

ST. MONICA'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
Joyfully bringing Christ to the world & intentionally bringing the world to Christ!



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Pastor: Fr. Rodel (Joseph) Baal

Parish Secretary: King Solomon

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday  
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
*Closed for Lunch (1-2pm)*  
(Closed on Public Holidays & Weekends)

**First Friday Adoration**  
7 pm to 8 pm

*Weekday Masses:*

Mon/Wed/Fri – 12:10 pm  
Tues/Thurs – 8 am  
Saturdays & Holidays – 10 am

*Sunday Masses:*

Saturday Vigil Mass – 5 pm  
Sunday Mass – 9 am & 11 am

*Sacrament of Reconciliation:*

Mon/Wed/Fri: 11:40 am to noon  
Tues: 7:30 am to 7:50 am  
Saturday: 9:30 am to 9:50 am &  
4 pm to 4:40 pm

*Baptisms:*

Every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month  
Register through the parish website

*RCIA:*

Contact the Parish Office in September.

*First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion:*

Registration starts in September  
Six (6) In-person classes one Saturday a month  
First Reconciliation (FR) scheduled during Lent  
First Eucharist (HC) Masses scheduled during Easter season

*Rite of Confirmation (ROC):*

Registration starts in first quarter of the year  
In-person classes during Easter season  
ROC Mass scheduled on Pentecost

*Wedding:*

Please contact the parish office at least one year in advance.  
Weddings are scheduled on Saturdays.

*Anointing & Communion to the Sick:*

Please call during Office hours.

**PARISH MINISTRIES**

*Altar Servers*

[stmonicatorontoas@gmail.com](mailto:stmonicatorontoas@gmail.com)

*Lectors*

[stmonicatorontol@gmail.com](mailto:stmonicatorontol@gmail.com)

*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion*

[stmonicatorontoemhc@gmail.com](mailto:stmonicatorontoemhc@gmail.com)

*Please contact the parish office if you would like to volunteer for our other ministries:*

- Ministers to the Sick & Homebound
- Faith Formation Team
- Choir
- Offering Collectors
- Prayer Ministry
- Certified First Aid/CPR volunteers
- Garden Ministry
- Young Adults Group
- Men's Group

**PARISH SCHOOLS**

St. Monica Elementary Catholic School (14 Broadway Ave, Toronto, ON M4P 1T5) 416-393-5224

Marshall McLuhan Catholic Secondary School (1107 Avenue Rd, Toronto, ON M5N 3B1) 416 – 393 – 5561

Please check out our website:  
[stmonicasto.archtoronto.org](http://stmonicasto.archtoronto.org)  
for the latest news and parish events.

## MASS INTENTIONS

12:10 p.m., April 13th, 2026: + Marilyn Matthews, by Cindy Matthews & The Matthews Family

8:00 a.m., April 14th, 2026: + Conrado Oabel, by Paul Oabel

12:10 p.m., April 15th, 2026: Intentions of the Pantelic & Roper & Thachuk Families, by M. Pantelic

8:00 a.m., April 16th, 2026: + Manuel Couto, by Adrienne Couto

12:10 p.m., April 17th, 2026: + Maureen Cappelli, by Margaret McGuinness

10:00 a.m., April 18th, 2026: + Abrehet Bahta Tekle, by Amleset & 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: [stmonicatoronto@gmail.com](mailto: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. Please note, we now accept Sunday Mass Intentions as well.



The DIVINE MERCY NOVENA will be prayed each day after Mass in the church, starting Good Friday, April 3 and concluding this Saturday, April 11, 2026. On DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, April 12 (today), we will sing the DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET in the church at 3 p.m. **All parishioners are invited to participate.**

Jesus told Saint Faustina that on the Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday: "The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment."



### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

will take place on May 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2026 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the church. For the Adoration pamphlet with prayers, visit [www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org](http://www.stmonicasto.archtoronto.org)

## ShareLife

### Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12, 2026

Through ShareLife, you provide safety to those in need

Your kindness makes it possible for refugees to create a sanctuary here in Canada, providing hope and new beginnings to our brothers and sisters in need. Like Hetvi, who came to Canada seeking refuge but found her hope shattered by her husband's control and abuse. Isolated and desperate, her cries for help initially went unheard. Because of your care, she found solace through Catholic Crosscultural Services (CCS), a Catholic Charities agency you support through ShareLife. Here, she received housing support and counselling in her native language, as well as financial and legal assistance, food banks, childcare, and healthcare.

The Office for Refugees of the Archdiocese of Toronto is another agency you support through ShareLife, facilitating critical care for refugees. Director Deacon Rudy Ovcjak says: "On behalf of the thousands of refugees who have been forced to flee their homes and native lands, and who now find refuge in Canada—a land of freedom and peace—I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude for your incredible kindness and generosity. Your unwavering support allows our office to sponsor hundreds of refugees each year, the majority of whom are Christians fleeing persecution for their faith in Christ."

**The second ShareLife Sunday of the year is April 26. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).**

**HELP NOT HARM:**

**Please Support Bill C-218 (The Right to Recover Act)**



We need **VOLUNTEERS** to serve as ***Ministers to the Sick & Homebound, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Faith Formation Team, Altar Servers, Offering Collectors, Choir Members and Garden Volunteers!*** If you are interested, please contact King in Parish Office at (416) 483-1513; email [stmonicatoronto@gmail.com](mailto:stmonicatoronto@gmail.com).



*Meet our New Parish Secretary: King Solomon.*

He has his undergraduate in Psychology, likes to weightlift, volunteer and sketch drawings in his free time. He will be introducing himself at the Sunday Morning Masses today.



## First Holy Communion Dates:

Group A will have their FHC on April 26<sup>th</sup> at the 11am Mass. Group B will have their FHC on May 17<sup>th</sup> at the 11am Mass.



**Confirmation Date:**  
On May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5pm is our Confirmation Mass for those enrolled. **Please be reminded that candidates must attend the Enrollment Mass on April 18<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.**

## Excerpt from Pope Francis' Homily for Divine Mercy Sunday

*Peace be with you!* The Lord says these words and adds, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you" (Jn 20: v. 22). He then gives the disciples the Holy Spirit to make them agents of reconciliation: "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them" (v. 23). Not only do the disciples receive mercy; they become dispensers of the mercy that they themselves received. They receive this power not on account of their merits or studies, but as a pure gift of grace, based however on their experience of having been themselves forgiven.

The mercy that we have received enables us to dispense a great deal of mercy and forgiveness. Today and every day, in the Church forgiveness must be received in this same way, through the humble goodness of a merciful confessor who sees himself not as the holder of some power but as a channel of mercy, who pours out upon others the forgiveness that he himself first received. From this arises the ability to forgive everything because God always forgives everything. We are the ones who tire of asking forgiveness but he always forgives.

<https://slmedia.org/blog/pope-francis-homily-for-divine-mercy-sunday-2022>

## **Second Sunday of Easter - April 12, 2026**



"As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

Will you respond to God's call to be sent as priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca) [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

## **ATTENTION MEN OF ST. MONICA'S PARISH Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity for Men**

The men of our Knights of Columbus at St. Monica's (Toronto Council No. 1388), are excited to share the implementation of **Cor**, a new formation and fraternal opportunity for the men of St. Monica's parish. **Cor** exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation, and fraternity.

**Cor will be held at 7:30pm every 2nd Thursday, starting April 9th** in St. Monica's basement.

Come join your brother parishioners for coffee and donuts, prayer and fraternity. We are also hoping to determine what times work best for everyone moving forward.

Please use the email/phone # below if you have additional questions, please reach out to Patrick Morrison at: 647-989-4101 or [pjmorrison@rogers.com](mailto:pjmorrison@rogers.com)

**Next Meeting is Thursday May 14<sup>th</sup>.**