MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, AUGUST 4TH CIVIC HOLIDAY

10:00 A.M. +G. Rayappan

Req. Jude & Family

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5TH

8:00 A.M. Ishita & Family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6TH

12:10 P.M. +Danilo Pangindian

Req. The Pangindian Family

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7TH

8:00 A.M. +G. Rayappan

Req. Jude & Family

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8TH

12:10 P.M. Living & Deceased Members of

The Yarguz Family Req. Margaret Medon

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9TH

10:00 A.M. Thanksgiving Intentions of

Sheldon D'Souza

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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

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



All parishioners are welcome!



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</u> <u>SUNDAY 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^{rd.}

ST. MONICA'S FEAST DAY AUGUST 27, 2025 Celebrate 119 years with us!



Please join us in

praying the <u>Novena to Saint Monica</u> during Mass from August 18th to 26th, 2025. The novena prayer is posted on our website

(www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org).

Participate in our <u>parish picture-taking</u> after the 5 pm Mass on Aug. 23rd, and the 9 & 11 am Masses on Aug. 24th. Wear something blue - any shade of blue will do!

On Saint Monica's Feast Day, Wednesday, August 27th, 2025, the 12:10 pm 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 stmonicatoronto@gmail.com.
- 3. 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 9th, until *before* the 12:10 pm Mass on Saint Monica's Feast Day, Wednesday, August 27th, during which all the names will be offered.

- 4. 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.

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.



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).



We need <u>VOLUNTEERS</u> 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.

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 3, 2025



"Be on your guard against all kinds of greed."
Grow rich in the sight of the Lord. Pray to know
God's Will, especially if you think He's calling you
to a Church vocation. 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 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, 2025 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.

VANITY OF VANITIES

There is an emphasis on the readings today about the destructive power of the sin of greed, and what greed does to a person who is consumed by it. Greed is one of the seven deadly sins, and is a sin of excess desire of wealth, status, and/or money. From the first reading, we hear from the book of Ecclesiastes, "Vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!" The writer goes on to explain that all things are vanity not because material things are evil, but because one day, a man who labours for the things he has, will lose it all when his life is demanded of him.

Jesus explains this further in the Gospel when he shares the parable of the rich fool. The rich fool is foolish because he forgot the one certainty that we all have in our lives, which is death. Greed consumed the rich fool, and he began to worship things of the world when only God is due worship. He led himself to believe that the things of this world can satisfy, forgetting that only God is the one that satisfies. All earthly goods and possessions, therefore, are vanities indeed, since the things of this world eventually perish, but the things of heaven remain forever.

What can we do to combat greed? We hear the answer in the second reading from St. Paul to the Colossians. To fight greed, we must always think of what is above and not of [the] things below. We must never forget that our eternal home is [in] heaven, and so the things we do on Earth should be with that end in sight. Let us then, look to heaven with grateful hearts, since everything that we have received on this earth has been freely given to us by God. Finally, gratitude is another way to combat greed. An excellent way to do this is to thank God for one specific blessing that we have received from Him at the end of each day. Through these simple acts of thanksgiving, we can overcome greed and live out more fully the spirituality of stewardship.

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