

# THE PARISH of SAINT MONICA

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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**

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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. 11:00a.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.

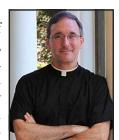


#### The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Week of June 28, 2015

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

Derwin L. Gray is the founding and lead pastor of Transformation Church, a multi-ethnic, multi-generational, mission-shaped community with two campuses in South Carolina both just south of Charlotte, North Carolina. Transformation Church (TC) was recognized as the 2nd fastest-growing church by percentage in America for 2010 by *Outreach* magazine. In 2011 and 2012, TC was again recognized as one of the top 100 fastest-growing churches in America.



I recently noticed an article by Pastor Gray entitled, "Are You Drifting Into Danger?" He starts as follows:

Have you ever had one of those "Are you kidding me?" meetings? You know that meeting where you hear about a pastor having an affair? Or, a person who once ran a marriage ministry has walked out on their spouse? Or, the star teen who once led the youth group in high school is now an atheist?

How does this occur? I think it happens because of what I call, "The D.R.I.F.T."

D.R.I.F.T is "Distraction – Refusing to Repent – Intentional Disobedience – Fake Fellowship – Treasure Which is Not Jesus." How many times have we seen new articles of someone arrested who says, "I never intended it to end this way." Of course not. None of us set out to break the law, sin gravely or make life-altering bad decisions and, most of the time, we don't. It's usually the culmination of a series of smaller steps away from the Lord and along a darker path without (here's the key!) any type of corrective action along the way.

This is not a tendency of just lay people in the world. Benedictine tradition identified one type of monk called a "<u>sarabaite</u>." "They acknowledged no monastic superior, obeyed no definite rule, and disposed individually of the (Continued on Page 4)

### OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION for THIS WEEK



Lord Jesus, as we enter the summer season we ask that you bless and protect our families on their vacation travels. We pray that they continue to celebrate you in the sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist as they relax and enjoy their vacations. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

#### FROM the Office of Religious Education



The registration forms for the 2015-2016 Religious Education Program Monday evening sessions (Grades 1 -6) and the Sunday morning sessions (Grades 2 and 6) are posted on the parish website. A link to the registration form has been forwarded to all currently registered families. Please register your children if you have not already done so. It is very important that an accurate number of students for the RE Program is obtained as soon as possible in order to provide sufficient teaching staff, materials, classroom space, etc. Thank you for your prompt response to this request.

The Religious Education Program Summer Session is in full swing! It was great to be in the company of the youth of our parish who are so enthusiastically engaged in the daily lessons. The lessons include learning hymns in Music class, creating clever crafts, and enjoying the outdoor physical activity/games, as well as each other's company. The Religious Education Summer Session students, staff, and administrators invite all parishioners to join them at the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Tuesday, June 30th.

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP FUN

Last month our Middle School Youth Group got together with our new Director of Family and Youth Ministry, Jason Carter, when he was here visiting. They gathered after the 5:00 pm Mass for a Chick-fil-a dinner, ice cream sundaes, and a fun game of shaving cream whiffle ball. A messy, good time was had by all, and we're looking forward to Jason's arrival next month!



#### FROM the OFFICE of WORSHIP & MUSIC

#### Getting Involved for 2015-2016

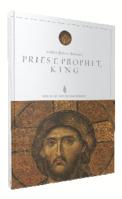
Ah, summer. The time to wind down and relax. You might be anticipating becoming involved here at Saint Monica's when everything picks back up again in the Fall? Do you have an interest in music, a talent, a passion for singing, or play an instrument? Give some consideration to joining the Music Ministry of our Parish. We are now accepting new members for the Parish Choir! Rehearsals begin again on Wednesday, September 9th. If you'd like more information, please don't hesitate to contact me at

forman@saintmonicachurch.org or give me a call at 610.644.0110 ext. 118. A very simple audition is all that's required. Consider getting involved in this very special ministry. All are welcome.

#### Flowers on the Altar for the Summer

We're very grateful to Mrs. Clare Prendergast who has graciously donated the altar flowers that adorn the high altar throughout these summer months. She has elected to do this in memory of her beloved husband, Jack. Thank you, Clare, for your kindness to the Parish!

## An opportunity for enrichment during the summer... right here!



Back by Parishioner Request!

## A Summer Session Presentation of

## PRIEST, PROPHET, KING

Fr. Robert Barron

#### A DEEP, BIBLICAL LOOK AT JESUS CHRIST

The better we understand Jesus, the better we understand ourselves. But who was Jesus, this itinerant preacher whom many called the Messiah?

In *Priest, Prophet, King,* you'll discover Jesus as the Anointed One-the ultimate priest, prophet, and king foreshadowed throughout the Hebrew Scriptures. Using biblical insights and engaging stories, Father Barron affirms that we see Jesus most clearly through the lens of the Old Testament.

Through this deeply biblical DVD program, you will better understand Jesus, become more familiar with Scripture, and realize your own priestly, prophetic, and kingly mission, received when you were baptized "into Christ." Please join us, as we continue our faith journey with Father Barron.

