

THE CHURCH OF
SAINT MONICA
 BERWYN, PENNSYLVANIA

Encountering Christ - Through Scripture, Through Liturgy, Through Serving Others

**THE CHURCH of
 SAINT MONICA**

Founded January 11, 1897

Parish Offices

(Pastoral Administration; Religious Education; Business & Finance; Worship & Music; Facilities)

Saint Monica Rectory
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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)

Monday 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday 6:00 to 7:00 a.m.

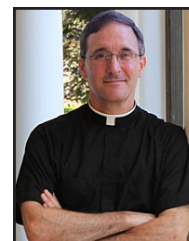
Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

Anytime by appointment.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 17, 2019

FROM the PASTOR'S DESK...

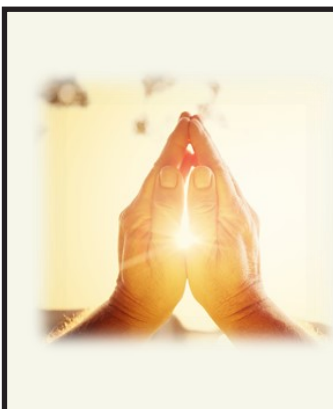


Later this year, St. Monica is teaming up with the Archdiocese with a number of endeavors. Some involve our youth (Steubenville Conference). Some events involve discipleship and spiritual training (Called and Gifted "Spiritual Gifts Inventory" and "Moving the Parish from Maintenance to Mission"). These are high-quality programs that feed people's spiritual lives. With quality also comes corresponding costs. I am reaching out to see if a parishioner has any **grant writing experience** and would be willing to assist us in obtaining financial assistance for these events.

"St. Monica is not a parish with a mission. Jesus Christ is the mission who happens to have a parish." Anyone who has heard me preach over the past year has heard my emphasis on fulfilling the "mission." Since St. Monica is HIS parish, what did Jesus Christ want the parish of St. Monica to look like in five years? If St. Monica closed tomorrow – besides parishioners – who would miss us? I talked about that last year during Pentecost Sunday weekend. I said that St. Monica needs to look at the parish within the context of Jesus' "Great Commissioning:" *All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore 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 surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.* (Matthew 28:18-20). This is the MISSION of the parish.

About a week later, I added specifics and laid out what this would look like. After almost 16 months of prayer, discussion, and discernment, we heard Christ saying, "I want to encounter you - in Service to Others, in My Word, and in the Sacred Liturgy." This is the VISION of St. Monica. The Vision is how the Mission gets specifically implemented in the geographic area known as The Parish of St. Monica.

In the December 23rd bulletin, I described how some people of St. Monica heard – and responded – to that call. Two "disciples," Bridget Cowell and Michelle Manning, stepped forward to address that third pillar of the Vision. They put together a ministry of "Reaching Out, Serving, and Helping Others." Soon after this, (Continued on Page 4)



**OUR PARISH PRAYER
 INTENTION for THIS WEEK**

May the Lifeteen and Edge groups truly learn how to love God and share that love with others.

-the office of-
Discipleship and Formation

THERE WILL BE NO SMALL
GROUPS (RELIGIOUS ED) OR
YOUTH GROUP THIS WEEK
(2/17-18) !!!

*We will see you next week!
Enjoy your weekend!!*

DEADLINE
FOR
SUMMER
RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION
REGISTRATION
IS
MARCH 1ST!!



NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFICE FOR DIVINE WORSHIP - WORKSHOPS

At the request of the Archdiocese, St. Norbert Parish will host Workshops for Extraordinary Ministers and Lectors. These workshops are required for all new ministers, as well as for current ministers who have not attended a workshop in over 3 years. These are the only workshops currently offered outside the Philadelphia Basilica location in 2019.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Tuesday, February 19

7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Main Church

Lector Workshop

Wednesday, March 13

7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Main Church

To register, please email worship@archphila.org.

POSITION AVAILABLE

St. Monica is considering a new position in the parish. We're looking for someone who wants to use his or her marketing/communications skills to impact

the local – and wider - St. Monica community for the Gospel. The role will require a firm understanding of our parish Mission and Vision and how the position supports that Mission and Vision.

We've estimated 12 - 15 hours/week. Tasks would include managing the website, Facebook account, composing and sending out weekly news briefings via FlockNote, handling the scheduling software for the various ministries (altar servers, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, etc.). We're also looking for this person to help inform strategic decisions concerning social media/communications needs and opportunities, as well as to help provide or coordinate training opportunities for staff and volunteer team members.

If interested, please contact parishoffice@saintmonicachurch.org.

REMINDER!

The Sacrament of Baptism is not celebrated during Lent, which begins on March 6.

Please make your plans accordingly and contact the Rectory at 610-644-0110.

Registration is Open! Don't Delay ... space is limited!!

