



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)

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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)

Saturday from 4 to 4:45 p.m.

Anytime by appointment.



Third Sunday of Easter

April 10, 2016

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

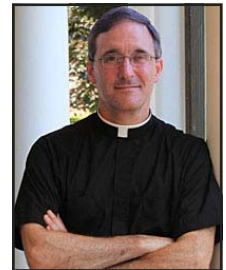
St. Monica is an exceptionally good parish. We have weathered storms (financial challenges, closing of our school) and have emerged with new spiritual programs, excellent liturgy, numerous children attending local Catholic schools and Religious Education, solid finances and a Master Plan to steward our facilities.

But what would it take to make St. Monica a "great" Catholic Parish, a parish mentioned in books? A parish where people from the region - and perhaps the country - call and ask, "How do you people do what you do?" Can you help us do the same?" And should we even expect or desire more?

Christ does not bless mediocrity ("So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spew you out of my mouth." Revelation 3:16). Christ desires excellence and abundance for His people and from His people. But this will require everyone (parishioners, pastor, parish leadership, staff) to take a harder look at ourselves and our parish and see where The Lord is calling us to go. Let me begin to offer you an outline where we can go as a parish. First, you will read the concrete steps that I plan to take as a pastor. But—more importantly—here you will find what role *you* can take in the plans for something more here at St. Monica. We plan on offering opportunities where you can join in a compelling, exciting, Christ-driven future for our parish. I shall cover the remaining topics next week. I encourage you to look at the **full version** of my ideas on my website (www.frzlock.com) as well as on the parish website (www.saintmonicachurch.org)

Vision and Mission: Different people/groups (parish staff, external professional support, pastor, leadership) will play different roles in the fulfillment of the Parish Vision/Mission. However, **You** the *individual parishioners play the most primary and significant role in the fulfillment of that Mission.* This requires specific, intentional direction. We will use the Vision and Mission as the foundation to guide St. Monica's direction, activities and resources.

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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.

***The Mercy of the Lord I will sing forever,
Before all the people will I sing it,
For it is God's greatest attribute
And for us an unending miracle.***

- Saint Faustina (Diary, 522)

FROM *the* OFFICE of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

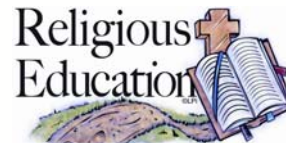
The Religious Education Program classes are in session on April 10 and April 11.

The RE Summer Session registration is now closed. Parents are reminded that the Participation Slips required of those who attended the Summer Session 2015 are due to the Religious Education Office on or before April 15th.

Registration for the 2016-2017 Sunday morning (Grades 2 & 6) and Monday evening RE classes (Grades 1-6) school year is underway. Parents are asked to register their children as soon as possible.

PRAYER REQUEST

Please continue to pray for our parish's First Communion and Confirmation Sacrament candidates who are diligently preparing to receive the Sacraments in April and May, respectively. Thank you.



FAMILY *and* YOUTH MINISTRY



**XLT at Saint Monica's
Sunday 4/24
4-6:30pm
(meet in the church)**

Join us for Eucharistic Adoration,
Praise and Worship, an inspiring
message and **Free Dinner!**
This event is open to all ages.
Please RSVP on the parish website.

FROM *the* OFFICE of WORSHIP *and* MUSIC

THE PENNSYLVANIA GIRLCHOIR

Sunday, 17 April at 3 pm

Music at Monica's closes the 2015-2016 Concert Season with the Pennsylvania Girlchoir on Sunday, 17 April at 3:00 pm. A free-will offering will be accepted. All are welcome. Join us as we celebrate a successful season and are able to support our designated beneficiaries: Siloam and the Sisters of Saint Joseph Welcome Center!



From the Director of Religious Education . . .

Happy Easter! I write to share some good news about the Saint Monica Religious Education Program, including some recent changes to the program.

The Religious Education Program endeavors to assist our busy, young families by providing three different scheduling options to the parents - the most important and primary teachers of the faith.

