



# 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  
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Phone: 610.644.0110  
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### Parish Website

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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 Third Sunday of Lent

Week of March 8, 2015

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

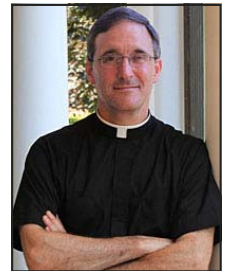
When people speak to me about prayer, I often hear how people struggle with the practice. Some find it boring. Some find the exercise dry. Many are very concerned about how distracted they become when they pray. Many are concerned that they are “not doing it right.” Some are not even sure what prayer is.

This is all normal. This is all legitimate. This is all good. Nevertheless, let's look at some foundational elements about prayer then see if we can address some of the concerns above.

First, prayer involves a commitment. Prayer does not “just happen.” In the seminary, we were often told, “If you're too busy to pray – you're too busy.” We were also told that you cannot say, “Well my work is my prayer.” Sorry, that doesn't work either. You need time - scheduled time. That's right, put it in your calendar. You need to develop a prayer routine. Schedule a time that fits with your schedule and physical bio-rhythms. If you are not a morning person, don't think that you are going to set your alarm to 5:00 a.m. to pray. If you're a “night owl,” schedule your prayer time for the evening. *(Personal note: I'm an old fisherman. I'm used to getting up early to hit the lake or a stream. I cannot pray effectively at night without falling asleep – so I don't).*

Second, find a place – a physical spot - that can be your “sanctuary.” It can be a kneeler, a couch, a chair, a local chapel, on the floor with pillows. Near by, place a Bible or another spiritual book, a rosary and a candle. Also a clock. *(A clock?)* Yes. Schedule your time and stick to the schedule. When your prayer time is finished, it's done. Close that prayer moment and move on back “down the mountain” into the “market place.”

Third, you need to find a spot where you can experience some solitude. Tell – and train - people around you (spouses, kids, etc...) that you are to be left alone “for a few minutes” when they see you “in the sanctuary.” Enforce this, especially with children. It will make a tremendous impression on them (They might even *(Continued on Page 4)*)



## OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION for THIS WEEK



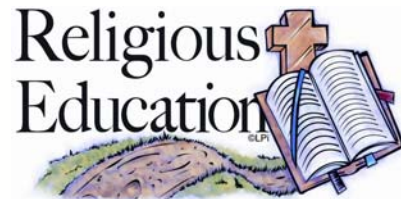
Lord, we pray for all of those involved in the music ministry here at Saint Monica and we thank you for the gifts you have given them. Through their voices and their instruments, they remind us that music is the gift you gave us which unites our heads to our hearts, and when we sing together, it unites all of us to each other. We ask this through Christ, our Lord, Amen.

## FROM *the* OFFICE of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Religious Education Program classes are scheduled on March 9th.

A link to the 2015 Summer Session registration forms has been emailed to all registered families. The Summer Session is scheduled on June 22-June 26; June 29-July 1. Walk-In registration in the gym foyer continues on Monday, March 9th.

The Retreat for all First Communion candidates is scheduled on Friday, March 20th at Malvern Retreat House. The parents of the candidates are asked to review the information about the retreat which will be emailed to them this coming week.



## 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](http://www.lafiocco.org)  
or e-mail [info@lafiocco.org](mailto: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.



**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!

**THE ANNUAL ARCHDIOCESAN MASS HONORING THE GIFTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, THE DEAF COMMUNITY, FAMILY, FRIENDS AND CAREGIVERS**

is **Saturday, March 21, 2015 at 10:30 a.m.** at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at 18<sup>th</sup> and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia. Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., will be the principal celebrant and homilist. We encourage parish participation, individuals, and parish groups to attend and/or volunteer in assisting with all aspects of the Mass and reception. There will be a light reception immediately following the Mass. All are Welcome. To RSVP go to [www.archphila.org](http://www.archphila.org), e-mail [sr.kschipani@archphila.org](mailto:sr.kschipani@archphila.org) or call the Office for Persons with Disabilities at 215-587-3530. The Parish contact is Maurita Buhsmer at 610-640-4994.

**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, March 1, 2015**

Sunday Collection	\$11,311
*Electronic	\$11,206
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$22,517</b>

*\* We have 165 families contributing electronically.*

**SECOND COLLECTION**

The Second Collection this 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](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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try it themselves – what an ideal!

Fourth, too many people want “an experience” when they pray. That’s not prayer, *Nothing is meant to be exciting all of the time. We don’t always eat, nor want, a banquet. Eating has a natural balance and a natural rhythm that needs to be respected. Prayer should be the same.*

Along this line, some people are often searching out “new forms” of prayer. Again, this is pleasure seeking, not prayer. They want a “high” instead of God. The (sometimes boring) ritual of prayer is important. Rituals “carry us through the midst of our tiredness, our inattentiveness, our indifference and even our occasional distaste.”

Fifth, related to points two and three above, you need quiet. Our entertainment-saturated culture craves stimulation. We use noise as a narcotic to anesthetize ourselves from a practice of interiority. Why? Because once you get quiet, all sorts of ugly, nasty, unpleasant stuff is going to start to come up in your mind. Don’t block it out. Bring that to the Lord! Talk to the Lord about that stuff! The “dark side” is not just something from Star Wars. The “Desert Fathers” wrote about our “shadow side” – the result of Original Sin. Embrace it. Wrestle with it. Struggle with it. TALK about it with someone else. The Lord can’t redeem what you don’t offer him. So offer him the ugly stuff in your heart.

