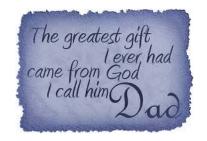


# THE PARISH of SAINT MONICA



We will help you discern God's Call. We will help you live God's call.

# THE CHURCH of SAINT MONICA

Founded January 11, 1897

#### **Parish Offices**

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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. 11:00a.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.



# The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Week of June 21, 2015

# From the Pastor's Desk...

Awhile ago, I referenced an article concerning children and church. Depending on the particular parish, the parents, the age and behavior of the children as well as the attitude of the priests and pastor, this can be an issue of some controversy. When it comes to Saint Monica, the feedback that I received (from both within and outside of the parish) was quite positive. Let me share an email that I received from one mother:



"Dear Fr. Zlock,

I really appreciated the article that you posted entitled, "God put the wiggle in children." As a parent of a 7 year old and 4 year old it is refreshing to see the children welcomed into the church with the expectation they will "wiggle" and it is ok.

When my first child was 2 and 3, I did not go to church with her at all. My thought was that I could not bring her because she would act up and everyone around me would get mad or I would spend all of Mass in the narthex.

At the time, I was doing some project work for the Mother-house of the Sisters of St. Joseph. After speaking with a few Sisters I worked with at the time, they told me that it is ok and that God welcomes children, wiggles or no wiggles. So I began taking my daughter to Mass and, after some time, she actually began to understand the order of Mass and pick up on the songs. Now 4 years later she understands good behavior in church (most of the time) and participates and looks forward to the songs. I even get comments from some of the elderly parishioners how well behaved she is.

Now it is my son's turn to pick up on these good behaviors in Mass. I no longer feel afraid to bring him into church. I just have to work through this with him the same way I did with my daughter. The more they are exposed to it, the better behaved they seem to become because it is a weekly expectation for an hour.

I thought your blog post was very welcoming to anyone who had maybe

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# OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION for THIS WEEK



Lord Jesus, we pray for the fathers and grand-fathers of our parish community, that they remain faithful to your teachings and are exemplary role models of good Christian men to their children. May they continue to grow closer in their personal relationship with you. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

# FROM the Office of Religious Education



The registration forms for the 2015-2016 Religious Education Program Monday evening sessions (Grades 1-6) and the Sunday morning sessions (Grades 2 and 6) are posted on the parish website. A link to the registration form has been forwarded to all currently registered families. Please register your children if you have not already done so. It is very important that an accurate number of students for the RE Program is obtained as soon as possible in order to provide sufficient teaching staff, materials, classroom space, etc. Thank you for your prompt response to this request.

Ready? Set? GO! The Saint Monica Religious Education Program Summer Session is set to begin this week, on Monday, June 24th. This year's theme is "Family", in keeping with the World Meeting of Families, hosted in Philadelphia in September. The parents of the registered students are asked to carefully review the information which has been emailed to the parents of the Summer Session students. Please contact Mary Pizzano at mpizzano@saintmonicachurc.org or 610-647-4757if you have not yet received this info. We are looking forward to spending time with the children during this educational and fun-filled week!

# What is the World Meeting of Families?



The World Meeting of Families - Philadelphia 2015 is a week-long international event of prayer, catechesis, and celebration that draws participants from 150 countries around the globe. Its purpose is to strengthen the bonds between families and to bear witness to the crucial importance of marriage and the family to all of society. The World Meeting of Families - Philadelphia 2015 consists of an Adult Congress, and a concurrent Youth Congress, and it concludes with the Festival of Families and the Papal Mass. This is the 8th World Meeting of Families and is the first time that it will be held in the United States.

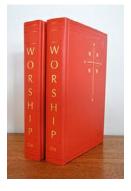
- The Adult Congress is for ages 18 and up, and consists of 6 keynote addresses presented by internationally known speakers. Each keynote address is followed by multiple breakout sessions that support and evaluate the topic discussed in terms of how to strengthen the family.
- The Youth Congress, for ages 6 to high school graduate, is an interactive program where young people can build, create, play, listen, serve and embrace the Mission of Love that brings Families Fully Alive.
- On Saturday night, the Festival of Families will take place. This is a celebratory event for families that will include different types of cultural and musical performances. Pope Francis will attend the Festival of Families.
- On Sunday, Pope Francis will celebrate Mass on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway in Philadelphia. The time for the Mass has not yet been determined. The Mass will be open to the public.

