



# 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)*

Saint Monica Rectory  
635 First Avenue  
Berwyn, Pennsylvania 19312  
Phone: 610.644.0110  
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### Office of Religious Education (Rector)

610.647.4757

### Parish Website

www.saintmonicachurch.org

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### Parish Staff E-mail

FirstInitialLastName@  
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### Parish Leadership

parishcouncil@  
saintmonicachurch.org

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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 8:30 a.m.**

**of Obligation 12 noon**

### The Sacrament of

**Reconciliation (Confessions)**

Saturday from 4 to 4:45 p.m.

Anytime by appointment.

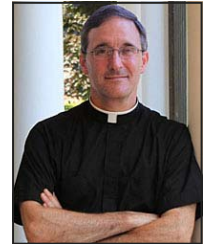


The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Week of February 1, 2015

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

I wanted offer some thoughts in light of the recent presentation of our 10-Year "Master Plan" last week. Recently, I've been reading two books, which deal with the subject of measuring the spiritual maturity and spiritual growth of parishioners, parishes and congregations. One book was written by Greg Hawkins, Executive Pastor, [Willow Creek Association](#). Although a member of a large "mega-church," his sentiments as a "church leader," exactly mirror my thoughts and concerns as well as those that I have heard from conscientious parishioners at Saint Monica and other Roman Catholic parishes.

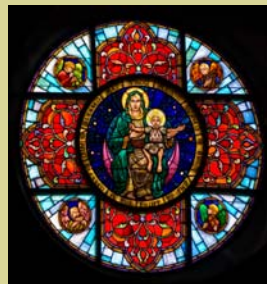


Willow Creek is a highly "successful" congregation. Since the mid-1970's they've grown from a small "store-front" church to a massive 5,000-per-weekend assembly. Their Pastor, [Bill Hybels](#) is a world-renown Christian leader, author of numerous books on pastoring, leadership and spirituality and founder of Willow Creek's annual "[Leadership Summit](#)," a two-day, world-class leadership event experienced by more than 170,000 leaders around the world.

These people are good and they have gotten a lot of things right. Nevertheless, in 2004 Greg and colleague Cally Parkinson approached Pastor Bill and began to ask some honest and very uncomfortable questions like, "Are we really getting it right? Are our people really growing spiritually? Are we really doing what we should be doing? Are we truly doing God's work?" To answer those questions, they hired the Vanderbloemen Research Group to conduct a survey of the Willow Creek Community.

The results kept Pastor Bill Hybels up during the night over the next 5 days and caused a total transformation in what Willow Creek has become and now does. The implications were so astounding that Willow published a book on the study entitled, [REVEAL](#) (*One of the two books I am currently reading*). To confirm their findings, over the next 3 years further *Reveal* surveys looked at an additional 500 Churches and conducted 11,000 individual surveys involving numerous denominations. After six years, additional data was collected from 250,000 people in well over a thousand churches of every size, (Continued on Page 4)

## OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION for THIS WEEK

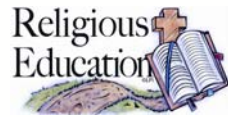


Jesus, we pray for the men of this Parish who are involved with the Holy Name Society. Like the apostles, they have dropped their nets and responded to your call. We pray that through their service, they draw closer to You and each other. We also pray that other men of the Parish, inspired by their example, will drop their nets and say yes to your call to service and evangelization. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## FROM *the* OFFICE of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Religious Education Program classes are in session on Monday evening, February 2nd.

Registration for the **2015 Summer Session** will begin in the coming weeks. These registration forms will be emailed to all currently registered families. Walk-In registration for the 2015-2016 Monday night Religious Education Program sessions is scheduled on March 2 and March 9th.



