



St. Monica's Roman Catholic Church

“Joyfully bringing Christ to the world and intentionally bringing the world to Christ.”



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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/

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH
12:10 P.M. +Joseph & Rosie Fernandes
Req. Marian Pereira

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH
8:00 A.M. -----

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH
12:10 P.M. -----

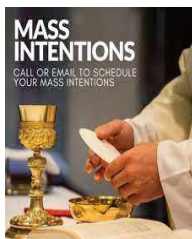
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH
8:00 A.M. -----

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH
12:10 P.M. -----

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH
10:00 A.M. -----

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.



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

will take place on February 7th, 2025 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the church. For the Adoration pamphlet with prayers, please visit www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.



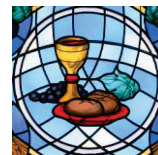
All parishioners are welcome!

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in April 2025 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

FIRST RECONCILIATION SESSIONS

We have scheduled eleven sessions for students to receive their First Reconciliation on Saturdays from 3:00 pm to 3:50 pm starting January 18th, ending on March 29th. Please pray for the students as they prepare to receive this sacrament.



FIRST EUCHARIST CLASS

The *First Eucharist Catechetical Preparation Class* will take place on **Saturday, February 25, 2025** at **6:15 pm, in-person in the church**. (The sixth of six classes will take place on Saturday, March 22, 2025.) For more information and the schedule of classes, please contact the Parish Office at 416-483-1513 or stmonicatoronto@gmail.com

REGISTRATION OPEN FOR

2025 RITE OF CONFIRMATION (ROC)

Registration is open for the 2025 Rite of Confirmation (ROC) preparation program. Please visit our Parish website: www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org for the online registration form. Registration closes on March 26, 2025.



ASH WEDNESDAY: MARCH 5, 2025

Masses will be at 12:10 & 6:00 p.m.



The in-person **STATIONS of THE CROSS** will be held every Friday **in the church** at 6:00 p.m., starting March 7th and concluding on April 18th, 2025 (Good Friday). All parishioners are invited to participate in this Lenten devotion.

RCIA 2025 REGISTRATION OPEN

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).



CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS

As part of Marriage Sunday 2025 celebrations, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass on Sunday, February 9, 2025, at 2:30 p.m., at Saint Michael's Cathedral Basilica to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment. Reserved seating is limited; only for couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary, at www.archtoronto.org/marriage. Other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Livestream is at <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/>. The broadcast will begin at 2:15 p.m.

JUBILEE 2025 OPENING MASSES – CENTRAL REGION

All parishioners are invited to celebrate the Jubilee 2025 Opening Masses in the Central Region of the Archdiocese of Toronto. All Masses begin at 7:00 p.m. Confessions are available from 5:30 pm to 6:45 pm.
-Feb. 12th, St. Paul's Basilica, by Bishop Robert Kasun
-Feb. 20th, St. Mary's Church, by Bishop Robert Kasun,
Feb. 25th, St. Edward the Confessor Church, by Cardinal Francis Leo



USING OUR GIFTS FOR DISCIPLESHIP

In the readings this Sunday, we are invited to reflect on the call to discipleship that we all receive as Christians. Just as Jesus called His first disciples to closely follow Him, so too are we called to follow Him in an ever deeper way through our commitment to stewardship.

In the Gospel today, we see Jesus getting into Peter's fishing boat so that He could preach to the vast crowds that had come to see Him. Jesus used Peter's possessions to help with His ministry. Peter, like a good disciple, obeyed and cooperated with Jesus' request and Jesus was able to further spread the Good News to those who had gathered around Him.

So too in our lives of stewardship, are we allowing Jesus to use the gifts we possess, namely our time and talents, so that others can come to know the Gospel? We can offer our time to Christ through our commitment to daily prayer. We can also use our time to journey with and support our fellow parishioners, especially those who are going through a time of difficulty. With respect to our talents, we can reflect on our particular gifts and offer them to the appropriate ministries in the parish. For example, if we have the gift of music, perhaps we can look into joining a choir, or if we have a background in teaching, perhaps various catechetical ministries in the parish. There are many ways in which God can use us to serve Him. Let us echo the words of the prophet Isaiah in the first reading and boldly say to God, "Here am I; send me!"

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



**Come & See Discernment Weekend Retreat
St. Augustine's Seminary, March 14-16, 2025**

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 14th, at 6:30 p.m., until Sunday, March 16th, at 2:00 p.m. This retreat offers a way to discern a possible call to the priesthood, and includes Mass, Adoration, & reflection talks at our seminary. Register online: www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeesee.

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