



# THE PARISH of SAINT MONICA



## 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 (Rector)

610.647.4757

### Parish Website

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

### Twitter & Instagram

@StMonicaBerwyn

### 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.

11:00 a.m.

**Holy Days** 8:30 a.m.

**of Obligation** 12 noon

### The Sacrament of

**Reconciliation (Confessions)**

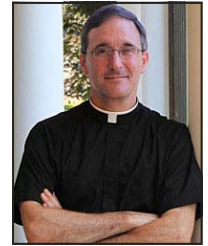
Saturday from 4 to 4:45 p.m.  
Anytime by appointment.



The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Week of January 18, 2015

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...



On Saturday, January 24, after the 5:00 Vigil Mass, in the cafeteria of the Education Center, we will be presenting the details of a 10-year "Master Plan" for Saint Monica. Although such a plan contains items such as buildings and finances, there is a spiritual and pastoral context that must surround the vision. This context includes critical components - such as the ones listed below - that are seen in growing, vibrant and amazing parishes. I shall cover a number of these components this week then discuss the remaining components next week. ALL COMPONENTS can be found on my website: [frzlock.com](http://frzlock.com) this week, however (...if you want to get a head start!)

**PRAYER** is the first, the simplest, the shortest, the most important but often the most overlooked way to a deeper personal spirituality and a relationship with Jesus Christ. Every parish is a place of prayer ("Duh!") At Mass, Adoration, Bible Study and a host of other activities, prayer is central. However, when it comes to running our parishes, we all too often forget that prayer must be central, and that God wants us to turn to Him, every day, with intentionality and regularity.

God is in charge and wants us to acknowledge His hand in what we're doing. This seems so obvious, and yet, in the course of the details and procedures involved in running a parish day in and day out, it is often forgotten ignored or minimized. We must organize regular and intentional prayer efforts around the guidance and success of our parish, generally and specifically around individual programs and initiatives. It also means we must believe that God hears us, and wants to answer our prayers according to His will.

This year, the Adult Faith Formation Committee developed a prayer-focused, multilayered plan to educate and spiritually enrich the parishioners on discovering and living God's call. This included: *(Continued on Page 4)*

## OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION for THIS WEEK



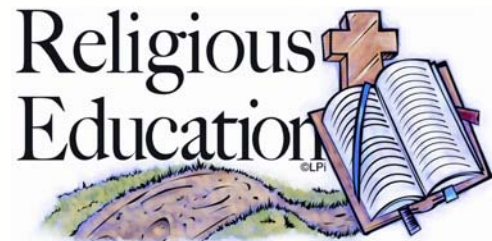
Lord, we pray for the right to life of every human being and thank those who represent us at the annual Right to Life March. We ask that you help guide those women who are uncertain during this time, to honor their unborn child and give them the gift of life. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## FROM *the* OFFICE of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Religious Education Program is NOT in session on January 19.

The weather-related closing information has been emailed to all registered families of the RE Program. Parents are asked to review this information which can also be found on the Saint Monica website: [www.saintmonicachurch.org](http://www.saintmonicachurch.org). On the homepage, click on 'Parish Organizations'. Next, click on 'Religious Education' / 'Weather-related Closing Information'. Registration for the 2015 Summer Session will begin in the coming weeks. Registration forms will be emailed to all currently registered families. Walk-In

registration for the 2015-2016 Monday night Religious Education Program session is scheduled on March 2 and March 9.



## THE RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY OF SAINT MONICA PARISH

*invites all to join us on this prayerful journey . . .*

### THE 42ND ANNUAL MARCH for LIFE THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 2015 in WASHINGTON, D.C.



**OUR BUS WILL MAKE 2 STOPS:  
SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
RALLY AND MARCH IN D.C.**

**SUGGESTED DONATION: \$25 FOR ADULTS;  
STUDENTS AND CHILDREN ARE FREE.**

**To sign up for this trip, contact Loretta Hill at  
[lehill7@aol.com](mailto:lehill7@aol.com) or 610-964-9243.**

***Bus departs from St. Monica's at 7:15 a.m. - Returns to St. Monica's at 8:00 p.m.***

## FROM *the* OFFICE of WORSHIP & MUSIC

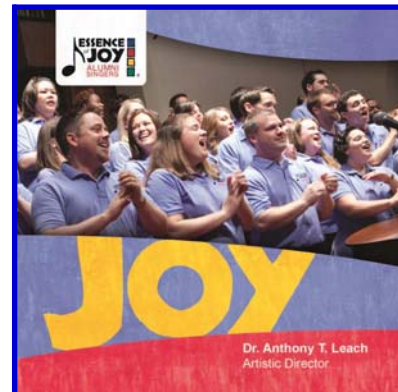
MUSIC AT MONICA'S PRESENTS...

