

THE CHURCH OF
SAINT MONICA
 BERWYN, PENNSYLVANIA

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 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.

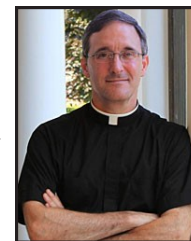
Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

Anytime by appointment.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 30, 2019

FROM the PASTOR'S DESK...



Last week we began to share information on St. Monica Parish from the "Disciple Maker Index" (or DMI). We began examining how St. Monica scored well as compared to other parishes in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. We also listed areas where the parish can improve. This week, let's examine how the DMI scores for St. Monica changed from 2017 to 2019:

St. Monica "Top 5 Favorable Changes" in 2019 vs 2017 were:

Parish Life - "I Would Recommend The Parish Religious Education Program." The 2019 score (63% of respondents answering "highly favorable") was a 90% improvement. It was not only far above the Archdiocesan average of 42%, *it was actually in line with the three highest parish scores nationwide!*

Personal Faith - "How Frequently I Attended a Class/Workshop" - 14% responded "highly favorable." This was a 75% improvement over 2017 and 8% above the archdiocesan average.


Community - "My Parish Follows-up To My Requests In How I Can Become Involved" In 2017, this was one of our lowest scores. The 2019 score (at 25% "Highly Favorable") was a 47% improvement, although still below the archdiocesan average of 28%.

Community - "The Parish Offers Opportunities To Serve Others" This was another area where we scored low in 2017. The 2019 score (at 35% "Highly Favorable") was a 35% improvement over our 2017 score, although we are still below the archdiocesan average of 39%.

Spiritual Growth - "The Parish Helps Me Grow Via Small Groups" - The 2019 result of 23% is a 44% improvement over 2017. It is slightly above the archdiocesan average of 22%.

Besides the results above, there was a significant positive change in other areas:

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**OUR PARISH PRAYER
 INTENTION for THIS WEEK**

*May God Bless the United State of
 America and Protect us from all harm.*

Want to become Catholic? Know
someone who does?

WE ARE BEGINNING TO PLAN FOR
FALL 2019

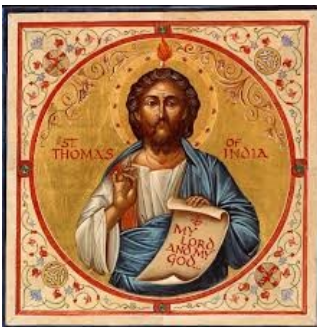


R C I A



Please contact Jason at jcarter@saintmonicachurch.org
or Meghan at mnulty@saintmonicachurch.org if you are
interested or have any questions!

ST. THOMAS the APOSTLE - JULY 3



St. Thomas was born a Jew and was called to be one of the twelve Apostles. His birth and death dates are unknown, but his feast day is celebrated July 3. He lived before the formal establishment of the Catholic Church but is recognized as the patron saint of architects.

He was a dedicated but impetuous follower of Christ. When Jesus said He was returning to Judea to visit His sick friend Lazarus, Thomas immediately exhorted the other Apostles to accompany Him on the trip which involved certain danger and possible death because of the mounting hostility of the authorities.

At the Last Supper, when Christ told His disciples that He was going to prepare a place for them to which they also might come because they knew both the place and the way, Thomas pleaded that they did not understand and received the beautiful assurance that Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

St. Thomas is best known for his role in verifying the Resurrection of his Master. Thomas' unwillingness to believe that the other Apostles had seen their risen Lord on the first Easter Sunday earned him the title of "doubting Thomas." Eight days later, on Christ's second apparition, Thomas was gently rebuked for his skepticism and furnished with the evidence he had demanded - seeing in Christ's hands the point of the nails. Thomas even put his fingers in the nail holes and his hand into Christ's side. After verifying the wounds were true, St. Thomas became convinced of the reality of the Resurrection and exclaimed, "My Lord and My God," thus making a public Profession of Faith in the Divinity of Jesus.

