



# 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)*

Saint Monica Rectory  
635 First Avenue  
Berwyn, Pennsylvania 19312  
Phone: 610.644.0110  
Facsimile: 610.695.0850

### Office of Religious Education (Rector)

610.647.4757

### Parish Website

[www.saintmonicachurch.org](http://www.saintmonicachurch.org)

### Twitter & Instagram

@StMonicaBerwyn

### Join Flocknote!

Text "Monica1897" to 84576

### Parish Staff E-mail

FirstInitialLastName@  
saintmonicachurch.org

### Parish Leadership

parishcouncil@  
saintmonicachurch.org

financecouncil@  
saintmonicachurch.org

### 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 Fourth Sunday of Lent

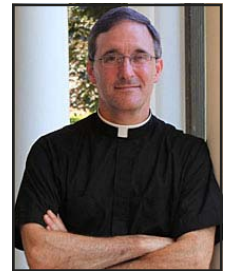
March 6, 2016

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

#### PARISH COUNCILS

#### Background and Rationale:

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." (Matt 28:19). This is the call of Christ for a Catholic parish. The way each parish lives this out is determined by the gifts and charisms of its people and that particular local parish church, the needs of the People of God, and the means by which the parish and community can respond to those needs.



Last week I wrote about two different consultative bodies that are put in place in a parish to discern and guide God's call in that particular, geographic community. **During Lent I am asking the Parish of St. Monica to help me discern and call new members to both our Parish Finance - and Parish Pastoral Council.** New members will begin in around May of this year. Last week I offered information about Parish Finance Council. This week I provide you material concerning membership in a Parish PASTORAL Council. Additional information and *nomination forms* for both Pastoral and Finance Council will be available on-line and in the church lobby.

#### What is a Parish PASTORAL Council?

Ultimately *everyone* in the parish is responsible for the development and implementation of the Parish Mission. The Pastoral Council is a particular, consultative group who assists the Pastor by listening to the voice of God, ascertaining the needs of the parish and local community and by considering how the parish might address those needs.

Council members are not experts, however people on the council *are* chosen based on the gifts and charisms they have to offer (Some of these charism are listed below). They are NOT the "do-ers" of the parish. They are people committed to the *(Cont'd on Page 4)*



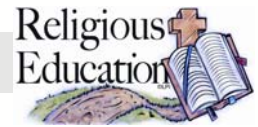
### OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION for THIS WEEK

During this Year of Mercy, excerpts of the Diary of Saint Faustina's will be published weekly in our parish bulletin in the hope of bringing the parishioners of Saint Monica closer to our Lord through the knowledge and experience of His infinite mercy.

**"My Jesus, make my heart like unto Your Merciful Heart.  
Jesus, help me to go through life doing good to everyone."**

- Saint Faustina (Diary, 692)

## FROM *the* OFFICE of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



The Religious Education Program classes are in Session on Sunday and Monday, March 6 & 7, as well as March 13-14. Parents please kindly sign and return your child's Progress Report envelope if you haven't already done so.

parish website. For more info, contact Mary Pizzano 610-647-4757. Parents are asked to register their children as soon as possible.

The Religious Education Summer Session for students in Grades 1, 3, 4, and 5 is scheduled to begin on June 20-June 24; and continues from June 27 through June 29. The registration period for the RE Summer Session has been extended. The link to the registration forms can be found on the

### Prayer Request

Thank you for your continued prayers for our 51 Confirmation candidates as they prepare to receive the sacrament in May.

## FAMILY and YOUTH MINISTRY



## FROM *the* OFFICE of WORSHIP and MUSIC



## WHY ARE THE STATUES AND CRUCIFIX COVERED IN CHURCH?

Liturgical *color* is used in significant ways in the Catholic Church. Stained glass allows the light to shine through throwing off many hues which signify the various gifts of the Holy Spirit that come from The Light of Christ. Red vestments depict the “fire” of the Holy Spirit or the blood of the martyrs. Purple traditionally has been a penitential color, but why? Purple is a traditional color of royalty. Thus since Christ the King “reigns” over sin in our lives, “royal purple” has been used especially during Lent to symbolize the forgiveness of sin and our efforts to counter temptation in our lives.



This year, at Saint Monica, we will introduce another symbol-color into our liturgical preparation for Easter as we cover (or “veil”) the cross and statues especially as we begin the last phase of Lent known as “Passiontide.” Iconically, artistically and spiritually, the custom of veiling crosses and images in the last two weeks of Lent lends itself to the calling forth of religious emotions as it help us concentrate on the great essentials of Christ's work of redemption. Bishops can determine whether this practice is obligatory but any pastor can choose to restore this custom within his own parish.”

