MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 14TH 12:10 P.M. ------

TUESDAY, APRIL 15TH

8:00 A.M. +Ricardo P. Balalilhe, Jr.

Req. Richen Balalilhe

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16TH

12:10 P.M. +Abrehet Bahta Tekle

Req. Amleset & Family

THURSDAY, APRIL 17TH

8:00 P.M. HOLY THURSDAY

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

FRIDAY, APRIL 18TH

3:00 P.M. GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

(Day of fasting and abstinence)

SATURDAY, APRIL 19TH

8:00 P.M. EASTER VIGIL MASS

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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>.





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.*

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 17TH, 2025

(There is no 8 a.m. Mass.)

8:00 P.M. MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

WASHING OF FEET

REPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

ADORATION FOR ONE HOUR AFTER THE MASS

GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 18TH, 2025

(There is no 11:40 a.m. Confession & 12:10 p.m. Mass. The Parish Office is closed.)

3:00 P.M. PASSION OF THE LORD

LITURGICAL SERVICE

EUCHARIST

VENERATION OF THE CROSS

6:00 P.M. STATIONS OF THE CROSS

HOLY SATURDAY – APRIL 19TH, 2025

(There is no 9:30 a.m. Confession & 10 a.m. Mass. There is no 4:00 p.m. Confession & 5:00 p.m. Mass.)

8:00 P.M. EASTER VIGIL MASS

EASTER SUNDAY of the

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - APRIL 20TH, 2025

9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. MASS

EASTER MONDAY – APRIL 21ST, 2025

11:40 A.M. CONFESSION & 12:10 P.M. MASS

(The Parish Office is closed.)

Regular Mass & Office Schedule Resumes Tues., April 22, 2025.

Pontifical Collection, Good Friday April 18th, 2025 for the Benefit of the Holy Land

As a Pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection offers parishioners the opportunity to be witnesses of peace and help protect the Holy Places. When you donate on Good Friday, you are supporting Christian communities in the Holy Land.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

will take place on May 2nd, 2025 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the church. For the Adoration pamphlet with prayers, visit <u>www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org</u> **All parishioners are welcome!**



2025 RITE OF CONFIRMATION (ROC)

Rite of Confirmation (ROC) classes take place online.



The first two of six virtual classes will take place <u>online</u> on April 29th & April 30th, 2025 at <u>4:00 pm sharp</u>. For more information & the schedule of classes, please visit our Parish

website: www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.



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).



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 at (416) 483-1513 or stmonicatoronto@gmail.com.

St. ShareLife

You empower youth to embrace God

Your devotion enables the Office of Catholic Youth to fulfill their mission of

helping youth and young adults to encounter, love and serve Jesus Christ. Through your loving support of ShareLife, young people are empowered to become Christian leaders who know Christ and have a growing relationship with Him. Aspiring youth and campus ministers, like Laura, form spiritual habits through workshops and formation retreats. They learn practical methods to engage the youth of today and help them deal with everyday pressures. "These formation sessions have equipped me with a firm foundation in the faith," she says, "enabling me to pass on authentic Catholic teachings to the young people in my care." Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate. Thank you for living the Gospel through ShareLife!



We are pleased to announce that the <u>Journey through Lent</u> video series is available on the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

Passion (Palm) Sunday – April 13, 2025

Blessed are they who come in the Name of the Lord! Am I being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon,



religious brother or sister? If God is calling you contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997.

www.vocationstoronto.ca; vocations@archtoronto.org.

THE CROSS of CHRIST

Today marks the beginning of Holy Week, the most important and solemn week of the Church's liturgical calendar. In the Gospel this Sunday, we are invited to reflect on the passion and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. The cross is the most recognizable symbol of our Christian faith. We see crucifixes hanging in Churches, schools, homes and even worn around many people's necks. However, we can become so used to this constant presence of the crucifix that we become indifferent to what it signifies. Let us take a moment to grasp the beauty and truth found in the cross.

God became man and was willing to be crucified for the forgiveness of our sins. It is through the cross that Christ defeats Satan and triumphantly attains our salvation, allowing us to enter our heavenly home. The entire course of human history was dramatically altered because of the cross of Christ. As stewards, we should always view the salvation won through the cross as the greatest gift that God has bestowed on us.

As we approach the Holy Triduum, let us take some time each day this week to reflect on the passion of Christ. Many great saints strongly promoted this practice of calling to mind the sufferings of Christ. We can do this in many ways such as praying the Stations of the Cross or the sorrowful mysteries of the Rosary, reading the passion narratives in the Bible or simply gazing upon a crucifix. Let us never fail to appreciate the sublime beauty of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross.

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