

# 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/

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup> FAMILY DAY

10:00 A.M. Thanksgiving Intentions

Req. Parishioner

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18<sup>TH</sup>

8:00 A.M. +Abrehet Bahta Tekle

Req. Amleset & Family

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19<sup>TH</sup>

12:10 P.M. +Donna Somers

Req. James Kay

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20<sup>TH</sup>

8:00 A.M. -----

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21<sup>ST</sup>

12:10 P.M. The Kobus Family

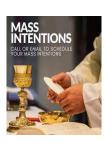
Req. Kevin & Susan Kobus

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22<sup>ND</sup>

10:00 A.M. +Ernest 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 stmonicatoronto@gmail.com.





### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

will take place on March 7th, 2025 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the church, after the Stations of the Cross. For the Adoration pamphlet with prayers,

please visit

www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.

All parishioners are welcome!



### 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 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (Good Friday). *All parishioners are invited to participate in this Lenten devotion.* 

### 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 18<sup>th</sup>, ending on March 29<sup>th</sup>. 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 <u>Saturday</u>, February 25, 2025 at <u>6:15 pm, in-person in the church</u>. (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 <u>stmonicatoronto@gmail.com</u>

### <u>REGISTRATION OPEN FOR</u> 2025 RITE OF CONFIRMATION (ROC)

Registration is open for the 2025 Rite of Confirmation (ROC) preparation program. Please visit our Parish



website: <a href="www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org">www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org</a>
for the online registration form. <a href="Registration closes">Registration closes</a>
on March 26, 2025. ROC candidates must attend the Enrollment Mass on Saturday, March 29, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

### 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).



## 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. 12<sup>th</sup>, St. Paul's Basilica, by Bishop Robert Kasun
-Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, St. Mary's Church, by Bishop Robert Kasun
-Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>, St. Edward the Confessor Church, by Cardinal Francis Leo

## **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, which offers a way to discern a possible call to the priesthood, includes Mass, Adoration, & reflection talks at our seminary. Register online:

www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee.

### **BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO TRUSTS**

In the first reading this Sunday, we learn all about the importance of trust. The Lord says to the prophet Jeremiah, "Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord ... That person shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green." Let us take some time to reflect on the role of trust in our lives as stewards.

Being a steward involves the total gift of our time and talents to our parish community for the good of the Church. However, despite all our good deeds, we may not always see the fruit of our labours. The parish vitality may still seem bleak or people may still seem to lack interior conversion. However, this is where the need for trust comes in.

We must trust that God will surely bless our stewardship and bring about great graces, even though we do not see them. Whenever we begin to lose hope because of the slow progress in our ministry, we can look to our own lives for reassurance. We ourselves probably didn't have a conversion experience the first time we heard the Gospel. All of those moments were instead slow and gradual movements the Lord used to bring us to where we are now. Let us trust that God is silently doing great things through the gift of ourselves and strive to work ever more ardently.

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



We need <u>VOLUNTEERS</u> to serve as *Ministers to the 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>.

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