5th Annual
HELPING HANDS

LEND A HAND
packing meals for those in need
a fun volunteering opportunity for all ages

EVENT INFORMATION

What: Packing 60,000 meals for hungry children, women and men in Burkina Faso

When: Sunday, March 10th 2-4:30pm, Check-in at 1:30pm

Where: St. Monica Parish Center, 601 First Avenue, Berwyn, PA 19312

How: Please RSVP at CYACC.org/hands

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for JANUARY 2018

January 2018	\$66,210	51% Electronic	January YTD 2018	\$475,018	48% Electronic
January 2017	\$84,381	45% Electronic	January YTD 2017	\$510,972	47% Electronic
January Budget	2018-2019	\$75,356	January YTD Budget	2018-2019	\$500,892

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Sunday, February 10, 2019

Sunday Collection	\$8,794
Electronic	\$5,835
Total	\$14,629

We have 186 families contributing electronically.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

There will be a Special collection this weekend for the Care of the Aging and Infirm Priests of the Archdiocese. May God bless you for your continued generosity.

The Fiscal Year 2019 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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another group of parishioners stepped forward as well. They expressed the desire to address the "Encounter of Christ through Liturgy." Martha McGurk had heard me say that good liturgy has three components: Hospitality, Hymnody, and Homily. Early last year, she brought together a group of people with the desire to specifically address the Hospitality component.

Their accomplishments over the past year are noteworthy. In January/February they set up a "Hospitality Advisory Team" and they held their 1st meeting. They set goals for the Ministry and developed their own "Mission Statement:" ***Encountering Christ by Promoting fellowship through acts of kindness in a welcoming, judgement-free environment.*** In March/April they revised the *greeter guidelines* and met with greeters to discuss these new guidelines and duties. It was interesting to note that the number of parishioners interested to help as ushers and greeters began to increase at this time. The team also established a new "Parishioner Welcome group." This consists of three volunteers who contact each new parishioner and welcomes them via telephone. In May, the team revised *usher guidelines* and began to resolve a number of scheduling issues that had arisen. They formatted a new volunteer/interest form and advertised for new greeters/ushers via announcements and the Parish Bulletin.

Their endeavors did not slow down during the lazy days of summer. In June/July they reviewed and revised the list of current ministries at St. Monica. Again, they rewrote the volunteer/interest form. They began a discussion to create, and roll out, a new "Hospitality/Information Desk." They also sent thank you notes to all greeters and ushers via email for their dedication and assistance.

In August/September, the "Hospitality/Information Desk" debuted. A tablecloth and runner for the Hospitality Desk was purchased. Signage pointing to the availability of the Hospitality Desk was placed at all entrances. The desk is intended to be shared by all ministries while giving parishioners a place to get more detailed parish information in a welcoming and friendly manner. Finally, the new "Volunteer/Interest Forms" were introduced with announcements in the Bulletin.

In the October/November timeframe, the "volunteer forms" were made available on the Website, (Continued)

FROM *the* PASTOR'S DESK ...

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paper forms were placed on the Hospitality/Information Desk, and the Ushers met and discussed how the entire ministry was doing. Based on their input, guidelines were updated. In December, the Team signed-up Christmas volunteers. This is a huge challenge each year as many dedicated and active parishioners are away at this time. Nevertheless, the team was able to cover all of the Masses with friendly greeters and ushers for the 6 Christmas Masses. The Team also distributed Hospitality survey results from the new Kiosk and placed the results on the website and in the bulletin as well. They sent out a Christmas Letter and a Hospitality update to all greeters and ushers.

Information of Progress "by the numbers:"

- Greeters increased in count from 32 to 56 (75% increase)
- Ushers remain at a count of 15-20 (No change)
- Contacted and welcomed 47 new parishioners to St. Monica
- Fifteen parishioners expressed an interest in volunteering via paper/online Volunteer Form

Charles Flock Jr

SACRISTAN MINISTRY - HELP NEEDED

Over the past several years, St. Monica has been blessed with fine sacristans, such as Megan and Sara Woods and Dean Theodos who have prepared the church for the Eucharistic celebration. This is such an important ministry. It enables people to "Encounter Jesus Christ Through Liturgy." The person ministers to the priest so that he can focus on being the best celebrant he can be and prayerfully be ready for his homily. It is also a key go-to person in cases of emergency.

Education, job and family commitments have intervened so that the "sacristy bench" will unfortunately soon be empty. Thus I am asking if any men or women, younger or older might feel the Lord calling them to assist me and serve God's people. It is a paid position and my hope is that several might answer the call so that the commitment for any one person would not be onerous.

Pray about it. Discern. Let me know.

Fr. Flock

NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEAM TRIVIA NIGHT 2019

The St. Monica's Holy Name Society and Men's Club is proud to announce our 22nd consecutive edition of Team Trivia Night for the parish community. TTN will be held on **Saturday March 9th**. Registration forms will be in this weekend's bulletin. As in past years (last year 376 players), this event has sold out quickly, so ... get your team of 8 ready for what promises to be another great weekend as we are the 1st half of a most active weekend. Helping Hands will be held the following day - Sunday the 10th. Team Trivia questions, contact Mark DiLuca at mjddorset@gmail.com. For Helping Hands question, contact Levi Keene at levi.keene@gmail.com. Thanks everyone!

