



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
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610.647.4757

Parish Website

www.saintmonicachurch.org

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@StMonicaBerwyn

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FirstInitialLastName@
saintmonicachurch.org

Parish Leadership

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saintmonicachurch.org

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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)

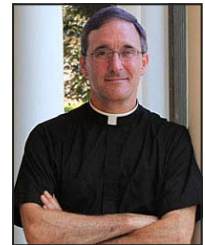
Saturday from 4 to 4:45 p.m.
Anytime by appointment.



The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Week of January 25, 2015

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...



FORMATION - It is one of the primary jobs of a parish to “form” parishioners, to teach them to know Christ personally, and to know the Bible and their Catholic faith more deeply. This will overflow into their day-to-day activities making their lives more meaningful, compelling, vibrant and thriving. “Formation” is much more than “religious education” and catechesis. This isn't “kids stuff.” This is about being - and becoming, an adult. It is a critical aspect of the future of Saint Monica (...and frankly, it's in “a crisis”). For the past several generations, parents have “franchised” religious education onto the parish. The feeling was *‘I'm really busy. I'll get my children to Catholic School or Religious Education. They'll receive their Sacraments. That proves that I'm a “good Catholic parent.”* Parents: You are the PRIMARY spiritual guides, catechists and formators of your children, not the parish. But you cannot give what you do not have. You need to be fed - first.

Formation is essential to the fulfillment of the Great Commission, a necessary step before people can be sent to ‘go and make disciples of all nations’ in Easttown, Devon, Berwyn, Tredeyffrin, Chester County, Philadelphia, the rest of the world.

SMALL GROUP DISCIPLESHIP - Since the earliest days of the Church, most of the ministry that occurs takes place in small groups of disciples where people come to know and love one another as brothers and sisters in Christ. A pastor and his staff of volunteers cannot possibly provide the majority of outreach and fellowship that parishioners need, nor should they because to do so would deprive them of the opportunity to be disciples for one another. A parish does have the responsibility, however, for helping small groups of disciples form and grow.
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OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION for THIS WEEK



Lord, we pray for our parish Holy Communion and Confirmation candidates and their parents at their upcoming retreat. May they receive your grace, love and understanding of the importance of these sacraments and their respective roles as Catholics. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

FROM *the* OFFICE of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



The Religious Education Program classes resume on Monday, January 26. Progress Reports will be distributed to all students in grades 1-6. The parents of the RE students are asked to review the Progress Report with their child/children, sign the Progress Report envelope, and return the envelope to the teacher (s) before or on Feb. 9. The Progress Report does not need to be returned in the envelope.

Walk-In registration for the 2015 Religious Education Program Summer Session and the 2015-2016 RE Monday night sessions will be held on Mondays, March 2 and March 9 in the gym foyer between 5:45 and 7:30pm. Parents of incoming first grade students

are asked to contact the RE Office for general information and registration information. (610.647.4757) Registration forms will be emailed in the coming weeks to all families currently enrolled in the RE Program.

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. On the homepage, click on 'Parish Organizations' / 'Religious Education' / 'Weather-related Closing Information'.

WELCOME!

JASON CARTER – *Director of Youth and Family Ministry*



Jason Carter, originally from St. Petersburg, FL, has served as Director of Youth and Young Adult ministries for St. Frances Cabrini parish in Spring Hill, Florida for the past 10 years. He has a passion for Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church. Jason desires to lead teens closer to Christ by introducing them to Christ's unwavering love. In a world that seems to have lost it's sense of purpose, Jason hopes to show teens the freedom that Jesus Christ can provide. Jason graduated from Franciscan University of Steubenville in 2005 where he received his degree in Theology with a concentration in youth ministry. He is married to his college sweetheart Nicki, and they have 4 crazy kids; Mary (7), John (6), Joey (5) & Grace (2). Despite being a Tampa Bay Lightning fan, Jason is overjoyed to be moving to the Philadelphia area and joining the St. Monica Parish family.

FROM *the* OFFICE of WORSHIP & MUSIC

MUSIC AT MONICA'S PRESENTS...

An Afternoon of Spirituals and Gospel Music with

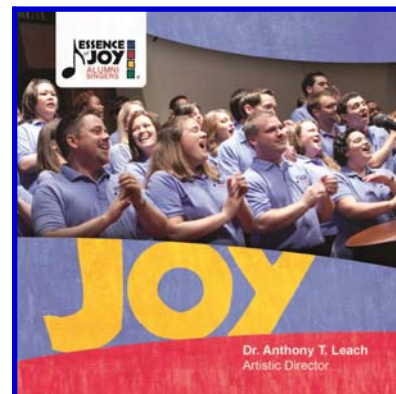
The Essence of Joy

Alumni Singers of

Penn State University

TODAY! 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**.

WHEN

Sunday, **March 15th** 2-4:30pm

WHERE

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

HOW

Please **RSVP at**
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 18, 2015

Sunday Collection	\$5,948
*Electronic	\$3,165
Total	\$9,113

** We have 164 families contributing electronically.*

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a Special Collection this 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, under the **Parish Information** tab in the **Parish Leadership** section.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK . . .

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Saint Monica currently offers several opportunities to experience Small Group Discipleship with several of our men meeting Saturday mornings to discuss the upcoming Sunday Gospel (7:00 am at Starbucks in Gateway Shopping Center), the women's "Walking With Purpose" (Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria) as well as the Legion of Mary who meet in the rectory (Friday after Daily Mass).

PASTORAL OUTREACH AND MISSIONARY

ZEAL - Pope Francis has called individual parishes to become neighborhood "Field Hospitals." Saint Monica cannot simply be a place where people come on the weekend or during the week to "get fed" and receive "spiritual goodies." That's not a parish - that's a store. We're not a store. You cannot simply be spiritual consumers.

