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**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS AVAILABLE (30) MINUTES BEFORE EACH WEEKEND MASS.**

**Marriages:** Contact the Parish Office **6 months in advance** (514) 481-0267 - Ext. 221

**Baptisms:** Telephone: 514) 481-0267 - Ext. 221 or email the Parish Office: [st-monica@videotron.ca](mailto:st-monica@videotron.ca)

**Parish Registration:** Forms are located at the entrance doors. Please enter **ALL** your contact information and kindly give it to an Usher or place it in the collection baskets. If you want Donation Envelopes with a Registered Box number, please indicate it on your form and one will be assigned to you after you have been contacted. Year-end Tax Receipts will be either mailed or emailed.

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*Access - East Side Entrance*

Dear Beloved Parishioners,

God's peace and love be with you all.

As Summer slowly bids farewell and we step into the beauty of Fall, we are reminded of God's magnificent creation and His constant providence in every season of our lives. Even the recent, unexpected heatwave couldn't dampen our spirits—indeed, we have endured with gratitude and joy.

Reflecting on the past two months, I am filled with deep appreciation for the life and vitality I continue to witness in our parish. Despite the holidays and summer breaks, our Mass attendance remained steady, and we were blessed to welcome many new guests and visitors. This is a true testament to the deep faith and love within our community.

One particularly joyful highlight was our Parish BBQ, held in celebration of the Feast of St. Monica, our patroness. It was a beautiful day filled with laughter, food, and fellowship—a true celebration of our faith and parish life. I was especially touched by the spirit of collaboration and support that made the event such a success. Moments like this show just how vibrant and loving our parish family truly is.

I want to express my heartfelt thanks to our office staff, wardens, fundraising committee, 9:00 & 11:00am coffee and fellowship coordinators, choir members, lectors, altar servers, sacristans, hospitality ministers, and so many others who continue to serve with dedication—even during the holidays. A special word of appreciation goes to our volunteer, David Sing, whose consistent support is deeply valued. All your quiet acts of service speak volumes and inspire hope as we journey together in faith.

I am also happy to share that our Teens Group is growing, meeting weekly and forming strong bonds in faith. A Young Adults Group is also beginning to take shape. I humbly ask for your prayers, encouragement, and involvement as we continue building up these vital ministries.

With schools reopening, let us encourage our children and grandchildren to come to church. Invite your neighbors and friends. Let them know that St. Monica's is waiting to welcome them home.

The greatest joy for me is celebrating Mass with you—carrying your intentions, seeing you in person, and walking together in faith. Thank you for allowing me to serve you these past four years. Just like the little flowers blooming at the entrance of the church—simple, beautiful, and full of life—may our presence bring joy to one another and to all we meet.

With love and Blessing

Fr Jaison Joseph.

### **Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**This coming Monday, September 8th**, we joyfully celebrate the **Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**—the birth of Mary, the mother of Jesus. This beautiful feast highlights God's loving plan of salvation, which began with Mary's faithful "yes." We warmly **welcome everyone** to join us for a **special Mass at 8:30 AM** in her honor. Let us gather in faith and gratitude as we celebrate the birth of the one who brought our Savior into the world.

### **St. Monica's Young Adult Group: ACTS-2**

Are you a student or young professional looking to connect with others in the parish? St. Monica's adult group invites you to join us for a special meet-and-greet event! our first meeting of September will take place on Sunday, September 14th from 10:00 am to 11:00 am at St. Monica's rectory hall. Come, meet the team and our coordinator, **Cecile Nielly**, and learn more about how we are rooted in the catholic faith while building community together. All are welcome — whether you're new to the parish or looking to get involved.

### **Honoring Two Decades of Fr Ray's Ministry at St Monica's.**

After 20 years of devoted service to St. Monica's parish, we will be saying farewell to Fr. Ray Lafontaine on Sunday, September 21 at the 11:00am mass. We invite everyone to join us for this special celebration of Thanksgiving as we honor Fr. Ray's faithful ministry and the many ways, he has touched our lives and our community.

A reception will follow in the parish hall, where we'll gather for fellowship and an opportunity to personally thank Fr. Ray for his years of dedication. Please save the date and join us for this important and heartfelt moment in our parish life.

### **MASS INTENTIONS: September 6 – 12, 2025**

#### **Saturday, 4:00pm – September 6, 2025: 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Howard Chan*

*Ernesta Ciampini*

*Flavia Spurio*

*Delfina Trabalza*

*Pauline Wong*

*Franca & Family*

*Family*

*Dina & Luigi*

#### **Sunday, 9:00am – September 7, 2025: 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*For All Parishioners Intentions*

#### **Sunday, 11:00am – September 7, 2025: 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Olga & Mario Cappello*

*Natalino Cappello*

*Mona & Joseph Montrichard*

*Virginia Lanni*

*Anna Cappello*

*Anna Cappello*

*Ann Marie Montrichard*

*Family*

#### **Tuesday, 8:30am – September 9, 2025 – Saint Peter Claver**

*Wim Laarhoven*

*Greta*

#### **Wednesday, 8:30am – September 10, 2025: Weekday**

*Isa, Ivio & Mark Mazzella*

*Pietro Di Meglio & Feni Coppa*

*Family*

*Di Meglio Family*

#### **Thursday, 8:30am & 7pm – September 11, 2025 - Weekday**

*Michael Joseph*

*Jo-Ann, M.J. & Mabe*

#### **Friday, 8:30am – September 12, 2025: FEAST – The Most Holy Name of Mary**

*Living – Adrian Bright*

*Stella & Gil Lee*