

PARISH BULLETIN ST. MONICA'S CHURCH

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• WEEKEND MASS <u>SATURDAY</u> 4:00pm

SUNDAY 9:00am & (11:00am)

(Livestreamed)

WEEKDAY MASS - TUESDAYS TO FRIDAYS - 8:30am – All are Welcome!

• EVENING MASS - THURSDAYS - 7:00pm - All are Welcome!

• Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:30am- 3:30pm - (514) 481-0267 Ext. 221

(*Closed: 12:00pm – 1:00pm*) – (**No Mass on Mondays**)

Parish Secretary: Gina Yee – Ext. 221 - <u>st-monica@videotron.ca</u>

• Faith First: Jennie Parsons Armstrong – Ext. 226 – faithfirst@stmonica.ca

• Food Pantry: Director - Marcelle Lord - 514-550-0125 stmonicasfoodpantry@gmail.com

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

Marriages: Contact the Parish Office <u>6 months in advance</u> (514) 481-0267 - Ext. 221

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

Parish Registration: Forms are located at the entrance doors. Please enter <u>ALL</u> 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. <u>Year-end Tax Receipts</u> will be mailed.

On-Line donations – Please register at: www.stmonica.ca CanadaHelps – Give



Let's Not Forget Them (An All-Souls' Day Reflection)

Every year on November 2nd, the Church turns her heart toward those who have gone before us — our dear beloved family members, friends, and neighbors, and the countless souls whose names may no longer be remembered on earth but are never forgotten by God. All Souls' Day is the Church's gentle heartbeat of love that continues beyond death. It is her way of saying with tenderness and faith: we still care, we still remember, we still pray.

Praying for the dead is not a tradition we keep merely out of sentiment; it is a living act of faith in God's mercy and in the communion of saints. In this great communion, no soul is ever truly alone. Our prayers, sacrifices, and participation in the Holy Mass reach beyond the boundaries of time and space, assisting those still being purified in the radiant love of God. What we do for them now is what we hope others will one day do for us — accompany us with prayer and love toward the fullness of heaven.

This day also awakens gratitude. When we remember those who have died, we are invited to recall the beauty of their lives — their generosity, humor, faith, and the quiet ways they loved. How many of them carried us with their prayers, comforted us in difficult times, or shaped our faith by their example? Much of the goodness we see in our own lives is rooted in their care and sacrifice. To remember them, then, is to give thanks — to honor their lives as precious gifts from God.

Yet, remembrance sometimes touches old wounds. Not every relationship was peaceful; not every farewell was easy. All Souls' Day invites us to bring even those painful memories into prayer — to ask God to heal what was hurt, to forgive what remained unfinished, and to bring peace to both the living and the dead. In this way, our prayer becomes not only a work of mercy for the departed but also a path of healing for ourselves. God's mercy flows both ways — from heaven to earth, and from our hearts to theirs.

When we visit cemeteries or light candles that flicker softly in the dark, we make a quiet act of hope. Those little flames speak of resurrection — they remind us that death does not have the final word. Christ has conquered death; He has transformed it into a doorway to eternal life. In Him, every tear will be wiped away, and every soul will find rest in the arms of divine love.

So let us not forget them. Let us remember them in prayer, with gratitude and faith. Let us thank God for the goodness they brought into our lives and ask His mercy where it is still needed. And may we live in such a way that when our own journey ends, someone will whisper our names at the altar and commend us to the same merciful love.

Because to remember is to love — and in Christ, love never ends.



Parish Movie Night – Saturday, November 15th at 6:30 PM

Join us for a special Movie Night in the church hall featuring The King of Kings, a new animated Christian film from Angel Studios inspired by The Life of Our Lord by Charles Dickens. In this heartwarming story, Charles Dickens attempts to discipline his mischievous son — but instead captures his imagination by retelling the story of Jesus in a powerful and moving way. Featuring the voices of: Kenneth Branagh, Uma Thurman, Mark Hamill (yes, Luke Skywalker!), Oscar Isaac, and more! **Tickets:** Adults – \$10 / Teens – \$5 /Children 12 and under – Free!

Tickets will be available at the back of the church after the mass. Bring your family; invite a friend, and enjoy an evening of faith, film, and fellowship.

As in previous years, our **Book of the Names of the Dead** is placed at the back of the church. We invite you to **inscribe the names of your deceased loved ones** whom you wish to be remembered in prayer during the month of **November**. If a name has already been entered in previous years, there is **no need to repeat it**. Throughout the entire month, we will **faithfully remember and pray for all the souls listed** in this book during our Masses and community prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS: November 1 - 7, 2025

Saturday, 8:30am – November 1, 2025: ALL SAINTS' DAY

All Parishioners Intentions

Saturday, 4:00pm – November 1, 2025: ALL SOULS' DAY - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time All Parishioners Intentions

Sunday, 9:00am – November 2, 2025: ALL SOULS' DAY - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time All Parishioners Intentions

Sunday, 11:00am – November 2, 2025: ALL SOULS' DAY - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time All Parishioners Intentions

Tuesday, 8:30am – November 4, 2025 – MEMORIAL – Saint Charles Borromeo

Emma & Colombo Salvati Salvati Family

Wednesday, 8:30am – November 5, 2025: Weekday

Isa, Ivio & Mark Mazzella Family

Thursday, 8:30am – November 6, 2025 – Weekday

Wim Laarhoven Ria

Thursday, 7:00pm

Luciano Falciani

Ersenio DiSciullo

Palma, Giovanni & Luigia Farinelli

Antoinette Falciani & Family

Rosa DiSciullo & Family

Farinelli Family

Friday, 8:30am – November 7, 2025: Weekday

Living – Brinchhaus & Lara Families

Norma Lara

Opining & Florencia Daggreen & Daggreed Family Members

Mayor Daggreen

Quirino & Florencia Dacuycuy & Deceased Family Members Maura Dacuycuy