



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.

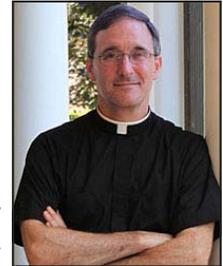


Sixth Sunday of Easter

Week of May 10, 2015

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

Katie van Schaijik (and her husband Jules) are founders of the "**Personalist Project**," a non-profit organization based in West Chester, PA, dedicated to the spread of "Christian personalism." Personalism is philosophy that focuses attention on the truth about the nature and dignity of persons—a truth directly at stake in the deepest and most difficult problems afflicting our society today.



Katie and her husband recently posted an article in the *National Catholic Register* entitled, **10 Things That Are Strengthening the Family**. She was responding to an article by Father Dwight Longenecker who listed the items that are challenges (one could say, threatening) to the family. He listed, for example: Increased Mobility, Increased Educational Standards, Suburban Living, the Loss of the Living Wage, No Fault Divorce, the Invention of Artificial Contraception, Marriage as Self Fulfillment (I alluded to this in my past two blogs), the Rise of Feminism and Homosexuality, Poor Catechesis on Sexuality and Relativistic Morality.

Over the past two weeks, I touched upon a retreat experience in which a number of parish couples participated called "*Living In Love*." The response from the couples was quite positive and certainly integrates with this year's **World Meeting of Families**. Naturally, from couples flow children and families. While not denying the challenges facing parents and families, Katie van Schaijik takes a more positive view on what is supporting and helping families grow and thrive. This week, we will examine (1) her background and experience in these matters, (2) some resources that she and her husband integrated into their courtship and marriage as well as (3) list, according to Father Longenecker, the challenges/threats facing our families today. The **10 things strengthening families** will be examined next week.

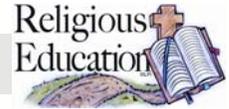
Katie and her husband Jules are not strangers to Catholic thought *(Continued on Page 4)*

OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION for THIS WEEK



Lord Jesus, we pray for all of the mothers of our parish community. Please bless them and strengthen their hearts and minds as they continue in their role of loving mother to their children and being an exemplary role model of devoted catholic women. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen

FROM *the* OFFICE of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



The student Progress Reports were distributed to all RE students during final session of the year, May 4th. May God bless the RE catechists and aides who assisted in another successful year! We are most grateful for the attention and cooperation of the RE parents throughout the year. We look forward to the 2015-2016 school year which begins on Monday, September 14th.

Our parish's Religious Education Program welcomes the application of new catechists/certified teachers in several grade levels to our 2015-2016 program. Classes are held approximately 3 times per month on Sunday mornings (Grades 2 & 6; 9:30-10:45 a.m.) and Monday evenings. (Grades 1-6; 6:00-7:15pm) **NEW! A stipend will be offered to the**

catechists. If you possess the following attributes and would like to share your faith with the youth of our parish, please contact Mary Pizzano at mpizzano@saintmonicachurch.org or 610-647-4757.

A fully initiated and practicing Catholic; A faithful follower of Christ with good moral character committed to developing a greater personal relationship with the Lord; A person of prayer; Faith-sharer - One that invites others into a relationship with God; A disciple of Christ who can share his/her faith with students in an age-appropriate manner; Teacher certification and teaching experience; An effective communicator and collaborator with adults and children; Ability to plan, organize, and work well with others; Enthusiastic and fun-loving.

New Catholic Faith Enrichment Resources at Saint Monica's Parish

LIGHTHOUSE
CATHOLIC MEDIA



STEWARDSHIP
— A MISSION OF FAITH —

*Inspirational Catholic CDs,
Books, Booklets, and More...*

As we prepare for the World Meeting of Families next September, the Saint Monica Adult Faith Formation Committee would like to announce a new and exciting faith sharing and enrichment resource. We have invited *Lighthouse Catholic Media* and *Stewardship/Mission of Faith*, to provide their "Faithraiser" Kiosk Program in our parish. *Lighthouse Catholic Media* and *Stewardship/Mission of Faith* are two, non-profit Catholic apostolates with whom I have had a personal affiliation and who have been recommended by Archbishop Chaput in their support of parish faith formation.

