



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 of Obligation 8:30 a.m.
12 noon

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturday from 4 to 4:45 p.m.
Anytime by appointment.



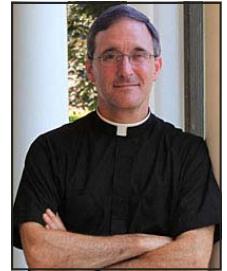
The Second Sunday of Lent

Week of March 1, 2015

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

On **March 7 after the 5 o'clock Mass**, Saint Monica will sponsor the **rescheduled "Prayer Panel."** This affords us the opportunity to look at the topic of prayer over the next few weeks.

Saint John Damascene wrote that prayer is "the raising of the mind and heart to God." Thus one aspect of prayer involves a conversation and the exchange of voices between God and us. Different types of voices speak to us. Some voices invite, some threaten, some challenge us, others encourage us. Some voices are playful; some voices are more urgent and weighty. In addition, it is important to determine the source of the voices. Again classical spirituality would say that voices, or our thoughts, can come from one of three sources. They can come from God (which is good); they can come from ourselves (which can be good, bad or neutral); or they can come from the powers of darkness (which is not good).

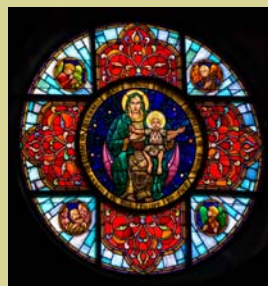


Thus, a key aspect of prayer is to discern the source of these voices as well as to determine which voice is truly God's voice. Sacred Scripture and Sacred Catholic Tradition tells us that God's voice in prayer:

- Is heard often in whispers rather than thunder
- Calls us to a higher place and to be a better version of ourselves than we are now
- Is a voice of forgiveness
- Is always heard in the poor
- Calls us to deny ourselves and live with joyfulness and gratitude
- Can simultaneously challenge and stretch us as it soothes and comforts us
- Is often found in paradox but the voice always calls us by name, eager to come and meet us.
- Calls us to live beyond fear

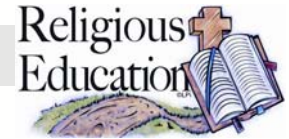
Looking at the gospels, the reason the disciples wanted Jesus to *(Continued on Page 4)*

OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION for THIS WEEK



Lord, we pray for our parish Confirmation candidates as they are sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit and begin their new life in Christ. May they be strengthened in their faith and go forth as disciples of Jesus, courageously sharing your love with the world. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

FROM *the* OFFICE of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



The Religious Education Program classes are scheduled on March 1st.

A link to the 2015 Summer Session will have been e-mailed to all registered families. The Summer Session is scheduled on June 22 — June 26; June 29 — July 1. Walk-In registration for the 2015-2016 Monday night Religious Education Program sessions is scheduled for March 2 and March 9.

PRAYER REQUEST

Please continue to keep our parish's First Penance and Confirmation candidates and their families in your daily prayers in the coming weeks. The second grade candidates will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Monday, March 9.

Bishop Fitzgerald will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation to the 47 candidates this coming Tuesday, March 3.

FAITH FORMATION



Saint Monica Parish welcomes dynamic speaker and Catholic convert

JEWELS GREEN

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

7:00 p.m. in the Education Center Cafeteria

**One Woman's Journey:
Clinic Worker to Human Rights Advocate**

*Open to adults and high school students 16 years or older.
Join us for an evening as Jewels shares her life-changing experience and her way back to God.*

FROM *the* OFFICE of WORSHIP & MUSIC

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Period Instrument Ensemble

La Fiocco

Saturday, 21 March at 8 p.m.

Period instrument ensemble La Fiocco will present a program entitled *The King's Theme: Bach's Musical Offering* and other royal delights.

The program will include works by Emperor Leopold I, Elisabeth-Claude Jacquet de la Guerre, Heinrich Biber, Henry Purcell, and J.S. Bach.

Featuring countertenor Joseph Hill, artistic director & harpsichordist Lewis R. Baratz, Eve Friedman, baroque flute, Claire Smith Bermingham, baroque violin, Vivian Barton Dozor, viola da gamba & baroque cello, Laudon Schuett, lute & theorbo

Tickets:

\$25 general audience, \$20 seniors, \$10 students.

