



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.

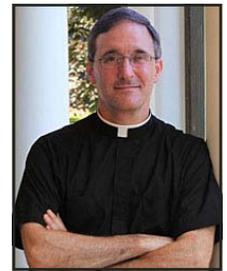


The Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 4, 2015

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

In the June 2005 issue of *Philanthropy Magazine*, author George Weigel recounts that almost 30 years ago, sociologist Andrew Greeley stunned just about everyone (*including his fellow-Catholics*) by reporting that Irish Catholics were second only to Jews in levels of educational and economic attainment among American ethnic groups. And the Irish weren't alone among their high-achieving Catholic brethren. Thus, in a predictably American way, Catholic wealth in recent decades has begun flowing to foundations dedicated to Catholic causes. As Dr. Francis Butler, president of FADICA (Foundations and Donors Interested in Catholic Activities), has noted, Catholics "are forming community foundations and setting up trusts rather than just turning over their money to their dioceses. This is the wave of the future for Catholics." Weigel writes about three "imperatives that ought to shape the new Catholic philanthropy in the early twenty-first century."



"Leveraging" Change

Many Catholics now sense that they're combatants in a "culture war." What the new Catholic philanthropy must grasp is that the culture war is, at bottom, a war of ideas. This war has to be fought by idea warriors, deployed in those places where elite opinion is molded and shaped. In this way, conscientious Catholics of faith, influence and affluence, can begin leveraging cultural change by changing and affecting the debate on an issue through tactical, focused Catholic philanthropy.

But lay Catholic philanthropists will soon learn what their Protestant, Jewish, and secular fellow-philanthropists have learned: Giving money away intelligently and effectively is no easy business. Like every other serious group of philanthropists in the United States, Catholic philanthropists must strive to be both *strategic* and *responsible*. That, in turn, suggests certain imperatives that ought to shape the new Catholic philanthropy in the early twenty-first century. Some ideas are as follows: *(Continued on Page 4)*

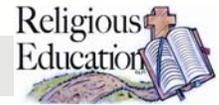


OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION for THIS WEEK

All loving and merciful God, let us pray, on this Respect for Life Sunday, that we the people of Saint Monica Parish be a light to others, in our words and actions, reflecting the beauty and sacred gift of life and a reminder that all life deserves respect and dignity; and as Pope Francis says, "all life bears the Face of Christ."

Lord, we pray and give thanks for the many devoted women and men of Saint Monica Church who work tirelessly in defense of the most innocent and vulnerable. We also pray for those who do not share our beliefs. May their eyes see and their hearts be transformed by our witness to respect all life. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

FROM *the* OFFICE of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



The 2015-2016 Religious Education Program is in full swing! Kudos to all of the parents for making the commitment to bring their children to weekly Mass and class! Looking ahead to the October class sessions: October 4-5, 11-12, and 18-19.

Liturgy of the Word with Children

The Liturgy of the Word with Children Program begins this weekend at the 9:30 AM Mass. Registration for our parish's children's Sunday church program, Liturgy of the Word with Children (LOW) for students in K through 3rd grade is now underway. This cost-free program is offered during the 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass

and is specially designed to give the younger children of our parish a better understanding and appreciation for Scripture through age appropriate adaptations of the Readings, Gospel, and homily. Information and registration forms can be found in the "Crying Room" and the Gathering Room of the church.

The LOW leaders have obtained the required clearances, mandated by both the state of Pennsylvania and the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. For more information about the program, please contact Mary Pizzano at mpizzano@saintmonicachurch.org or 610.647.4757.

FAMILY *and* YOUTH MINISTRY



FROM *the* OFFICE of WORSHIP *and* MUSIC

OPEN PARISH CHOIR REHEARSALS—JOIN US!

Parish Choir Rehearsals for the 2015-2016 Season are held each Wednesday at 7:00 pm in the Church. Please consider attending any rehearsal on the following dates if you have an interest in joining the Music Ministry of our Parish:

Remaining: **October 7 — 7 pm**

CAN YOU HELP FOR 2015-2016?

