



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.



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 23, 2016

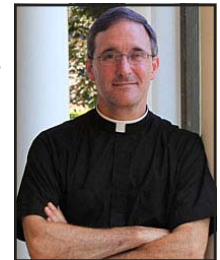
FROM the PASTOR'S DESK...

Last week I began to address some aspect of the Mass about which people have recently asked questions. I began with the topic of ***silence in the liturgy*** and wrote about the context of silence within worship. This week, let's look at the nuts and bolts aspects of silence within the Mass.

A Catholic News Agency article mentions that "We are invited to silence several times during the Mass. We are first of all called to be silent before Mass begins. We come from a busy and noisy world. Thus we need that space of time to recollect ourselves in order to enter into prayer. During the Penitential Rite at the beginning of Mass (before the "Lord have mercy – Christ have mercy...") we are called to silence as we recall and repent of our sins. We are called to silent reflection after each Scriptural reading as well as after the homily. We are all called to silence after we have received Holy Communion (***More on this later***). And we are invited, at the conclusion of Mass, to a silent prayer of Thanksgiving before departing for the parking lot.

These periods of silence are intended to bring "reality into focus." At Mass we express to God our contrition, we hear his word, and we receive his physical presence sacramentally. These realities go beyond normal, day-to-day comprehension. To hear and understand the Word of God is an expression of his great love for us. To receive the body of Christ is the deepest kind of intimate communion with God. The silence in the liturgy punctuates a rich and profound time of prayer with opportunities to reflect on the reality of our experience. The silence of the liturgy is a gift which helps us to *understand* these great gifts we can receive.

In 2000, Pope Benedict XVI, then Cardinal Ratzinger, offered an insight into the silence of the liturgy. "We respond, by singing and praying to the God who addresses us, but the greater mystery, surpassing all words, summons us to silence. *(Continued on Page 4)*



PRAYER of SAINT JOSEPH the CARPENTER

for workers and those seeking work



Silent and well-known carpenter in Nazareth, model of workers, by the work of your hands you gave your contribution to the work of the Creator, you earned your living, and you provided for the needs of the Holy Family. Intercede for all workers, in the difficulties of their daily lives especially for the unemployed, in their anxieties for tomorrow, so that through the guidance of God, the great Architect and Builder, they all may use their strength and talents to make visible God's new creation, to offer a concrete service to society, and to earn wages worthy of their efforts. With confidence and trust we make this prayer through Jesus.

Amen.

FROM *the* OFFICE of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

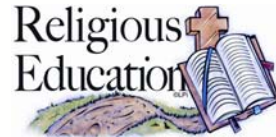
The Religious Education Program is in session on October 24. Classes are not in session on Halloween. Classes will resume on November 7.

Please see the information posted in the Sacrament Spotlight section of the parish bulletin.

ANNUAL PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY DRIVE

Saint Monica's Annual Peanut Butter & Jelly Drive began on Sunday, October 9th and will continue through Monday, October 24th. Your donation can be dropped off in the bins in the Parish Center Lobby.

Religious Education Program students may drop off their family's donation to the bins in the cafeteria. Plastic jars are preferred. All donations will be given to the Saint Agnes Day Room, a food pantry located at Saint Agnes Parish in West Chester. Thank you for your kind and generous support.



FAMILY and YOUTH MINISTRY



7th & 8th Grades
Sundays 4:30-6



High School
Sundays 7-8:30

This Week: How Can I Have Faith?

FROM *the* OFFICE of WORSHIP and MUSIC

Inaugural Organ Concert & Reception

You are cordially invited to attend the blessing of and inaugural concert on Opus 144, a new instrument by Cornel Zimmer Organ Builders.

Music at Monica's presents
internationally-acclaimed organist

NATHAN LAUBE

in concert on

Friday, 9 December at 7:30 pm.

A dessert reception will follow. All are welcome!

Nathan Laube rededicates the famous organ of King's College, Cambridge in October 2016

"So it was especially appropriate that the first public recital on the newly restored organ should be at the hands (and feet) of American concert organist Nathan Laube, one of the world's young top-flight virtuosos...Needless to say, the fluency of Nathan Laube's musicianship was truly amazing."

- BBC Cambridge News



NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAINT MONICA'S GOLF - A BIG THANK YOU!