# FROM the OFFICE of WORSHIP & MUSIC

# Worship IV Hymnal

Saint Monica Parish has made an investment in a hard-bound permanent hymnal for use in our worship. The hymnal, published from GIA Publications of Chicago, is called *Worship IV* — the fourth revision in the *Worship* series of hymnals, recently released to the American Catholic Church. Our new hymnal contains a balanced blend of traditional hymnody, contemporary compositions, our "Catholic Classics" and a decent amount of new texts set to familiar tunes. The entire three year cycle of Sunday readings are included as well as a generous offering of psalms, settings of the ordinary of the

Mass, as well as music for the Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer, etc...) in addition to a convenient printing (inside cover) of the commonly used responses for the Mass. The hymnals will completely replace the current "Breaking Bread" annual hymnals in our pews sometime in late July or early August. Questions? Please contact Frank Orman in the Music Office.





# SAFE ENVIRONMENT CLEARANCES UPDATE

As part of our Catholic commitment to safe environments, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia recently updated its policies and training curriculum for mandated reporters of child abuse and neglect. These updated policies reflect the Church's commitment to always do more, as well as new Pennsylvania laws that went into effect on December 31, 2014.

Along with the change in policies and training curriculum for mandated reporters of child abuse and neglect, there are changes in the clearances required to volunteer or be employed by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. These changes affect EVERYONE, employees and volunteers, including those who already have their clearances on file. In addition to the training sessions (SAFE Environment, Mandated Reporter), any person who wants to volunteer on ANY level, for ANY period of time must obtain:

- Federal criminal history fingerprint clearance IF they have lived out of the State at any point in time within the last 10 years this includes college students who attend a college or university outside of Pennsylvania.
- PA State Police Clearance
- Child Abuse Clearance

# ALL of the above must be renewed every 3 years (NOT 5 years).

With these changes in effect, you may receive notice in the very near future that you must renew your State and Child Abuse Clearances if they are close to or over 3 years old. In addition, if for any period of time in the last 10 years you have lived out of state, you WILL BE REQUIRED to obtain your FBI Clearance. No one will be grandfathered into this law.

We understand this makes volunteering even more of a challenge, but this is not only Archdiocesan Policy, it is State Law. Failure to obtain clearances by anyone who is actively volunteering is considered a *misdemeanor* of the third degree. Failure to disclose information on any application is also considered a misdemeanor of the third degree. Of course, the very reason for these changes and policies is so that we can do everything possible to protect God's most precious gift, our children. Please keep this in mind and make every effort possible to obtain all the necessary clearances and training required to be an active participant in your child's activities. There are no exceptions to the requirements for clearances. All completed, up-to-date clearances MUST BE ON FILE prior to any person actively volunteering.

As we continue to do all we can to keep our children safe, also know that the Office for Child and Youth Protection provides services, resources and support toward healing for victims and survivors of child sexual abuse and their families. They can be reached at 1-888-800-8780 or via email at <a href="mailto:philavac@archphila.org">philavac@archphila.org</a>.

www.childyouthprotection.org

# SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for MAY 2015

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May 2015	\$75,888	38% Electronic	May YTD 2015	\$796,254	42% Electronic
May 2014	\$64,151	42% Electronic	May YTD 2014	\$779,471	39% Electronic
May Budget	2014-15	\$80,000	May YTD Budget	2014-15	\$785,448

## SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, June 7, 2015

Sunday Collection \$11,715 \*Electronic \$3,905 Total \$15,620

\* We have 167 families contributing electronically.

## **SPECIAL COLLECTION**

There will be a special collection next weekend for Peter's Pence. May God bless you for your continued generosity.

The Fiscal Year 2015 budget for Saint Monica Parish is available on line at <a href="https://www.saintmonicachurch.org">www.saintmonicachurch.org</a>, under the <a href="https://www.saintmonicachurch.org">Parish Information</a> tab in the <a href="https://www.saintmonicachurch.org">Parish Leadership</a> section.

# News and Announcements

### From the Pastor's Desk...

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stepped away from weekly Mass thinking 'I have kids now I can't go to church." Bring them. God welcomes everyone into His house. Michelle F."

I know that not everyone would agree with Michelle. I have been in liturgical services where children have been absolutely unruly. Fortunately I have not seen that as the case here at St. Monica. For the most part, when young children have begun to become restless, I see parents unobtrusively pick up the child and take them outside for a little bit. Sometimes they settle down. Sometimes they don't. For you parents who have rather "active" young ones, realize that, for a while (even a few years perhaps), you might not be able to enjoy Mass as you would like to.

At Saint Monica I recently had a conversation with a mother who now has college and high-school aged children. She remembers times when she was younger that she just *ached for* some quiet time and some peace during Mass when she could get spiritually fed - at a time, she said, that she needed it the most. She mentioned that it didn't have to be every week but if she could get someone to watch her kids for just one week each month, that would have been enough. Well, together with several mothers, that mom has begun to organize a "baby sitting service" for other moms (and dads of course). Details can be found elsewhere in this week's parish bulletin and will remain in the bulletin for several weeks.