Check or cash, at the door.

**For more information visit www.lafiocco.org
or e-mail info@lafiocco.org.**

Our Lenten Journey Continues...

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR THE PARISH

Fridays at 7:00 P.M.

**THE CELEBRATION of the SACRAMENT
of RECONCILIATION**

Each Saturday Afternoon from 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

Monday Evening, March 23 at 6:15 p.m.

Saturday, March 28 from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m.



PRAYER PANEL & SOCIAL — NEW DATE: SATURDAY, MARCH 7

How is your prayer life? Have you been doing the same routine for years or do you have no routine at all? Do you pray at the same time every day or are you lucky to even remember to pray? Do you have a deep relationship with Christ or no relationship at all? Did you read the book, "Prayer: Our Deepest Longing" (which was distributed at Christmas), or did you toss it aside?

No matter how you answer these questions, the first ever "Saint Monica Prayer Panel" is an event that you shouldn't miss. This evening of spiritual, intellectual and social enrichment takes place on **Saturday, March 7 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm** in the Education Center Cafeteria. It will feature a discussion of "Prayer: Our Deepest Longing," led by Fr. Zlock. In addition, our three prayer panelists, **Fr. Allan Fitzgerald of Villanova University, Dr. Virginia Ratigan of Rosemont College and Mrs. Jillian Buhl, from Walking with Purpose**, will educate us on three different forms of prayer: Augustinian, Merton and Ignatian. *All are welcome but registration is required.*

You can register online or by calling the rectory office. No need to re-register. If you are unable to attend, but were registered for the original date, please notify us by e-mail at adultfaithformation@saintmonicachurch.org. Light dinner and drinks will be served.



SAINT MONICA HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2015 - 7:00 P.M.

The High School Youth Group invites the parish of Saint Monica to experience the Live Stations of the Cross. This Lenten event will bring to life the Stations of the Cross through the actions of our parish youth. We hope you will be able to join us!

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for JANUARY, 2015

Jan. 2015	\$72,639	39% Electronic	Jan. YTD 2015	\$515,463	41% Electronic
Jan. 2014	\$71,164	36% Electronic	Jan. YTD 2014	\$435,897	39% Electronic
Jan. Budget	2014-15	\$68,295	Jan. YTD Budget	2014-15	\$494,448

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, February 22, 2015

Sunday Collection	\$4,737
*Electronic	\$5,593
Total	\$10,330

** We have 165 families contributing electronically.*

SECOND COLLECTION

The Second Collection next weekend is for the Collection for the Solidarity Fund for Africa. May God bless you for your continued generosity.

The Fiscal Year 2015 budget for Saint Monica Parish is now 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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teach them how to pray was that they could sense, in Jesus, a power that he drew from His prayer life, which they wanted to experience for themselves. They also had a sense that Jesus' power came from a source outside of Him and that Jesus' prayer was a key component in "tapping into" that power.

When we look at Jesus at prayer, we see that His prayer always involved solitude, silence and slowing down. One writer says, "Our lives are like over packed suitcases... No matter where we are, we always can be reached." If our prayer life is going to grow, the practice of solitude silence and slowing down will have to be nurtured. Our contemporary society does not lend itself to this practice easily. We will not always, or perhaps even often, succeed. But we need to keep making new beginnings. Only then will we be able to actually "taste the water that we are drinking."

From *Prayer: Our Deepest Longing* by Father Ronald Rolheiser

Charles Zlock Jr

FLU SEASON

Upon the recommendation of the Archdiocese, as well as parish members associated with the medical community, we have dispensed with distributing "Communion under both species" (*bread and wine*) during the current flu season. We will begin offering the Precious Blood again, starting the weekend of March 22nd. **Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, please check to see when you are scheduled.**

"IF TODAY YOU HEAR HIS VOICE..."

PSALM 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

The word **vocation** comes from the Latin word "*vocare*" which means "*to call*". God has a plan for our lives and throughout history, God has called his people, some in unique and special ways.

Knowing one's vocation is a process of discovery. Through prayer, the sacraments and living our life, we come to discern God's call. We learn to hear His voice and what He is inviting us to do.