As we continue to develop our Parish music ministry with dedicated, talented volunteer singers, we also employ professional section leaders who, through their fine musicianship and talent, lead and provide vocal support

within the Parish Choir. At times, these musicians are also featured as soloists and cantors.

The opportunity to support these singers for the 2015-2016 choral season is available! Soprano, Alto, Tenor and Bass Section leader positions are in need of sponsorship.

We welcome back Anush Avetisyan, a third year post-graduate fellow at the Academy of Vocal Arts in Philadelphia as our soprano section leader and Nathan Milholin, a second year fellow at AVA who is our bass – baritone section leader. Please contact Frank Orman in the Office of Worship & Music at 610.644.0110 ext. 118 or e-mail orman@saintmonicachurch.org.

LOVE IS OUR MISSION AT SAINT MONICA PARISH



BECAUSE EVERY FAMILY BEGINS WITH A COUPLE IN LOVE!

In light of the *World Meeting of Families*, Saint Monica wishes to be known as the parish with joyful marriages! Thus, we are offering **three** energizing events for married couples. Let your children and grandchildren see marriages that work by taking time and taking advantage of at least one of these opportunities!

RETREAT WORKSHOP:

NOVEMBER 14-15, 2015 or FEBRUARY 13-14, 2016

Living in Love

Whether you are newlyweds or married many years - this retreat is guaranteed get you back in touch with what you fell in love with in the first place and to unleash more joy and delight in your marriage. Couples of all faiths or no faith will feel welcome as husbands and wives will both love the fun, practical, proactive approach to the weekend.

Begins Saturday morning and ends Sunday mid-afternoon. Includes a lovely romantic dinner Saturday night, and continental breakfast each day. Cost \$125. For more information or to register go to livinginlove.org or call 610-640-4105.

A VALENTINE EVENING with FATHER ZLOCK

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2016 at the MALVERN RETREAT HOUSE

Give your spouse the perfect evening on Valentine's Day! This special evening for couples includes: prayer, cocktail hour, romantic dinner, opportunity for confession, spiritual reflection, adoration and renewal of Vows. Cost \$100.00 to register call 610-644-0400 or visit <http://malvernretreat.com/retreats/days-and-evenings-of-reflection>.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for AUGUST 2015

August 2015	\$71,616	43% Electronic	August YTD 2015	\$142,309	45% Electronic
August 2014	\$67,598	38% Electronic	August YTD 2014	\$146,018	42% Electronic
August Budget	2015-16	\$70,053	August YTD Budget	2015-16	\$146,458

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, September 20, 2015

Sunday Collection	\$10,316
Electronic	\$4,598
Total	\$14,914

We have 167 families contributing electronically.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, September 27, 2015

Sunday Collection	\$7,770
Electronic	\$6,135
Total	\$13,905

We have 167 families contributing electronically.

POOR BOXES

Monies collected from the Poor Boxes in the Month of September were for the benefit of the Sisters of Saint Joseph Adult Literacy Program. 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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Resisting Tribalism and Nostalgia

Catholics must reconsider any nostalgic loyalty to many Catholic institutions and places of primary, secondary and higher education that simply are not what they were when the philanthropists were in school. Is it wise to financially support colleges, universities, Catholic institutions and foundations whose behaviors, policies and/or philosophies are not in line with the teachings of the Catholic Church? Are Catholic social welfare charities too closely tied to, and dependent upon, government? Are Catholic charities suffering from the inefficiencies that usually accompany bureaucratization and centralization? How can Catholic charities and social welfare agencies better implement Pope John Paul II's strategy of empowering the poor, laid out in the 1991 encyclical *Centesimus Annus*? These questions will strike some as rude, but they are also necessary if Catholic giving is to properly steward the Church.

Forming New Alliances

Catholic philanthropists might well consider forming new alliances with like-minded donors to achieve common strategic goals like the reform of Catholic higher education, Catholic welfare agencies, or the advancement of a culture of life in critical public policies. These alliances need not be formal or highly structured (See, for example, *The Gesu School* in Philadelphia).