St. Thomas is also mentioned as being present at another Resurrection appearance of Jesus - at Lake Tiberias, when a miraculous catch of fish occurred.

This is all that we know about St. Thomas from the New Testament. Tradition says that at the dispersal of the Apostles after Pentecost this saint was sent to evangelize to the Parthians, Medes, and Persians. He ultimately reached India, carrying the Faith to the Malabar coast, which still boasts a large native population calling themselves "Christians of St. Thomas." www.Catholic.org

Discipleship and Formation Summer Session - 2019



We had a blast during
SUMMER SESSION!!

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for MAY 2019

May 2019	\$63,890	55% Electronic	May YTD 2019	\$724,979	50% Electronic
May 2019	\$61,605	50% Electronic	May YTD 2018	\$764,774	48% Electronic
May Budget	2018-2019	\$65,198	May YTD Budget	2018-2019	\$764,968

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Sunday, June 23, 2019

Sunday Collection	\$6,316
Electronic	\$5,795
Total	\$12,111

*We have 179 families
contributing electronically.*

SECOND COLLECTION

There is a Second Collection this weekend for the Saint Monica Saint Vincent de Paul Fund. May God bless you for your continued generosity.

The Fiscal Year 2019 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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People **"Spending Regular Time in Individual Prayer:"** 91% positive in 2019 vs. 80% in 2017.

"People Sharing Their Personal (Faith) Story:" 42% positive in 2019 vs. 33% in 2017.

"Confidence In The Teachings Of The Church:" 54% positive in 2019 vs. 47% in 2017.

"Growing As A Disciple" and "Growing In A Personal Relationship With Jesus:" 67% in 2019 vs. 59% in 2017.

"Belief That Scripture Is The Word Of God:" 93% positive in 2019 vs. 88% in 2017.

Why are these points important? *They reflect significant growth in spiritual maturity. They show strengthening of people's personal relationship with Jesus Christ. These are the key components in growing as an intentional disciple of the Lord.*

As I mentioned above, Religious Education showed significant improvement. This improvement was seen from 2017 to 2019. St. Monica Religious Ed also scored well when compared to other parishes in the archdiocese – even nationally. Two years ago Jason, Meghan, and Diane recommended a radical change in our approach to Religious Education. The parish supported the change to a "small group" format. We invested significant resources to support the changes. We added new processes and communication formats to assist people to easily engage with us. This included Flocknote, revisions to the website and new sign-up forms.

Investments were made in existing programs. This included resources for Walking With Purpose, Alpha along with a new program (That Man Is You). Finally, we provided more support for our Service and Outreach Ministry. This ministry is currently under the leadership of Bridget Cowell and Michelle Manning.

There were other areas where positive trends were seen, although the changes in scores were less significant.

The key message in this week's recap: The parish determined areas where the parish prioritized the need for improvement. It invested in these areas. We took sustained action. The result was measurable improvement. Next week we'll focus on areas that merit special focus. Specifically this includes, music, liturgy and hospitality.

Charles Flock Jr

MALVERN RETREAT HOUSE

WOMEN OF GRACE RETREATS - FOR WOMEN OF ALL AGES!

JULY 11-14, 2019

Johnnette Benkovic-Williams and her team will be returning to Malvern Retreat House for the 13th year to direct the **Benedicta Leadership Enrichment Seminar for Women**, July 11-12. Fr. Nathan Cromly will utilize the theme, "Catholic Women's Leadership & the Power of the Holy Spirit and His Gifts." On July 12-14, the **Women of Grace Retreat** will be directed by Johnnette Benkovic-Williams, Dr. Carrie Gress and Fr. Nathan Cromly. The theme this year is, "...By His Stripes We are Healed. At the Foot of the Cross: God's Infinite Mercy." Uplifting music, adoration, a special healing service, and so much more are offered for this national retreat. On Saturday, July 13, a **Young Women of Grace retreat** will be conducted for teens 13+ years. Be sure to register early for this popular retreat. Register at 610-644-0400 or www.malvernretreat.com

