



THE PARISH of SAINT MONICA

Called by Name; Gifted by God; Committed to Prayer; Driven to Serve... Abiding in Hope

THE CHURCH of SAINT MONICA

Founded January 11, 1897

Parish Offices

(Pastoral Administration; Religious Education; Business & Finance; Worship & Music; Facilities)

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Mass Schedule

Daily Mass 8:30 a.m.

(Monday thru Saturday with a Communion Service on Wednesday)

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 7:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

Holy Days 8:30 a.m.

of Obligation 12 noon

The Sacrament of

Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturday from 4 to 4:45 p.m.

Anytime by appointment.

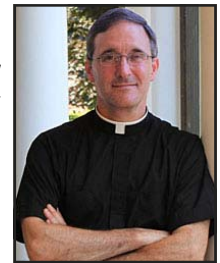


Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

February 26, 2017

FROM the PASTOR'S DESK...

"The thing the church needs most today is the ability to heal wounds and to warm the hearts of the faithful; it needs nearness, proximity. I see the church as a field hospital after battle." This quote from Pope Francis forms the backdrop of my reflections over the past two weeks. Jason Carter (*Director of Family and Youth Ministry*) mentioned ways in which our young people have taken this "call" to heart. Last week I outlined ways in which the Men of the Holy Name Society have also answered the call to discipleship in ways that fit their particular charisms.



Yearly, the Parish Staff gets together for a full day planning session. Among the components of the Parish Staff "Charter," we discuss several "Key Responsibility Areas" including goals and tasks that we would like to accomplish as a team over the next 12 months. Last year, KRA #1 was: Increase participation of "in-active" parishioners by 3% - within next 3 years - in fulfilling the idea of the "New Evangelization" as defined as an effort to reawaken the faith of Christian/Catholic people, families and parishes which might have been "catechized" and received the sacraments many years earlier but now stand in need of a new presentation of the Catholic faith (aka, the "New Evangelization").

After developing a list of in-active parishioners, we looked at particular areas on which we wanted to focus, specifically youth, music/liturgy and leadership. Finally, we discussed a way where we could come up with one idea or one initiative for one year to fulfill the call to evangelize and initiate the "New Evangelization." We came up with two ideas, both based on the idea of "going out" to the world, being seen, connecting with our people, seeing where we can help and seeing what develops. Our first idea was to hold our weekly parish staff lunch meeting in a local restaurant. Already we have encountered parishioners during lunch who seem to enjoy seeing and talking with us. It has also given us an opportunity to inform them about some aspect of St. Monica about which they might not have been aware.

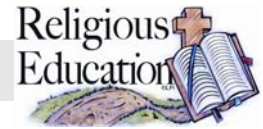
The second idea was to help out at Surrey Service in Devon twice each month. During my first visit there, I was very impressed at the scope of what is offered at (Continued on Page 4)



OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION for THIS WEEK

That more people in the Parish feel the healing balm of confession on a regular basis.

FROM *the* OFFICE of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



The Religious Education Classes are in session on Monday, February 27.

Registration for this year's Summer Session has been extended through the month of February. Seats for the Summer Session are limited. Registration for the 2017-2018 Monday night session is also now underway. A link to both types of registration forms has been emailed to all families of students currently registered. The registration forms can also be found on our parish

website at www.saintmonicachurch.org.

The first semester Progress Reports were distributed to all students in the RE Program earlier this month. Parents, please review the Progress Report with your child, sign the envelope, and return the envelope to your child's teacher by February 27. The Progress Report is yours to keep.

FAMILY *and* YOUTH MINISTRY



Steubenville Youth Conference

June 16-18 2017

Open to graduating 8th-12th Students
Cost-\$350

(\$199 deposit to secure your spot)
Scholarship money available if needed
Limited spots available, 1st come 1st served

for more info:

steubenvilleconferences.com/youth
Jcarter@saintmonicachurch.org

FROM *the* OFFICE of WORSHIP *and* MUSIC

WHAT WE'RE SINGING "Lord, of All Hopefulness"

Hymn Tune: SLANE

SLANE is an old Irish folk tune associated with the ballad "With My Love on the Road" in Patrick W. Joyce's *Old Irish Folk Music and Songs* (1909). It became a hymn tune when it was arranged by David Evans and set to the Irish hymn "Be Thou My Vision" published in the *Church Hymnary* (1927).