1. Summer Session: This session is an intensive 8 day summer program for students entering Grades 1, 3, 4, and 5 in September. This session is **not offered** to sacrament students in Grades 2 and 6 because these students have the responsibility of learning the grade level curriculum in addition to a focus on their spiritual formation relating to the sacrament. Students in Grades 2 and 6 can enroll in the either the Sunday morning or Monday evening session.

2. Sunday Morning Session: This session is offered to *sacrament students* in Grades 2 & 6 only.

3. Monday Evening Session: This session is offered to *all students* in Grades 1-6.

It is important that families have the opportunity to 'do it all' on Sundays, which in addition to celebrating the 'ultimate meal' at Mass, includes spending time as a family, the ability to play sports, etc.

For these reasons, as well as the opportunity for the students to occasionally attend the 9:30 a.m. Mass with their catechist and classmates, **the Sunday morning Religious Education class time has been changed to 10:30 a.m., effective September.*** This change in time will allow the students enrolled in the Grade 2 Sunday morning class to attend the 'child friendly' 9:30 a.m. Mass, which includes the Children's Liturgy of the Word Program (LOW). Sunday morning students attending the 9:30 a.m. Mass will be dismissed from the church in advance of the congregation to go directly to their classrooms.

It is a privilege and an honor to be at the helm of the Religious Education Program, assisting with the formation of our youth as life-long disciples of Christ. My thanks for your continued prayers for the children and catechists of our program as we look to the future.

Christ's peace be with you,

Mary Pizzano

Director of Religious Education

The Sunday morning classes will be contingent upon sufficient enrollment and faculty availability. If you are interested in registering your 2nd or 6th grader for the Sunday morning session, **please to do so by May 15th. You will be immediately notified if the Sunday morning session is 'a go'. If the Sunday morning classes cannot be offered, the students registered for this session will automatically be placed into the Monday evening session.*

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for MARCH 2016

March 2016	\$54,839*	44% Electronic	March YTD 2016	\$629,156	44% Electronic
March 2015	\$82,960	44% Electronic	March YTD 2015	\$659,533	41% Electronic
March Budget	2015-16	\$71,000	March YTD Budget	2015-16	\$671,940
* Easter	3/27/16	\$41,505			

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, April 3, 2016

Sunday Collection \$8,120
Electronic \$9,499
Total \$17,619

Easter Total
as of 4/5/2016 \$41,505

*We have 167 families
contributing electronically.*

POOR BOXES

Money collected from the Poor Boxes during the Month of April is for the benefit of the Sisters of Saint Joseph Adult Literacy Program. 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 under the [Parish Information](#) tab in the [Parish Leadership](#) section.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

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Prayer at St. Monica: A new "Prayer Ministry" at Saint Monica Church will be starting soon. I especially desire and need a dedicated team of "prayer warriors" to support me and my intentions through prayer, and, on a grand scale, intercede for the parish and to discern/protect new initiatives rolling out at St. Monica in the months ahead.

Resources in Support of the Mission: The generosity of parishioners has provided financial resources to address close to \$1.8 million of *repairs/over-due maintenance* currently needed and to underwrite new *pastoral and spiritual initiatives*. Our "Master Plan" and professional assistance will ensure physical facilities of St. Monica will be well taken care of.

Having addressed this issue, I feel that it is now time for me as the Pastor to extricate myself from the temporal area and focus on other roles instead.

Focus of Pastor: Christ told *all of us* (not just priests, nuns and bishops) to "go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And know that I am with you always, to the very end of the age" (Matthew 28:19-20). Over the past several years, it has become evident to me where my gifts and talents ("charisms") lie. They are: "Knowledge," "Teaching" and "Leadership". I might be gifted and have been trained in administrative/managerial areas but do not feel they are as "anointed" as the three above. Thus, I shall begin to intentionally focus my energy in a way that achieves the greatest spiritual/pastoral impact in the parish. Starting this summer I will be personally leading an evangelization effort by hosting **ALPHA** programs in Devon Manor and Trinity House. We are planning a third Alpha outreach for *mothers and fathers with small children* who might not be able to attend evening sessions by holding a session during the daytime this fall. I have asked our *young adults* to consider holding something similar for their age bracket. Finally, I will also be hosting the same series next year during Lent on Sundays for *the parish-at-large*.

