



# THE PARISH of SAINT MONICA

Encountering Christ - Through Scripture, Through Liturgy, Through Serving Others

## THE CHURCH of SAINT MONICA

Founded January 11, 1897

### Parish Offices

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

Saint Monica Rectory  
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### Parish Website

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### Parish Staff E-mail

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### Parish Leadership

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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)

Monday 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday 6:00 to 7:00 a.m.

Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

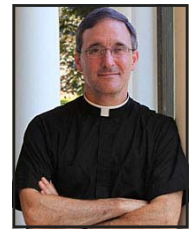
Anytime by appointment.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 11, 2018

## FROM the PASTOR'S DESK...

Last year I announced three areas where the parish would focus over the next three years. "Encountering Christ Through Scripture" was one. For example, **Walking With Purpose** has been a blessing with 130+ women every Thursday. WWP has also been a spiritual force behind much of the current momentum that some sense in the parish.



However, we haven't seen that kind of scriptural enthusiasm among the men of the parish. In light of the heroes of Super Bowl LII, that might now change.

Winning and losing is not only a key to football, it is a key to life. The faith that the NFL players have is something "that keeps them grounded - win or lose." For example, Shawn Brown of CBN News wrote *How Eagles and Patriots Are Using the Super Bowl to Glorify God*. "The Eagles had arguably been the best team in the NFL this season. Safety Malcolm Jenkins said it had a lot to do with the 'brotherhood of faith' he and his teammates formed in the off-season through Bible studies, prayer and even baptism."

Speaking of "walking with purpose," Patriot wide receiver Matthew Slater said, "I feel my purpose in the NFL and on this earth is bigger than football. I've been given the platform of football to build relationships, to build bridges to connect with people, and show them the love of Christ." He echoes Eagles quarterback Carson Wentz. As recounted in *"The Gospel According to Carson Wentz"* by Jeff McClain (Staff Writer, Philadelphia Inquirer) "As a Christian (Carson) has an obligation to use his platform as an NFL quarterback to be a disciple and spread God's Word."

The 2017 NFL season could have been titled, "The Year of Public Demonstration." As seen in, *The Philadelphia Eagles: A Band of Bible-Believing Brothers Whose Faith is Inspiring Millions*, "Flip the channel to ESPN this season, and you're bound to get one of two very different tales. You may have seen headlines of free agent Colin Kaepernick and his public demonstration of taking a knee. While the NFL season was riddled with politics and opinions, there's a very different 'public demonstration' making waves (Cont'd on Pg. 4)



## OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION for THIS WEEK

*Blessings for the Father/Son Holy Hour  
on Tuesday, February 13 at  
7:00 PM in Church.*

FROM *the* OFFICE of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

# Make Lent

## 40 DAYS

### OF AWESOME

Lent begins on Ash  
Wednesday, February 14  
Ashes are distributed at the  
8:30 am, 12:00 Noon, and  
5:00 pm Masses

Sunday Small Groups and  
Monday RE Classes are NOT  
in session Feb 18th and 19th

FAMILY *and* YOUTH MINISTRY

## UPCOMING EVENTS



## EDGE

2/11 Social: MiniGames  
2/18 No Edge  
2/25 Work of Mercy  
3/4 The Buddy System (Ruth)



## LIFE TEEN

Leading Teens Closer to Christ

2/11 Social  
2/18 No Life Teen  
2/25 Work of Mercy  
3/4 St. Augustine

FROM *the* OFFICE of WORSHIP *and* MUSIC

## DID YOU KNOW?

**The Psalmist**

The psalmist, or “cantor of the psalm,” proclaims the Psalm after the first reading and leads the gathered assembly in singing the refrain. The psalmist may also, when necessary, intone the Gospel Acclamation and verse. Although this ministry is distinct from the role of the cantor, the two ministries are often entrusted to the same

person. Persons designated for the ministry of psalmist should possess “the ability for singing and a facility in correct pronunciation and diction.”