SLANE is named for a hill in County Meath, Ireland, where Saint Patrick's lighting of an Easter fire – an act of defiance against the pagan king

Loegaire (fifth century) – led to his unlimited freedom to preach the gospel in Ireland.

SLANE is an attractive tune with phrases that demonstrate a wide range and creative melodic patterns.

Our current hymnal, *Worship IV* from GIA Publications of Chicago, utilizes this tune by setting a few different texts to it, in addition to the original. This weekend for the Processional Hymn we use "Lord of All Hopefulness" written by Jan Struther in 1931.

HELPING HANDS

returns to Saint Monica Parish!

REGISTRATION IS NEARLY FULL!

LEND A HAND
this Lent by
PACKING MEALS
FOR THOSE IN NEED

Join your family & neighbors at the
3rd annual
HELPING HANDS EVENT



- What:** Packing 50,000 meals for hungry families in Burkina Faso
- When:** Sunday, March 12th 2-4:30pm
- Where:** St. Monica Parish Center, 601 First Avenue, Berwyn, PA 19312
- How:** Please RSVP at cyacc.org/hands

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for JANUARY 2017

January 2017	\$76,935	42% Electronic	January YTD 2017	\$476,487	44% Electronic
January 2016	\$75,047	46% Electronic	January YTD 2016	\$508,508	44% Electronic
January Budget	2016-17	\$75,147	January YTD Budget	2016-17	\$498,508

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, February 19, 2017

Sunday Collection \$5,291
 Electronic \$4,415
 Total \$9,706

*We have 172 families
 contributing electronically.*

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection this week for the Saint Monica Saint Vincent DePaul Fund. God bless you for your continued generosity.

The Fiscal Year 2016 budget for Saint Monica Parish is available on line at www.saintmonicachurch.org under the Parish Information tab in the Parish Leadership section.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM the PASTOR'S DESK . . .

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Surrey. We also discussed what their needs are (hint – hint). Their #1 need is transport. Rover Chesco provides vans but part-time drivers one day a week are always needed. Seniors also often need a kind of “Uber-for-seniors” to take them to doctor appointments and grocery shopping. It’s often difficult for seniors to lift heavy grocery bags. “Fix-it” people are also needed for relatively simple jobs (changing lights bulbs, put in and take out air conditioning units as the seasons change, yard work, painting and cleaning out accumulated “stuff”). Non-medical, rudimentary home visits, home care and “visiting angels” to help with cleaning, money management, teaching computer skills are also areas where Surry sees a need.

We chose to help out in the kitchen and dining room. We go on Fridays, help serve the meals and do “busing” after the people are finished eating. In between we have had the opportunity to talk with parishioners (and non-parishioners as well) about the neighborhood, the parish and the good things that are happening at St. Monica.

Our staff offered some thoughts concerning their experience at Surrey: “To be of help in any capacity for a service that gives back to the seniors of our area is always a pleasure.” (Cathy L). “I am enjoying the time spent volunteering at Surrey Services. It is a great way to live out our call as Catholics to serve others. Working at Surrey is a pleasant and rewarding opportunity to interact and assist those living in the community.” (Mary P). “Although I’ve only been to Surrey twice so far, both occasions went very well. I feel like we are there supporting the endeavors of an organization committed to assisting the elderly in the area to maintain bonds in various aspects of their lives: socially, nutritionally, health and fitness, and education. It is nice to treat these older people, who have put in a lifetime of living, to a smile and an inexpensive restaurant-type meal complete with wait staff and table busing. A meal they didn’t need to prepare or clean-up, but could just enjoy with friends.” (Diane P)

In 1990, Pope St. John Paul II wrote an encyclical on the Church’s “missionary mandate” entitled *Redemptoris Missio*. In it he states:

“Recent popes have stressed the importance of the role of the laity in missionary activity. In my exhortation about *On The Vocation And The Mission Of The Lay Faithful In The Church And In The World (Christifideles Laici)* I spoke explicitly of the Church’s “permanent mission” of bringing the Gospel to the millions and millions of men and women who as yet do not know Christ the Redeemer of humanity and of the responsibility of the lay faithful in this regard. Whereas the foundation of a new Church requires (Cont’d)

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the Eucharist and hence the priestly ministry, missionary activity, which is carried out in a wide variety of ways, is the task of all the Christian faithful.”