In addition, new approaches, resources and initiatives are being developed to connect institutions, grantmakers and initiatives with people interested in investing or financially supporting worthy Catholic causes while providing better credibility to philanthropists through "best practices" and transparency.

For example, in 2014, the Pope called treasurers of religious institutes and congregations to meet in Rome for a two-day summit on the delicate issue of how to manage financial resources. Under the theme: "*The management of the ecclesiastical goods of Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life, for the service of humanity and for the mission of the Church,*" the Pope stressed the importance of a healthy management of financial activities and the need to address the problem of redeveloping or reconverting buildings that are barely in use because of the drop in vocations.

On a smaller scale, many non-profit *(continued)*

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organizations and good causes need as much information as possible to insure that their grant seeking appeals are prepared, targeted appropriately and effective. Thus, for example, the *Catholic Funding Guide* is a sophisticated source of information on carefully researched, edited and published networks of private funders, provided in order to match philanthropists with Catholic causes.

Finally at the parish level, the Leadership Roundtable on Church Management recently published *A Parishioner's Guide to Understanding Parish Finances*. Since stewardship is the responsibility of all parishioners, parishioners should possess a basic understanding of parish financial operations. 15 questions are starting points for richer discussions about financial stewardship in the parish and were designed to assess parishioners' knowledge of parish finances, provide questions to ask parish leaders and further the parishioner's understanding of her or his parish's finances.

Weigel closes with the following:

"It is a given that Catholic philanthropy in America will come into its own, financially, in the twenty-first century. Whether that philanthropy succeeds will depend on whether Catholic philanthropists are not afraid to follow Pope John Paul II's example and go beyond their conventional role."

Charles Zlock Jr

SAINT MONICA WOMEN'S SOCIETY

OPEN HEARTS



OPEN DOORS

If you are new to the parish or simply looking for an ideal opportunity to get out and meet some new faces, we encourage you to join us as we plan our upcoming season of social events and service projects.

**Fall Outreach Service Project: *Cradles to Crayons*
Tuesday, October 13th, 6:00 – 8:00 pm**

Any questions please reach out to Women's Society Co-Chairs Nancy Lafferty and Betsy Coyle at smswomensociety@gmail.com

LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL



"The greatest threat to world peace is abortion!" - Blessed Mother Teresa

October is **Respect Life** month. Let us pray for the end of abortion and the conversion of all who work in the abortion industry.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAINT MONICA'S GOLF RETURNS



As many of you saw, we had a sign-up flyer in bulletin two weeks ago for our Golf event. No fear though... you can still participate in either playing or providing sponsorship to support our event.

Our golf event, sponsored by the Holy Name Society, is set for Columbus Day, Monday October 12th. If you are interested in more details, contact:

Mark DiLucca: mdilucca00@comcast.net (484-368-2057), or Oscar Mestre: omestre@cfg.nef.com (610-220-8898)

The next meeting of the HNS is scheduled for Monday, October 5th, at 7:30 pm in the Hagenbach Room in the Parish Center. **All men of the parish are invited to attend.**

CHILI COOK-OFF EVENT

Due to a packed fall calendar of parish events, both the Holy Name Society and Women's club have decided to postpone our chili cook-off event till early 2016.

More details to come then. In the meantime, get your favorite secret chili recipe ready!

MUSIC AT MONICA'S OPENING CONCERT

Acclaimed virtuoso soprano

MELINDA WHITTINGTON

with pianist Jeffrey Uhlig

18 October at 3 pm

Program of music by Strauss, Schubert, Mozart, Debussy along with sacred music and spirituals.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING TO BEGIN FOR ALL INTERESTED!