### *Congratulations!*

Mrs. Ann Braun was recently named the recipient of the Saint Charles Borromeo Award for serving 25 years as a faithful and faith-filled catechist in our parish. Ms. Julia Rocks was the recent recipient of the Saint John Neumann Award for 5 years of dedicated service as a catechist to the Saint Monica Religious Education Program! Mrs. Braun and Ms. Rocks were honored by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia with a Mass and award ceremony at the Cathedral of Ss. Peter and Paul in Philadelphia.

The Church of Saint Monica is deeply indebted to each of these fine catechists for the being devoted witnesses and disciples for the youth of our parish.

## WELCOME!

### JASON CARTER – *Director of Youth and Family Ministry*



Jason Carter, originally from St. Petersburg, FL, has served as Director of Youth and Young Adult ministries for St. Frances Cabrini parish in Spring Hill, Florida for the past 10 years. He has a passion for Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church. Jason desires to lead teens closer to Christ by introducing them to Christ's unwavering love. In a world that seems to have lost it's sense of purpose, Jason hopes to show teens the freedom that Jesus Christ can provide. Jason graduated from Franciscan University of Steubenville in 2005 where he received his degree in Theology with a concentration in youth ministry. He is married to his college sweetheart Nicki, and they have 4 crazy kids; Mary (7), John (6), Joey (5) & Grace (2). Despite being a Tampa Bay Lightning fan, Jason is overjoyed to be moving to the Philadelphia area and joining the St. Monica Parish family.

## FROM *the* OFFICE of WORSHIP & MUSIC

MUSIC AT MONICA'S PRESENTS...

### **Majestic Brass with Members of the Philadelphia Orchestra**

**Sunday, 8 February at 3 p.m.**  
*Free-will offering. Tickets are not required.*



# Registration Full!

## LEND A HAND

*this Lent by*

## PACKING MEALS FOR THOSE IN NEED

**Stay tuned for other service opportunities!**

### Join your family & neighbors at a **HELPING HANDS EVENT** a **FUN VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

St. Monica Parish in Berwyn invites you to take action to feed our brethren overseas and help reduce global poverty. Join us on Sunday, March 15th at 2pm for a Helping Hands meal-packaging event presented by Catholic Relief Services and Stop Hunger Now.

Our goal is to pack 10,000 meal bags to help feed vulnerable children, women, and men in the West African country of Burkina Faso.

We provide the food and packing materials. Just bring yourself and your servant's heart after you **RSVP at [cyacc.org/hands](http://cyacc.org/hands)**.

### WHEN

Sunday, **March 15th** 2-4:30pm

### WHERE

**St. Monica Church Gym**  
635 First Avenue, Berwyn, PA

### HOW

Please **RSVP at [cyacc.org/hands](http://cyacc.org/hands)**



### SUNDAY COLLECTIONS for DECEMBER 2014

Dec. 2014	\$83,302	37% Electronic	Dec. YTD 2014	\$442,924	40% Electronic
Dec. 2013	\$83,186	37% Electronic	Dec. YTD 2013	\$435,897	37% Electronic
Dec. Budget 2014-15		\$70,000	Dec. YTD Budget 2014-15		\$426,153

#### SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sunday, January 25, 2015

Sunday Collection	\$9,801
*Electronic	\$6,658
Total	\$16,459

*\* We have 167 families contributing electronically.*

#### POOR BOXES

The monies collected from the Poor Boxes during the Month of January were for the benefit of the Bethesda Project. 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](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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denomination, and geographic area.

I believe that the courage to ask such important and uncomfortable questions, as well as to honestly discern the results, have relevant implications for the Catholic Church, and possibly for Saint Monica as well, as we look into our future.

As a result of these more extensive studies, Greg Hawkins and Cally Parkinson published further insights about the *Reveal* surveys in their book, *Move: What 1,000 Churches Reveal About Spiritual Growth* (The second book I am reading).

Let me state some of their key findings. I'll go into the details of these findings over the next two weeks.