Most of our people are not called to go out “to the nations,” but Pope Francis has reiterated that all of us - not just church “professionals” (priests, sisters, Catholic school teachers, youth directors and parish staff) are called to go out to the fringes of the local community, to engage our people in our neighborhood and make Saint Monica that presence of Christ in “our ‘hood.”

Charles Flock Jr

SACRAMENT SPOTLIGHT



The parents of the Confirmation candidates are reminded of the Confirmation Retreat which is scheduled on Friday, March 10 from 8:45 am until 2:00 pm at Malvern Retreat House. Detailed information will be sent via email in the coming weeks.

ST. MONICA / ST. NORBERT CYO SPRING



TRACK & FIELD (MARCH – MAY)

Come Join The Fun: Saint Monica / Saint Norbert CYO Cross Country Spring Track Season is Here! It’s the

one sport just about EVERYONE can participate in. It’s the one sport that gets you in shape for ALL the other sports. Registered parishioners of Saint Monica, Saint Norbert, OLA and Saint Isaacs in grades K-8 are welcome to join this CYO program! Runners will practice Tuesday and Thursday at Conestoga High School (beginning 3/14) and participate in meets on Sunday afternoons at Haverford High School. “Mini” category (those born 2008 and later) will practice once per week.

Questions? Please feel free to email Nick Kennedy at nickkenedy621@hotmail.com. Registration is on a rolling basis through www.wagdogs.com.

AN INVITATION FOR PARENTS OF STUDENTS GRADE 6 AND OLDER

Jason Carter, Saint Monica Director of Family and Youth Ministry, will be speaking to parents of students in Grades 6 and older on the topic of **“Talking to Your Kids About Chastity (in the least awkward way possible)”** on Monday, March 6, 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the Hagenbach Room. You are most welcome to attend. Bring your friends and family members!

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TEAM TRIVIA 2017: OUR 20TH EDITION



This year's event will be held on **Saturday, March 11th**. This year's theme is, "**A Night At The Movies**". Registration forms can be obtained by contacting Mark DiLucca at

middorset@gmail.com.

Our event will be the 1st half of a parish-wide active weekend as **Sunday, March 12th** will be the **3rd Annual Helping Hands Event**. See Page 3 of the bulletin for details.

OUTREACH



Saint Gabriel's Food Cupboard Monthly Collection is this weekend after all Masses. No time to shop? Cash and donations payable to St. Gabriel's Food Cupboard are most welcome and can be left in the designated box in the gathering space. All donations can be left through Tuesday, February 28 at 8:00 a.m. Many thanks for your continued support.

BINGO TONIGHT!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26 at 6:30 PM
SAINT MONICA PARISH CENTER
\$20 ADMISSION AT THE DOOR COVERS
5 GAMES OF STRAIGHT BINGO
1 GAME FULL CARD BINGO

Winner selects Designer handbag of their choice, plus some fun raffle items!
Guaranteed Fun!

BEER — WINE — SODA — SNACKS

RSVP to Diane Claffey at 484-919-9331 or Denise Leiden at 610-724-7627 or dianecclaffey@verizon.net, dfleiden@yahoo.com, or smswomensociety@gmail.com

Proceeds benefit Community Center at Visitation in Kensington

ATTENTION WOMEN OF THE PARISH!

The women of **WALKING WITH PURPOSE (WWP)** are excited to offer a Lenten Reflection on the evening of March 2nd, 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the cafeteria featuring guest speaker **Sister Mary Anne Nolan**. Sister Mary Anne has been a Sister of Mercy for over 55 years. She spent 26 years in secondary education and is a retired adjunct professor of Religious Studies at Gwynedd-Mercy University. Sister Mary Anne is presently Co-Director of Mercy Spiritual Ministries, a ministry of the Sisters of Mercy which engages individuals and groups in prayer, reflection and ongoing spiritual development. Sister will speak on "*Prayer as Conscious Relationship with God.*" Light dinner will be served - hot soup, salad and bread. Please feel free to bring a friend. RSVP to Diane Claffey: dianecclaffey@verizon.net. For additional info: Bridget: bridgetc316@gmail.com or Michele: man6fam@comcast.net.

Catholic Leadership Institute
 Measuring **Spiritual Growth** and Parish Engagement Among Disciples
Disciple Maker Index

Dear Parishioners of Saint Monica,
 Two questions have occupied my prayer life and thoughts over the past several months: (1) "What does Jesus Christ want the Parish of Saint Monica to look like in 5 years?" and (2) "If Saint Monica went away tomorrow, would anyone - besides the parishioners - notice and miss us?"