As one who proclaims the Word, the psalmist should be able to proclaim the text of the Psalm with clarity, conviction, and sensitivity to the text, the musical setting, and those who are listening. The psalmist sings the verses of the Responsorial Psalm from the ambo or another suitable place.

— *Sing to the Lord*

# 4th ANNUAL HELPING HANDS EVENT

*Registration Now Open!*

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



Join your family & neighbors at the  
**4th annual**  
**HELPING HANDS EVENT**



**What:** Packing 50,000 meals for hungry families in Burkina Faso  
**When:** Sunday, March 11th 2-4:30pm  
**Where:** St. Monica Parish Center, 601 First Avenue, Berwyn, PA 19312  
**How:** Please RSVP at [cyacc.org/hands](http://cyacc.org/hands)

## SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for DECEMBER 2017

December 2017	\$76,748	44% Electronic	December YTD 2017	\$426,591	48% Electronic
December 2016	\$72,306	38% Electronic	December YTD 2016	\$399,552	44% Electronic
December Budget 2017-18	\$73,013		December YTD Budget	2017-18	\$422,999

### SUNDAY COLLECTION

Sunday, February 4, 2018

Sunday Collection	\$9,978
Electronic	\$9,670
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$19,648</b>

*\*We have 184 families contributing electronically.*

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

Don't forget to mail back your contribution to the 2018 Catholic Charities Appeal. Gifts made to the Catholic Charities Appeal will provide support needed to tens of thousands of people through countless organizations, programs and ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

The Fiscal Year 2018 budget for Saint Monica Parish is available on line at [www.saintmonicachurch.org](http://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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among the NFL, thanks to the Philadelphia Eagles. The No. 1 ranked team in the league headed to Super Bowl LII, warranting them plenty of airtime on the sports broadcasting network. But greater than successful wins is the team's public demonstration of their faith."

Wide receiver Torrey Smith relates how important it is to receive support from a close fellowship of other men-in-the-trenches of life. Smith talks about the relevant applications of biblical principles to all aspects of his life. "As men, you tend to be very sheltered. If I am going through some things, I may not express that to the next man. Only you can choose to expose your weaknesses and things you want to work on, whether it's relationships or your marriage or your family." Smith added, "When you're able to talk about it amongst your brothers, it helps you grow. And when you realize that you can apply biblical principles to it, it helps us all grow." Smith and other Eagles players shared these sentiments in a featured YouTube video called, *The Philadelphia Eagles Locker Room's Binding Force*.

Josh Cooley is author of *Playing with Purpose: Inside the Lives and Faith of Major League's Top Players* and *The Biggest Win: Pro Football Players Tackle Faith*. In *Behind the Scenes at Philadelphia Eagles Bible Study: God is at Work* he writes that "The Eagles' Bible study is far different from the Bible study or chapels found on other NFL teams ... What distinguishes the Eagles is the players' uncompromising pursuit of biblical truth, deep theology, genuine accountability and gospel-fueled charity. They're not interested in status quo spirituality."

Biblically-based faith of the Super Bowl LII team is shared by Trey Burton, "Nicky-6," Chris Maragos, Jordan Matthews, Jordan Hicks and Zach Ertz. As mentioned in a *Bible Study Magazine* article, *Philadelphia Eagles Teammates Find Renewal And Strength In Scripture*, players also rely on modern technology in their studies. "Relying on Logos Bible Software, they peruse biblical commentaries and examine keywords in Old Testament Hebrew and New Testament Greek. They explore the ancient world of the Bible visually, using interactive features and other media in Logos."