The FIRST most important finding: **Church activity does not predict - nor drive - long-term spiritual growth.**

The SECOND most important finding: **Engagement with the Scriptures (especially on daily basis) was the single, greatest indicator of continued, personal, spiritual growth.**

The THIRD most important finding: More than 25% of people surveyed – and in some cases even as many as 50% - were either spiritually “stalled” (They believe in Christ but haven't grown in their faith recently) or are “dissatisfied” with their church (Their faith is central to their lives but their church is letting them down). Two alarming facts: 1. Up to 65% of this group was seriously considering leaving their church/parish; 2. These people are the ones who attend Mass most frequently, the most active, the most engaged and the most generous in terms of time, talent and treasure.

*Charles Zlock Jr*

### PRAYER PANEL & SOCIAL

*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, February 21 from 6:00 - 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 Ignation. All are welcome but registration is required. You can register online or by calling the rectory office. Light dinner and drinks will be served.

### CPR/AED TRAINING CLASS

Saint Monica Parish has an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) in the Parish Center near the gym and has obtained an additional one for the church.

We are going to be offering CPR and AED training to all those who are interested in attending a CPR course and having the knowledge to operate an AED if called upon to do so. (CPR and AED training are required to be taken together.) All are invited-no previous experience or medical background is required. Medical professionals are also invited. You must be at least 12 years old to attend. Classes will be held on two different days-you need only attend **one** class. The dates are Sunday afternoon, February 15, 2015 from 1-3:30 PM **or** Tuesday evening, February 17, 2015 from 7-9:30 PM. The cost for the course is \$65, payable by cash or check at that time to EMS Educational Services, Inc.

There is no written test; only practical demonstration of the skills will be required to obtain the certification. To attend the course, please go to Sign Up Genius at these links:

For Sunday, 2/15/2015: [www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e44aba623aaf58-cpraed](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e44aba623aaf58-cpraed)

For Tuesday, 2/17/2015: [www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e44aba623aaf58-cpraed1](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e44aba623aaf58-cpraed1)

Questions? Call Charlotte Schug [610-251-9648](tel:610-251-9648) or [610-613-0414](tel:610-613-0414).

### 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. Look for more details about registration in February. 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](http://www.wagdogs.com) and practice will begin in late March.

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### HOLY NAME SOCIETY & MEN'S CLUB

Our next HNS Meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 2nd, 7:30 pm in the Father Hagenbach Room. Please bring a bottle to donate to the HNS Basket of Cheer for our Team Trivia Night. ALL men of the parish are encouraged and invited to attend. Snacks and beverages will be provided.

Our next HNS Mass is scheduled for Sunday, February 8th at 9:30 a.m.

All men are invited to keep up with what our society is doing by joining our HNS Communication e-mail system; just e-mail Mark DiLucca at [mdilucca00@comcast.net](mailto:mdilucca00@comcast.net).

### TEAM TRIVIA 2015

We are getting closer to the **Big Event**. The men of the Holy Name Society proudly present our 18th consecutive year of our keynote event; **Team Trivia Night, Saturday, March 14th**. Eight new categories will be unveiled as well as a new spin on the Theme competition. More exciting info to come. Registration forms will be in the **FEBRUARY 14TH SUNDAY BULLETIN**. For now... just **SAVE THE DATE!**

### Saint Monica Women's Society is delighted to invite you to attend **DESIGNER BAG BINGO!**

Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm  
Saint Monica Education Center Cafeteria

**\$20 admission at the door covers**  
**5 Games of Straight Bingo**  
**1 Game Full Card Bingo**

Winner selects Designer handbag of their choice  
Plus some fun raffle items!

**Beer... Wine... Soda... Snacks...**  
Guaranteed Fun!

**R.S.V.P.**

Nancy Lafferty at 610.724.9131

Betsy Coyle at 215.528.3193

[smswomenssociety@gmail.com](mailto:smswomenssociety@gmail.com)

### SACRAMENT CENTRAL

The Confirmation candidates are reminded to regularly review the Confirmation Study Guide in preparation of the Confirmation interview and reception of the sacrament. Please do not hesitate to contact Mary Pizzano with questions at 610-647-4757.