This Catholic Evangelization Enrichment center will be located in the lobby of our church and regularly stocked with materials (CD's, books and pamphlets) representing the most timely topics of interest to families, parents, youth, young adults and teachers. The materials feature some of the best Catholic theologians and speakers in the world offering their reflections on topics such as the family, parenting, marriage enrichment, forgiveness, the Mass and spiritual development.

I invite you to support this new partnership and encourage you to share these materials with your families and friends who are interested in learning more about their Catholic faith but might not be coming to our parish on a regular basis. The kiosk is located in the Gathering Room of Church.

FROM *the* OFFICE of WORSHIP & MUSIC

Communion Antiphons:

What are we singing?

In an effort to include more of the texts prescribed for each Sunday liturgy, known as the "proprs," we will continue to sing the "*Communion Antiphons for the Easter Season*" as set and composed by Norman Gouin (former Music Director of Daylesford Abbey and composer of the official hymn for the World Meeting of Families, Philadelphia). The "proper" is a part of the liturgy that varies according to the date,

either representing an observance within the liturgical year, or of a particular saint or significant event.

This collection of proper antiphons spans the Easter season, from Easter Sunday through Pentecost. The antiphons, whose English texts are adapted from the *Graduale Romanum* and *The Roman Missal*, are set in a plainchant style which is accessible for us all to sing together. The verses are from the psalms and are set to new psalm tones for the choir and cantor to sing. Give the antiphon (refrain) a try as you process to holy communion.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES - 2015



In less than five months, our Archdiocese will host the Eighth World Meeting of Families! Pope Francis will attend. He will visit Cuba prior to his visit to the USA. He will then visit Washington, D.C. (where he will address congress) and New York City (where he will address the UN General Assembly) before coming to Philadelphia. He is expected to make an appearance at the end of the Festival of Families to be held on the Benjamin Franklin

Parkway on Saturday, 26 September, and then will celebrate Mass on the museum steps in the afternoon of Sunday, 27 September. Over one million people are expected to attend the Mass!

Registration for the Congress (22 - 25 September) is open. The keynote speakers will include Reverend Robert Barron, Cardinal Seán Patrick O'Malley, OFM Cap, Archbishop of Boston, and Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle, Archbishop of Manila, Philippines, and our own former parishioner, Professor Helen Alvaré. You can sign up for the Congress online in advance or pay as you attend on a daily basis.

A Youth Congress for children and youth, ages 6 - 17, will also be held at the same time as the Adult Congress. A wide variety of activities will encourage them to embrace the mission of love that brings families fully alive.

Volunteer registration opened on 27 April. It is anticipated that 10,000 volunteers will be needed for a wide variety of tasks. Please see the website for job responsibilities and security clearance requirements.

Volunteers are required to register (@ Worldmeetingoffamilies2015). There is no fee to volunteer but a free-will offering is requested to offset the cost of the mandatory background checks.

Hosting families are also very much in need. Please consider hosting someone; it will be an enriching experience for all!

As always, please let us know if you have any questions. MaryKay and Rick Bergan - berganfamily@comcast.net

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for APRIL, 2015

April 2015	\$60,832	57% Electronic	April YTD 2015	\$720,366	42% Electronic
April 2014	\$70,184	44% Electronic	April YTD 2014	\$715,319	39% Electronic
April Budget	2014-15	\$68,000	April YTD Budget	2014-15	\$705,448

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, May 3, 2015

Sunday Collection	\$10,871
*Electronic	\$9,119
Total	\$19,990

** We have 165 families contributing electronically.*

POOR BOX

The monies collected from the Poor Boxes during the Month of May will be for the benefit of the Bethesda Project. May God bless you for your continued generosity.

The Fiscal Year 2015 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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on marriage, families and human sexuality. They read ***Love and Responsibility*** by St. John Paul II Pope before their wedding 25 years ago as well his play ***The Jeweler's Shop*** and ***Theology of the Body***. They had read Dietrich von Hildebrand's books, ***Marriage: the Mystery of Faithful Love, Man and Woman; The Heart: An Analysis of Human and Divine Affectivity***; and ***Purity: The Mystery of Human Sexuality***. They had taken courses on the nature of love and on Christian marriage.

More importantly, it was the integration of her spiritual/devotional/liturgical life that had the greatest impact on her as a woman, wife and mother. She writes:

Maybe even more significantly, at Franciscan University we were drawn into the charismatic renewal. We were encouraged daily by happy, faith-filled friars, faculty and fellow students to know Jesus personally, to receive the sacraments, to love the Church, to pray, to grow in holiness, to live for God. ... During our courtship we would often meet in the morning for Liturgy of the Hours with the TORs and again later at daily Mass with all our friends.