The custom is noted in Germany from the ninth century, of extending a large cloth (called the “Hungertuch” or hunger cloth) before the altar from the beginning of Lent which hid the altar entirely during Lent and was not removed until during the reading of the Passion on Holy Thursday at the words “the veil of the temple was rent in two.” Some claim that it also helped the often-illiterate faithful to know that it was Lent. Others, however, maintain that the altar or “Holy of Holies” was shielded from view until the people were reconciled to God at Easter. For analogous motives, later on in the Middle Ages, the images of crosses and saints were also covered from the start of Lent. Neither the Stations of the Cross nor stained glass windows are ever veiled.

### SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for JANUARY 2016

|                        |          |                |                            |           |                |
|------------------------|----------|----------------|----------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| January 2016           | \$75,002 | 45% Electronic | January YTD 2016           | \$508,463 | 44% Electronic |
| January 2015           | \$72,639 | 44% Electronic | January YTD 2015           | \$515,463 | 41% Electronic |
| January Budget 2015-16 | \$72,628 |                | January YTD Budget 2015-16 | \$526,044 |                |

#### SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, February 28, 2016

|                   |                 |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| Sunday Collection | \$9,528         |
| Electronic        | \$8,005         |
| <b>Total</b>      | <b>\$17,533</b> |

*We have 167 families contributing electronically.*

#### SPECIAL COLLECTION

There will be a Special Collection this week for Aid for the Church in Eastern Europe. May God bless you for your continued generosity.

The Fiscal Year 2016 budget for Saint Monica Parish is available on line at [www.saintmonicachurch.org](http://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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parish who wish to see the parish live and thrive in the future. They are members of the parish who are able to look at the whole parish, how all the pieces work together and how parishioners - and non-parishioners alike - can work together to fulfill the Mission of the Church.

The Pastoral Council is a visionary body, and can have a number of purposes. They might develop, implement, and review the Parish Vision and Mission. They help assess the needs of the parish and surrounding neighborhood over the next few years. They build relationships within the parish and among the surrounding community. They reflect on the Mission of the Church - they look at the big picture and ask questions such as "Where are we going as a church community and how do we get there?" They increase participation in parish life by helping others to hear and answer their own call from God. They call forth new leaders and guide the implementation of the Parish Mission to achieve the Parish Vision.

Information sheets and nomination forms are available this week in the Church lobby. They are also available on line. I will have two information sessions for interested parties on **Monday, March 7, 6:00-7:00pm** and **Friday, March 11, 12:00-1:00pm** in the Auditorium.

I would ask all parishioners to especially pray between Sunday, March 13 (5th Sunday of Lent) and Easter Sunday, March 27, that the Holy Spirit will provide inspiration during this important discernment period.

*Charles Zlock Jr*

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2016**  
**AT OUR LADY of the ASSUMPTION PARISH**  
**A WILDERNESS ADVENTURE THROUGH THE**  
**SACRAMENTS: JESUS IN MY HEART**  
**Monday, June 20 to Friday, June 24**  
**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 \$55.00 per child, \$95.00 for two and \$125.00 for three or more in the family. Each child will receive *Saint Cards*, a *VBS Tee-Shirt* and a *Family Cat Chat Music CD*.

### Calling all High School and 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 Sr. Kathleen 610-688-6590 or [kfitzpatrick@olastrafford.org](mailto:kfitzpatrick@olastrafford.org). Registration Forms for Vacation Bible School can be downloaded at [www.assumptionacademy.weebly.com](http://www.assumptionacademy.weebly.com) under FORMS.



**EASTER EGG HUNT!**  
**Saint Monica**  
**Family & Youth Ministry**  
*invites you to its first*  
**EASTER EGG HUNT**  
**Saturday, March 19**  
**4:00 p.m. in the Grotto**

This FREE event is open to all Saint Monica families and our friends in the community. Kids aged 10 and under will be divided by age group before the mad dash for eggs begins. In addition to the egg hunt, there will be crafts for the family to make together. Everything will be wrapped up in time to attend 5:00 Mass. In the event of inclement weather, we will move inside to the auditorium.

**RSVP by Wednesday, March 16 to:**

**[familyandyouth@saintmoncachurch.org](mailto:familyandyouth@saintmoncachurch.org)**

**WE NEED PLASTIC EGGS!** Do you have a pile of plastic eggs that you're looking to get rid of? We will take them! Please drop them off at the rectory by Sunday, March 13. Thank you!

### RACHEL'S VINEYARD



Are you or someone you love suffering heartbreak after abortion? **Rachel's Vineyards Ministries** offers a beautiful opportunity to experience hope, healing and God's merciful love. Consider attending their next local retreat on **March 11-13** at Immaculata Spirituality Center in Malvern. Call Geri at 610-399-0890 or Priscilla at 215-906-6337 or visit [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org) for more info and to register.