If you ever thought about the "call" to priesthood and would simply like to ask questions or talk about it in an informal way, please give me a "call." I would be happy to meet with you about it. *Fr. Zlock*

For further information, including FAQ's, resources, up-coming discernment events and information about our seminarians, take a look at the "**Heed The Call**" website at www.heedthecall.org.

THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES – PHILADELPHIA 2015



scheduled to begin on Tuesday, September 22nd and end on Sunday, September 27th is an International Conference on the Family founded by Saint

John Paul II and sponsored by the Pontifical Council for the Family in Rome and the Philadelphia Archdiocese. There will be many internationally known speakers to discuss what can help strengthen the sacred bonds of families across the globe. We expect thousands of attendees and will have a special track for youth and childcare available.

What is the schedule of the World Meeting of Families? The program has yet to be finalized but we do know that there will be an Opening Celebration on Tuesday, September 22, 2015 followed by three days of fun for everyone, including: Mass, General Sessions, and Breakout Sessions that allow plenty of time for faith sharing. There will also be Adoration, Sacrament of Reconciliation, and fun activities. On Saturday night, the Festival of Families will be held on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, and on Sunday mass will be celebrated by the Holy Father. The most recent schedule of events is located on the World Meeting of Families website under "**Agenda**." Please visit this website regularly for the most up-to-date information regarding the finalized WMOF events.

Please note that the Holy Father **will not** be attending the World Meeting of Families Congress. The Congress ends on Friday September 25th, and the Pope is expected to be in Philadelphia on Saturday, September 26th through Sunday, September 27th. For information about the World Meeting visit our [FAQ page](#).

Note that registration is not required for the Papal Visit, taking place September 26-27. The Holy Father is expected to participate in the Festival of Families, an intercultural celebration of family life around the world, which would be held on Saturday, September 26, and a Papal Mass to be held on Sunday, September 27. Both of these events will be open to the public.

For all information on schedules and registration please sign up www.worldmeeting2015.org

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HOLY NAME SOCIETY & MEN'S CLUB

All men are invited to keep up with what our society is doing by joining our HNS communication e-mail system. E-mail Mark DiLucca at mdilucca00@comcast.net. Our next HNS Meeting is **Monday, March 2nd, at 7:30 pm** in the Hagenbach Room of the Parish Center. Please bring (*if you have not done so already*), a bottle for our Team Trivia Raffle basket of cheer prize. Our theme continues to be the 3 S's: *Spiritual, Social and Service. Prosit.*

TEAM TRIVIA 2015

The men of the Holy Name Society again proudly present our **18th consecutive year** of our keynote event of the year: **Team Trivia Night, Saturday, March 14th**. With only 2 weeks to go till the big event, tables are going quick... *real quick*. Don't get left out. Limited Seating. This year there are eight new categories and this year's theme is the **Decade of the Eighty's**. Registration forms can be obtained on the Saint Monica website, or contact Mark DiLucca at mdilucca00@comcast.net.

Also, if you would like to be a Round Sponsor, getting full promotion of your business during the evening, please contact Dan McMonigle at 610-246-9745 or mcmonigle644@gmail.com. Dan is also spearheading the raffle prize solicitation for our event. If you have anything you would like to donate as a raffle item (*restaurant certificates, services, special items, etc.*), please contact Dan as this is also a very popular part of our evening for everyone.

BE ON THE LOOK-OUT FOR SAINT MONICA CYO TRACK & FIELD



Spring is just around the corner and soon we will head to the track. Come out and try to improve your time, stay conditioned for a fall sport or run a 5K. It runs April through May for Boys and Girls in Grades K through 8. Registration will be on www.wagdogs.com and practice will begin in late March.

NEW PARISH MINISTRY

Saint Monica's is developing a Bereavement Ministry to offer comfort to those who have recently lost loved ones. Many times, the recently bereaved feel the need for someone from the parish to visit with them and offer support. Volunteers in the new ministry will endeavor to let people know that the parish cares for them, especially during the first year following a loss. In addition, volunteers will plan and assist at an annual anniversary Mass, and attend approximately two formal meetings per

year. Training for volunteers will be provided by the Archdiocese.