CAMP GUADALUPE 2019

All children ages 4-12 are invited to join this week-long celebration of Catholic Faith, Art, Music and rich cultural traditions. Our theme this year is "I Believe!" **Locations:** Malvern Retreat House on July 15-19 **To learn more, register or volunteer:** Visit www.livingbridges.org. For questions contact us at 610-525-4770 or staff@livingbridges.org

CHARISMATIC RETREAT FOR MEN AND WOMEN: AUGUST 2-4

Directed by world-renowned retreat directors Father James Blount and Kathleen McCarthy. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Office of the Charismatic Renewal is co-sponsoring this powerful retreat which will include preaching, teaching, healing services and so much more. Music by Mark Griswold. Be sure to register early for this popular retreat by calling 610-644-0400 or www.malvernretreat.com



PLEASE JOIN US

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Monday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 pm

Parish Rosary in the Grotto

Every Monday at 7:15 pm



NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE TRAVELING PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA



Through the kindness of the Legion of Mary, we are once again able to offer the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima to our Saint Monica families. Would you like to invite her into your home and family life for one week? The Pilgrim Virgin will bring you comfort, peace and many blessings. She is just waiting for your invitation. If you would like to invite her into your home, please contact Elena Brazer at 484-318-7888. If no answer, please leave a message.



LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL

May those nearing life's end receive care that protects and respects their lives.

WE THIRST:

CHRISTIAN REFLECTIONS ON ADDICTION

Five Wednesdays starting July 24, 2019 –

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

All are invited to experience an inspirational and educational series on the addiction crisis that fosters mercy, faith, hope and love. Expand your knowledge about the various dimensions of addiction, including biology, psychology, sociology and spirituality. This is an important event for all pastoral leaders in assisting them to reach the members of their parish community who are suffering with an addiction.

Cost is \$20, inclusive of all 5 sessions.

Location: Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 222 N 17th Street, Philadelphia

Register and learn more at archphila.org/wethirst.

MISSION SAINTS SUMMER SERIES

Register Today!

July 26 6PM • St. Joachim & St. Ann

• **Parents of God's First Missionary, Mary**

Mom & Dad, certainly in this case, KNOW Best! Discover their teachings that led Mary to respond to God's call and be more of a Mission Disciple. Kristi Bushner, Adult Faith Formation Director at St. John the Baptist in Manayunk introduces these "parent" greats.

Also! Join us for Beverages, lite snacks and hospitality after each presentation

MISSION SAINTS SUMMER SERIES will be held at the Cathedral Basilica SS. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia

For More Info • phillymissions.org/signup

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

St. Elizabeth Church in Chester County has openings for two full-time parish staff members: a Director of Religious Education and Faith Formation (DRE) and a Parish Youth Ministry Coordinator. Please check the parish website (stelizabethparish.org) for more information about both positions. Interested applicants should send a letter of interest and a resume with personal references, no later than Thursday, July 18, to Rev. Thomas M. Mullin, Pastor, Saint Elizabeth Church Office, PO Box 695, Uwchlan, PA 19480-0695. You may also fax a letter and resume to 610-646-6513 or email your letter and resume to tmullin@stelizabethparish.org.

CYACC - HOLY HOUR WITH MUSIC AND NIGHT PRAYER



Join CYACC - Chester County Catholic Young Adults, at Saints Peter and Paul Church, 7:30pm on July 3rd, Join us for one of our most beautiful events, an evening of adoration, music, and night prayer. This month, join us as we pray for our beautiful country. Following the event, we will head to a nearby watering hole for fellowship. For more information check www.cyacc.org or find us in Facebook / email us at cyacc1@gmail.com

