



# Church of St Monica

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**JULY 12, 2015**

## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

As God once did with Amos, Jesus today removes the Twelve from their worldly occupations and sends them forth two by two. They go poorly, without provisions, in order to proclaim to the world that their only real possession is Jesus Christ—and that he is enough. God chose them in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and without blemish. And we are “*destined*” to share in that “*favor of his will.*”

The genuineness with which the preaching pairs love each other will persuade many to repent and accept the offer of God’s cure. Their witness prepares the way of Christ’s steps.

**PASTOR:**  
Rev. Peter M. Colapietro

**ASSOCIATES:**  
Rev. Joe A. Francis  
Rev. Joby Mathew

**IN SUNDAY SERVICE:**  
Rev. Richard Arold

**ORGANIST & DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:**  
Mr. David Schaefer

**CANTOR & LEADER OF SONG:**  
Mr. Joseph Neal

**BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES:**  
By Appointment only.  
Please contact a member of the parish staff well in advance.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**  
5:00 PM on Saturdays  
Anytime by appointment

**COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND:**  
Anyone who cannot attend church because of illness or age, please contact the parish office, so that arrangements can be made to bring communion to you.

### MASSES

**Sundays:** 7:30 AM; 9:00 AM; 10:30 AM & 12 NOON (Principal Liturgy & Choir)  
**Weekdays:** 7:30 AM & 12 NOON  
**Saturdays:** 12:00 PM & 5:30 PM (Vigil)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

There are no upcoming events for the week of July 12th

## OFFICE HOURS

**WEEKDAYS:**  
9:00 AM - 7:45 PM

**SATURDAYS:**  
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**SUNDAYS:**  
10:30 AM - 2:30 PM

## SPECIAL DEVOTIONS

**Rosary**  
Weekdays after the Noon Mass and on Saturday after the 12:00 NOON mass

**Holy Hour**  
First Friday of each month after the Noon Mass

**Devotions**  
Miraculous Medal on Mondays after each Mass

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Amos said, “The LORD took me from following the flock, and said to me, Go, prophesy to my people” (Amos 7:12-15).

**Psalm** — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

**Second Reading** — The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing (Ephesians 1:3-14 [3-10]).

**Gospel** — Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two (Mark 6:7-13).

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34 — 11:1

**Tuesday:** Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24

**Wednesday:** Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103: 1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27

**Thursday:** Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30

**Friday:** Ex 11:10 — 12:14; Ps 116: 12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8

**Saturday:** Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136: 1, 23-24, 10-15; Mt 12:14-21

**Sunday:** Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

**Remember your loved ones by dedicating in their honor this week's Bread & Wine and or Sanctuary Lamp**

Altar Bread dedicated  
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In Loving Memory of  
Rev. Thomas Mulvanerty

Sanctuary Light dedicated  
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In Loving Memory of  
Theresa Pryor



**SATURDAY (JULY 11): WEEKDAY**  
5:30 PM The Canning Family

**SUNDAY (JULY 12): WEEKDAY**  
7:30 AM Rosalina Esposito-Carabello  
9:00 AM Dominic Lepore  
10:30 AM Mary and Walter Ferber  
12:00 NOON St Monica's Parishioners

**MONDAY (JULY 13): WEEKDAY**  
7:30 AM Natalie Dana  
12:00 NOON Pete Baros

**TUESDAY (JULY 14): WEEKDAY**  
7:30 AM Eileen Mullin  
12:00 NOON Joseph Dina (living)

**WEDNESDAY (JULY 15): WEEKDAY**  
7:30 AM Marie and Sheila Murtha  
12:00 NOON Michael Minuche

**THURSDAY (JULY 16): WEEKDAY**  
7:30 AM Robert Tracy  
12:00 NOON Justine Goray

**FRIDAY (JULY 17): WEEKDAY**  
7:30 AM Josef Seber  
12:00 NOON John Giaquinto

**SATURDAY (JULY 18): WEEKDAY**  
12:00 NOON John A. Telesco

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Please remember in your prayers:

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Lori Henderson, Billy Banks,  
Lydia Bowler Travers, John Downes,  
and Edyta Wozniewski

and those wounded in Military Action.

**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED**

*"I've gone to prepare a place for you."*

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Renato G. Milite, Theresa Pryor,  
Susan Herlihy, Warren Duffield  
and Nancy Baker

Please pray for our deceased parishioners and friends.

*If you wish to add the names of your loved one to the prayer list, please notify the rectory: (212) 288-6250.*

**TODAY'S HYMNS***15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)***Welcome to St. Monica's!***The music for today's Eucharist can be found in our hymnal on the following pages:*

Entrance Hymn	373
<i>Here I Am, Lord</i>	
Penitential Rite	112
<i>Gloria (recited; sung at noon)</i>	
Responsorial Psalm	621
<i>Lord, let us see your kindness And grant us your salvation</i>	
Gospel Acclamation	168
Offertory Hymn	342
<i>Amazing Grace</i>	
Sanctus	*
Memorial Acclamation	*
Great Amen	*
The Lord's Prayer	120
Lamb of God	*
Communion Hymn	435
<i>Eat This Bread</i>	
Recessional Hymn	309
<i>Joyful, Joyful We Adore You</i>	

*\*from the Mass for New Era  
for texts, see pew card***REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD**

Traveling by plane these days calls for careful preparation. One airline recently posted notice that if your bag weights more than fifty pounds, there is an additional fee of fifty dollars. Add in the restrictions on carry-on baggage: no liquids more than three ounces no bags beyond a certain size. It encourages you to travel light. Jesus is issuing his own travel instructions to those he chose to work with him.