Besides taking advantage of the service, if you - or someone else you know - would like to help in providing this ministry to others, see the post in the bulletin and call them. It would be greatly appreciated.

Charles Flock In



#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

We are a Eucharistic Adoration Parish. Adoration takes place every Monday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm, concluding with Benediction. These summer months offer a good opportunity to slow down and give thanks to Jesus. Please take time to spend time with Our Lord.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Saint Monica Patronal Feast Day Mass and Picnic

with Parish-Wide Eucharistic Adoration from 5 pm on Wednesday the 26th through 4 pm on Thursday the 27th of August! Join us for this special time in our Parish!

# Fr. ZLOCK COULD USE A HELPING HAND!

Father Zlock is looking for someone or ones who would be able to do some grocery shopping for him. He's thinking he would need someone to go every other week. He also has a "system" from a previous parish assignment that could be used to make the job as easy as possible. Please call Father Zlock at 610-644-0110.

# ST. MONICA & WORLD MEETING of FAMILIES



Saint Monica is planning a number of ways that we will participate in the World Meeting of Families this FAMILIES coming September. Further details are forthcoming but - don't miss the

action! Write the dates on you calendar now.

- Thursday, August 27 "World Meeting of Families Picnic" - Feast of Saint Monica in the grotto.
- Sunday, September 27 "Picnic and Pope on the Big Screen" - See the Papal Mass "live" within the comfort of our church on a 12 x 14 foot big screen. "Bring Your Own" picnic on the grotto lawn beforehand.
- Tuesday, September 22 Monday September 28 -"Saint Monica Hospitality Hostel" (our gym) - Come by, help out and get to know a group of pilgrims from all over the United States who will be staying in our parish in the gym for the week.
- Saturday, September 19 "Abbey Fest" is officially a World Meeting of Family event! Our new Family and Youth Director, Jason Carter, will be planning activities for our young people involving Abbey Fest.



# RETREAT FOR YOUNG MEN GRADUATING 8<sup>TH</sup> to 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE Sunday July 5th - Wednesday July 8th ot Wednesday July 9th - Sunday July 12th

Dynamic talks, small group discussions, meaningful

prayer experiences, and a dynamically fun environment including a ropes course, swimming pool and a lake, basketball, soccer, ultimate Frisbee. Registration forms at: www.heedthecall.org.

#### LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL

Fatherhood is a gift from God, a choice gift that provides purpose and meaning for life, with an abundance of joy and happiness, along with occasional bits of grief and sorrow, to the man who comprehends and accepts the role of fatherhood and dedicates his life to the family he fathers. True fatherhood begins with the marriage of one man and one woman who both understand their divinely defined roles of man and woman, of husband and wife, of father and of mother. The fatherhood journey is filled with challenges, awe, sorrows, joys, happiness and an abundance of love—but it's a journey well worth taking.

# News and Announcements

# SAINT MONICA'S GOLF RETURNS



Our traditional Saint Monica's Golf event returns for any and all members and friends of the parish community sponsored by the Holy Name Society and Men's Club.

We are shifting to a fall event this year, and have reserved Monday, October 12, Columbus Day, as the date of our outing. Mark your calendars, save the date, polish up your game, and more information will be shared soon on this most popular event.

# WMOF YOUTH CONGRESS (Ages 6-17) SEPTEMBER 22-27, 2015

Register your child or children (Ages 6-17) for the World Meeting of Families' Youth Congress! The Youth Congress will run simultaneously with the Adult Congress in the Pennsylvania Convention Center. The Youth Congress is an interactive program for the youth, which will include activities such as crafts, service projects, a Scavenger Hunt, Gospel Drama, Bowling with the Bishops and Priests, Catholic Trivia Challenge, and a Dance Party with the Sisters, among many other activities. Each of the activities will include a connection or lesson involving the themes of the official WMOF.

Your children will love this inspiring and energizing component of the World Meeting of Families! For more information, visit <a href="www.worldmeeting2015.org">www.worldmeeting2015.org</a>. Click on Events / Register for Congress / Youth Congress Activities.

FOOD CUPBOARD — THE HUNGRY NEED YOU especially during the summer months, to help them by contributing canned goods or donations for the monthly Food Cupboard Drive for Saint Gabriel's parish in South Philadelphia. The drive will be held after all masses next weekend and through 8 am on Tuesday, June 30. All nonperishable items are welcome. Especially appreciated are: canned tuna, chicken, chili, peanut butter, grape jelly, pasta and pasta sauce. You may leave your contribution in the large box in the gathering space of the church. Checks payable to Saint Gabriel's Food Cupboard are most welcome and can be left in the tin box on the table in the narthex. Sister Arleen, IHM, of Saint Gabriel's sends grateful thanks to our parish for the 35 bags of food and cash donations given in May.

# TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE CALLS YOU TO SHARE YOUR GOD-GIVEN GIFT WITH US

New initiatives, activities and vibrancy has begun to tax the technology resources of Saint Monica. To address this, the parish is forming a Technology Committee. Immediate goals include:

• Conceive, make decisions about, and implement

long-term parish technology vision.

- Address several immediate, tactical goals
- Create a new, inviting website/parish portal.
- Improve service and communication to our parish community
- Revamp/rebuild parish "back office" functionality.

We are looking for two or three parishioners who have hand-on design, technology, communication or marketing talents and especially welcome any first-time parish volunteers. For more information, contact Frank Orman at <a href="mailto:forman@saintmonicachurch.org">forman@saintmonicachurch.org</a> or Tim at <a href="mailto:stmonica@navben.us">stmonica@navben.us</a>. Thank you!

# WALKING WITH PURPOSE (WWP)

WWP will return beginning Thursday October 1st from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. WWP is a program designed to enable women to grow in a relationship with Christ through small group discussion and Scripture study. This will be our second year offering WWP at Saint Monica. Are you looking for a more meaningful relationship with Christ and others? Are you wondering what faith has to do with everyday life? See what women are saying about their experience with WWP this past year! One participant stated "WWP has enriched me spiritually and made me feel more a part of our parish family. I also like how the program relates current issues to scripture." Another woman commented, "It has been life changing. I am much more trusting in God and thankful for all that I have. I am more peaceful. I am reading the bible for the first time." Please consider enrolling! Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board in gathering room. An informational session will be held in early September. Meanwhile any questions feel free contact Bridget <u>bridgetc316@gmail.com</u> Michele man6fam@comcast.net.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for JUNE 21			
DAY	Тіме	EVENT	LOCATION
Sunday		Happy Father's Day	
Monday	8:00am-3:00pm 9:00am-4:30pm	RE Summer Session Adoration	Parish Center Church
Tuesday	8:00am-3:00pm	RE Summer Session	Parish Center
Wednesday	8:00am-3:00pm	RE Summer Session	Parish Center
Thursday	8:00am-3:00pm	RE Summer Session	Parish Center
Friday	8:00 am-3:00pm 9:15-10:30 am	RE Summer Session Legion of Mary	Parish Center Rectory
Saturday	4:00-4:45 pm	Confession	Church

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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 June 21- June 28				
MASS TIME	Intention	Presider	MUSIC MINISTRY	Notes
5:00 p.m. Vigil	All Fathers of our Parish	Fr. Hennessy	Cantor	
7:30 a.m.	All Fathers of our Parish	Fr. Fitzgerald	Quiet	
9:30 a.m.	All Fathers of our Parish	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
11:00 a.m.	All Fathers of our Parish	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
Monday, 22nd	+ Patricia Margaret Fitzgerald Rocks	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 23rd	+ Loretta Widmann	Fr. Zlock		
Wednesday, 24th	Communion Service			
Thursday, 25th	+ Elinor Warzecha	Fr. Danielski		
Friday, 26th	+ Larry Norton	Fr. Zlock		
Saturday, 27th	+ Larry Norton	Fr. Zlock		
5:00 p.m. Vigil	Intentions of Tim and Mary Kelleher	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	Special Collection:
9:30 a.m.	Mary Pohlig	Fr. Cortese	Cantor	Peter's Pence
11:00 a.m.	+ Clarence Haldeman	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	1

#### THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Jack Barausky, Sonia Altirman, Bob Ball, Mary Alice Boyd, Michael Byrne, Mary Byrnes, Lina Cappelli, Lilly Ciocca, Lynn Conrad, Anne Coxe, Leonard D'Andrea, William Dahlman, Maria and Francisco DeRivas, Jim DiAntonio, Lou DiFerdinando, Rita Dunn, Joseph Erwin, CJ Fazzini, Yolanda Fazzini, Kelly Glacken, Jim Gormley, Jenna, Maya and Eva Izzi, Faith Johnson, Libby Judge, Margaret Knight, Anne Maas, Dan Maguire, Mike McAleer (son of Liz), Louise Merlino, David Mikowychok, Melanie Mizenko, Dr. Mark Nardone, John and Lilly Neff, Mary Rose, Cathy Russell, Bob Schubert, Gary Smith, Joseph and Helen Triolo, Bob and Mildred Walsh

### 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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