**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 14 at 6:15 p.m.**  
**Saturday, March 19 from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m.**

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### HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The Holy Name Society and Men's Club is proud once again to host our key note event of the year — our **19th Edition of Team Trivia Night - Saturday, March 12.** Don't be left out of what has become an ever popular event, a St. Monica's tradition of fun and camaraderie amongst our parish family. For a registration form, please email Mark DiLucca at [mdilucca00@comcast.net](mailto:mdilucca00@comcast.net).

**SAINT MONICA PARISH INVITES YOU TO EXPLORE A NEW AND PERSONALIZED SPIRITUAL WORLD FOR YOURSELF!**

**CALLED & GIFTED II**

**DATE:** SATURDAY, MARCH 19TH

**Location:** Parish Center **Time:** 9:15-Noon

**Cost:** \$10 if you attended **C & G I** and completed *The Spiritual Gifts Inventory*;

\$35 if you did not attend **C & G II**;

Participants must complete *Gifts Inventory* in advance. *Called & Gifted II registrants who have not attended C & G I: Please be certain to complete your Catholic Spiritual Gifts Assessment and contact Siena Institute by February 26 to obtain a follow up/interview appointment. The book needed to complete the Gifts Assessment is available in the rectory.*

**Registration for CALLED AND GIFTED II**

is available on our parish website:

[WWW.SAINTMONICACHURCH.ORG](http://WWW.SAINTMONICACHURCH.ORG)

**Questions? Contact Aage Lane at 610-908-7007**

**ALPHA**

**Remaining Dates:** March 6 & 20; April 3

**Location:** Parish Education Center Cafeteria

**Time:** 12:45pm-3:15pm

*You are welcome to drop in and join us at any of the sessions!*

Upcoming topics:

**March 6** - "How Can I Resist Evil?"

**March 20** - "Why and How Do I Talk Catholic to Others?"

**April 3** - "Does God Still Heal Today?"

### IN OBSERVENCE of the 24 HOURS of the LORD...

Please join us on March 15th at Daylesford Abbey beginning at 4:00 p.m. for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by 4:30 p.m. Vespers, 5:00 p.m. Quiet Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament and 6:30 p.m. Penance Service concluding with Benediction.

### SPRING TRACK REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! ST. MONICA / ST. NORBERT CYO SPRING TRACK & FIELD (MARCH - MAY)

**Registration CLOSES TODAY, March 6th. To register visit [www.wagdogs.com](http://www.wagdogs.com).** Students in grades K-8 are welcome to join! Evening practices at Conestoga beginning March 8<sup>th</sup> ("Minis" - born '07 or later - practice Tuesdays and older children run Tuesday/Thursday and work on **field events** each Wednesday). Questions? Reach out to any or all of the coaches: Beth Breault, Saint Monica at [glackin76@hotmail.com](mailto:glackin76@hotmail.com); Megan Fox, Saint Monica at [jmfox6@gmail.com](mailto:jmfox6@gmail.com); Dave Fritz, Saint Norbert at [davidfritzjr@gmail.com](mailto:davidfritzjr@gmail.com); Paul Lavallee, Saint Norbert at [prlavallee@msn.com](mailto:prlavallee@msn.com) or Jack Ryle, Saint Norbert at [rylejacks@gmail.com](mailto:rylejacks@gmail.com).

### MASS INTENTION BOOK OPENING — 2017

Mass requests for 2017 will be taken immediately after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on **Monday, March 7.** Please meet with Liz Tenaglio in the Gathering Room and she will be happy to assist you.

2016 Masses are still available. Please call 610-644-0110 or visit the rectory to make your requests.

### DIVORCED & SEPARATED: You are not alone!

A 12-week series starting **TODAY, Sunday, March 6th** from 7:15-8:45 pm at Daylesford Abbey in Paoli. This is a **free** Catholic ministry offering welcome, support and direction in navigating this most stressful, confusing and painful time. Topics covered include anger, depression, loneliness, forgiveness, finances, children, and more. **Contact:** Cathy Peacock, Program Director at [Stepsforhealing@gmail.com](mailto:Stepsforhealing@gmail.com).

### WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for March 6

| DAY       | TIME                          | EVENT                       | LOCATION                    |
|-----------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Sunday    | 12:45-3:15 pm                 | ALPHA                       | Hagenbach Room              |
| Monday    | 9:00 am-4:30 pm               | Adoration                   | Church                      |
| Tuesday   | 6:00-7:30 pm                  | RCIA                        | Hagenbach Room              |
| Wednesday | 6:00-8:00 pm<br>7:00-8:00 pm  | Youth Bible Study<br>OREMUS | Youth Room<br>Parish Center |
| Thursday  | 7:00-8:30 pm                  | Walking With Purpose        | Parish Center               |
| Friday    | 9:15-10:30 am                 | Legion of Mary              | Rectory                     |
| Saturday  | 4:00-4:45 pm<br>6:30-11:00 pm | Confessions<br>Trivia Night | Church<br>Parish Center     |
| Sunday    | 12:30-6:00 pm                 | Helping Hands               | Parish Center               |

