

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH

12:10 P.M. In Honour of Our Lady of Visora
Req. Raffaella Sacco

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

8:00 A.M. +Belen Calayag and
Thanksgiving Intentions of
Gabrielle Aragon &
Princess Calayag and

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH

12:10 P.M. +Rosario Umali
Req. Lourdenita Umali

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH

8:00 A.M. Maria Maju Furtado
Req. Jane Welch & Family

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

12:10 P.M. +Rosa & Francesco Paolo
Req. The Wall Family

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

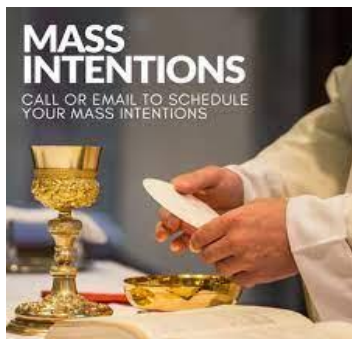
10:00 A.M. +Elio Rancati

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If you would
like to Offer a
Weekday
Mass, please
call the Parish
Office at 416-
483-1513 or
send an email to:

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 September 5th,
2025 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the
church. For the Adoration pamphlet
with prayers, please visit

www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org.

All parishioners are welcome!

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST EUCHARIST (FRFE) REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Registration is open to all students
who have not received their First
Reconciliation (Confession) & First
Eucharist (Communion). The
registration form and schedule are
available through the parish website:

www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org. **Registration
deadline is Sunday, Oct. 5, 2025.**



REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR RCIA 2025-2026

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 **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.

EUCHARISTIC GEMS

*Jesus hides in the Blessed Sacrament of
the altar because he wants us to dare to
approach him. He wants to nourish us so
we become one single thing with him.*

- Saint Josemaria Escrivá

*From: Donald H. Calloway, MIC, Eucharistic Gems:
Daily Wisdom on The Blessed Sacrament,
(Stockbridge, MA: Marian Press, 2023), 163*

Cardinal Leo Encourages You To Reach Out To Your Neighbor In Need



"We cannot turn away from the suffering around us, especially when so many struggle just to eat. Our Catholic family is called not only to witness God's love but to live it boldly: feed the hungry, restore dignity, and stand shoulder to shoulder with those in need. As Scripture reminds us in Isaiah 58:10, 'If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness.' Together, through these grants and our generous hearts, we bring hope where despair threatens to take hold." Please give generously and wholeheartedly through sharelife.org/donate or our parish using a ShareLife envelope. *Thank you for living the Gospel.*

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING

WEBINAR Saturday, Sept. 27, 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



WebSept27

3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. scan the QR code
2. follow this QR link: qrco.de/WebSept27
3. send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write "**webinar September 27**" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

LIFE CHAIN is an annual prayerful & peaceful witness to the sanctity



of human life and the harm of abortion. Participants pray & hold non-graphic signs with messages such as, "*Adoption, the Loving Option*" at hundreds of locations across North America for 1 hour. Please join us on **Sun., Oct. 5th, 2025, 2 to 3 pm**, northeast corner of Yonge & Eglinton. Please visit: <https://www.lifechain.org/>. *Thank you for your support.*

St. Augustine's Seminary, Oct. 31 – Nov. 2, 2025

Come & See Discernment Weekend Retreat

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Retreat for men 18 years & older at Saint Augustine's Seminary on Friday, Oct. 31 at 6:30 p.m., until Sunday, Nov. 2, at 2:00 p.m. This retreat, which offers a way for men to discern a possible call to the priesthood, includes Mass, Adoration, & reflections. Register www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeesee. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org.



Archdiocese of Toronto - Office of Catholic Youth

RENEW TORONTO, a conference for young adults, ages 19-39, will take place Friday, November 21st, 2025 & Saturday, November 22nd, 2025 at Canada Event Centre (formerly Canada Christian College) in Whitby. The conference includes workshops, Confession, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration & more. On Sunday, Nov. 23, 2025, Mass and a social gathering with Frank Cardinal Leo will take place at Saint Michael's Cathedral Basilica. Early-bird registration ends Sept. 30; registration closes Nov. 5. www.renewtoronto.org. youth@archtoronto.org.



GIVING THE GIFT OF OURSELVES

At first glance, Jesus' words in the Gospel this Sunday seem like a cruel and impossible ideal for any Christian to live. Surely, he doesn't mean for us to hate our fathers and mothers and even life itself, right? However, these words all point to the most central mystery of today's gospel, that "whoever of you does not give up all their possessions cannot be my disciple." Now, the Lord doesn't mean to suggest that all of us should have no possessions, but rather to live with a lens that gratefully views all our possessions as gifts from God, that are meant to be used for His glory and the good of the Church. This lens is at the very core of what it means to live as a steward.

Cardinal Collins, in his *Pastoral Letter on Stewardship** states that good stewards are "meant to use God's gift fruitfully and creatively, so that with true gratitude for what we have received, we may return God's gifts to Him with increase." These gifts do not involve simply financial goods, but the gifts of our time and talents as well.

As the new school year is beginning and many ministries in the parish are gearing up for a new year, we should ask ourselves, how can we lend our time and gifts to serve others? By taking today's Gospel message to heart, we can learn to be even more generous with the gift of our lives, as we boldly and joyfully proclaim our identity as Jesus' disciples.

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

* Thomas Cardinal Collins, *Pastoral Letter on Stewardship*. Available at: <https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-and-ministries/sub-sites/stewardship/home/pastoral-letter/>