JULY 13, 2025

# MASS INTENTIONS

- MONDAY, JULY 14<sup>TH</sup>
- 12:10 P.M. +Mary Higgins Req. Karen Bertand
- TUESDAY, JULY 15<sup>TH</sup>
- 8:00 A.M. +Rose Callan Req. Kathy Sharkey
- WEDNESDAY, JULY 16<sup>TH</sup>
- 12:10 P.M. +Lolita Dadia Req. Helen Dadia
- THURSDAY, JULY 17<sup>TH</sup>
- 8:00 A.M. +Ranjit & Manel Halahackone and +Elmo Mitchell Req. Diluni Halahackone
- FRIDAY, JULY 18<sup>TH</sup>
- 12:10 P.M. +Abrehet Bahta Tekle Req. Amleset & Family
- SATURDAY, JULY 19<sup>TH</sup>
- 10:00 A.M. +Dr. Kalonde Malama Req. Laurie & David Coleman

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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 August 1st, 2025 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the church. For the Adoration pamphlet with prayers, visit www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org



SUNDAY MISSAL 2025-2026

#### ORDERS ACCEPTED UNTIL AUG. 3<sup>RD</sup> 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 <u>"2026 SUNDAY</u> <u>MISSAL"</u> 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. 3<sup>rd.</sup>



St. Monica's Feast Day August 27, 2025 Celebrate 119 years with us!

Please join us in praying the <u>Novena to Saint</u> <u>Monica</u> during Mass from August 18<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The novena prayer is posted on our website (www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org).

On St. Monica's Feast Day, August 27<sup>th</sup> the Mass will be offered specifically for the conversion of souls. If you are praying for the conversion of someone you know, you can submit their names as follows:

**1**. Submit their names through the online form in our parish website:

www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.

2. Send a list of the names by email to <u>stmonicatoronto@gmail.com</u>.

 Prepare a list of their names, and place your list in the basket provided in the church foyer. You can submit names starting on Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, until *before* the 12:10 pm Mass on Saint Monica's Feast Day, Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, during which all the names will be offered.
Drop off your list of names through the mail slot of the parish office.

5. Mail your list of names to St. Monica's Parish, 44 Broadway Ave., Toronto, ON M4P 1T4.

All parishioners are welcome!

## Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 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.

#### Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 13, 2025

It's a simple concept: love God with your whole being and put that love into practice. How is God calling you to love? Have you considered the way of loving called 'priesthood', 'diaconate' or 'religious life'? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-968-0997.

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



#### SL ShareLife

# You help young parents raise their children with love and care

Rose of Sharon is one of the agencies you support through ShareLife. Your kindness ensures that young parents are equipped with the tools they need before and after childbirth to raise their children with love. "Your generosity enables us to provide crucial resources; practical supports including food, baby formula, and clothing; guidance through our counsellors; and a supportive environment for these individuals during a pivotal and challenging phase of their lives." – Deanne Kukulewich, Executive Director, Rose of Sharon. *Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.* 



#### 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).

#### 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 24<sup>th</sup>, 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.

#### THE GOOD SAMARITAN

The law of God is not so distant that it is difficult to find, nor so complex that it takes a theologian to be able to understand and practice it. Rather, as Moses tells the people in the first reading, the law of the Lord is already in our hearts; all it takes is carrying it out. Everything that we need to know about what it takes to do God's will and build up His kingdom here on earth is written by God in our hearts!

Knowledge of the law, however, is only half the battle; what we do as a response to the law is what makes us disciples of Jesus. Jesus was aware of this when sharing the parable of the Good Samaritan. In the parable, the priest and Levite who passed the beaten-up traveller were not evil people. Both these men were men of God, and they knew that if this traveller was dead, by touching him the Jewish purity laws would make them unclean. Thus, they didn't want to take that risk, and chose to pass by him on their way to Jericho. What made the Samaritan the hero in the parable is the fact that he was willing to take a chance and put himself on the line for the sake of the other. The Samaritan was not "choosy" with who he helped and acted out of genuine love.

As stewards, when we share the gifts of our time and talent with others, do we imitate the Samaritan by being generous with our gifts and showing no partiality, or do we behave like the priest and Levite and act only out of self-interest? Is there a way in which we are being called by God to share our gifts, but we hold back? If we find that we are not truly giving our best to the Lord, let us renew our efforts to give to God the best of what we can offer, whether it be through prayer, or volunteering our time with our parish, etc.

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