*An Afternoon of Spirituals and Gospel Music with*

**The Essence of Joy  
Alumni Singers of  
Penn State University**

**Sunday, 25 January at 3 p.m.**

*Free-will offering. Tickets are not required.*



**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 15th at 2pm for a Helping Hands meal-packaging event presented by Catholic Relief Services and Stop Hunger Now.

Our goal is to pack 10,000 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 15th** 2-4:30pm

**WHERE**

**St. Monica Church Gym**  
 635 First Avenue, Berwyn, PA

**HOW**

Please **RSVP at**  
**[cyacc.org/hands](http://cyacc.org/hands)**



**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for DECEMBER 2014**

Dec. 2014	\$83,302	37% Electronic	Dec. YTD 2014	\$442,924	40% Electronic
Dec. 2013	\$83,186	37% Electronic	Dec. YTD 2013	\$435,897	37% Electronic
Dec. Budget 2014-15	\$70,000		Dec. YTD Budget 2014-15	\$426,153	

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS**

**Sunday, January 11, 2015**

Sunday Collection	\$10,806
*Electronic	\$12,497
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$23,303</b>

*\* We have 164 families contributing electronically.*

**SECOND COLLECTION**

There will be a Special Collection next weekend for Catholic Relief Services. May God bless you for your continued generosity.

The Fiscal Year 2015 budget for Saint Monica Parish is now 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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- (September) Introducing a program of weekly, Parish based prayer intentions announced at the beginning of Sunday Mass and published in the bulletin. Parishioners were asked to include the Parish intention in their own personal prayers in the week that follows.
- (December) Installation of a prayer intention book at the back of the Church where parishioners can write their personal petitions in it. This month, we will begin to include the intention book in the Offertory Procession and it will be placed on the altar during Mass.
- (Christmas) 700 copies of *Our Deepest Longing* by Fr. Ronald Rohlheiser were distributed after all of the Christmas Masses.
- (FEBRUARY 21) A "Prayer Panel" investigating three schools of prayer: Augustinian, Thomas Merton and Ignatian featuring three panelists:
  - Fr. Allan Fitzgerald, Director of the Augustinian Institute at Villanova University
  - Dr. Virginia Ratigan, Professor Emerita at Rosemont College in Religious Studies
  - Ms. Jillian Buhl, Board Member for Catholic women's ministry, Walking with Purpose in charge of building an international prayer team.

Fr. Zlock will lead a discussion of the Rohlheiser book.

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**VISION AND LEADERSHIP** — No two parishes are the same. Along with other parishes in the area, the Parish of Saint Monica engages in many of the same activities around faith formation, the Sacraments and a host of other activities. Nevertheless, Saint Monica is also unique and has different needs and faces special challenges. As the Pastor, it is my job, and that of a LEADERSHIP team, to establish a VISION for the parish so that it can best listen to the Lord, discern the unique "charisms" given by God specifically to Saint Monica, determine how these charisms point to our parish our particular and unique "mission" in the immediate future, and lay out a roadmap to address the specifics of this "Call."

If people don't have an AWESOME SUNDAY EXPERIENCE when they come to a parish on weekends, they aren't going to see that parish *(continued)*

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

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as a credible source for other activities and services in their lives. But the Sunday experience is much more than just the Mass – though that is, indeed, the heart of the experience. It begins before parishioners even leave their homes, and continues after they've returned.

"Lost" or "unchurched" people are going to decide - based on just one visit to St. Monica - whether they are going to come back to our parish again. People in the pews who are "seekers" may visit us once or several times, but an excellent Sunday experience will enable them to feel the Lord's touch and the Lord's call and return with regularity. Based on their Sunday experience, other "passive-people-in-the-pews" will decide whether or not to engage more deeply as "Disciples" in a ministry.