Our parents' and grandparents' generations had nothing like these advantages — nothing like the transcendent theological, philosophical and poetic vision of marriage that had been revealed to us, nothing like that inspiring and sustaining atmosphere of prayer and praise. They had all been raised Catholic. They knew that marriage was about children and that it was supposed to be for life. But did they have the thrill and intimate consolation of understanding that it was a font of grace and a path to sanctity? Did they know that it was a living icon of the Trinity? Had they been taught that the Church celebrates conjugal love and promotes the genius of woman? I don't think so. All that came later, mostly through Vatican II, the "new movements" in the Church, and the papacy of John Paul II.

Charles Flock Jr

REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration forms for the 2015-2016 Religious Education Monday evening sessions (Grades 1-6) and the Sunday morning sessions (Grades 2 and 6) are posted on the parish website at www.saintmonicachurch.org. Please register your children if you have not already done so. It is very important to obtain an accurate headcount as soon as possible in order to provide sufficient teaching staff, materials, classroom space, etc. Thank you for your prompt response to this request.

ANNUAL MAY CROWNING - TODAY



Miss Kim Dolente will serve as our parish's May Queen during our annual May Crowning of Mary, our Blessed Mother.

Please join us on Sunday, Mother's Day, May 10th, during the 11:00 a.m. Mass as we honor Mary in prayer and song.

2015 DAYLESFORD ABBEY GOLF OUTING HERSHEY'S MILL GOLF CLUB

Monday, June 22, 2015

For further information, please contact
Jeanne Byrne in the Development Office at
610-647-2530, ext. 118

YOUNG ADULTS: REFLECTION ON C.S. LEWIS' "THE FOUR LOVES"

Join CYACC, **this Wednesday, May 13th at 7:30 pm** at Saints Peter and Paul for an inspiring talk and reflection on Christian author C.S. Lewis' work "*The Four Loves*." Father Caponi, a Theology professor from Saint Charles Seminary, will be our speaker. You don't want to miss this one! Check us out on Facebook or email us at cyacc1@gmail.com for more info.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

On Sunday, May 17, the parish will be honoring all of our parishioners who will reach the age of 90 or more during this calendar year. They, along with their families, have been invited to attend the 11:00 AM Mass followed by a reception in the school cafeteria. Members of the various parish organizations will be helping to make this event a memorable one for our nonagenarians.

BILL DONAGHY TO SPEAK ON FATHERHOOD AT MALVERN RETREAT HOUSE

Perhaps it is the most stunning statistic on faith and family of them all. When a father is a regular church goer 2 out of every 3 children will be church goers. The faith life of the father is critical to the restoration of the catholic family. And, as the catholic family goes, so goes both our church and country. On **Tuesday, May 12**, Bill Donaghy, a charismatic local husband and father with a national following, will deliver our second Fatherhood lecture entitled ***St. Joseph: A Man For All Seasons***. Includes dinner at 6:30, Talk, Q&A and Benediction. Cost: \$30. Register Now! 610-644-0400 or www.malvernretreat.com.

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FAMILY BINGO NIGHT

**Sponsored by the
Youth & Family Volunteer Board**

Parents, grandparents and children of all ages will enjoy a great night of fellowship, fun, food and great prizes. The \$15/family entry fee includes all of your Bingo supplies, a professional Bingo caller, a beautiful salad bar and soda and water. Whole pizzas are available for \$10 each. We ask that each family bring a dessert to share.

Check your inbox for your invitation and register online or in the rectory office.

Date: Sunday, May 31, 2015
Time: 5:30-7:30 pm
Place: Saint Monica Education
 Center Cafeteria

Deadline to sign-up is Tuesday, May 26, 2015. No refunds.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PASTOR
 FATHER CHARLES ZLOCK
 as he celebrates his 21st year of Ordination
 MAY, 1994**

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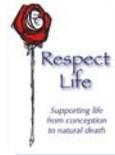
**FATHER WILLIAM A. TRADER
 as he celebrates his 41st year of Ordination
 MAY, 1974**

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION POSITION AVAILABLE

The Parish of St. Basil in Kimberton is looking for a new Director of Religious Education. Ideally, we would like to find someone with significant prior experience overseeing PREP and Sacramental Preparation programs and who would be interested in doing so on a part time basis. Our former DRE was a full time employee, so we would be willing to entertain that possibility as well if necessary. The ideal candidate would have strong interpersonal, organizational, communication, and planning skills, and a demonstrated ability to work collaboratively and successfully with a broad spectrum of people.