Strategy for Parish Management/Parish Staff. I am incredibly fortunate to enjoy the support of our Parish Staff. Their morale is exceptional, they care for one another and are starting to see the need to care for themselves as well. They work hard for the benefit of the parish and are deeply devoted to St. Monica as witnessed to their commitment and dedication to the parish through very difficult times in recent years. Nevertheless, we realize that we can also improve. We are re-examining the staff/pastor's *job descriptions* and "*charters*" (See *fuller descriptions on my and the parish websites*) to ensure we align staff work with the Parish Mission/Vision. We will engage parishioners in a *360-degree evaluation* to provide me and members of the staff with feedback, compliments and suggestions. This feedback will provide a "baseline" by which we can measure ourselves in the future, and provide specifics about where we do things well and where we need to improve.

Communication and Personal Interactions: This involves six parties: the parishioners, Pastor, parish staff, parish leadership (Finance Council, Pastoral Council, and Facilities Committee), "official" parish organizations/ministries as well as any tenants/volunteers/groups who lease or use our facilities. Policies and procedures concerning the *reservation of space/facilities for activities and organizations* have been established. Guidelines and procedures to *announce and advertise activities/events* using various parish media have also been developed. Finally, working with Parish Council and the staff, we have begun to establish a series of "*values*" and corresponding "*behaviors*" for all constituencies and the communication relationships between them. These are currently posted on the parish website.

"Charters" for Organizations/Ministries and Parish Leadership: Chartering for *Organizations/Ministries* began 3 years ago and continues today with pending "Charters" for Holy Name Society and CYO in the works. *Parish Leadership* includes three "teams:" the *Parish Finance Council*, the *Parish Pastoral Council* and the *Parish Facilities Committee*. They have been a valuable service to the Parish of Saint Monica, especially over the past five years. But the parish of Saint Monica is in a different place now than previously. Therefore, I am also revising the "Charters" of the Parish Finance - and Pastoral Councils by updating their corresponding policies and procedures, changing their focus *away from* helping manage the "nuts and bolts" of parish activity and *more towards* a model that emphasizes prayer, discernment and ensuring the parish is fulfilling the Mission. Draft versions of these new charters are available on the parish website. Next week I shall outline the rest of my thoughts.

Charles Zlock Jr

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SAGE - SENIOR CARE ADVISORS

Please join **SAGE Care Advisors** Co-Founders, Aimee Lynn Curry, MSW and Debbie Thomas, MSW along with Parishioner Chuck Ladner, former Chairman, Dunwoody Village, on **Tuesday April 19th at 6:30 pm** in the Father Hagenbach Room in the Parish Center for a presentation on **Senior Care Planning: A Guide for Senior Living Options**. Seniors can be overwhelmed by the numerous living options available to them. The Main Line offers a wide array of Senior Living Environments, but navigating and understanding these options can be emotional and time consuming.

Learn about:

- the alternatives for senior living
- the costs and benefits of different types of senior living communities
- the range of accommodations within senior living communities
- tools to assess the financial risks of aging

It's time to start the conversation! For questions and to RSVP email advisors@sagecareadvisors.com or contact Aimee Lynn Curry 610-212-3990. Light refreshments will be served.

SAINT MONICA WOMEN'S SOCIETY



Do you have a son, daughter, grandson or granddaughter away at college? Do you think they would like to receive a care package of homemade cookies just in time for Finals? Please send their name and

mailing address to smswomenssociety@gmail.com or use the box in the rear of the church for drop off submissions. ALL women of the Parish are welcome to join us on **Tuesday, April 19th at 7:00 pm** in the school kitchen to be part of the baking fun! All of this for a fee of only \$5.00 to cover the cost of shipping!

CATECHISTS NEEDED



The Religious Education Program is in need of a few enthusiastic adults to serve as catechists/teachers beginning in September for the 2016-2017 school year for both the Sunday morning session and

Monday evening session. Please consider participating in this rewarding ministry. *Sharing your time and talent is a great and life-long gift to the youth of the parish.* A stipend, guidance, and support are generously provided! For more information please contact Mary Pizzano at 610-647-4757 or mpizzano@saintmonicachurch.org.

