

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 21ST

12:10 P.M. +J. Leoncio Rayala
Req. Alicia Sabatini

TUESDAY, APRIL 22ND

8:00 A.M. +Mary Sandanam
Req. The Sandanam Family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23RD

12:10 P.M. +William Shirley
Req. Kevin & Susan Kobus

THURSDAY, APRIL 24TH

8:00 A.M. +Rose Hehir
Req. The Hehir Family

FRIDAY, APRIL 25TH

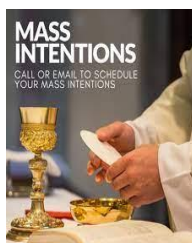
12:10 P.M. +Georg Kralik
Req. The Kralik Family

SATURDAY, APRIL 26TH

10:00 A.M. Protection of Unborn Children
Req. Masses for Life Project

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*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.*



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

Adoration for one hour after the Mass
REPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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 www.stmonicastoronto.org 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 **online** on April 29th & April 30th, 2025 at **4:00 pm sharp**. For more information & the schedule of classes, please visit our Parish

website: www.stmonicastoronto.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 **VOLUNTEERS** 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.

Thank you for being a beacon of hope

On Easter Sunday, we thank you for being a beacon of hope for our brothers and sisters in need by supporting ShareLife. In their darkest hours, you are right beside them. As we rejoice in the resurrection of our Lord this Easter Sunday, let us open our hearts to all. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.



Easter Sunday – April 20, 2025

The Lord is risen, it is true! Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, deacons and religious brothers and sisters. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997. www.vocationstoronto.ca; vocations@archtoronto.org.



HOMILY OF HIS HOLINESS

POPE FRANCIS

(Excerpt – from a previous Easter Vigil)

This is the Easter message that I would offer you: *it is always possible to begin anew*, because there is always a new life that God can awaken in us in spite of all our failures. From the rubble of our hearts – and each one of us knows the rubble of our hearts – God can create a work of art; from the ruined remnants of our humanity, God can prepare a new history. He never ceases to go ahead of us: in the cross of suffering, desolation and death, and in the glory of a life that rises again, a history that changes, a hope that is reborn. Let us listen to the Risen Lord as he invites us to begin anew and never lose hope.

There is a kind of faith that can become the memory of something once beautiful, now simply to be recalled. Many people – including us – experience such a “faith of memories”, as if Jesus were someone from the past, an old friend from their youth who is now far distant, an event that took place long ago, when they attended catechism as a child. A faith made up of habits, things from the past, lovely childhood memories, but no longer a faith that moves me, or challenges me. Going to Galilee, on the other hand, means realizing that faith, if it is to be alive, must get back on the road. It must daily renew the first steps of the journey, the amazement of the first encounter. And it must continue to trust, not thinking it already knows everything, but embracing the humility of those who let themselves be surprised by God’s ways. We are usually afraid of God’s surprises; we are always worried that God will surprise us. And today the Lord invites us to let ourselves be surprised. Let us discover that God cannot be filed away among our childhood memories, but is alive and filled with surprises. Risen from the dead, Jesus never ceases to amaze us.

https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/homilies/2021/documents/papa-francesco_20210403