If interested please send an email with your resume to church@stbasils.org.

LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL



Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty of Hungary wrote something years ago titled *"The Most Important Person on Earth"* that demonstrates the **beauty of motherhood**. It reads: *"The most important person on earth is a mother. She cannot claim the honor of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral - a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body. The angels have not been blessed with such a grace. They cannot share in God's creative miracle to bring new saints to Heaven. Only a human mother can. Mothers are closer to God the Creator than any other creature. God joins forces with mothers in performing this act of creation... What on God's good earth is more glorious than this: to be a mother?"*



ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA 2ND ANNUAL YARD SALE

Tired of stumbling through the clutter? Unable to close the doors to those overstuffed closets? Looking for an incentive to offer your children to clean out their rooms? We have an important event for you!

St. Katharine of Siena will be holding their **2nd Annual Community Yard Sale on Saturday, May 16th from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM**. Parking spaces to sell your wares are \$50, and are available on first-come, first-served basis. Proceeds from your sales are yours, but please consider donating baked goods for sale, and help us get the word out!

For more information and vendor registration forms, email homeandschool@sksschool.org.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, May 16 - Our new Director of Youth and Family Ministry, Jason Carter, will be speaking at all the Masses next weekend. The Middle School Youth Group has a special invitation to attend the 5:00 Mass, and then have dinner and fun afterwards.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for MAY 10

DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Monday	9:00am-4:30pm	Adoration	Church
Tuesday			
Wednesday			
Thursday			
Friday	9:30-11:00am	Legion of Mary	Rectory
Saturday	4:00-4:45 pm	Confession	Church

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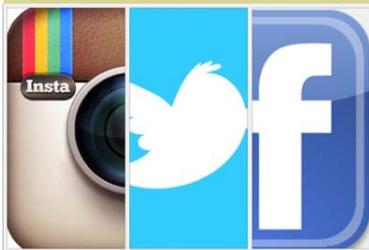
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BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

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 May 10 - May 17

MASS TIME	INTENTION	PRESIDER	MUSIC MINISTRY	NOTES
5:00 p.m. Vigil	Mothers of the Parish	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	
7:30 a.m.	Mothers of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	
9:30 a.m.	Mothers of the Parish	Fr. Antry	Parish Choir	
11:00 a.m.	Mothers of the Parish	Fr. Antry	Cantor	
Monday, 11th	+ Regina Uveges	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 12th	+ Claye Carroll	Fr. Zlock		
Wednesday, 13th	Communion Service			
Thursday, 14th	8:30 a.m. - + Pat DeHaven 12:00 Noon - People of Parish	Fr. Zlock Fr. Zlock		
Friday, 15th	+ Marie MacFaun	Fr. Zlock		
Saturday, 16th	+ Joseph and Anne Gallagher	Fr. Serano		
5:00 p.m. Vigil	+ Clarence Haldeman	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	
7:30 a.m.	+ Edward Cooney	Fr. Rodia	Quiet	
9:30 a.m.	+ Vincent DiAntonio	Fr. Rodia	Parish Choir	
11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	

THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Jack Barausky, Sonia Altirman, Bob Ball, Mary Alice Boyd, Michael Byrne, Mary Byrnes, Lina Cappelli, Lilly Ciocca, Lynn Conrad, Anne Coxe, Leonard D'Andrea, William Dahlman, Maria and Francisco DeRivas, Jim DiAntonio, Lou DiFerdinando, Rita Dunn, Joseph Erwin, Yolanda Fazzini, Kelly Glacken, Jim Gormley, Jenna, Maya and Eva Izzi, Faith Johnson, Libby Judge, Margaret Knight, Anne Maas, Dan Maguire, Mike McAleer (*son of Liz*), Louise Merlino, David Mikowchok, Melanie Mizenko, Dr. Mark Nardone, John and Lilly Neff, Mary Rose, Cathy Russell, Bob Schubert, Gary Smith, Joseph and Helen Triolo, Bob and Mildred Walsh

THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US

Lawrence Harris, Husband of Susan

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

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

PARISH LEADERSHIP

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