YOUNG ADULTS: VOCATION SERIES PART III

Are you a young adult in your 20s or 30s? If so, join the Catholic Young Adults of Chester County (CYACC) at our upcoming events! First, we are moving into the Religious Life portion of our Vocations Series **this coming Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 7:30 PM** at SS Peter and Paul in West Chester. Sr. Marianne Lallone and Sr. Eileen McGuigan of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will share their Vocation Stories and explain what goes into becoming a Religious Sister. Next, join us for our spring dance, *"CYACC Goes to Prom"*, Saturday, April 23, 2016 at 8:00 PM in the Meehan Center at SS Simon and Jude in West Chester. For more info check us out on Facebook or email us at cyacc1@gmail.com.

UNDERSTANDING YOUR GRIEF

Pat Connolly, LSW, will speak on the topic of *"Understanding Your Grief,"* on Sunday, April 17 at 3:00 p.m. in the Father Hagenbach Room of the Parish Center. Her talk will be based on the book of the same name by Alan D. Wolfelt, Ph.D. and will be followed by a group discussion. Light refreshments will be served. This program is sponsored by the members of Saint Monica's Bereavement Ministry, in collaboration with Saint Katharine of Siena Parish. All are welcome.

Saint Monica Parish invites you to explore a new and personalized spiritual world for yourself!

ALPHA

TODAY—APRIL 10

Location: Parish Education Center Cafeteria

Time: 12:45pm-3:15pm

You are welcome to drop in and join us!

April 10 - "What About the Church?" (Final session)

Questions? Contact Aagee Lane at 610-908-7007

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for April 10

DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Sunday	12:45-3:15 pm	ALPHA	Parish Center
Monday	9:00 am-4:30 pm	Adoration	Church
Tuesday			
Wednesday	6:00-8:00 pm	Youth Bible Study	Youth Room
Thursday	6:30-9:00 pm	Walking with Purpose	Cafeteria
Friday	9:30-11:00 am	Legion of Mary	Rectory
Saturday	4:00-4:45 pm	Confession	Church
Sunday	3:00-4:30 pm	Music at Monica's	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 April 10 — April 17

MASS TIME	INTENTION	PRESIDER	MUSIC MINISTRY	NOTES
5:00 pm	+ James Gormley	Fr. Fitzgerald	Choir	
7:30 am	John and Cathy Rutecki	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	
9:30 am	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Choir	
11:30 am	+ James Gormley	Fr. Driesch	Cantor	
Monday, 11th	+ Jane D. Shannon	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 12th	+ Ronald J. Daniels	Fr. Novielli		
Wednesday, 13th	Communion Service			
Thursday, 14th	+ Robert and Mildred Walsh	Fr. Albero		
Friday, 15th	+ James DiAntonio	Fr. Jaehwa		
Saturday, 16th	The Frisco Family	Fr. Zlock		
5:00 pm	+ Nicholas Falcone	Fr. Zlock	Choir	
7:30 am	+ Joseph Triolo	Fr. Fitzpatrick	Quiet	
9:30 am	+ Kelsea Borzillo	Fr. Driesch	Choir	
11:30 am	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	

THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Sonia Altirman, Jack Barausky, Mary Alice Boyd, Michael Byrne, Mary Byrnes, John Canfield, Lina Cappelli, Terri Carson, Lilly Ciocca, James DiAntonio, William Dahlman, Rita Dunn, Joseph Erwin, Yolanda Fazzini, Kelly Glacken, Mary Hartley, Jenna, Maya and Eva Izzi, Eleonora Jauslin, Faith Johnson, Libby Judge, Thomas Losoncy, Anne Maas, Dan Maguire, Eugene Matta, Louise Merlino, David Mikowychok, Melanie Mizenko, Dr. Mark Nardone, John and Lilly Neff, Courtney Frances Patterson, Josephine Pogorzelski, Rita Reilly, John Robinson, Mary Rose, Cathy Russell, Bob Schubert, Gary Smith, Helen Triolo, Bob and Mildred Walsh

THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US

Madeline Calamari, Wife of John

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

Leader for this week: Ginny McCarty at 610-644-5815

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