Mail your list of names to St. Monica's Parish, 44 Broadway Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, M4P 1T4.

# (FRFE) FIRST RECONCILIATION CATECHETICAL CLASS

The First Reconciliation Catechetical Preparation Class will take place on

Saturday, November 16, 2024 at 6:15 pm, inperson in the church. For more information and the schedule of classes, please



contact the Parish Office at 416-483-1513 or <a href="mailto:stmonicatoronto@gmail.com">stmonicatoronto@gmail.com</a>.



# <u>REGISTRATION OPEN:</u> 2024-2025 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).

### **EUCHARISTIC GEMS**

The Blessed Sacrament should be honoured by hearing Mass, receiving Communion frequently, visiting the Blessed Sacrament, and making spiritual communions.

- Saint Anthony Mary Claret

From: Donald H. Calloway, MIC, Eucharistic Gems: Daily Wisdom on The Blessed Sacrament, (Stockbridge, MA: Marian Press, 2023), 147

# <u>Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time –</u> November 10, 2024

How are you contributing to the treasury? God knows what gift we give to Him in love. Let us then be faithful to whatever vocation God calls us to live. Does Jesus want you to give your life to the Church? If you think that God is calling you to serve Him as a

priest, religious or deacon, please call Father Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997.

Information at: <a href="www.vocationstoronto.ca">www.vocationstoronto.ca</a>
Send an email: <a href="www.vocationstoronto.org">vocations@archtoronto.org</a>

# Your ShareLife gift will be matched!

Haven't made your annual contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign? Wait no longer! From Nov. 1st until the year end, your gift will be matched by an anonymous donor up **ShareLife** to \$500,000. That means your compassionate generosity helps even more families in need, including those nourished through ShareLife's recently announced food programs. Double the impact of your kindness by giving at the parish with a ShareLife envelope or anytime at sharelife.org/donate.



We need <u>VOLUNTEERS</u> to serve as <u>Ministers to the</u>
Sick & Homebound, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy
Communion, Lectors, Altar Servers, Offering
Collectors, Choir Members and Garden Volunteers!
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>.

### **OFFERING OUR ALL**

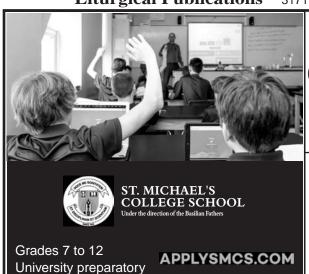
In the Gospel this Sunday, we hear the account of the poor widow's treasury offering. Jesus observes many wealthy people put in large sums of money yet He only praises the lowly widow for her contribution of two small copper coins. He exclaims, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had." (Mark 12:43).

We can learn a great lesson in stewardship through the example of this widow who symbolically offered her entire life through her small monetary offering. We too are called to give our entire lives to God. We shouldn't imitate the wealthy people in the Gospel and give from what we have leftover. Rather, we should give the "first fruits" of our time and our talents because we want to show God how grateful we are for all He has given us.

Additionally, by giving everything she had, the widow is inherently saying "God I trust that you will take care of me." As stewards, do our sacrifices show that we trust God? To trust God means knowing that even though our time spent in the parish might mean we have less time for work or other commitments, that God will still bless us abundantly. Let us strive to give all we can and trust that God will take care of all our needs, for Saint Paul says, "God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7).

Summary: We can learn a great lesson in stewardship from the widow who put in all she had, two small copper coins, into the treasury. We shouldn't imitate the wealthy people in the Gospel and give from what we have leftover. Rather, we should give the "first fruits" of our time and our talents because we want to show God how grateful we are for all He has given us.

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



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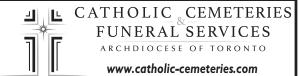


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