MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH 12:10 P.M. +Jose Mercado

Req. The Mercado Family

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH 8:00 A.M. +Cecilia Langote

Req. Prutha Langote

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1ST

12:10 P.M. +Ranjit & Manel Halahackone &

+Elmo Mitchell

Req. Dilune Halahackone

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2ND 8:00 A.M. +John Levitt

Reg. Anna Tabaldo

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3RD

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

The Rog Family Reg. Margaret Medon

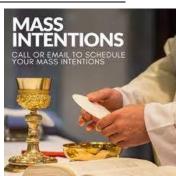
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4TH

10:00 A.M. +Rosemary & Robert Azzopardi

Req. Karen Azzoparadi

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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 in the church on October 3rd, 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: www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org. Registration deadline is Sunday, Oct. 5, 2025.

REGISTRATION IS 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).



<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 Sun., Oct. 5th, 2025, 2 to 3 pm, 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 <u>Sunday</u>, <u>Oct.</u> 5th. 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!

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

3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

- 1. scan the QR code
- 2. follow this QR link: qrco.de/WebSept27



3. send an email to: <u>Development@ArchToronto.org</u> and write "**webinar September 27**" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



Marshall McLuhan Secondary School Open House on Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2025 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

1107 Avenue Road

This evening provides an opportunity for Grade 8 students and their families to explore our vibrant community, our strong academic programs, commitment to faith, thriving arts, and athletic opportunities. All are welcome!

BUNDLE UP COLLECTION SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

The Bundle Up Collection for the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be held on the weekend of October 11th & 12th, 2025. A truck will be parked outside the church to receive gently used clothes and household linens. Please refer to the bulletin board for more details.

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/comesee. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org.

St. ShareLife

<u>Cardinal Leo Encourages You To</u> 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.

FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL JOINING THE CELESTIAL BATTLE

All of us love a good story that involves a fierce battle between two opposing sides where goodness ultimately triumphs over evil. We get exactly this story in the first reading from the Book of Revelation, in which the war between St. Michael & the angels and the devil & his army is depicted. Often in our lives as disciples, we too seek to take up arms and fight the good fight to overcome the evilness that pervades our society.

This desire is inherently good, but how can we live this out practically. A good, albeit unexpected, way in which we can join the heavenly armies is by taking up the consistent, daily practice of prayer. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that prayer "always presupposes effort ... prayer is a battle. Against whom? Against ourselves and against the wiles of the tempter who does all he can to turn man away from prayer, away from union with God" (CCC 2725).

The Church herself describes prayer inherently as a battle. We can thus channel our desire for a celestial combat into our taking up the arms of prayer. How often do we fight to make time for prayer each day? How often do we recognize how efficacious prayer is for the good of our soul and the Church as a whole? Perhaps one practice we can adopt as stewards is to offer God the first and last thoughts of our day. Let us strive to commit to praying daily, safeguarding this practice from all competing distractions for our time and in doing so, enrich our parish community with the foundation of prayer.

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