Many thanks to all that played in our **32nd Annual Saint Monica Golf Outing**. The Lord provided much sun and a bit of breeze for our great day of golf and fun. Many thanks to go out to our gracious sponsors that supported our event. Those being:

30 Main; The Dan McMonigle Team - Fox & Roach Realtors; Saint Monica's Holy Name Society; Saint Monica's Women's Society; New Penn Financial, Martin Cappelletti Builders; Audi of Devon; Sterling Investment Advisors; Dunbar Roofing and Siding Co.; Handels Homemade Ice Cream; Marshall Dennehey Warner Coleman and Goggin; Fred Pioggia - Easttown Supervisor; Penn Distributors; Tom Onufrak - Audio Advisors; Great Valley Racquet Club; Oscar Mestre - Creative Financial; Bob Sargent - JM Search; Beryn Tavern; Neopolitan Deli; Saint Monica's CYO

Our Tournament Winner was the foursome of Oscar Mestre, Bill Gerhardt, Bob Sargent and Jerry Schiano. The Skill Prize winners were: Women's Closest to the Pin - Susie Sargent; Women's Long Drive - Karen Fiori; Men's Closest to Pin - Bob Sargent, and Men's Long Drive - Ryan Jones.

MASS of REMEMBRANCE

On Sunday, November 6th at the 11:30 Mass, the Parish of Saint Monica will be remembering those whose funerals were celebrated here since November 1, 2015. The Bereavement Ministry will be placing a Book of Remembrance on a lectern to the left of Saint Monica

statue beginning October 22nd. Those recently deceased will be entered and we invite parishioners to add their own deceased family and friends names. When we return to the church, the book will remain at Saint Joseph's altar throughout the month of November.



**SAINT GABRIEL BENEFIT
WINE TASTING
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER
12 at 6:30 PM**

Mark your calendar and save the date for the annual fund-raiser for Saint Gabriel's Food Cupboard and Thanksgiving Turkeys.

Please join us in the **Saint Norbert School Dining Hall** to sample red and white wines (20 90+ points) from premier wine producing regions provided by our servers from **WineauxU Wine Club**. Outstanding wine-paired finger foods and desserts will compliment a silent auction of wines, other items, a 50/50 and light Jazz. Join us for fellowship, stewardship and this unique and intimate social gathering raising funds for Saint Gabe families. **Cost:** \$60 per person. For more info contact Forrest Fisher at boskiwood1@aol.com.

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ET THE CHURCH ALWAYS BE A PLACE OF MERCY AND HOPE, WHERE EVERYONE IS WELCOMED, LOVED AND FORGIVEN . . .

Pope Francis

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for SEPTEMBER 2016

September 2016	\$58,198	47% Electronic	September YTD 2016	\$188,801	47% Electronic
September 2015	\$67,258	44% Electronic	September YTD 2015	\$209,548	45% Electronic
September Budget	2016-17	\$68,258	September YTD Budget	2016-17	\$199,548

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, October 23, 2016

Sunday Collection \$7,256
Electronic \$8,023
Total \$15,279

*We have 163 families
contributing electronically.*

POOR BOX

Money collected from the Poor Boxes during the Month of September were donated to the Sisters of Saint Joseph Adult Literacy Program. 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.

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK . . .

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It must, of course, be a silence with content, not just the *absence of speech and action*. We should expect the liturgy to give us a positive stillness that will restore us." He meant that our silence in prayer is not to be an emptying meditation alone. Instead, silence in prayer is an occasion to more deeply understand the Mass itself.

Here's an example from St. Monica Parish. Several people have commented on the change of procedure of the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) and the purifying of the sacred vessels (the "ciboria" which hold the hosts and the chalices holding the Precious Blood) after Holy Communion. People have asked why we "have to wait so long" until the EMHCs are finished. "Why can't they just take the stuff to the sacristy and purify there like before and we can get on with the Mass?" (*Yes, that is a direct quote from a parishioner*). The "silent" complaining (coughing, shuffling, audible sighs... Don't think we don't notice) has made the EMHCs very uncomfortable and they have commented that they feel rushed. My directive to them: "The people of St. Monica need the silence. You take as much time as you want. The Church recommends quiet time after the reception of Holy Communion. What you do provides for this moment. You are handling the Sacred Body and Blood, Soul and divinity of Jesus Christ. It's a sacred action and part of the liturgy. Also, you take as much time as you need. You are purifying sacred vessels. Do it well. Do it right. It is meant to send a silent signal to the congregation. The action you perform is "holy" (from the Greek work "hagia" meaning "something uniquely distinctive – something set apart.") You are not just "doing the dishes." What you do, and the time you are taking to do it, silently conveys its importance to the congregation."