Men often say that they "don't have time" to engage in any kind of scripture study or devotional practice. The Eagles face the same challenge. They adjust their particular schedules to accomplish that "Engagement with Jesus" in The Word. Trey Burton comments, "Everyone is busy these days. NFL players face particular challenges when it comes to making time for God's word, especially once training camp begins. Most Christians on the Eagles try to do their personal devotions before they leave the house." The article says that "Wentz is used to early mornings and late nights. Such is life at the NFL's premier position. Few players put in more hours of practice, meetings, and film study. So Wentz uses his spare time wisely. He often listens to Christian podcasts during his 30-minute drive to and from the team's training facility. If he has a 20-minute break between meetings, he avoids social media and instead finds a quiet spot to read the Bible. 'It really comes down to prioritizing things,'" Burton says.

"Likewise, Maragos makes Bible study happen on the fly during the season. 'I get to the facility, get some food in me, and it's reading things on the go rather than sitting down,' he says. 'Sometimes, I'm reading things in the hot tub or reading an audio Bible or a sermon podcast during a stretching routine.'"

"Foles might win the award for pure willpower. If he has to be at the team facility at 6 a.m., he wakes up at 4 to pray and read Scripture before leaving home. If he needs to arrive at 4, he sets the alarm for—gulp—2 a.m. 'My wife thinks I'm crazy at times, but I've got to get up before the day gets going,' says Foles who is taking online seminary classes through Liberty University. 'It doesn't have meaning if I don't get it going before then. Selfish desires creep in if I haven't humbled myself daily.'"

"Once he's up, Foles takes a cue from the Beach Boys' playlist and seeks good vibrations. Sufficiently caffeinated by his pre-dawn cup of joe, he hops on a vibration plate—a 2x2-foot pad that emits 30 pulsations per second, to stimulate his body. There, he does his morning devotions as drowsiness is slowly and electronically evicted from his body. 'So I'm getting my body ready to play,' he says, 'along with my spirit and mind.'"

Ok, St. Monica men ... What's your excuse now?

*Charles Flock Jr*

## NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HOLY NAME SOCIETY AND MEN'S CLUB



**Team Trivia Sign up is HERE! (Must be 21!)** The flyer and sign up form for our **21st Edition of Team Trivia Night (Saturday, March 10)** is in this weekend's bulletin. Don't put this off, as we had a full house last year - over 330 players. The men

of the Holy Name Society are yet again looking forward to providing a great night for the parish community!

invite all members to complete a survey that will be delivered to your email over the next week. The responses will be used by our Outreach team to assist them as they develop a plan for our Parish. This survey will ask questions about your interest and participation in future Outreach projects. **It will take less than 2 minutes!** Only one survey per household needs to be completed. **Thank you in advance for taking time to participate in our survey.** By participating in this survey, you will make your voice heard and are helping to shape the vision of St. Monica into a parish who encounters Christ through Scripture, through Liturgy *and through serving others.*



### WOMEN'S LENTEN SOUP NIGHT

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**WALKING WITH PURPOSE**

**THURSDAY FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup>**

**7:00 -8:30 PM**

**ST. MONICA CAFETERIA**

Please join us for soup, friendship and reflection. Our special guest is local author and speaker, Sarah Christmyer who will be reflecting on prayer and the Penitential Psalms. Sarah's books will be available for purchase. Please come and bring a friend. A sign up genius will be out soon for anyone interested in providing soup or bread for the evening. Questions? Please contact [wwp.saintmonica@gmail.com](mailto:wwp.saintmonica@gmail.com)

### THANK YOU FOR THE SAINT MONICA MARCH FOR LIFE

Many thanks to all at Saint Monica's who supported and prayed for the March for Life trip to Washington, D.C. and the Holy Hour for Life here at Saint Monica's on Friday, January 19, 2018.

Special thanks to Father Zlock for blessing our journey very early Friday morning.

Thanks to our 10 sponsors who contributed \$525 to support this trip.

Many thanks to our 49 pilgrims who witnessed prayerfully and joyfully in Washington, D.C.

Bravo to our 9 students/children and their families for joining us!

Special thanks to our 12 prayer warriors who stayed at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.