When: Tuesdays – July 14, 21, 28 Time: 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Where: Saint Monica Education Center (old school building 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Youth Room)

Facilitators: Maureen Friedrich & Maurita Buhsmer

Please contact Mary Perillo for more information or to register: <a href="mailto:mkperillo@verizon.net">mkperillo@verizon.net</a>
Sponsored by the Saint Monica Adult Faith Formation Committee

#### SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for MAY 2015

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May 2015	\$75,888	38% Electronic	May YTD 2015	\$796,254	42% Electronic
May 2014	\$64,151	42% Electronic	May YTD 2014	\$779,471	39% Electronic
May Budget	2014-15	\$80,000	May YTD Budget	2014-15	\$785,448

#### SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Due to the early publication schedule, collection totals for this past weekend were not available at press time.

#### **SPECIAL COLLECTION**

There will be a special collection **this** weekend for Peter's Pence. May God bless you for your continued generosity.

The Fiscal Year 2015 budget for Saint Monica Parish is available on line at <a href="https://www.saintmonicachurch.org">www.saintmonicachurch.org</a>, under the <a href="Parish Leadership">Parish Leadership</a> section.

#### News and Announcements

#### From the Pastor's Desk...

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product of their manual labour." St. Jerome and John Cassian both speak quite unfavorably about them.

One Benedictine reference says about them:

With no experience to guide them, no rule to try them as gold is tried in a furnace (Prov 27:21), they have a character as soft as lead, still loyal to the world by their actions. Without a shepherd, they pen themselves up in their own sheepfolds of their own minds and fantasy, not the Lord's. Their law is what they like to do, whatever strikes their fancy. Anything they believe in and choose, they call holy; anything they dislike, they consider forbidden.

In the book, Move What 1,000 Churches Reveal about Spiritual Growth, authors Greg L. Hawkins and Cally Parkinson describe four phases of spiritual growth and maturity:

- 1. Those who are exploring Christ.
- 2. Those who are growing in Christ
- 3. Those who are close to Christ
- 4. Those who are Christ centered

What is interesting are the two items that believers in phase 3 and 4 consider most important: being challenged in their faith and being beld accountable in their faith. Their faith practice is constantly being examined, discussed, discerned and guided by another person.

A spiritual guide/mentor/director does not have to be a priest or religious sister. It can be a spouse for friend or confidant. The women who attend "Walking With Purpose" offer another excellent model. In their small groups, they weekly and prayerfully support, encourage but challenge other women at the table in their respective prayer and spiritual lives. Finally, regular and frequent Confession - to the same priest by the way - is also an excellent method. The priest will begin to see, and can provide insights, into habitual sins and habits that he will recognize over time.

Who holds you spiritually accountable? How often do you meet with them? What topics are "on the table?" Any topics "off limits?"

Charles Flock Fr

**NOCTURNAL ADORATION** Resumes in August Nocturnal Adoration takes place on the First Friday and First Saturday of every month with the exception of the Month of July. We will resume again on Friday, August 7 at 9:00 p.m. into Saturday, August 8. Make time to take time with Our Lord!

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

#### Saint Monica Patronal Feast Day Mass and Picnic

with Parish-Wide Eucharistic Adoration from 5 pm on Wednesday the 26th through 4 pm on Thursday the 27th of August! The Solemn Feast Day Mass will celebrated at 6 pm on 27 August with the Picnic immediately following. Join us for this special time in our Parish!

#### Fr. ZLOCK COULD USE A HELPING HAND!

Father Zlock is looking for someone or ones who would be able to do some grocery shopping for him. He's thinking he would need someone to go every other week. He also has a "system" from a previous parish assignment that could be used to make the job as easy as possible. Please call Father Zlock at 610-644-0110.

#### ST. MONICA & WORLD MEETING of FAMILIES



Saint Monica is planning a number of ways that we will participate in the World Meeting of Families this FAMILIES coming September. Further details are forthcoming but - don't miss the action! Write the dates on you calendar now.

- Thursday, August 27 "World Meeting of Families Picnic" - Feast of Saint Monica in the grotto.
- Sunday, September 27 "Picnic and Pope on the Big Screen" - See the Papal Mass "live" within the comfort of our church on a 12 x 14 foot big screen. "Bring Your Own" picnic on the grotto lawn beforehand.
- Tuesday, September 22 Monday September 28 -"Saint Monica Hospitality Hostel" (our gym) - Come by, help out and get to know a group of pilgrims from all over the United States who will be staying in our parish in the gym for the week.
- Saturday, September 19 "Abbey Fest" is officially a World Meeting of Family event! Our new Family and Youth Director, Jason Carter, will be planning activities for our young people involving Abbey Fest.

#### LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL

On May 7, 2015, Pope Francis said: "Today the Churches and ecclesial communities in Europe find themselves facing new and decisive challenges, which can only be answered effectively by speaking with one voice. I am thinking, for example, of the challenge posed by legislators who, in the name of some badly interpreted principle of tolerance, end up preventing citizens from freely expressing and practicing their own religious convictions in a peaceful and legitimate way."

