

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JULY 7TH

12:10 P.M. +Martina Le Hunte
Req. Maria Le Hunte

TUESDAY, JULY 8TH

8:00 A.M. +Martina Le Hunte
Req. Maria Le Hunte

WEDNESDAY, JULY 9TH

12:10 P.M. Thanksgiving Intentions of
Gloria Gillego

THURSDAY, JULY 10TH

8:00 A.M. +Nemia Balesoro
Req. Gloria Gillego

FRIDAY, JULY 11TH

12:10 P.M. Intentions of Jojie Fortin &
+Ella Rizza Florendo Cordero
Req. Richen Balalilhe

SATURDAY, JULY 12TH

10:00 A.M. +Wilhelm Gruber
Req. The Gruber Family

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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

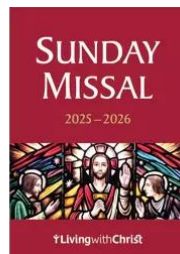


Having a Mass said for a specific intention, whether for a living or deceased person, is a way to offer prayers & graces for that person or need. It is a way to ask for divine intercession through the powerful act of the Mass, which is the highest form of prayer.



RCIA 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).



ORDERS ACCEPTED UNTIL AUG. 3RD FOR 2025-2026 SUNDAY MISSAL

If you would like to have your own copy of the 2025-2026 Sunday Missal, please put **your \$5 cash or cheque** (payable to St. Monica's Parish) donation in an envelope marked **"2026 SUNDAY MISSAL"** with your name & phone number and/or email address so we can contact you when your missal is ready for pickup. Kindly drop your donation in the collection basket or through the mail slot on the parish office door on or before Sunday, Aug. 3rd.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

will take place on July 4th, 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!



HIS EMINENCE FRANK CARDINAL LEO

Pastoral Letter: That Blessed Upper Room *

I am reaching out to you with this Pastoral Letter to share some faith-filled and spiritual reflections in an effort to contribute to the growth of the Christian spirit among us and help strengthen the faith, joy and devotion throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto. Last year, I penned a first Pastoral Letter reflecting on the theme of the **Kingdom of God present and active in our midst**. This year, I would like to reflect together on the place and significance of **The Upper Room** in our lives, our families and in our communities of faith since it is primarily associated with major and pivotal events in the life of Jesus and of the early Church.

For those who have been blessed with the opportunity to visit the Holy Land, one of the major holy sites is the Upper Room on Mount Zion in the Holy City of Jerusalem. It is literally the upstairs room in a two-story building. Tradition holds that it is located directly above the Tomb of King David and close to the Abbey of the Dormition of Our Lady. It is called Cenacle because the Last Supper, in Latin *Coena*, took place there. Though it has served many different uses over the centuries, for believers and pilgrims it remains a focal point. It conveys such depth and meaning as to what it means to live in Christ that it can become an inspiring aid for our day.

<https://www.archtoronto.org/en/outreach/news/archdiocesan/that-blessed-upper-room-pastoral-letter-from-frank-cardinal-leo/> (*Intro: paragraphs 1 & 2)

Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed

Wednesday, August 13th, 2025 at 7:00 P.M.

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services – Archdiocese of



Toronto invite all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed. Mass will take place at Mount Hope Cemetery, Toronto. Celebrant: Bishop Robert Kasun. In the event of rain, Mount Hope

Cemetery will celebrate Mass at St. Monica's Parish.

Jubilee Pilgrimage to Martyr's Shrine - August 24, 2025

All are welcome and encouraged to attend the Archdiocese of Toronto's Jubilee Pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland on Sunday, August 24th, with Frank Cardinal Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto. The program will include opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Holy Mass with Cardinal Leo, a rosary procession, Eucharistic Adoration, Benediction and Fellowship. Please visit: [Archdiocese of Toronto - Pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine](https://www.archdioceseoftoronto.org/pilgrimage-to-martyrs-shrine).



You're there for seniors in their time of need

Your support of ShareLife-funded agencies, like the Cardinal Ambrozic Houses of Providence, gives seniors, like John, a sense of belonging. As one of many valued residents who live with dementia, his cognitive impairment can leave him feeling vulnerable and confused. Your compassion makes it possible for him to be surrounded by both his family and caregivers in a comforting environment. John's son has fondly witnessed gestures that go above and beyond for his father, ensuring he's never left embarrassed. This is a testament to the dignity and life-affirming respect you help provide. *Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.*

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 6, 2025

"The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into His harvest."

Pray for vocations! 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.



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

THE HARVEST IS PLENTY

In the Gospel reading, Jesus commissions the disciples who were following him and sent them out two by two to all the places which Jesus intended to go. They were sent to prepare the way, and to prepare the hearts of the people, that they will be able to receive Jesus and his message when he comes. However, there are two stark realities that Jesus conveys to the disciples about their journey.

First, the harvest is plenty, but the laborers are few. The world is ripe for the harvest, but unfortunately, the number of people willing to go out and work for the sake of building up the Kingdom of God are few. This reality was present in Jesus' time and continues to be a reality today. Jesus calls many yet only few answer the call. The second reality is that when we are sent, we are like lambs in the midst of wolves. Jesus knew that the preaching of the Gospel would come with opposition and persecution.

Jesus knows that the work will be difficult and warns his disciples of the challenges they will face. However, he also promises to be with them and extends this promise to us as well. As the Lord speaks through Isaiah in the first reading, he tells us that as a mother comforts her child, so the Lord will comfort those who are doing his will. As stewards, we are called to labor for God's kingdom, a work that can be difficult and lifelong. The harvest is plenty, but the laborers are few. Let us spend time to reflect on the ways that the Lord calls us, asking God to open our hearts to his invitation of sharing our time and talent with our parish community. Let us also pray in a special way this week for those who are laboring, and that even more people may hear the Lord's call and work in his harvest.

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