(Excerpts from *Prayer: Our Deepest Longing* by Father Ronald Rolheiser)

*Charles Zlock Jr*

### THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES:



#### PHILADELPHIA 2015

scheduled to begin on Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> and end on Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> 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 25<sup>th</sup>, and the Pope is expected to be in Philadelphia on Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. 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](http://www.worldmeeting2015.org).

### CALLING ALL WOMEN!

Begin this Spring with a 1-day women’s retreat  
**Wholy You: Journey to Wholeness and Holiness**  
at the Daylesford Abbey in Paoli

**Saturday April 11, 2015 from 10am-3pm.**

Cost is \$30 per person - includes lunch

Contact De Yarrison for more information at  
[de@conversationrevolution.com](mailto:de@conversationrevolution.com) or 610.287.2989

### SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL FUND

Saint Monica’s has a monthly second collection to collect funds for those of our Parish who are in need. This can be due to loss of a job, a medical condition or other circumstance leading to a financial hardship. If your family faces such a situation, you are encouraged to contact Father Zlock. All conversations will be CONFIDENTIAL.

We thank all parishioners for their monthly contributions to this worthy endeavor.

## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HOLY NAME SOCIETY & MEN’S CLUB

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

Our next HNS Meeting is set for **Monday, April 6th, 7:30pm** in the Hagenbach Room of the Parish Center. Our next **HNS Mass**, will be on **Sunday, April 12th at 9:30 am**. All men are welcome to join. Our theme continues to be for the parish community the 3 S's: **Spiritual, Social and Service.** *Prosit.*

### TEAM TRIVIA 2015

We are ready to go! Team Trivia night, our 18th consecutive year, is **next** Saturday, March 14. Attention TT Captains, **important** event details will be emailed out later this week. As indicated earlier, this year’s table theme is **“The Decade of the Eighties”**.

For more information, contact Mark DiLucca at [mdilucca00@comcast.net](mailto:mdilucca00@comcast.net).

### 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](mailto:pat@connollysite.com), or Margaret Calabrese at 610-687-6678 or [mmcalabrese@comcast.net](mailto:mmcalabrese@comcast.net).

### EMERGENCY RESOURCES

Recently a training class was held and seventeen parishioners were trained in CPR and in the use of an AED. There are two defibrillators for emergency use at Saint Monica Parish. One AED is in the gym near the restrooms; another defibrillator has been obtained for the church. Look for signs in the church in the near future for the location of the AED.

Any questions, please call Brian and Charlotte Schug at 610-251-9648.

### MASS BOOK OPENING — 2016

Mass requests for 2016 will be taken immediately after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on **Monday, March 9**. Please meet with Liz Tenaglio in the Gathering Room 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.

### WOMEN OF THE PARISH...

In keeping with the goal of the World Meeting of Families, *“strengthening the sacred bonds of families,”* **Walking With Purpose (WWP)** is pleased to present an evening devoted entirely to families this **Thursday, March 12th, 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** We are excited to have Stephany Ziegler to begin the evening. Stephany is married and mother to six boys, ages 4 - 17. Her beautiful talk, *“A Marriage Transformed by Grace”* has practical applications for married women, single women in relationships, daughters, and mothers of boys.

Immediately following Stephany’s talk, we will view video talk given by Lisa Brenninkmeyer, founder of **WWP** and mother of seven. Lisa’s talk, *Reaching Your Child’s Heart*, provides valuable insight and meaningful ways to connect with our children, regardless of their ages or stages of life. **All women are welcome. Light refreshments will be served. Bring a friend! Please RSVP to Kathy at [kabphelan@aol.com](mailto:kabphelan@aol.com).**

### MOM HEART OF THE HOME

**Spring Day of Renewal -  
March 21- 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.**

**SS Simon and Jude Meehan Center, West Chester  
visit [www.mom-heartofthehome.org/events](http://www.mom-heartofthehome.org/events)**

### WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE for MARCH 8

DAY	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Monday	9:00am-4:30pm	Adoration	Church
Tuesday	7:00-9:00 pm	Jewels Green	Cafeteria
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	LTP Boys Legion of Mary	Parish Center Rectory
Saturday	4:00-4:45 pm 6:00-10:30 pm	Confession Trivia Night	Church Parish Center
Sunday	2:00-4:30 pm	Helping Hands	Gym

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## Father Zlock's Social Media Website

Frzlock.com

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Fr. Charlie Zlock

## 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 8 - March 15

MASS TIME	INTENTION	PRESIDER	MUSIC MINISTRY	NOTES
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	
Monday, 9th	+ Marie MacFaun	Fr. Zlock		
Tuesday, 10th	+ Alberto Manotas, Jr.	Fr. Zlock		
Wednesday, 11th	Communion Service			
Thursday, 12th	+ Vincent and Alvera Bocci	Fr. Antry		
Friday, 13th	+ Julia Calderon	Fr. Zlock		
Saturday, 14th	+ Jule Carr	Fr. Zlock		
5:00 p.m. Vigil	+ Mary Volpe	Fr. Zlock	Cantor	
7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish	Fr. Zlock	Quiet	
9:30 a.m.	+ George Borzillo	Fr. Rodia	Parish Choir	
11:00 a.m.	+ Brian Webb	Fr. Fitzgerald	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, Jim Gormley, 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

*Julie Jennings, Daughter of Margaret Martin*  
*Muriel Hassell, Mother of Sister Beth Hassell*

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

Leader for this week: Ginny McCarty at 610-644-5815

## PARISH LEADERSHIP

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