WE WANT AND NEED YOU !!!!

Come join others at St. Monica's as we build our future. We are the best, because our parishioners are great. Get involved. Become a lector, greeter, an altar server or an usher. Participate in ministries that support our local communities. Expand your faith journey by attending spiritual programs: *Alpha*, *This Man Is You* and *Walking with Purpose*.

Whoever you are---come join in the fun and fellowship. Forms are available at the Hospitality Desk in the narthex of the church and online under Get Involved on the church website or you may contact Martha McGurk at 610-722-9384 or martucia@aol.com

CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOC. MEETING

Mark your calendars! Please join us on Tuesday, February 26, in the Father Hagenbach Room. For your convenience, there are two different meeting times, one beginning at 1:30 pm and the second beginning at 7:00 pm. The topic - *Season of Lent and preparing for Holy Week and Easter with our Grandchildren*. We hope you can join us.

Questions? Contact Mary Dressler at 610-688-0614.

CYACC:**SILENT HOLY HOUR AND NIGHT PRAYER**

Join CYACC—Chester County Catholic Young Adults on **Wednesday, February 20, 7:00pm** at **Saint Agnes** for a silent Holy Hour. Come and enjoy time with the One who knows your heart. Don't let your heart be troubled, He is waiting for you. Also, join us for fellowship afterwards at a local bar. For more info visit www.cyacc.org, Facebook, or cyacc1@gmail.com.



The Alpha Course is a practical introduction to the Christian faith, where guests have an opportunity to explore the meaning of life in a relaxed setting. At each session, people enjoy a simple meal, laughter and learning about the person and teachings of Jesus in a fun and non-threatening atmosphere where no question about life or God is too simple or too hostile. Alpha is for anyone: all backgrounds, religions and viewpoints. Everyone is welcome.

Registration is open at www.saintmonicachurch.org!

DISCOVER - Each Sunday

February 24: Is There More to Life Than This?
 March 3: Who is Jesus?
 March 10: Why Did Jesus Die?
 March 17: How Can I Have Faith?
 March 24: Why and How Should I Pray?
 March 31: Why and How Should I Read The Bible?
 April 7: How Does God Guide Us?
 April 14: How Can I Resist Evil?
 April 28: Why and How Should I Tell Others?
 May 5: Does God Heal Today?
 May 19: What About The Church?

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

1:00 – Informal Meal;
 1:25 – Welcoming and Announcements
 1:30 – Video Presentation on Current Topic
 2:00 – Small-Group Discussion.
 2:30 – Session Ends.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for February 17

DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Monday	7:15-7:45 pm	Rectory Closed No Adoration No Confession Parish Rosary	Church
Tuesday		No Confession	
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	Communion Service	Church
Thursday	7:00-9:00 pm	Walking With Purpose	Parish Center
Friday	9:15-10:45 am	Legion of Mary	Rectory
Saturday	4:00-4:45 pm	Confession	Church

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Lifeteen: High School Youth Group



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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.

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 February 17 – February 24

MASS TIME	INTENTION	PRESIDER	MUSIC MINISTRY	NOTES
5:00 pm	+ Thomas Glynn	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	<i>Special Collection: Care of Aging and Infirm Priests of the Archdiocese</i>
7:30 am	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	
9:30 am	+ Leo and Catharine McGurk	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	
11:30 am	+ Joseph Santoleri, Sr.	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	
Monday, 18th	+ Yvonne Fernando	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 19th	+ Mary Bean	Fr. Zlock		
Wednesday, 20th	Communion Service			
Thursday, 21st	+ Ellen Wagner	Fr. Avicoli		
Friday, 22nd	+ William and Raymond Canfield	Fr. Zlock		
Saturday, 23rd	+ Charles and Peggy Cantley	Fr. Zlock		
5:00 pm	+ Bill DeSanto	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	<i>Second Collection: St. Monica St. Vincent DePaul Fund</i>
7:30 am	+ Joseph Santoleri, Sr.	Fr. Fitzgerald	Quiet	
9:30 am	Fran Leiden	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
11:30 am	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	

THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Sonia Altirman, Matt Baker, Drew Brazer, Michael Byrne, Lina Cappelli, Terri Carson, Lilly Ciocca, Ann Curvan, James DiAntonio, Gavin Duffy, Rita Dunn, Joseph Erwin, Ria Filippelli, Judy Fittipoldi, Elaine Flynn, Hugh Gannon, Kelly Glacken, Mary Hartley, Karen Hastings, Natalie Innella, Jenna, Maya and Eva Izzi, Faith Johnson, Clare Johnston, Libby Judge, Debbie Kern, Charlie Litzelman, Jackson MacTaggart, Dan McMonigle, Heather Moore, Dr. Mark Nardone, John Neff, Rob Niederer, Steve Pannella, Apolonia Pepperling, Rita Reilly, Joel Rivera, John Robinson, Mary Rose, Cathy Russell, Gary Smith, Mildred Walsh, Joe Zielinski

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: Sandie Concannon at 610-647-1068

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