



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

(Pastoral Administration; Religious Education; Business & Finance; Worship & Music; Facilities)

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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.

11:00 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.

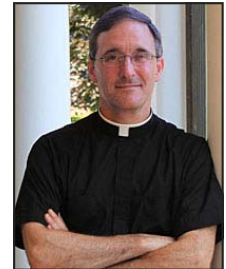


The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Week of February 15, 2015

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

Over the past two weeks I have reflected about several books I am reading (*Reveal* and *Move* by Greg Hawkins and Cally Parkinson as well as *Forming Intentional Disciples* by Sherry Weddell) in light of the recent presentation of our 10-Year "Master Plan." They deal with the subjects of spiritual maturity and spiritual growth of parishioners, parishes and congregations. The author's research and ideas mirror my thoughts and concerns about Saint Monica and other Roman Catholic parishes.



As we move forward, I believe that the courage to ask important and uncomfortable questions, as well as to honestly discern answers, have relevant implications for the Catholic Church, and possibly for Saint Monica as well, as we look into our future.

Last week I mentioned some of the sobering statistics that *Reveal* found. This week, let me open with some more positive notes:

First, the results from *Reveal* claim that you can, indeed, statistically measure something as transcendent as a person's "heart" and, thus, the spiritual health and growth of a parish/congregation/assembly. They conclude that you can predict the "spiritual growth" of a person and congregation based on developing:

*A "framework," Based on how people describe their relationship with Jesus Christ,
With "Spiritual Growth" was defined for participants as
"Love of God and Love of Others" (Matthew 22:36-40).*

Some other findings:

Reveal and *Move* show that people go through "stages" in spiritual growth. They present four:

Exploring Christ: Getting to Know Those Who Are Searching for God

Growing in Christ: Getting to Know Those Who Are Open to God (Continued on Page 4)

OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION for THIS WEEK



Lord, we ask that you teach us how to pray. We ask that through this week's Prayer Panel and Social, we learn that there are as many ways to pray as there are stars in the sky. We pray that we will be inspired to grow in our relationship with You and know that through prayer, you hear us, love us and respond to us. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

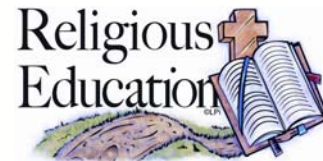
FROM *the* OFFICE of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Religious Education Program classes are not in session on Monday, February 16th due to the President's Day holiday. Classes will resume on Monday, February 23rd.

Registration for the **2015 Summer Session** will begin in the coming weeks. These registration forms will be emailed to all currently registered families. Walk-In registration for the 2015-2016 Monday night Religious Education Program sessions is scheduled on March 2 and March 9.

PRAYER REQUEST

Please keep our parish's Confirmation candidates and their families in your daily prayers in the coming weeks. Bishop Fitzgerald will confer the sacrament to the 47 candidates on March 3rd.



FAITH FORMATION



*Saint Monica Parish welcomes
dynamic speaker and Catholic convert*

JEWELS GREEN

TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2015

7:00 P.M. in the Education Center Cafeteria

One Woman's Journey:

Clinic Worker to Human Rights Advocate

*Open to adults and high school students 16 years or older.
Join us for an evening as Jewels shares her life-changing
experience and her way back to God.*

FROM *the* OFFICE of WORSHIP & MUSIC

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Period Instrument Ensemble

La Fiocco

Saturday, 21 March at 8 p.m.

Period instrument ensemble La Fiocco will present a program entitled The King's Theme: Bach's *Musical Offering* and other royal delights.

The program will include works by Emperor Leopold I, Elisabeth-Claude Jacquet de la Guerre, Heinrich Biber, Henry Purcell, and J.S. Bach.

Featuring countertenor Joseph Hill, artistic director & harpsichordist Lewis R. Baratz, Eve Friedman, baroque flute, Claire Smith Bermingham, baroque violin, Vivian Barton Dozor, viola da gamba & baroque cello, Laudon Schuett, lute & theorbo

Tickets:

\$25 general audience, \$20 seniors, \$10 students.

Check or cash, at the door.

**For more information visit www.lafiocco.org
or e-mail info@lafiocco.org.**

Our Lenten Journey Begins...

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR THE PARISH

Fridays at 7:00 P.M.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Each Saturday Afternoon from 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

Monday Evening, February 23 at 6:15 p.m.

Saturday, March 28 from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m.

FAST AND ABSTINENCE AND OTHER ACTS OF PENANCE FOR LENT

The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light.

All the faithful are encouraged to participate in Mass and to receive the Most Holy Eucharist daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Penance, to undertake spiritual reading, especially the study of the Sacred Scriptures, and to participate in parish Lenten devotions as well as Lenten education programs. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended.



PRAYER PANEL & SOCIAL

How is your prayer life? Have you been doing the same routine for years or do you have no routine at all? Do you pray at the same time every day or are you lucky to even remember to pray? Do you have a deep relationship with Christ or no relationship at all? Did you read the book, "Prayer: Our Deepest Longing" (which was distributed at Christmas), or did you toss it aside?