If you are interested in becoming involved with Saint Monica's Bereavement Ministry, please contact Pat Connolly at 610-909-5050 or pat@connollysite.com, or Margaret Calabrese at 610-687-6678 or mmcalabrese@comcast.net.

MASS BOOK OPENING — 2016

Mass requests for 2016 will be taken immediately after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Monday, March 2. Please meet with Liz Tenaglio in the Gathering Space and she will be happy to assist you.

There are still open Masses for 2015. Please call 610-644-0110 or visit the rectory to make your requests.

OLA / SAINT MONICA VBS 2015

"SONTREASURE ISLAND" will be held Monday, June 22 to Friday, June 26 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon. All Children ages 3 to 12 are welcome! This is 15 hours of songs, games, activities, crafts, Bible stories and daily snacks. The cost is \$50.00 per child, \$90.00 for two and \$120.00 for three or more in the family. Each child will receive a VBS Tee-Shirt and a Family Music CD. CARES is also available from 12:00-3:00PM for an additional fee.

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL & ADULT VBS VOLUNTEERS! If you enjoy working with small groups of children on **Crafts, Music, Games, Snacks** or as a **Group Leader** during VBS, please contact Sister Kathleen at kfitzpatrick@olastrafford.org or by calling 610-688-6590. Vacation Bible School **registration forms** can be downloaded: www.assumptionacademy.weebly.com under "**Forms**". Information on extended day child care (CARES) is also available on the website.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for MARCH 1

DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Monday	9:00am-4:30pm	Adoration	Church
Tuesday	4:00 p.m.	Confirmation	Church
Wednesday			
Thursday	3:30-5:30 pm 7:00-8:30 pm	LTP Girls Walking with Purpose	Parish Center Cafeteria
Friday	3:30-5:30 pm 9:00-10:30 am 9:00pm-8:00am	LTP Boys Legion of Mary Nocturnal Adoration	Parish Center Rectory Church
Saturday	4:00-4:45 pm	Confession	Church

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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 March 1 - March 8

MASS TIME	INTENTION	PRESIDER	MUSIC MINISTRY	NOTES
5:00 p.m. Vigil	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
7:30 a.m.	+ Richard Funchion, Sr.	Fr. Fitzgerald	Quiet	
9:30 a.m.	+ Mary Volpe	Fr. Novielli	Parish Choir	
11:00 a.m.	+ Robert and Isabel Kelley	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
Monday, 2nd	+ Violet Flynn	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 3rd	+ Palmier Guzicki	Msgr. Brouwers		
Wednesday, 4th	Communion Service			
Thursday, 5th	Living and Deceased Members of the Flanigan Family	Fr. Serano		
Friday, 6th	+ Ray and Betty O'Donnell	Fr. Jaehwa		
Saturday, 7th	+ Joe and Anne Gallagher	Fr. Zlock		
5:00 p.m. Vigil	+ Marie Cotter	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	<i>Special Collection: Collection for the Solidarity Fund for Africa</i>
7:30 a.m.	+ Louis DeLuca	Fr. Fitzgerald	Quiet	
9:30 a.m.	+ Sadie and Nick Borzillo	Fr. Zlock	Parish Choir	
11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish	Fr. Rodia	Cantor	

THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Jack Barausky, Sonia Altirman, Bob Ball, Mary Alice Boyd, Michael Byrne, Mary Byrnes, Lina Cappelli, Elizabeth Chiusano, Lilly Ciocca, Anne Coxe, Leonard D'Andrea, William Dahlman, Maria and Francisco DeRivas, Jim DiAntonio, Rita Dunn, Joseph Erwin, Yolanda Fazzini, Kelly Glacken, Larry Harris, Jenna, Maya and Eva Izzi, Faith Johnson, Libby Judge, Anne Maas, Dan Maguire, Mike McAleer, Louise Merlino, David Mikowchok, Dr. Mark Nardone, John and Lilly Neff, Mary Rose, Bob Schubert, Gary Smith, Joseph and Helen Triolo, Bob and Mildred Walsh

THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US

Josephine DePaolo, Mother of JoAnn Fletcher

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

Leader for this week: Sandie Concannon at 610-647-1068

PARISH LEADERSHIP

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