DR. SCOTT HAHN

World Renowned Theologian and Speaker, Dr. Scott Hahn will be presenting a day of pilgrimage on power and the importance of encountering the Eucharist, Faith, and the Fullness of Truth at Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine in Doylestown, PA on August 3rd, 2019. Registration and more information is available at stpaulcenter.com/shrine/. We hope you will join us for this special and blessed event.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for June 30

DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Monday	9:00am-4:30pm	Adoration	Church
	6:30-7:30 pm	Confession	Church
	7:15-7:45 pm	Parish Rosary	Church
Tuesday	6:00-7:30 am	Confession	Church
Wednesday	8:30 am	Rectory Closed Communion Service	Church
Thursday		Rectory Closed	
Friday	9:15-10:30 am	Rectory Closed Legion of Mary No Nocturnal Adoration	Rectory
Saturday	4:00-4:45 pm	Confession	Church

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FAMILY & YOUTH MINISTRY

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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 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 30– July 7

MASS TIME	INTENTION	PRESIDER	MUSIC MINISTRY	NOTES
5:00 pm	+ Kitty Borzillo Dowds	Fr. Serano	Cantor	<i>Second Collection: St. Monica St. Vincent de Paul Fund</i>
7:30 am	+ Robert C. Pepperling	Fr. Garvey	Quiet	
9:30 am	People of the Parish	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	
11:30 am	+ Timothy and Mary Kelleher	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	
Monday, 1st	+ Virginia McCarty	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 2nd	Intentions of John and Joan Wojcik	Fr. Zlock		
Wednesday, 3rd	Communion Service			
Thursday, 4th	+ Virginia McCarty	Fr. Novielli		
Friday, 5th	John Wojcik	Fr. Zlock		
Saturday, 6th	+ Bill Ward	Fr. Zlock		
5:00 pm	+ Daniel Trasatti	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	<i>Special Collection: Campaign for Human Development</i>
7:30 am	People of the Parish	Norbertine	Quiet	
9:30 am	+ Mary Ellen Seward	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
11:30 am	+ Ted Reimel, Jr.	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	

If Mass is being said for a loved one and you would like to present the gifts, please see the Usher.

THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Sonia Altirman, Matt Baker, Drew Brazer, Michael Byrne, Terri Carson, Molly Chew, Lilly Ciocca, Ann Curvan, James DiAntonio, Gavin Duffy, Rita Dunn, Joseph Erwin, Ria Filippelli, Elaine Flynn, Hugh Gannon, Kelly Glacken, Mike Graziano, Mary Hartley, Karen Hastings, Natalie Innella, Faith Johnson, Clare Johnston, Libby Judge, Baby Tommy Lake, Charlie Litzelman, Sue McDonnell, Dan McMonigle, Heather Moore, Dr. Mark Nardone, Rob Niederer, Steve Pannella, Apolonia Pepperling, Rita Reilly, Joel Rivera, John Robinson, Mary Rose, Cathy Russell, Frank and Mary Simone, Gary Smith, Mildred Walsh

THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US

*Frank Varallo; Mary Kelleher, Mother of Bridget Tomasicchio;
Judy Fittipoldi, Sister of Linda De Luca*

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

Leader for this week: Margaret Bellew at 610-647-3856

PARISH LEADERSHIP

FINANCE COUNCIL

Robert Carden
Kevin Concannon
Richard Deak
Kathryn Leib
Jack Martin
Michael Vadner
Alex Weaver
Kolbe Wolfe

PARISH PASTORAL STAFF

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Reverend Allan Fitzgerald, O.S.A., Ph.D., *Pastoral Assistance*
The Norbertines of Daylesford Abbey, *Pastoral Assistance*
Jason Carter, *Director of Discipleship & Formation*
Meghan Nulty, *Associate Director of Discipleship & Formation*
Diane Kirsch Pealer, *Program Coordinator for Discipleship & Formation*
Theresa Carey, *Business Manager*
Catherine H. Levine, *Parish Administrative Assistant*
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Vincent Gutierrez, *Director of Facilities Management*