No matter how you answer these questions, the first ever "Saint Monica Prayer Panel" is an event that you shouldn't miss. This evening of spiritual, intellectual and social enrichment takes place on **Saturday, February 21 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm** in the Education Center Cafeteria. It will feature a discussion of "*Prayer: Our Deepest Longing*," led by Fr. Zlock. In addition, our three prayer panelists, **Fr. Allan Fitzgerald of Villanova University, Dr. Virginia Ratigan of Rosemont College and Mrs. Jillian Buhl, from *Walking with Purpose***, will educate us on three different forms of prayer: Augustinian, Merton and Ignatian. *All are welcome but registration is required. You can register online or by calling the rectory office. Light dinner and drinks will be served.*

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for JANUARY, 2015

Jan. 2015	\$72,639	39% Electronic	Jan. YTD 2015	\$515,463	41% Electronic
Jan. 2015	\$71,164	36% Electronic	Jan. YTD 2014	\$435,897	39% Electronic
Jan. Budget	2015-16	\$68,295	Jan. YTD Budget	2015-16	\$494,448

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, February 8, 2015

Sunday Collection	\$9,739
*Electronic	\$6,847
Total	\$16,586

** We have 165 families contributing electronically.*

SPECIAL COLLECTION

There will be a Special Collection next weekend for the Care of the Aging and Infirm Priests of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. 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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Close to Christ: Getting to Know Those Who Are on Personal Terms with God

Christ-Centered: Getting to Know Those Who Are Surrendered to God.

They also found three “spiritual movements” between the stages. In addition, the studies also revealed catalysts and barriers to spiritual growth. I personally saw these catalysts and barriers as critical items for further and future discussion. They go to the hearts of why so many Roman Catholics have left the church. They also provide some insights into what we must do to reach out, invite and bring them “home” again.

In the Roman Catholic world, the *Reveal* studies correspond to Sherry Weddell’s “5 Thresholds” of spiritual growth found in her book, *Forming Intentional Disciples*:

Initial Trust; Spiritual Curiosity; Spiritual Openness; Spiritual Seeking; Intentional Discipleship

The good news: both *Intentional Disciples* and *Reveal / Move* present an optimistic view that the spiritual maturity of people can be determined and, more importantly, nurtured. Both, however, make it explicitly and urgently clear that if we are going to spiritually grow our churches, doing what we have been doing up to now will simply not work (It’s not working now!)

So what do we do next?

Greg Hawkins and Willow Creek have offered an invitation, free of charge, to 500 other churches to participate in a similar survey on the spiritual life of their congregation and the role that your church plays in the development of your spiritual life. In addition to an individual assessment, Willow will later publish the results of the aggregate study of all 500 churches to allow these churches to learn from each other and to help grow and nourish the spiritual growth of their people.

Now, I am NOT asking us to be one of these churches. (*Surprised?*) My reasoning:

Reveal and *Move* come from a Bible-based, Evangelical world-view. Thus, there is a bias towards that type of Evangelical/Protestant/Reformation Theology both in the questionnaire, in the results that are presented, in the implications and in the recommendations.

We’ve utilized several analytical tools here at Saint Monica over the past 12 months (“Called and Gifted” I and II, KRA/SMART Goals and (continued)

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Charters from Good Leaders-Good Shepherds, The Catherine of Siena “Spiritual Inventory”). Another analytic tool so soon might be counter-productive. It might be good to see what impact the 10-Year “Master Plan” has on the parish and what activities are “teased out” from the conversations following the presentation of the “Master Plan.”

We don't know what events, corresponding with World Meeting of Families and the Papal visit to Philadelphia, could impact our parish.

Rather than another analysis, I think I would simply like to begin regular conversations (perhaps formally and regularly scheduled) with members of Parish Leadership and other select parishioners on what they see happening in the parish and to discern how the Holy Spirit seems to be moving (or not) in Saint Monica.

Guess what? Several Roman Catholic leaders were involved in the initial self studies at Willow Creek (Surprise-surprise!). I have heard that a “Roman Catholic version” of *Reveal* is currently under development and is currently being beta-tested in the United States. Thus, I would like to wait until a more “Catholic-theologically-based” tool is available.

Charles Flock Jr



Ash Wednesday: BEGINNING THE FORTY DAYS OF LENT

Presenter: Father Joseph Serano,
Where: Daylesford Abbey

Date: February 18, 2015; 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Offering: \$30 per person (Includes Simple Lunch)

Program Registration line: 610-647-2530 ext. 133

E-mail: registrations@daylesford.org

Schedule for the Day:

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (optional)

9:00 a.m. Registration/Coffee

9:30 a.m. First Conference

10:30 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

11:30 a.m. Mass

12:15 p.m. Simple Lunch

1:00 p.m. Second Conference

1:45 p.m. Personal Time

2:15 p.m. Final Session

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY NAME SOCIETY & MEN’S CLUB

All men are invited to keep up with what our society is doing by joining our HNS communication email system. Email Mark DiLucca at mdilucca00@comcast.net. Our next HNS Meeting is set for Monday, March 2nd, at 7:30 pm in the Hagenbach Room of the Parish Center. Please plan on attending to support our numerous events and activities for the good of the parish community. Our theme continues to be the 3 S’s: *Spiritual, Social and Service*. Prosit.