To help me answer these questions, we recently involved the help of the Catholic Leadership Institute to help measure the "spiritual and pastoral health" of the parish via an instrument called, "Disciple Maker Index." Concerning the survey, 1. I've asked each individual parishioner 18 years and older to please take this survey. 2. I've asked each parishioner to ask another parishioner each week "have you taken the survey." 3. Finally I've asked parishioners to especially reach out to family, friends and parishioners who have been away from us for awhile and especially ask them to please fill out the survey.

There are three ways to take the survey:
 If you are registered with the parish, and we have your email, the survey will be sent to you via this email address. Click on the link and follow the instructions.
 A link was sent to the entire parish in the weekly Parish Update via e-mail.
 Go to the parish website: www.saintmonicachurch.org. The rotating banner at the top of the page has a link for the survey. Follow the instructions.
 We're trying to get 500 responses. Help us to accomplish that goal. Thank you!

Charles Zlock Jr

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for February 26

DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Monday	9:00am-4:30pm	Adoration	Church
Tuesday			
Wednesday		Ash Wednesday	
Thursday	7:00-8:30 pm	Walking With Purpose	Parish Center
Friday	9:15-10:45 a.m.	Legion of Mary	Rectory
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	Church
	9:00p.m.-8:00a.m.	Nocturnal Adoration	Church
Saturday	4:00-4:45 pm	Confession	Church

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FAMILY & YOUTH MINISTRY

Edge: Middle School Youth Group
Lifeteen: High School Youth Group



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BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

The Saint Monica Parish Bulletin is published weekly and is available both on the parish website and distributed to the assembly after Sunday Worship.

Submissions are due each Monday by noon and should be e-mailed to parishbulletin@saintmonicachurch.org with formatting left to a minimum.

Please include a contact name and phone number with your submission. In the case where announcements must be submitted handwritten, please make sure the text is legible.

BULLETIN INSERTS

All inserts must be submitted to the Rectory Office for approval a minimum of **two weeks** before you would like it to appear.

MASS INTENTIONS for February 26 – March 5

MASS TIME	INTENTION	PRESIDER	MUSIC MINISTRY	NOTES
5:00 pm	+ Patrick Maher	Fr. Danielski	Cantor	<i>Second Collection: Saint Monica Saint Vincent DePaul Fund</i>
7:30 am	People of the Parish	Fr. Fitzgerald	Quiet	
9:30 am	+ Thomas Losoncy	Fr. Fitzgerald	Choir	
11:30 am	+ Teresa Pilley	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
Monday, 27th	+ Dominic L. Coyle	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 28th	+ Timothy Shannon	Fr. Zlock		
Wednesday, 1st	8:30 a.m. - + Dominic L. Coyle 12:00 Noon - + Bill Kerrigan 5:00 p.m. - + William Hewchuck	Fr. Zlock Fr. Zlock Norbertine		
Thursday, 2nd	+ Violet Flynn	Norbertine		
Friday, 3rd	+ Gerald F. Devlin	Fr. Zlock		
Saturday, 4th	+ Palmier Guzicki	Fr. Zlock		
5:00 pm	+ Kittie Borzillo Dowds	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
7:30 am	+ Louis DeLuca	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	
9:30 am	+ Dominic L. Coyle	Norbertine	Choir	
11:30 am	People of the Parish	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	

THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Sonia Altirman, Jack Barausky, Eugene Blendel, Drew Brazer, Michael Byrne, Phyllis Campbell, Lina Cappelli, Terri Carson, Lilly Ciocca, James DiAntonio, William Dahlman, Rita Dunn, Joseph Erwin, Kelly Glacken, Mary Hartley, Karen Hastings, Jenna, Maya and Eva Izzi, Faith Johnson, Libby Judge, Anne Maas, Jackson MacTaggart, Mark Maholick, Jean McGinley, Eugene Matta, Susan McDonnell, Louise Merlino, Melanie Mizenko, Dr. Mark Nardone, John and Lilly Neff, Courtney Frances Patterson, Rita Reilly, John Robinson, Mary Rose, Cathy Russell, Gary Smith, Tallon Family, Helen Triolo, Bob and Mildred Walsh, Stephanie Walsh Beilman

THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and may Your perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the Mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.*

H.O.P.E. — HELPING OTHER PEOPLE IN EMERGENCIES

Leader for this week: Sandie Concannon at 610-647-1068

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