The Eucharist is THE CENTER of the Catholic worship experience, but other factors play a HUGE part as well, namely Music – Message – Ministers. This year, Saint Monica will evaluate, develop and publish a comprehensive "Liturgy Vision." Components will include:

- Full, conscious congregational participation in song, word and action.
- A catechetically trained and sophisticated congregation who can clearly and cogently enunciate the purpose of sacred music and hymnody in the liturgy.
- Properly trained cantors, psalmists, Ministers of Communion, Lectors, altar Servers whose dedication, actions and ministry enhance the liturgy.
- A "spiritual program" for all liturgical ministers to enhance their relationship with Jesus Christ and engagement with the Divine Liturgy.
- Growth of the adult choir.
- Establishment and growth of an understanding of liturgical music on the part of our youth as well as the importance of their participation in it.
- The emphasis and integration of "beauty" within all aspects of the liturgy.

*Charles Zlock Jr*

### PRAYER REQUEST

Please keep our parish's second graders and their families in your prayers as they prepare to receive the sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation for the first time on Monday evening, January 26.

## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HOLY NAME SOCIETY & MEN'S CLUB

**February 6, 7, 8 - Spiritual Opportunity:** Our annual HNS retreat at Saint Joseph in the Hills — Malvern Retreat House. E-mail Lee Megow for details on signing up at [megowl@verizon.net](mailto:megowl@verizon.net). If you have never been to a weekend retreat, you deserve this most rewarding weekend of reflection and camaraderie. To those who have attended in the past, we are looking forward to seeing you (and 1 other) again in 2015.

**Save the Date: Saturday, March 14  
Team Trivia Night 2015**

If any men of the parish wish to be on the Holy Name E-mail communication list, send an e-mail request to Mark DiLucca at [mdilucca00@comcast.net](mailto:mdilucca00@comcast.net).

### SAVE THE DATE: PRAYER PANEL & SOCIAL

The Saint Monica Adult Faith Formation committee is happy to announce that we will be hosting a Prayer Panel on Saturday, February 21 following the 5:00 Mass. Please plan to join us for a spiritually, intellectually and socially enriching night. More details and an electronic invitation will be coming your way soon.

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

JANUARY 25 – JANUARY 30

**Saint Katharine of Siena School** welcomes Saint Monica's parish community to an Open House on Sunday, January 25, 2015 from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. See experiments being conducted in the new science lab; watch math students use cutting-edge technology in the new Multi-media center; and visit with teachers, students, parents and alumni who will be on hand to provide tours of the school. No registration required. For more information, visit our website at [www.sksschool.org](http://www.sksschool.org).

#### Saint Norbert School

Educational Fair and Open House PreK to 8th Grades

Sunday, January 25th 12:30-2:00 PM

Monday, January 26th 9:00-10:30 AM

For more information call the school office at 610-644-1670 or visit the school website at [school.stnorbert.org](http://school.stnorbert.org)

### SACRAMENT CENTRAL

The Confirmation candidates are reminded to regularly review the Confirmation Study Guide in preparation of the Confirmation interview and reception of the sacrament. The Confirmation interviews with Fr. Zlock are underway. Please do not hesitate to contact Mary Pizzano with questions: [mcpizzano@saintmonicachurch.org](mailto:mcpizzano@saintmonicachurch.org) or 610-647-4757.

The parents of our First Penance candidates are reminded to regularly pray and review the Form for Confession and the Act of Contrition with their children in anticipation of the reception of First Penance on January 26th.

### THE CHURCH OF SAINT MONICA CALLED AND GIFTED "2"

**Saturday February 7, 2014**

**9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon**

**Location: Saint Monica Cafeteria**

**Cost: \$15.00**

*(includes breakfast, materials, refreshments)*

Pre-Requisites:

- Previous attendance at "Called and Gifted" Seminar.
- Schedule and complete your one-hour personal "charism" interview with Catherine of Siena Institute.
- Come with choice of which "Gift Mix" you would like to focus on.

Further information will be forth coming. Online Registration is now available.

Please note: Sherry Weddell is accepting pre-orders for her new book, *Becoming a Parish of Intentional Disciples* available at [www.siena.org](http://www.siena.org) or 719-219-0056.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

We are planning a special **Fun & Games Night** for the Middle School Youth Group (registered members only) on **Saturday, January 24 after the 5:00 Mass**. By now, you should have received an invitation from the Parish to attend the **10 Year Master Plan Presentation on the same date, January 24, from 6:30-7:30**. While you attend the Master Plan presentation, your middle schooler can be with friends! When you are done, simply walk over and pick up your child. More details will be coming soon. Hope to see you then!

### WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for JANUARY 18

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

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Berwyn

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@StMonicaBerwyn

## Foursquare

The Church of Saint Monica,  
Berwyn



## Father Zlock's Social Media Website

Frzlock.com

## Facebook

Fr. Charlie Zlock

## Twitter

@FrZlock



FrZlock.com

## BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

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

Submissions are due each Monday by noon without exception and e-mailed to [parishbulletin@saintmonicachurch.org](mailto:parishbulletin@saintmonicachurch.org) with formatting left to a minimum.

Please include a contact name and phone number. In the case where announcements must be submitted hand-written, please make sure the text is legible.

## BULLETIN INSERTS

All inserts must be submitted to the

## MASS INTENTIONS for January 18 - January 25

MASS TIME	INTENTION	PRESIDER	MUSIC MINISTRY	NOTES
5:00 p.m. Vigil	+ Fred DiAntonio, Jr.	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	
7:30 a.m.	+ Richard Funchion, Sr.	Fr. Driesch	Quiet	
9:30 a.m.	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Parish Choir	
11:00 a.m.	+ Timothy Callahan	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
Monday, 19th	+ Florence Garzarella	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 20th	+ Rita McGinley	Fr. Zlock		
Wednesday, 21st	Communion Service			
Thursday, 22nd	+ Drew Brazer	Fr. Antry		
Friday, 23rd	+ Kenneth Slabicki	Fr. Zlock		
Saturday, 24th	+ Elizabeth Nador	Fr. Zlock		
5:00 p.m. Vigil	+ Robert Grote	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	<i>Special Collection: Catholic Relief Services</i>
7:30 a.m.	+ Jeanette Alleva	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	
9:30 a.m.	+ Abbey Mallon	Fr. Rodia	Parish Choir	
11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish	Fr. Rodia	Cantor	

## THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Jack Barausky, Sonia Altirman, Bob Ball, Mary Bassone, Mary Alice Boyd, Michael Byrne, Mary Byrnes, Lina Cappelli, Lilly Ciocca, Anne Coxe, Leonard D'Andrea, William Dahlman, Maria and Francisco DeRivas, Jim DiAntonio, Rita Dunn, Joseph Erwin, Yolanda Fazzini, Kelly Glacken, Larry Harris, Jenna, Maya and Eva Izzi, Faith Johnson, Libby Judge, Anne Maas, Dan Maguire, Mike McAleer, Louise Merlino, David Mikowchok, Dr. Mark Nardone, John and Lilly Neff, Mary Rose, Bob Schubert, Gary Smith, Joseph and Helen Triolo, Bob and Mildred Walsh

## THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US

*James Beirne, Father of Charlotte Schugg; Olive Reavey, Mother of Margaret Dalesandro; Prabha Shastry, Mother of Shilpa Menezes; Bryan Barrett, Husband of Cecil*

## 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 '15  
Margaret Dalesandro '16  
Palmer Dalesandro '16  
Tobias Hoppe, *chair* '15  
Martha McGurk '16  
Dr. Anthony Roeder '16  
Megan Wilson '15

### FINANCE COUNCIL

Joseph Bondi  
Amy George  
Charles Ladner  
Brian McGaughan  
Francis Moran  
Gerald O'Brien  
Giulio Perillo  
Ed Riedlinger  
Amy Snyder  
Matt Tomasicchio, *chair*  
Lawrence Wieser

## PARISH PASTORAL STAFF

Reverend Charles Zlock, M.Div., M.A., M.B.I.S., *Pastor*  
Reverend Jaehwa J. Lee, *Priest-in-Residence*  
Reverend Allan Fitzgerald, Ph.D., *Pastoral Assistance*  
The Norbertines of Daylesford Abbey, *Pastoral Assistance*  
Mrs. Mary C. Pizzano, *Director of Religious Education*  
Mr. Frank K.J. Orman, *Director of Worship & Music*  
Mrs. Theresa Carey, *Business Manager*  
Mrs. Catherine Levine, *Parish Administrative Assistant*  
Mrs. Diane Pealer, *Religious Education Assistant*  
Mr. Frank Pantano, *Facilities Manager*  
Mr. James Pierson, *Facilities Management*