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 are in this weekend’s bulletin. If you missed it, contact Mark DiLucca at mdilucca00@comcast.net.

Saint Monica Women’s Society LENTEN SOUP NIGHT

Tuesday, February 24th at 6:00 pm
Saint Monica Education Center Cafeteria
Father Zlock to speak about our patroness, “St. Monica”
**For more information or to help out please call
Maureen Mulhall at (610) 644-7794.**

ASH WEDNESDAY DAY OF REFLECTION

Directed by Msgr. Joseph Marino
Malvern Retreat House
Wednesday, February 18, 2015
9:00 am to 3:00 pm — Registration 9:00 am
Cost: \$40 per person
Continental Breakfast • Full Luncheon • Mass
Reconciliation • Inspirational Talks by Msgr. Marino
For more information call 610-644-0400 or visit
www.malvernretreat.com.

CPR/AED TRAINING CLASS

Saint Monica Parish has an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) in the Parish Center near the gym and has obtained an additional one for the church.

We are offering CPR and AED training to all those who are interested in attending a CPR course and having the knowledge to operate an AED if called upon to do so. (CPR and AED training are required to be taken

together.) All are invited - no previous experience or medical background is required. You must be at least 12 years old to attend. One class remains: Tuesday evening, February 17, 2015 from 7-9:30 PM. The cost for the course is \$65, payable by cash or check at that time to EMS Educational Services, Inc.

There is no written test; only practical demonstration of the skills will be required to obtain the certification. To attend the course, please contact Charlotte Schug at 610-251-9648.

Be on the look-out for

SAINT MONICA CYO TRACK & FIELD

Spring is just around the corner and soon we will head to the track. Look for more details about registration in February. Come out and try to improve your time, stay conditioned for a fall sport or run a 5K. It runs April through May for Boys and Girls in Grades K through 8. Registration will be on www.wagdogs.com and practice will begin in late March.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM (LTP)

LTP and Girls LTP are back! LTP 2015 winter session will run on consecutive Thursday afternoons for girls (February 19 through March 19) and Friday afternoons for boys (February 20 through March 20) from 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. at Saint Monica Parish Center.

LTP is designed for 3rd through 6th grade girls and boys; teams are mentored by 7th and 8th grade girls and boys, and guided by the High School Leadership Team (HSLT). If your son or daughter would like to participate in the program, or act as a mentor or High School leader, please email patellencorr@gmail.com.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for FEBRUARY 15

DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Monday	9:00am-4:30pm	Adoration	Church
Tuesday	7:00-9:30 pm	CPR Training	Cafeteria
Wednesday			
Thursday	3:30-5:30 pm 7:00-8:30 pm	LTP Girls Walking with Purpose	Parish Center Cafeteria
Friday	3:30-5:30 pm 9:00-10:30 am	LTP Boys 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 February 15 - February 22

MASS TIME	INTENTION	PRESIDER	MUSIC MINISTRY	NOTES
5:00 p.m. Vigil	+ Marie Biggins	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
7:30 a.m.	+ Filomena Carlino	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	
9:30 a.m.	People of the Parish	Fr. Fitzgerald	Parish Choir	
11:00 a.m.	+ Leo and Catharine McGurk	Fr. Rodia	Cantor	
Monday, 16th	+ Joseph Rogan	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 17th	+ Mary Bean	Fr. Zlock		
Wednesday, 18th	ASH WEDNESDAY			
8:30 am	+ Yvonne Enriquez	Fr. Zlock		
12:00 Noon	+ James W. Kane, Jr.	Fr. Antry		
5:00 pm	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock		
Thursday, 19th	+ J. Kevin Mueller	Fr. Serano		
Friday, 20th	+ Ronald Palmer	Fr. Jachwa		
Saturday, 21st	+ Marie Gallagher	Fr. Zlock		
5:00 p.m. Vigil	+ Helen Conlan	Fr. Rodia	Cantor	<i>Special Collection: Care of Aging and Infirm Priests of the Archdiocese</i>
7:30 a.m.	+ Jeanette Alleva	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	
9:30 a.m.	+ Mary Volpe	Fr. Zlock	Parish Choir	
11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish	Fr. Fitzgerald	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, Elizabeth Chiusano, 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

*Russell F. Hurst, Husband of Dorothy
Barbara Centrone*

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

Leader for this week: Sandie Concannon at 610-647-1068

PARISH LEADERSHIP

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Palmer Dalesandro '16
Tobias Hoppe, *chair* '15
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Megan Wilson '15

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