



# 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)*

Saint Monica Rectory  
635 First Avenue  
Berwyn, Pennsylvania 19312  
Phone: 610.644.0110  
Facsimile: 610.695.0850

### Office of Religious Education (Rectory)

610.647.4757

### Parish Website

[www.saintmonicachurch.org](http://www.saintmonicachurch.org)

### Twitter & Instagram

@StMonicaBerwyn

### Join Flocknote!

Text "Monica1897" to 84576

### Parish Staff E-mail

FirstInitialLastName@  
saintmonicachurch.org

### Parish Leadership

parishcouncil@  
saintmonicachurch.org

financecouncil@

saintmonicachurch.org

### 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.

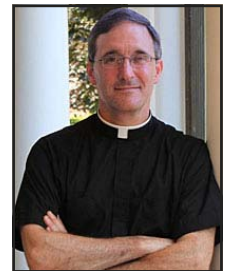


## The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 7, 2016

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

I have received a number of specific requests about prayer. Last week we looked at "Prayers Offered for Anxious Moments." This week we offer "Prayers Related to Families." Other intentions and categories will be offered next week.



### PRAYERS RELATED TO FAMILIES

#### A Prayer For A Family

God, you made us a family. We need one another. Help us to love one another and to forgive one another. Help us to work together, to play together, to worship together. Together help us to use God's Word, to love all people, to serve our God, to serve others. Together help us to hope for heaven. These are our hopes and ideals, help us to attain them O God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

#### A Prayer For A Family

God and Father of us all, in Jesus, your Son and our Savior you have made us your sons and daughters in the family of the Church. May your grace and love help our families in every part of the world be united to one another in fidelity to the Gospel.

May the example of the Holy Family, with the aid of your Holy Spirit, guide all families, especially those most troubled, to be homes of communion and prayer and to always seek your truth and live in your love, through Christ our Lord. Amen. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us! *(Philadelphia 2015 - Official Prayer, The World Meeting of Families)*

#### Parents Prayer for Their Children

Lord God! Thou hast called us to the holy state of matrimony and hast been pleased to make us parents. We recommend to Thee our dear children. We entrust them to Thy fatherly care. May they be a source of consolation, not only to us, but chiefly to Thee, Who are their Creator. Be watchful, O Lord; help and defend them. Grant us the grace to guide them in the way of Thy commandments. This we will do by *(Continued on Page 4)*



### OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION for THIS WEEK

During this Year of Mercy, excerpts of the Diary of Saint Faustina's will be published weekly in our parish bulletin in the hope of bringing the parishioners of Saint Monica closer to our Lord through the knowledge and experience of His infinite mercy.

***Tell souls not to place within their own hearts obstacles to My mercy, which so greatly wants to work within them. My mercy works in all those hearts which open their doors to it. Jesus to St. Faustina (Diary, 1577)***

## FROM *the* OFFICE of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Progress Reports have been distributed to most students. All other students will receive their Progress Report at the next RE session. Parents are asked to review the Progress Report, sign the envelope, and return it to the child's teacher. Parents may keep the Progress Report. The RE Program is NOT in session on Sunday, February 14 and Monday, February 15. The classes will resume on Sunday, February 21 and Monday, February 22.

The **Saint Monica RE Program Summer Session** registration forms can be found on the homepage of the parish website. The Summer Session registration is open to students registered in St. Monica Parish, entering Grades 1,

3, 4 and 5 in the Fall of 2016. The completed forms and payment should be received by February 22nd. Registration for the 2016-2017 Sunday classes (Grade 2 & 6 only) and Monday classes (Grades 1-6) will take place in early March.



### SACRAMENT SPOTLIGHT

May God bless the 2nd grade students of Saint Monica Parish who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Monday. May they always seek God's unconditional love and forgiveness! The Confirmation candidates are reminded to regularly review the Confirmation Study Guide found on parish website.

## FAMILY *and* YOUTH MINISTRY



## FROM *the* OFFICE of WORSHIP *and* MUSIC



MUSIC AT MONICA'S PRESENTS...