First, he gives them "authority over unclean spirits" (Mark 6:7), a sharing in the authority the Father has given him for the work of spreading the gospel that the reign of evil is over and the reign of God is beginning. Then, Jesus gets practical: Take nothing but a walking stick—to be used in climbing hills, driving off wild animals, or pushing away snakes found on the paths. No food, no sack to hold extra clothing—not even a second tunic—or to carry off anything from the towns you visit, and no money! Permission granted to wear sandals. Finally, when you get to a place, do not look for the most comfortable lodging, take what comes first and be content there.

The focus is clear: Stay on message—God's kingdom is at hand. Repent and believe. And show it in actions: Deliver the sick and possessed from what burdens them. If people don't like the message? Move on. Over two thousand years later, Jesus risen Lord, continues to call ordinary folk. Back then it was some fisherman, a tax collector, a political activist; now it's workers from every way of life, every profession and job.

People raising families, singles, the elderly, anyone willing to confess that God is at work in our world, that evil will not have the last word, and that all creation finds its deepest meaning in Christ.

**LIVING GOD'S WORD**

Let us pray that we will recognize where God wants us to do the work of spreading the news of God's kingdom.

**MARRIAGE BANNS III**

Mary O'Rourke and Patrick Ryan

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Many marriage customs stand in tension with modern American attitudes and values, notably “giving away the bride,” which is no longer in the Catholic liturgy, and reminds us of a time when marriage was a contract between men (the groom and the bride’s father). A Mexican custom, now approved for use in the United States, has a very different message. An ancient Roman custom called for smashing pieces of gold and silver so that bride and groom could each keep half.

This is the origin of today’s Mexican practice of the groom giving thirteen gold coins to the bride, symbolically placing all his worldly goods into her care, and a sign of his unconditional trust. The coins are often given in beautiful gift boxes and are retained as an heirloom. Why thirteen? The standard explanation is that they represent Jesus and the apostles. The priest blesses the coins and pours them into the bride’s cupped hands. Then she entrusts them to the groom, who later pours them back into her hands. This enduring ritual is in such harmony with our tradition’s view of marriage that it is now increasingly performed by English-speaking Hispanic Catholics at weddings in the United States.

## SAINTS OF THE WEEK

**BLESSED KATERI TEKAKWITHA (1656-1680) JULY 14**

Kateri (Catherine) Tekakwitha is the first North American Indian to be proposed for canonization. She was born at Auriesville, New York, and died at the age of 24 at Caughnawaga, near Montreal, Canada. Her mother was an Algonquin who had been baptized at Three Rivers, Quebec, but during an Iroquois raid she was carried off to New York, where she was married to a pagan Mohawk chief. Two children were born of this marriage but only Kateri survived; her parents and her brother died in a smallpox epidemic when Kateri was 4 years old. Her face was permanently disfigured and her eyesight was impaired because of the disease. She was raised by an uncle who at one time had three Jesuit missionaries as guests. Kateri received instructions and was baptized on Easter Sunday, 1676.

The other Indians were so vehemently opposed to Kateri’s conversion that a Jesuit missionary advised her to flee to SETTLEMENT NEAR Montreal, where she could freely practice her religion. She reached the settlement in 1677 and for the next three years, under the guidance of a Jesuit spiritual director and an older woman named Anastasia, Kateri led a life of great austerity and charity. In 1679 she made a vow of virginity and a year later she passed to her eternal reward.

Her death was the occasion for a great revival of religious fervor among the Christian Indians. She was beatified by Pope John Paul II in 1980.





AN UNCOMMON SOLUTION TO HUNGER

June 26, 2015

Rev. Peter Colapietro  
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Dear Rev. Colapietro,

Thank you for your thoughtful gift of 20 lbs. of food donated on 6/5/15 in support of our work at the New York Common Pantry.

Your contribution will sustain New York Common Pantry's programs that reduce hunger and promote self-sufficiency for our fellow New Yorkers in need, allowing our volunteers and staff to respond to the unprecedented increase in demand for Pantry services. According to The Food Bank for New York City, an estimated 1.4 million New Yorkers rely on soup kitchens and food pantries.

Last year, New York Common Pantry's case managers and our onsite partners accessed almost \$6 million in new resources for people in need, in addition to providing almost 3 million meals to homeless and struggling New York families. We also encourage healthy eating and offer nutrition education to children and adults through the Live Healthy! program. In the last year, 504 cooking skills classes and workshops produced 11,216 meals and provided bilingual nutrition education to thousands of children and adults. Without our donors and volunteers, we would be unable to provide these services.

We continue to think creatively and efficiently to achieve our goals. In these difficult economic times, the work we do at New York Common Pantry is more critical than ever. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen Grimaldi".

Stephen Grimaldi  
Executive Director

*No goods or services were received in exchange for this contribution.*

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