### CALLED AND GIFTED "2"

**Saturday February 7, 2014: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon**  
**Saint Monica Cafeteria - Cost: \$15.00**  
*(includes breakfast, materials, refreshments)*

Pre-Requisites:

- Previous attendance at "Called and Gifted" Seminar.
- Schedule and complete your one-hour personal "charism" interview with Catherine of Siena Institute.
- Come with choice of which "Gift Mix" you would like to focus on.

Online Registration is now available.

### DID YOU KNOW... SAINT MONICA IS A EUCHARISTIC ADORATION PARISH

- We have Eucharistic Adoration every Monday, 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., followed by Benediction.
- We have Nocturnal Eucharistic Adoration, every First Friday into First Saturday. This Friday, February 6, 9:00 pm - 8:00 am February 7
- Regnum Christi group leads a monthly Holy Hour on Thursdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
- Walking with Purpose program has added Eucharistic Adoration on the 3rd Thursday of the month, 5:45 to 7 pm, before the meeting. Next Adoration takes place on Thursday, February 19.

### PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN TRAINING (SAFE ENVIRONMENT)

Anyone working or volunteering with children, *in any capacity*, in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, is required to take this training session.

**Offered at Saint Monica Parish on**  
**Wednesday, February 11th at**  
**6:30 PM in the Education Center Cafeteria**

To register visit <https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus>.  
Questions: Contact Linda Murray at 610-220-1762 or [murrayLD6@gmail.com](mailto:murrayLD6@gmail.com).

### WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for FEBRUARY 1

DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Monday	9:00am-4:30pm	Adoration	Church
Tues/Weds.			
Thursday	7:00-8:30 pm	Walking with Purpose	Cafeteria
Friday	9:00-10:30 am 9:00 pm-8:00am	Legion of Mary Nocturnal Adoration	Rectory Church
Saturday	4:00-4:45 pm	Confession	Church

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## Foursquare

The Church of Saint Monica,  
Berwyn



## Father Zlock's Social Media Website

Frzlock.com

## Facebook

Fr. Charlie Zlock

## Twitter

@FrZlock



FrZlock.com

## 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 February 1 - February 8

MASS TIME	INTENTION	PRESIDER	MUSIC MINISTRY	NOTES
5:00 p.m. Vigil	+ J. Kevin Mueller	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	
9:30 a.m.	+ Jake Morrissey	Norbertine	Parish Choir	
11:00 a.m.	+ Bill DeSanto	Norbertine	Cantor	
Monday, 2nd	+ Jean Niemetz	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 3rd	+ Joseph and Anne Gallagher	Fr. Zlock		
Wednesday, 4th	Communion Service			
Thursday, 5th	+ Marie Schneider	Norbertine		
Friday, 6th	+ Amelia and Theodore DiGuiseppe	Fr. Zlock		
Saturday, 7th	+ Marie MacFaun	Fr. Zlock		
5:00 p.m. Vigil	+ Tommy Patchell	Fr. Fitzgerald	Cantor	
7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish	Norbertine	Quiet	
9:30 a.m.	+ Antoinette Piombino	Norbertine	Parish Choir	
11:00 a.m.	+ Larry Norton	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	

## THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Jack Barausky, Sonia Altirman, Bob Ball, Mary Bassone, 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

*Esther Fairburst*

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

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

## PARISH LEADERSHIP

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Sandra Concannon '15  
Margaret Dalesandro '16  
Palmer Dalesandro '16  
Tobias Hoppe, *chair* '15  
Martha McGurk '16  
Dr. Anthony Roeder '16  
Megan Wilson '15

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Charles Ladner  
Brian McGaughan  
Francis Moran  
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## 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, Ph.D., *Pastoral Assistance*  
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