We're looking for a few good kids! All parishioners in 5th grade or above are welcome to join the Altar Server Ministry. Training will be held on Sunday, 25 October at 12:30 pm in the Church. A second session will be offered the next week on 1 November at 12:30 pm. Attending both sessions would be ideal, but at least one is required. New servers will then have the opportunity to observe our more experienced servers during the weekend Masses beginning on November 8th. This is a very special group of people in our parish! Servers assist the priest at the Mass; prepare the altar; lead processions during Mass; guide the assembly when to stand, to sit or kneel; make sure that what is needed for the celebration is brought, carried or moved into place, among other tasks. Consider serving your parish family by helping everyone to worship

and celebrate in the best way possible all while growing in your relationship with God. To register, please contact Frank Orman, Director of Worship, at 610.644.0110 ext. 118 or e-mail forman@saintmonicachurch.org

FAMILY & YOUTH MINISTRY'S FALL FEST

Friday, October 9th, 7:00 to 10:00 pm



Join your fellow parishioners for a fun night and support a great cause! We will be drinking great beer, enjoying casual food truck fare and learning how to line dance, guided by a professional dance instructor. **All proceeds will benefit the new Saint Monica All Abilities Ministry**, which provides spiritual and social support to those families who are raising children with physical or intellectual differences. Tickets are \$30/person and can be purchased online by going to the parish website or by speaking to Jason at 610-644-0110, ext. 131. For more information, please contact Trish O'Brien at tobrien77@comcast.net.

COME JOIN THE FUN:



ST. MONICA CYO BASKETBALL

Basketball season is just around the corner. Saint Monica's CYO Program offers clinics and leagues for grades 1st through 12th. Grades 1-4 are open to ALL students (ask a neighborhood friend to join your son or daughter). Grades 5-12 are open to any registered members of Saint Monica Parish, Saint Isaac Jogues, Our Lady of Assumption, or attend a local catholic school. To be eligible, players must attend religious education classes or Youth Group at their respective parish.

Registration is open through October 31, 2015 at www.wagdogs.com. Questions? Please contact Brendan Powell at btpowell@verizon.net.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for OCTOBER 4

DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Sunday			
Monday	9:00am-4:30pm	Adoration	Church
Tuesday			
Wednesday	7:00-9:00 pm	Parish Choir Rehearsal	Church
Thursday	7:00-8:30 pm	Walking with Purpose	Cafeteria
Friday	9:15-10:30 am	Legion of Mary	Rectory
Saturday	4:00-4:45 pm	Confession	Church

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FAMILY & YOUTH MINISTRY

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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 October 4 — October 11

MASS TIME	INTENTION	PRESIDER	MUSIC MINISTRY	NOTES
5:00 p.m. Vigil	+ John Buhsmer	Fr. Novielli	Cantor	
7:30 a.m.	+ Louis DeLuca	Fr. Fitzgerald	Quiet	
9:30 a.m.	+ Dorothea Shoemaker	Fr. Zlock	Parish Choir	
11:30 a.m.	+ George J. Muller	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
Monday, 5th	+ Mary Gibson	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 6th	+ Loretta Widmann	Fr. Zlock		
Wednesday, 7th	Communion Service			
Thursday, 8th	+ Thomas DeHaven	Fr. Jaehwa		
Friday, 9th	+ Marie MacFaun	Fr. Zlock		
Saturday, 10th	+ Richard Dressler	Fr. Zlock		
5:00 p.m. Vigil	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
7:30 a.m.	Chet and Ann Massari	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	
9:30 a.m.	+ Richard Santos	Fr. Cortese	Parish Choir	
11:30 a.m.	+ Elizabeth Chiusano	Fr. Cortese	Cantor	

THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Sonia Altirman, Margaret Annechini, Jack Barausky, Mary Alice Boyd, Michael Byrne, Mary Byrnes, Lina Cappelli, Lilly Ciocca, Anne Coxe, Leonard D'Andrea, William Dahlman, Jim DiAntonio, Rita Dunn, Joseph Erwin, CJ Fazzini, Yolanda Fazzini, Kelly Glacken, Jim Gormley, Mary Hartley, 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, Josephine Pogorzelski, Rita Reilly, Mary Rose, Cathy Russell, Bob Schubert, Gary Smith, Joseph and Helen Triolo, Bob and Mildred Walsh

THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may Your perpetual light shine upon them.

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the Mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

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

Leader for this week: Margaret Bellew at 610-647-3856

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