An amazing parish has a constant outflow of disciples who go into the world to serve and love their brothers and sisters, and teach them about Christ and His Church. A parish must help its people do this by teaching them how, and by giving them opportunities for service and sharing the Gospel. For example, over Christmas, parishioners collected clothes and other essentials for local residents in Easttown and Tredyffrin townships. That supports a local need in our Parish. In an ongoing basis, parishioners donate substantial volumes of food to Saint Gabriel's Food Cupboard in Philadelphia. That serves our neighbors in the wider region. This Lent, parishioners will participate in a "Helping Hands" event by packing 30,000 meals to support famine relief efforts in West Africa. We show the world what it means to be Catholic by tangible and bold acts of mercy.

The Holy Name Society (HNS) and the Woman's Society are on the front lines of service projects such as these and community building events inside and outside of the parish. Besides providing man — (and woman) power for the *Helping Hands* event and many other projects, HNS is hosting the annual Trivia Night coming up in March that brings 400 + parishioners together for a wonderful evening of fun and fellowship. HNS leads our community to Christ through spiritual reflection, service, and fellowship.

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK . . .

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Some examples of what leading Catholics are saying about such aspects of amazing, vibrant and growing parishes can be found below:

"Prayer" with Curtis Martin

<http://vimeo.com/100774166>

"A Real Leadership Team" with Patrick Lencioni

<http://vimeo.com/89467504>

"What Exactly is a Vision?" by Chris Stefanick

<http://vimeo.com/90857936>

"An Awesome Sunday Experience" by Fr.

Michael White and Tom Corcoran

<http://vimeo.com/89373940>

"Pastoral Outreach and Missionary Zeal" with

Matthew Kelly <http://vimeo.com/90633503>

"Compelling Formation" by Jeff Cavins

<http://vimeo.com/89467505>

"Small Group Discipleship" by Lisa

Brenninkmeyer <http://vimeo.com/89454571>

Charles Flock 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 this Monday evening, January 26.

Saint Monica Women's Society is delighted to invite you to attend DESIGNER BAG BINGO!

Tuesday, February 10th at 7:00 pm
Saint Monica Education Center Cafeteria

\$20 admission at the door covers

5 Games of Straight Bingo

1 Game Full Card Bingo

Winner selects Designer handbag of their choice

Plus some fun raffle items!

Beer... Wine... Soda... Snacks...

Guaranteed Fun!

R.S.V.P.

Nancy Lafferty at 610.724.9131

Betsy Coyle at 215.528.3193

smswomensociety@gmail.com

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY NAME SOCIETY & MEN'S CLUB

Our next HNS Meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 2nd at 7:30p.m. in the George Hagenbach Room in the Parish Center. Please bring a bottle to donate to the HNS Basket of Cheer for our Team Trivia Night. ALL men of the parish are encouraged and invited to attend. Snacks and beverages will be provided.

Our next HNS Mass is scheduled for Sunday, February 8th at 9:30am.

All men are invited to keep up with what our society is doing by joining our HNS communication email system; just email Mark DiLucca at mdilucca00@comcast.net.

TEAM TRIVIA 2015

We are getting closer to the **Big Event**. The men of the Holy Name Society proudly present our 18th consecutive year of our keynote event; **Team Trivia Night, Saturday, March 14th**. Eight new categories will be unveiled as well as a new spin on the Theme competition. More exciting info to come. Registration forms will soon be available. **Save the Date!**

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.

Saint Norbert School

Educational Fair and Open House Pre-K 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

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 Father Zlock are underway. Please do not hesitate to contact Mary Pizzano with questions at mpizzano@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.

OPEN HOUSE AT DAYLESFORD ABBEY

**FEBRUARY 8TH AFTER THE 10:30 A.M. MASS
 CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF CONSECRATED LIFE**

The Norbertine Community invites you to an **Open House on Sunday, February 8, 2015.**

Tour the Abbey Church, visit the Archives and Library and meet the Norbertines.

For more information, please contact:
 610-647-2530 ext. 100

THE CHURCH OF SAINT MONICA CALLED AND GIFTED "2"

**Saturday February 7, 2014: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
 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.

Online Registration is now available.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for JANUARY 25

DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Sunday	3:00-5:00 pm	Music at Monica's	Church
Monday	9:00am-4:30pm 6:15 pm	Adoration First Penance	Church Church
Tues/Weds.			
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 Sacrament Saturday	Church Parish Center

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Father Zlock's Social Media Website

Frzlock.com

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Fr. Charlie Zlock

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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 with formatting left to a minimum.

Please include a contact name and phone number. 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

MASS INTENTIONS for January 25 - February 1

MASS TIME	INTENTION	PRESIDER	MUSIC MINISTRY	NOTES
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	
Monday, 26th	+ Marie and Bob Agnew	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 27th	+ Alberto Manotas, Jr.	Fr. Zlock		
Wednesday, 28th	Communion Service			
Thursday, 29th	+ Charles M. Sullivan	Fr. Danielski		
Friday, 30th	+ Laura Hayes	Fr. Zlock		
Saturday, 31st	In Thanksgiving to the Blessed Virgin Mary	Fr. Zlock		
5:00 p.m. Vigil	+ J. Kevin Mueller	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	
9:30 a.m.	+ Jake Morrissey	Norbertine	Parish Choir	
11:00 a.m.	+ Bill DeSanto	Norbertine	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 Izz, 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

Rosalie Starabs, Mother of Connie Kleckner

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

Leader for this week: Joanne Rogers at 610-889-0963

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*
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Mr. James Pierson, *Facilities Management*