Many thanks to those who prayed at the Holy Hour for Life at Saint Monica's. You were with us in spirit.

Let us all continue to work and pray for the day when all children, born and unborn, will be cherished and protected by law.

### SPIRITUAL BOOK GIVE AWAY



Some Christians look upon the season of Lent as a drudgery and walk around with an "I can't wait until Lent is over," attitude. However, with the help of the readings available in the book rack this

weekend, Lent can be experienced as an opportunity for growth and development and bring us closer to Christ. You'll find nine devotionals to help focus and reflect on the Scriptures, prayer aids, and ideas for Lenten practices. Books by Pastor Charles Swindoll and Pope Benedict XVI uncover new meaning in the Cross and the Resurrection. *"Lent summons us, and enables us, to come back to the Lord whole-heartedly, and in every aspect of our life."* - Pope Francis 2018 Lenten Message

### AN OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE YOUR VOICE HEARD

The future vision of Saint Monica over the next several years is to provide opportunities for our parishioners to encounter Christ in three areas: through Scripture, through Liturgy and through **Reaching Out to Others.** As our parish prepares for the future, we will

### WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for February 11

DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Monday	8:30am-4:30 pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
	6:30-7:30 pm	Confession	Church
	7:15-7:45 pm	Parish Rosary	Church
Tuesday	6:00-7:00 am	Confession	Church
Wednesday		Ash Wednesday	
Thursday	7:00-8:30 pm	Walking with Purpose	Cafeteria
Friday	9:15-10:45 am	Legion of Mary	Rectory
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.

Submissions are due each Monday by noon and should be e-mailed to [parishbulletin@saintmonicachurch.org](mailto: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 11 – February 18

MASS TIME	INTENTION	PRESIDER	MUSIC MINISTRY	NOTES
5:00 pm	+ Bill DeSanto	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
7:30 am	+ William Hewchuck	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	
9:30 am	People of the Parish	Fr. Zagarella	Parish Choir	
11:30 am	Intentions of Nancy Lafferty	Fr. Zagarella	Cantor	
Monday, 12th	+ Ed O'Malley	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 13th	+ Bill Ward	Fr. Zlock		
Wednesday, 14th	8:30 am + Buckley Family 12 Noon - People of the Parish 5:00 pm + Sis Way	Fr. Serano Fr. Zlock Fr. Zlock		
Thursday, 15th	+ Mary Rutecki	Fr. Antry		
Friday, 16th	+ George Marks	Fr. Zlock		
Saturday, 17th	+ Mary Bean	Fr. Zlock		
5:00 pm	+ Adele Donohue	Fr. Antry	Cantor	<i>Special Collection: Care of Aging and Infirm Priests</i>
7:30 am	+ Helena Marks	Fr. Serano	Quiet	
9:30 am	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Parish Choir	
11:30 am	+ Yvonne Enriquez	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	

## THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Sonia Altirman, Drew Brazer, Michael Byrne, Phyllis Campbell, Ray Canfield, Lina Cappelli, Terri Carson, Lilly Ciocca, James DiAntonio, Gavin Duffy, Rita Dunn, Margarita Elloso, Joseph Erwin, Ria Filippelli, Kelly Glacken, Mary Hartley, Karen Hastings, Natalie Innella, Jenna, Maya and Eva Izzi, Faith Johnson, Libby Judge, Charlie Litzelman, Jackson MacTaggart, Mark Maholick, Eugene Matta, Susan McDonnell, Dan McMonigle, Heather Moore, Dr. Mark Nardone, John Neff, Rita Reilly, Joel Rivera, John Robinson, Mary Rose, Cathy Russell, Gary Smith, Tallon Family, Mildred Walsh

## THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US

*Catherine LaCorte, Mother of Marlyne Carulo*

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

Leader for this week: Ame Austin at 484-919-0029

## PARISH LEADERSHIP

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