In addition, having just receive Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. As I wrote last week, "Silence amplifies the magnitude of what we are watching and the reality of what we experience." It isn't just "blessed bread." It's God you just received. What is so important that you feel the need to rush out and can't spend – what – two? three extra minutes with the God who loves you and gave you the healthy legs with which you can walk out? God really enjoys spending time speaking with you. God likes that. As Pope Francis once said in speaking to children, "When something good or bad happens, you want to tell your friend. Sometimes friends want us to listen. This is what makes a good friendship – spending time together, talking and listening. The way we make our friendship with God grow is by praying. Prayer is like "speaking with a friend: in prayer one opens one's heart." Silence is necessary for the listening to the voice of God.

Charles Zlock Jr

Come Join the Fun:

SAINT MONICA'S 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 Isaacs Jogues, Our Lady of Assumption, or attend a local catholic school. Registration is open through October 31, 2016 at www.wagdogs.com. Questions? Please contact Jim Fox at jfox22@hotmail.com.

SACRAMENT SPOTLIGHT

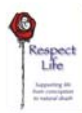


The parents of both 2nd and 6th grade RE students and Catholic school students are reminded of their obligation to attend the **Sacrament Saturday session on November 5th, beginning at 2:45pm**. Please sign-in upon arrival in the gym foyer.

THE ANNUAL SAINT MONICA THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



Our Parish's annual Thanksgiving Food Drive, which benefits the Saint Gabriel Food Cupboard in Philadelphia, will begin **Saturday, October 29th**. Empty paper bags will be available in the lobby. Please take a bag and fill it with the items noted on the "checklist" which has been placed inside the bag. Bring your donation with you when you attend Mass and drop it off in the Parish Center Lobby. (*Please do not drop off your donation at the outside gym doors.*) All donations must be returned between Saturday, November 5th and Wednesday, November 16th. The delivery to Saint Gabriel's Food Cupboard will take place on November 18th. If you are able to help with delivery on the 18th, please contact Karen Peterson at (484) 614-7669 or peterstonka227@gmail.com. Thank you all for your generosity, kindness, and concern for those less fortunate. *Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.* Matthew 25:40



RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY—TODAY

October is Respect Life Month. A Memorial Service in memory of God's Precious Children who have died through abortion will be held **TODAY, Sunday, October 23 at 2:00 p.m. in Saint Monica Cemetery**. All are welcome to come and pray.

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OUTREACH



Saint Gabriel's Food Cupboard Collection is this weekend after all Masses. *No time to shop?* Cash and donations payable to Saint Gabriel's Food Cupboard are most welcome and can be left in the designated box in the gathering space. Canned goods and donations can be left through Tuesday, October 25 at 8:00 a.m. Sister Arleen Mc Cann extends many thanks for your continued help to our inner city neighbors.

LITURGY of the WORD



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 ongoing. This program, offered during the 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass, 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. The children leave the church with trained, adult leaders at the time of the First Reading and return to their family prior to time of Communion. All adult leaders have obtained the required clearances. Information/registration forms can be found in the Parish Center Lobby.

Additional adult leaders and student assistants are needed for the Children's Liturgy of the Word Program. Training and resources are provided to the leaders. Adult and student leaders are assigned on a rotating basis. For more info, please contact Mary Pizzano at 610-647-4757.

LEGACY of LIFE PLAYGROUND PROJECT



By now you have heard of the great works that **Legacy of Life** does for expectant mothers - but you may not know about their Family Support & S.T.A.R. Program. From the moment a woman enters their center during her pregnancy and for at least three years after her baby is born, LOLF is there for the mother and child. The S.T.A.R. Program at LOLF offers life coaching, counseling, teaching and assisting with basic needs such as cooking, housing, clothing, food, child care and so much more.

Your Holy Name Society and Men's Group is organizing a service opportunity for our Parish. We are constructing a backyard playground behind the S.T.A.R. House for the Women's Center's moms and their children. Please join us for our kickoff meeting at 7:30 PM on October 27th at 30 Main to learn about this multi-

phase opportunity to serve in His Holy Name.