*Internationally-Acclaimed Concert Pianist & Steinway Artist*

**MERAL GUNEYMAN**

Sunday, 28 February at 3 pm

*Sponsored by Jacobs Music Company*

*The program will feature works by Beethoven, Liszt, Saint-Saëns, Rachmaninoff and also some virtuosic transcriptions of popular favorites!*

# HELPING HANDS *at* SAINT MONICA PARISH!

Registration Opens on January 30th!

**SAVE THE DATE**

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



Join your family & neighbors at a  
**HELPING HANDS EVENT**  
 a  
**FUN VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

St. Monica Parish in Berwyn invites you to take action to feed our brethren overseas and help reduce global poverty. Join us on Sunday, March 13th at 2pm for a Helping Hands meal-packaging event presented by Catholic Relief Services and Stop Hunger Now.

Our goal is to pack 40,000 meal bags to help feed vulnerable children, women, and men in the West African country of Burkina Faso.

We provide the food and packing materials. Just bring yourself and your servant's heart after you **RSVP at [cyacc.org/hands](http://cyacc.org/hands)**.

**WHEN**

Sunday, March 13th 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 2015

December 2015	\$76,798	44% Electronic	December YTD 2015	\$433,360	44% Electronic
December 2014	\$83,202	37% Electronic	December YTD 2014	\$422,824	40% Electronic
December Budget 2015-16	\$82,758		December YTD Budget 2015-16	\$453,416	

### SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, January 31, 2016

Sunday Collection	\$10,662
Electronic	\$10,234
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$20,876</b>

*We have 167 families contributing electronically.*

### POOR BOX

The money collected from the Poor Boxes during the Month of January was used for the benefit of the Bethesda Project. May God bless you for your continued generosity.

The Fiscal Year 2016 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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our own perfect observance of Thy holy law and that of our holy Mother, the Church. Make us conscious of our grave obligation to You and bless our efforts to serve You. We humbly ask this blessing from the bottom of our hearts, for ourselves and for the children whom Thou hast been pleased to give us.

We dedicate them to Thee, O Lord. Do Thou keep them as the apple of Thy eye and protect them under the shadow of Thy wings. Make us worthy to come, at last, to heaven, together with them, giving thanks unto Thee, Our Father, for the loving care Thou hast had of our entire family, and praising Thee together through endless ages. Amen. (Prayer Source: Catholic Family Handbook, The by Rev. George A. Kelly, Random House, Inc., New York, 1959)

#### Prayer for Deceased Son or Daughter

O God, You gave us a son/daughter, and in Your wisdom and love have called him/her home to You before us. Please listen to our humble prayer: pardon his/her sins and faults, and grant that we may be reunited safely in Your Presence. Through Your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ, we beg this of You. Amen

#### Prayer For Students

Lord, our God, in your wisdom and love You surround us with the mysteries of the universe. Send your spirit upon our students and fill them with Your wisdom and blessings. Grant that they may devote themselves to their studies and draw ever closer to You, the source of all knowledge. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Prayer For Deceased Parents

It was You, O God, who commanded us to honor our father and mother. In Your kindness have mercy on the souls of our parents, and forgive them their sins. Grant that we may see them again in the brightness of Your everlasting glory. We ask this through Your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Charles Zlock Jr*

#### LADIES OF THE PARISH

The women of **WALKING WITH PURPOSE** are excited to offer a **Lenten Reflection** on the evening of February 11th 7:00-9:00 pm featuring **Sister Marie**

**Michele Donnelly RSM,MA.** Sister will be speaking on *"The Works of Mercy - A Wonderful Way to Observe Lent"*. Light fare will be served - hot soup, salad and bread. Please feel free to bring a friend. **RSVP - Diane Claffey at [dianeacclaffey@verizon.net](mailto:dianeacclaffey@verizon.net).**

#### DISCO FAMILY BINGO IS BACK!

**FRIDAY, MARCH 4**

**5:30-7:00PM**

What happens when you combine bingo, a **professional DJ, prizes and fun?** You get **Disco Family Bingo** at St. Monica! This super fun event is for everyone. There will be prizes for the young and cash for the young at heart! Pre-registration is required so we can order enough pizzas and bingo supplies for everyone. To sign up visit Saint Monica's web page at [www.SaintMonicaChurch.org](http://www.SaintMonicaChurch.org) and click on the image for Disco Family Bingo. **BONUS** - You can make it a socially and spiritually fulfilling night for the family by attending the Stations of the Cross afterwards, which will start at 7:00 in the Church.

