## MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> 12:10 P.M. +Patricia Noe

Req. Kathy Sharkey

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD

8:00 A.M. +Jose Padios

Req. Rosalina Parale

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH

12:10 P.M. In Thanksgiving & for the

Intentions of Joan Morrison

Req. Patrick Morrison

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25<sup>™</sup>

8:00 A.M. +Macario Yusi & +Leonor Yusi

Req. Merlinda Yusi

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH

12:10 P.M. +Val Gaudet & +Gertrude Hall

Req. Tani Gaudet

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH

10:00 A.M. +Benito Samson Sta. Ana

Req. The Sta. Ana Family

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

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



## <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 in the church on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. 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:



<u>www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org</u>. *Registration deadline is Sunday, Oct. 5, 2025.* 

<u>LIFE CHAIN</u> 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 <u>Sun., Oct. 5th, 2025, 2 to 3 pm</u>, northeast corner of Yonge & Eglinton. Please visit: https://www.lifechain.org/. *Thank you for your support.* 

### THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



Donations of non-perishable goods for The Good Shepherd Ministries will be accepted until *Sunday, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>*. Please drop your donations in the collection boxes in the church foyer. A list of items needed is

posted on the bulletin board. Thank you for your support!

## **EUCHARISTIC GEMS**

For the soul, like the body, needs frequent nourishment; and the Holy Eucharist provides that food which is best adapted to the support of its life.

- Pope Leo XIII

From: Donald H. Calloway, MIC, Eucharistic Gems: Daily Wisdom on The Blessed Sacrament, (Stockbridge, MA: Marian Press, 2023), 50

#### <u>REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR RCIA</u> 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 <u>VOLUNTEERS</u> to serve as <u>Ministers</u> 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 <a href="mailto:stmonicatoronto@gmail.com">stmonicatoronto@gmail.com</a>.

#### Stewardship Sunday is on September 21, 2025!



As stewards, God has given us many diverse gifts for the building up of the Kingdom of God in our parish community. Consider sharing your

God-given gifts with your parish by joining a parish ministry that speaks to your heart. Contact your parish office to learn more about the opportunities currently available. What gifts has God given you? To help you to reflect on this question, we will be sharing a homily by Cardinal Frank Leo on Stewardship Sunday. Please read this stewardship homily by Cardinal Frank Leo and then prayerfully reflect on how you may be of service to others. See: <a href="https://rb.gy/b6oohy.">https://rb.gy/b6oohy.</a>

## FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

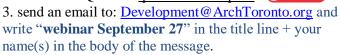
Saturday, Sept. 27, 2025 at 9 am.

#### 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: <a href="mailto:qrco.de/WebSept27">qrco.de/WebSept27</a> ( webSept27)



#### <u>Cardinal Leo Encourages You To</u> Reach Out To Your Neighbor In Need

St. ShareLife

"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.

#### **SERVING THE GREATER MASTER**

From a young age, society presents us the "perfect" roadmap for a life of happiness. This vision usually includes having the fancy job, a large house, extravagant clothes and a large sum of money in the bank. It is engrained in our upbringing that the amassing of wealth should be the most important facet of our life, which is why the Lord's words in today's Gospel, that "you cannot serve God and wealth," can be so difficult to swallow.

It is interesting that Jesus doesn't say we cannot have wealth, but instead, that we should not serve wealth. What does it mean to serve wealth? It is to preferentially prioritize our efforts for career advancement over our efforts to deepen our relationship with God. Essentially, those who serve wealth utilize all of their time and talents to attain more and more possessions. Stewards, on the other hand, utilize their time and talents to serve Christ and His Church.

In order to foster a healthy attitude towards our wealth, it is important to view it, and our very lives themselves, as a gift from God. It is only then that we can begin to move from gratitude to generosity, graciously sharing our gifts with others for the glory of God and the church. When the temptation to hold onto our wealth looms over us, let us remember Christ's words, and ask ourselves how are we sharing our gifts with the parish community?

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