#### **NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### WMOF YOUTH CONGRESS (Ages 6-17) SEPTEMBER 22-27, 2015

Register your child or children for the World Meeting of Families' Youth Congress! The Youth Congress will run simultaneously with the Adult Congress in the Pennsylvania Convention Center. The Youth Congress is an interactive program for the youth, which will include activities such as crafts, service projects, a Scavenger Hunt, Gospel Drama, Bowling with the Bishops and Priests, Catholic Trivia Challenge, and a Dance Party with the Sisters, among many other activities. Each of the activities will include a connection or lesson involving the themes of the official WMOF.

Your children will love this inspiring and energizing component of the World Meeting of Families! For more information, visit <a href="www.worldmeeting2015.org">www.worldmeeting2015.org</a>. Click on Events / Register for Congress / Youth Congress Activities.

#### SAINT MONICA'S GOLF OUTING RETURNS



Our traditional Saint Monica's Golf event returns for any and all members and friends of the parish community sponsored by the Holy Name Society and Men's Club.

We are shifting to a fall event this year, and have reserved Monday, October 12, Columbus Day, as the date of our outing. Mark your calendars, save the date, polish up your game, and more information will be shared soon on this most popular event.

#### FOOD CUPBOARD — THE HUNGRY NEED YOU

The Collection for Saint Gabriel's Food Cupboard is this weekend after all Masses. No time to shop? Check donations payable to Saint Gabriel's Food Cupboard are most welcome and can be left in the tin box in the narthex. Canned donations can be left through Tuesday, June 30 at 8 a.m. Thanks for helping our inner city neighbors!

## TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE CALLS YOU TO SHARE YOUR GOD-GIVEN GIFT WITH US

New initiatives, activities and vibrancy has begun to tax the technology resources of Saint Monica. To address this, the parish is forming a Technology Committee. Immediate goals include:

- Conceive, make decisions about, and implement long-term parish technology vision.
- Address several immediate, tactical goals
- Create a new, inviting website/parish portal.
- Improve service and communication to our parish community
- Revamp/rebuild parish "back office" functionality.

We are looking for two or three parishioners who have hand-on design, technology, communication or marketing talents and especially welcome any first-time parish volunteers. For more information, contact Frank Orman at <a href="maintonicachurch.org">forman@saintmonicachurch.org</a> or Tim at <a href="maintonica@navben.us">stmonica@navben.us</a>. Thank you!

#### WALKING WITH PURPOSE (WWP)

WWP will return beginning Thursday October 1st from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. WWP is a program designed to enable women to grow in a relationship with Christ through small group discussion and Scripture study. This will be our second year offering WWP at Saint Monica. Are you looking for a more meaningful relationship with Christ and others? Are you wondering what faith has to do with everyday life? See what women are saying about their experience with WWP this past year! One participant stated "WWP has enriched me spiritually and made me feel more a part of our parish family. I also like how the program relates current issues to scripture." Another woman commented, "It has been life changing. I am much more trusting in God and thankful for all that I have. I am more peaceful. I am reading the bible for the first time." Please consider enrolling! Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board in Gathering Room. An informational session will be held in early September. Questions? Feel free to contact Bridget at bridgetc316@gmail.com or Michele at man6fam@comcast.net.

#### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Offices will operate on a Summer Schedule through September 7, 2015.

Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon; 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for JUNE 28							
DAY	Тіме	EVENT	LOCATION				
Monday	8:00am-3:00pm 9:00am-4:30pm	RE Summer Session Adoration	Parish Center Church				
Tuesday	8:00am-3:00pm	RE Summer Session	Parish Center				
Wednesday	8:00am-3:00pm	RE Summer Session	Parish Center				
Thursday							
Friday	9:15-10:30 am	Legion of Mary	Rectory				
Saturday	4:00-4:45 pm	Confession	Church				
Sunday							

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FrZlock.com

#### **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 June 28 — July 5							
MASS TIME	Intention	Presider	MUSIC MINISTRY	Notes			
5:00 p.m. Vigil	Intentions of Tim and Mary Kelleher	Fr. Zlock	Cantor				
7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	Special Collection: Peter's Pence			
9:30 a.m.	Mary Pohlig	Fr. Cortese	Cantor				
11:00 a.m.	Clarence Haldeman	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor				
Monday, 29th	+ Peter Piombino	Fr. Zlock					
Tuesday, 30th	+ Larry Norton	Fr. Zlock					
Wednesday, 1st	Communion Service						
Thursday, 2nd	John and Joan Wojcik	Norbertine					
Friday, 3rd	Intentions of Ruthie and Joe Scheidel	Fr. Jaehwa					
Saturday, 4th	+ Margot Chalkely	Fr. Zlock					
5:00 p.m. Vigil	+ James Beirne	Fr. Zlock	Cantor				
7:30 a.m.	+ James Beirne	Fr. Fitzgerald	Quiet				
9:30 a.m.	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Cantor				
11:00 a.m.	+ Olive Reavey	Norbertine	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, CJ Fazzini, 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 Mikowychok, 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

Travis Sugzdinis

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

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

#### PARISH LEADERSHIP

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