#### NEW THIS YEAR - ALL ABILITIES BINGO

**FRIDAY, MARCH 4**

**7:30-9:00PM**

This event is open to those with autism, developmental disabilities, physical disabilities or special needs of any type and their families. Come enjoy a fun evening where you can feel accepted, connected and loved! To attend, please email Trish O'Brien at [tobrien77@comcast.net](mailto:tobrien77@comcast.net).

#### DIAPER AND FORMULA DRIVE



Heeding Pope Francis' call to mercy, Saint Monica's begins their partnership with the Legacy of Life Foundation with a **Diaper and Formula Drive**. Join us in showing mercy to families experiencing an unplanned pregnancy by donating these most needed items:

**Diapers (all sizes); Baby Wipes; Baby Shampoo, Wash and Lotion; Diaper Rash Cream; Similac Advanced; Similac Soy and Similac Alumentum Formula**

A collection basket will be set up in the Gathering Room for your donations from February 13 – 28<sup>th</sup>. Look for the LOLF bulletin insert this month or stop by the Gathering Room display to learn about other ways you can support these families.

## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HOLY NAME SOCIETY

To all members of our parish community: Registration forms for our 19th Edition of Team Trivia Night will be in **NEXT** weekend's bulletin. Don't get left out of this, the Holy Name's key note event of the year. Game night is scheduled for Saturday, March 12th.

For further information, contact Mark DiLucca at mdilucca00@comcast.net

**SAINT MONICA PARISH INVITES YOU TO EXPLORE A NEW AND PERSONALIZED SPIRITUAL WORLD FOR YOURSELF!**

*Come As You Are, Come When You Can, Stay If You'd Like!*

### ALPHA

**Dates:** Sundays January 10, 17, 24, 31; February 7, 21, 28; March 6 & 20; April 3

**Location:** Parish Education Center Cafeteria

**Time:** 12:45pm-3:15pm

### OREMUS PRAYER PROGRAM

**Dates:** Wednesdays, January 13, 20, 27; February 17, 24; March 2, 9, 16

**Location:** Parish Center

**Time:** 7:00-8:00 pm **Cost:** \$20

### CALLED & GIFTED II

**DATE:** SATURDAY, MARCH 19TH

**Location:** Parish Center **Time:** 9:15-Noon

**Cost:** \$10 if you attended **C & G I** and completed *The Spiritual Gifts Inventory*;

\$35 if you did not attend **C & G II**;

Participants must complete *Gifts Inventory* in advance.

**It's Not Too Late to Register!**

Registration for

**ALPHA, OREMUS & CALLED AND GIFTED II**

programs are available on our parish website at

[WWW.SAINTMONICACHURCH.ORG](http://WWW.SAINTMONICACHURCH.ORG)

Questions? Please contact Aagee Lane  
610-908-7007 or [aageeclane@gmail.com](mailto:aageeclane@gmail.com)

### Celebrate Valentine's Day by



**February 13-14, 2016**

Whether you are newlyweds or married many years this retreat is a Valentine's gift you will never forget! It is guaranteed to get you back in touch with what you fell in love with in the first place and to unleash more joy and delight in your marriage. Husbands and wives will both love the fun, practical, proactive approach, and couples of all faiths or no faith will feel welcome.