Phase one will be fencing in the backyard which is scheduled for November 5th. If you don't mind getting dirty, hammering a nail or two, slapping on some paint, working side by side other parishioners come join us. The results are visible and can help change lives.

See you on October 27th. Appetizers, beer, wine and soda will be provided. Questions? Please do not hesitate to reach out to Joe Lydon at Lydonjoe@comcast.net

WALKING WITH PURPOSE

Walking with Purpose (WWP) invites all women of the parish to a special evening October 27, 7:00-9:00pm in the cafeteria. We have a special guest scheduled to speak, Christine Eberle, whose passion is bringing scripture off the page and into real life. Christine is the Director of Campus Ministry at Gwynedd Mercy University. The *Woman at the Well* is one of the best known stories in Saint John's Gospel, during the course of the evening Christine will review the text, provide a dramatic monologue from the Samaritan woman's perspective, and tap into our own thirst to be seen, known, and cherished by God. Light refreshments will be served. Bring a friend!

Please RSVP to Diane Claffey at dianeaclaffey@verizon.net. For more info please contact Bridget at bridgetc316@gmail.com or Michele at man6fam@comcast.net.

COME PRAY THE ROSARY

We have been blessed to have a parish community Rosary said **every Monday evening at 7:15 p.m.** The church (in the Parish Center Gym) will be opened for ALL to come and pray.

Saint Louis de Montfort said, "Public prayer is far more powerful than private prayer to appease the anger of God and call down His mercy, and Holy Mother Church, guided by the Holy Spirit, has always advocated public prayer in times of public tragedy and suffering." We need to pray at this time in history! Please join us!

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for October 23

DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Monday	9:00am-4:30pm	Adoration	Gym
Tuesday			
Wednesday	6:00-8:00 pm	Teen Bible Study	Youth Room
Thursday	7:00-8:30pm	<i>Walking with Purpose</i>	Cafeteria
Friday	9:15-10:45 am	Legion of Mary	Rectory
Saturday	4:00-4:45 pm	Confession	Gym

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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 23 — October 30

MASS TIME	INTENTION	PRESIDER	MUSIC MINISTRY	NOTES
5:00 pm	+ Marie Lee	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	<i>Second Collection: Saint Monica Saint Vincent DePaul Fund</i>
7:30 am	+ David Williams	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	
9:30 am	People of the Parish	Fr. Fitzgerald	Choir	
11:30 am	+ Louis Piombino	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	
Monday, 24th	+ Sister Joan Noreen, OLMF	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 25th	+ Ed Gallagher	Fr. Zlock		
Wednesday, 26th	Communion Service			
Thursday, 27th	+ Patricia DeHaven	Fr. Jordan		
Friday, 28th	+ Lillian Alleva	Fr. Zlock		
Saturday, 29th	+ Tim Gallagher	Fr. Zlock		
5:00 pm	+ Dolly Annechini	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	
7:30 am	People of the Parish	Fr. Fitzgerald	Quiet	
9:30 am	+ Regis Filtz	Fr. Antry	Choir	
11:30 am	+ Irene Toczyłowski	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	

THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Sonia Altirman, Jack Barausky, Drew Brazer, Michael Byrne, Phyllis Campbell, John Canfield, Lina Cappelli, Terri Carson, Lilly Ciocca, James DiAntonio, William Dahlman, Rita Dunn, Joseph Erwin, Yolanda Fazzini, Kelly Glacken, Mary Hartley, Karen Hastings, David Hill, Jenna, Maya and Eva Izzi, Eleonora Jauslin, Faith Johnson, Libby Judge, Anne Maas, Jackson MacTaggart, Dan Maguire, Mark Maholick, Tallon Family, Eugene Matta, Susan McDonnell, Louise Merlino, Melanie Mizenko, Dr. Mark Nardone, John and Lilly Neff, Bruce Niccolo, Sr., Courtney Frances Patterson, Rita Reilly, Antoinette Rissell, John Robinson, Mary Rose, Cathy Russell, Gary Smith, Helen Triolo, Bob and Mildred Walsh

THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US

Nicholas Boschi; Josephine Pogorzelski, Mother of Kathy Strzelec

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

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

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