

## MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MAY 19<sup>TH</sup> VICTORIA DAY

10:00 A.M. +Abrehet Bahta Tekle  
Req. Amleset & Family

TUESDAY, MAY 20<sup>TH</sup>

8:00 A.M. +Homero Sosa  
Req. Samantha Sosa

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21<sup>ST</sup>

12:10 P.M. +Jovita Muller  
Req. Kathy Sharkey

THURSDAY, MAY 22<sup>ND</sup>

8:00 A.M. +Jeanette Berthau  
Req. Jocelyn Berthau and  
Jeanelle Berthau

FRIDAY, MAY 23<sup>RD</sup>

12:10 P.M. Intentions of Margaret Medon

SATURDAY, MAY 24<sup>TH</sup>

10:00 A.M. +Bill Broadhurst  
Req. Erin Carrique

## 2025 RITE OF CONFIRMATION (ROC)

The Rite of Confirmation (ROC) classes take place online. The next two virtual classes will take place online 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.*



## 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).



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*If you would like to Offer a Weekday Mass, please call the Parish Office at 416-483-1513 or email [stmonicatoronto@gmail.com](mailto:stmonicatoronto@gmail.com).*

*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 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the church. For the Adoration pamphlet with prayers, visit [www.stmonicastoronto.org](http://www.stmonicastoronto.org)  
**All parishioners are welcome!**



## EUCCHARISTIC GEMS

Adoration is a prayer that prolongs the celebration and the Eucharistic communion and in which the soul continues to be nourished: it is nourished with love, truth, peace; it is nourished with hope, because the one before whom we prostrate ourselves does not judge us, does not crush us but liberates and transforms us.

*- Pope Benedict XVI*

*With All My Soul, I Love Thee, My God!*

From: Donald H. Calloway, MIC, *Eucharistic Gems: Daily Wisdom on The Blessed Sacrament*, (Stockbridge, MA: Marian Press, 2023), 174

## Your helping hand ensures that no one struggles alone



No one is turned away from ShareLife-funded agencies due to inability to pay.

You make it possible for individuals, couples, and families to access mental health services. Like Aimee, who grew up believing that life's challenges were meant to be faced alone. She searched for the strength to speak with a counsellor, but felt hopeless, imagining that her struggles would be dismissed. Financial concerns weighed heavily on her, making it even harder to reach out. Imagine the relief Aimee felt when she learned about the sliding scale payment system at Catholic Community Services of York Region (CCSYR). Because of you, Aimee received immediate care, free of judgement. *Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).*



### Fifth Sunday of Easter – May 18, 2025

The new commandment of love is required of everyone who follows the risen Lord. How do you fulfill the commandment? 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](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca); [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

## FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, June 7, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Learn:

- How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your own legacy
- About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

### 3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. scan the QR code
2. follow this QR link: [qrco.de/WebJune7](https://qrco.de/WebJune7)
3. send an email to:

[Development@ArchToronto.org](mailto:Development@ArchToronto.org) and write “webinar June 7” in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



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](mailto:stmonicatoronto@gmail.com).

## ST. THERESE'S SCHOOL OF LOVE

### (Fifth Sunday of Easter)

In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus gives us the new commandment to love one another just as He loves us. Jesus goes on to say that, “everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” As stewards, we must always seek to love others and in doing so, point them to Christ. Let us take some time to reflect on the words of a great saint of love, St. Therese of Lisieux.

St. Therese, a doctor of the Church, famously promoted her “little way.” She didn’t believe she was strong enough to perform great acts of charity or mortification. Instead, she sought to offer up small acts of kindness as her gifts to Christ and the Church. She tells us to “miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love.” Love isn’t reserved solely for grand gestures but can also be displayed through small charitable acts.

Moreover, St. Therese says that “without love, deeds, even the most brilliant, count as nothing.” We must always infuse our stewardship with great love, otherwise it may turn into simple volunteerism. Let us seek ways to offer up our time and talent to our parish communities, regardless of how small they may seem to be. St. Therese reassures us that “Our Lord does not so much look at the greatness of our actions, or even at their difficulty, as at the love with which we do them.” Let us strive to fully give of ourselves and remember St. Therese’s teaching that “When one loves, one does not calculate.”

**SUMMARY** Jesus says in the Gospel that, “everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” As stewards, we should always strive to love others, but we should remember that love isn’t reserved solely for grand gestures but can also be displayed through small charitable acts. St. Therese of Lisieux tell us to “miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love.”

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