MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MAY 12TH

12:10 P.M. Thanksgiving Intentions of Mitzi Lagdameo

TUESDAY, MAY 13TH

8:00 A.M. +Holy Souls in Purgatory

Req. Parishioner

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14TH

12:10 P.M. Jorge Daniel Arana Ramas

Reg. Maria Arana

THURSDAY, MAY 15[™]

8:00 A.M. Thanksgiving Intentions of

Maria Mol George & Daisy George

Req. Abey Michael

FRIDAY, MAY 16TH

12:10 P.M. +Ricardo P. Balalilhe, Jr.

Req. Richen Balalilhe

SATURDAY, MAY 17TH

10:00 A.M. +Ana Perez Kalaw

Req. The Kalaw Family



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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
email <u>stmonicatoronto@gmail.com</u>.
Having a Mass said for a specific
intention, whether for a living or

deceased person, is a way to offer prayers & graces for that person or need. It is a way to ask for divine intercession through the powerful act of the Mass, which is the highest form of prayer.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

will take place on June 6th, 2025 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the church. For the Adoration pamphlet with prayers, visit

www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org

All parishioners are welcome!

2025 RITE OF CONFIRMATION (ROC)

The Rite of Confirmation (ROC) classes take place online. The next two virtual classes will take place <u>online</u> on May 27th & May 28th, 2025 at **4:00 pm sharp**.



CONFIRMATION MASS

will be held on
Saturday, June 7, 2025
at the 5 pm Mass.
Please pray for the
candidates and their
families as they prepare

to receive this sacrament.

EUCHARISTIC GEMS

Let us speak to the purpose, and beseech the Father to give us grace, so to prepare ourselves for the reception of this sacred and heavenly food that, although our bodily eyes cannot rejoice in looking on Jesus, hidden as he is beneath the sacramental veils, yet he may reveal himself to the sight of our soul, and may teach us that this Bread is a special kind of nutriment which contains in itself sweetness and joy, and sustains our life.

- Saint Teresa of Ávila

From: Donald H. Calloway, MIC, Eucharistic Gems: Daily Wisdom on The Blessed Sacrament, (Stockbridge, MA: Marian Press, 2023), 168



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 <u>Ministers</u> 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.

Sow the seeds of hope for the next generation

The future of the Church depends on men and women heroically answering God's call. When you support ShareLife, you enable the discernment, formation and education of those who will serve in our parishes through the Office of Vocations and seminaries. Your kindness makes it possible for future priests to attend St. Augustine's Seminary and the Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary where they learn to tend to the Lord's vineyard and work for the salvation of souls. In addition, St. Augustine's Seminary educates permanent deacons and lay people serving our parishes. Thank you for your prayers and commitment towards young people on their journeys of faith. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Fourth Sunday of Easter – May 11, 2025
On this Good Shepherd Sunday, we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997. www.vocationstoronto.ca; vocations@archtoronto.org.



JUBILEE PRAYER 2025

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in

us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.

HIS HOLINESS POPE LEO XIV: "Peace Be With You!"

Dearest brothers and sisters, this was the first greeting of the risen Christ, the good shepherd who gave His life for the flock of God. I, too, would like this greeting of peace to enter your hearts, to reach your families and all people, wherever they are; and all the peoples, and all the earth: Peace be with you. This is the peace of the Risen Christ, a disarming and humble and preserving peace. It comes from God. God, who loves all of us, without any limits or conditions. Let us keep in our ears the weak but always brave voice of Pope Francis, who blessed Rome - the Pope who blessed Rome and the world that day on the morning of Easter.

Allow me to continue that same blessing. God loves us, all of us, evil will not prevail. We are all in the hands of God. Without fear, united, hand in hand with God and among ourselves, we will go forward. We are disciples of Christ, Christ goes before us, and the world needs His light. Humanity needs Him like a bridge to reach God and His love. You help us to build bridges with dialogue and encounter so we can all be one people always in peace.

Thank you Pope Francis! Thank you to my Cardinal brothers who chose me to be the Successor of Peter and to walk together with you as a united Church searching all together for peace and justice, working together as women and men, faithful to Jesus Christ without fear, proclaiming Christ, to be missionaries, faithful to the gospel.

I am a son of Saint Augustine, an Augustinian. He said, "With you I am a Christian, for you a bishop." So, may we all walk together towards that homeland that God has prepared for us.

To the Church of Rome, a special greeting: We have to look together how to be a missionary Church, building bridges, dialogue, always open to receiving with open arms for everyone, like this square, open to all, to all who need our charity, our presence, dialogue, love.

To all you brothers and sisters of Rome, Italy, of all the world, we want to be a synodal church, walking and always seeking peace, charity, closeness, especially to those who are suffering.

Today is the day of the Supplicatio [Plea] to Our Lady of Pompei. Our blessed Mother Mary always wants to walk with us, be close to us, she always wants to help us with her intercession and her love. So let us pray together for this mission, and for all of the Church, and for peace in the world. We ask for this special grace from Mary, our Mother.

https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2025-05/pope-leo-xvi-peace-be-with-you-first-words.html