Saint Monica's will host this two-day

**Living in Love Retreat Workshop**

**Saturday, February 13 from 8:00 am to**

**9:00 pm and Sunday, February 14**

**7:30 am Mass to 3:00 pm**

Includes a lovely romantic dinner Saturday night, and continental breakfast each day. Cost \$125 per couple.

For more information, contact Dave and Kathy Phelan at 610-902-0654. To register, go to [www.livinginlove.org](http://www.livinginlove.org) or call 610-640-4105.

and / or Enjoy a

**Valentine Evening of Reflection**

Presented by Father Zlock at the Malvern Retreat House, **Sunday evening February 14, 2016**. Give your spouse the perfect gift right on Valentine's Day! This special evening for couples includes: prayer, cocktail hour, romantic dinner, opportunity for confession, spiritual reflection, adoration and renewal of Vows. Cost \$100.00; to register call 610-644-0400 or visit [www.malvernretreat.com/retreats](http://www.malvernretreat.com/retreats).

### WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for February 7

DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Sunday	12:45-3:15 pm	ALPHA	Hagenbach Room
Monday	9:00am-4:30pm	Adoration	Church
Tuesday	6:00-7:30 pm	RCIA	Hagenbach Room
Wednesday	8:30am, 12:00pm; 5:00pm	<b>Ash Wednesday Masses</b>	Church
	6:00-8:00 pm 7:00-8:00 pm	Youth Bible Study OREMUS	Youth Room Parish Center
Thursday	7:00-8:30 pm	<b>Walking With Purpose</b>	Parish Center
Friday	9:15-10:30 am	Legion of Mary	Rectory
Saturday	4:00-4:45 pm	Confession	Church

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Frzlock.com



**Facebook**  
Fr. Charlie Zlock



**Twitter**  
@FrZlock

## FAMILY & YOUTH MINISTRY

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



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CSMEdge  
CSMLifeteen



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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](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 7 — February 14

MASS TIME	INTENTION	PRESIDER	MUSIC MINISTRY	NOTES
5:00 pm Vigil	+ Margaret Dunleavy	Fr. Serano	Cantor	
7:30 am	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	
9:30 am	+ Antoinette Piombino	Fr. Zlock	Choir	
11:30 am	+ Leo and Catherine McGurk	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	
Monday, 8th	+ Michael McAleer	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 9th	+ Ben Watkins	Fr. Zlock		
Wednesday, 10th Ash Wednesday	8:30 am - + Ed Gallagher 12:00 Noon - + Fred Sheedy, Sr. 5:00 pm - + Thomas Mulligan	Fr. Zlock Fr. Zlock Fr. Antry		
Thursday, 11th	Kris and John Erbey	Fr. Aviccolli		
Friday, 12th	+ Helen Conlan	Fr. Zlock		
Saturday, 13th	+ Barbara Luma	Fr. Zlock		
5:00 pm Vigil	+ Agatha Susack	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	
7:30 am	+ Robert Reimer	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	
9:30 am	People of the Parish	Fr. Aviccolli	Choir	
11:30 am	+ Bill DiSanto	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	

## THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Sonia Altirman, Margaret Annechini, Jack Barausky, Mary Alice Boyd, Michael Byrne, Mary Byrnes, John Canfield, Lina Cappelli, Lilly Ciocca, James DiAntonio, William Dahlman, Rita Dunn, Joseph Erwin, CJ Fazzini, Yolanda Fazzini, Marie C. Fitzgerald, Bernadette Giodorna, Kelly Glacken, Mary Hartley, Jenna, Maya and Eva Izzu, Eleonora Jauslin, Faith Johnson, Libby Judge, Anne Maas, Dan Maguire, Eugene Matta, Louise Merlino, David Mikowchok, Melanie Mizenko, Dr. Mark Nardone, John and Lilly Neff, Josephine Pogorzelski, Julia Quici, Rita Reilly, John Robinson, Mary Rose, Cathy Russell, Bob Schubert, Gary Smith, 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

## PARISH LEADERSHIP

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Sandra Concannon  
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**Reverend Charles Zlock, M.Div., M.A., M.B.I.S., Pastor**

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