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## SOCIAL MEDIA



**Facebook**  
The Church of Saint Monica, Berwyn



**Twitter**  
@StMonicaBerwyn



**Instagram**  
@StMonicaBerwyn

## FATHER ZLOCK



**Website**  
Frzlock.com



**Facebook**  
Fr. Charlie Zlock



**Twitter**  
@FrZlock

## FAMILY & YOUTH MINISTRY

Edge: Middle School Youth Group  
Lifteen: High School Youth Group



**Facebook**  
CSMEge  
CSMLifteen



**Twitter**  
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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](mailto: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 6 — March 13

| MASS TIME      | INTENTION                    | PRESIDER       | MUSIC MINISTRY | NOTES  |
|----------------|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| 5:00 pm Vigil  | + Eleanor Greed              | Fr. Fitzgerald | Cantor         | <i>Special Collection: Aid for the Church in Eastern Europe</i>    |
| 7:30 am        | + Louis DeLuca               | Fr. Zlock      | Quiet          |  |
| 9:30 am        | + Robert and Isabelle Kelley | Fr. Zlock      | Choir          |  |
| 11:30 am       | Virginia McCarty             | Fr. Driesch    | Cantor         |  |
| Monday, 7th    | + Michael McAleer            | Fr. Zlock      |                |  |
| Tuesday, 8th   | + Thomas McAleer             | Fr. Zlock      |                |  |
| Wednesday, 9th | Communion Service            |                |                |  |
| Thursday, 10th | + Michael McAleer            | Fr. Avicolti   |                |  |
| Friday, 11th   | + Charles D'Agostino         | Fr. Zlock      |                |  |
| Saturday, 12th | + James Gormley              | Fr. Avicolti   |                |  |
| 5:00 pm Vigil  | + Dorothy Berry              | Fr. Zlock      | Cantor         | <i>Special Collection: Solidarity Fund for the Church in Latin</i> |
| 7:30 am        | + Anne Fick                  | Fr. Fitzgerald | Quiet          |  |
| 9:30 am        | + Sister Rose Anthony, IHM   | Fr. Zagarella  | Choir          |  |
| 11:30 am       | Virginia McCarthy            | Fr. Zlock      | Cantor         |  |

## THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Sonia Altirman, Margaret Annechini, Jack Barausky, Mary Alice Boyd, Michael Byrne, Mary Byrnes, John Canfield, Lina Cappelli, Terri Carson, Lilly Ciocca, James DiAntonio, William Dahlman, Rita Dunn, Joseph Erwin, Yolanda Fazzini, Marie C. Fitzgerald, Bernadette Giodorna, Kelly Glacken, Mary Hartley, Jenna, Maya and Eva Izzi, Eleonora Jauslin, Faith Johnson, Libby Judge, Anne Maas, Dan Maguire, Eugene Matta, Louise Merlino, David Mikowchok, Melanie Mizenko, Dr. Mark Nardone, John and Lilly Neff, Courtney Frances Patterson, Josephine Pogorzelski, Julia Quici, Rita Reilly, John Robinson, Mary Rose, Cathy Russell, Bob Schubert, Gary Smith, 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: Sandie Concannon at 610-647-1068

## PARISH LEADERSHIP

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Sandra Concannon  
Dr. Margaret Dalesandro  
Palmer Dalesandro

Maureen Friedrich  
Levi Keene  
Tobias Hoppe, *chair*

Martha McGurk  
Dr. Anthony Roeder  
Brendan Powell, Jr.

### FINANCE COUNCIL

Michael Brown  
Brian McGaughan  
Gerald O'Brien

Giulio Perillo  
Matt Tomasicchio, *chair*  
Michael Vadner

Lawrence Wieser  
Henry Yordan

## PARISH PASTORAL STAFF

**Reverend Charles Zlock, M.Div., M.A., M.B.I.S., Pastor**

**Reverend Jaehwa J. Lee, Priest-in-Residence**

**Reverend Allan Fitzgerald, O.S.A., Ph.D., Pastoral Assistance**

**The Norbertines of Daylesford Abbey, Pastoral Assistance**

**Mary C. Pizzano, Director of Religious Education**

**Frank K.J. Orman, Director of Worship & Music**

**Jason Carter, Director of Family & Youth Ministry**

**Theresa Carey, Business Manager**

**Catherine H. Levine, Parish Administrative Assistant**

**Diane Kirsch Pealer, Religious Education Assistant**

**Elizabeth P. Tenaglio, Cemetery Administration**

**Frank Pantano, Facilities Manager**