



# Church of St Monica St Stephen of Hungary St Elizabeth of Hungary

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## PARISH STAFF

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**PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:** Maryann Tyrer

### ORGANIST & DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:

Mr. David Schaefer

### CANTOR & LEADER OF SONG :

Mr. Joseph Neal

## MASS SCHEDULE

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

**Weekdays:** 7:30 AM & 12 NOON **Saturdays:** 12 NOON

CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD AT 5 PM SATURDAY AFTERNOON IN CHURCH

## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### *GO AND DO LIKEWISE*

Miss Collins, the dean of students at Olympic High School, was past the point of scolding Matt, though she liked him very much. "Four detentions in two weeks are too many."

Still Matt wouldn't tell. It was only after Miss Collins went on a morning neighborhood patrol that she found out the real reason for Matt's tardiness.

Thump, thump, thump, came the wheelchair down the stairs. It was Matt, steadying Shawnetta as he helped lower her down the stairs and then push her to the corner bus stop.

"She's a girl in my parish youth group," Matt explained to Miss Collins.

There are many ways to describe Matt's actions—a random act of kindness, making a difference one person at a time. Jesus would understand. When the lawyer correctly identified the good Samaritan as the one who had treated the injured man with compassion, Jesus said simply, "Go and do likewise" (Luke 10:37).

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Sunday July 10 2016

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Senior Ministry  
Mass**

**Saturday, July 16th  
5:30 PM**

join us and learn to more  
about this exciting new

## CHURCH HOURS

**OUR CHURCH IS OPEN  
MONDAY, TUESDAY,  
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY  
7 AM - 5 PM  
WEDNESDAY'S 7 AM - 4 PM  
SATURDAY & SUNDAY  
According to Mass  
Schedule**

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9 AM to 5 PM  
Tuesday 9 AM to 7 PM  
Wednesday 9 AM to 7 PM  
Thursday 9 AM to 7 PM  
Saturday: 10 AM to 2 PM  
**The Rectory Office is  
closed on  
Friday & Sunday**

Rectory Office will be closed  
for lunch daily from  
1 PM to 2 PM

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Heed the voice of the LORD. It is something very near to you, already in your hearts; you only need to carry it out (Deuteronomy 30:10-14).

**Psalm** — Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live (Psalm 69) *or Psalm 19*.

**Second Reading** — All things were created through and for Christ Jesus (Colossians 1:15-20).

**Gospel** — To be a neighbor, show love by treating others with mercy, as did the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37).

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
- Tuesday: Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24
- Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27
- Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30
- Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8
- Saturday: Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21
- Sunday: Gen 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: St. Benedict
- Wednesday: St. Henry
- Thursday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha
- Friday: St. Bonaventure
- Saturday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel; Blessed Virgin Mary

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



**BREAD & WINE**  
*Offered in Memory of*  
**Charles Panarella**  
*Offered by Louis Cortes*

**THE DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION  
 AT ST MONICA'S**

*An image of the Divine Mercy can be found along the west side wall of our beautiful church. Please take the opportunity to join our growing prayer group at 3:00 PM every weekday.*

**Mass Schedule**

<b>SATURDAY</b> 5:30 PM	<b>July 9th</b> Vigil Brian Thompson
<b>SUNDAY</b> 7:30 AM 9:00 AM 10:30 AM 12 NOON	<b>July 10th Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Alejandro Solayao Denis Ladoveer Frederick Stephens Parishioners of St Monica, St Stephen of Hungary & St Elizabeth of Hungary
<b>MONDAY</b> 7:30 AM 12 NOON	<b>July 11th St Benedict</b> Michael McCrohan Audrea Saabedra
<b>TUESDAY</b> 7:30 AM 12 NOON	<b>July 12th Weekday</b> Ann Angresano Thanksgiving to St Agata
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 7:30 AM 12 NOON	<b>July 13th Weekday</b> Frank Newbauer Walter & Mary Ferber
<b>THURSDAY</b> 7:30 AM 12 NOON	<b>July 14th St. Kateri Tekakwitha</b> James Gatens Gino Pazzani
<b>FRIDAY</b> 7:30 AM 12 NOON	<b>July 15th Weekday</b> Olympia Panagatos Irena Doberska
<b>SATURDAY</b> 12 NOON	<b>July 16th Weekday</b> Timothy Hanley

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

**Please remember in your prayers**

Raymond Hooper, Kathy Baker, James Baker, Richard DeLong, Sara Gibins and All victims of Military Activity

**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED**

Please pray for our deceased parishioners and friends.  
*Mary Graham, Thomas Duffy, Sergio Pagin*

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

*If you wish to add the names of your loved one to the prayer list, please notify the rectory: (212) 288-6250. or e-mail us at [contac@stmonicanyc.org](mailto:contac@stmonicanyc.org)*

**SPECIAL DEVOTIONS**

**Rosary**

After all weekday masses

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

Every Friday after the Noon Mass to 3 PM, with Benediction following the Divine Mercy Chaplet

**Devotions**

Miraculous Medal on Mondays after each Mass

**Divine Mercy**

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed each weekday afternoon at 3 PM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

**MASS BOOK 2017**

The Mass Book for 2017 is now open.

At the Offertory of the Mass, the prayers of the church on earth are united with the church in heaven. An appropriate way to remember our beloved dead is through the offering of a Mass intention. What better way for us to show our loved ones just how much they mean to us.

**FROM THE OFFICE OF THE VICAR**

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdioceses of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P., at 212-371-1000 x 2949, or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via e-mail at [victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, [www.archny.org](http://www.archny.org). In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

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**Top 10 Reasons to be a Catechist:**

10. **The best way to learn is to teach.** If your own religious education ended a number of years ago, the resources and training you'll be exposed to as a catechist will surely refresh and expand your own knowledge.
  9. **Catechists tell the truth.** The word "catechist" means "one who echos" the Good News. The world needs to hear this Good News, the Gospel message, and you will offer that gift to the world.
  8. **Sharing the faith is an honor.** Fewer than 1 percent of Catholics serve as catechists. Come and be a part of the 1 percent!
  7. **Your own faith will come alive.** As a catechist, you will find that your own relationship with God, your prayer, your experience of liturgy, will all become more vibrant and meaningful.
  6. **You become a more active part of your parish.** You will be a part of a community within our parish community that will support you on your faith journey, pray for and with you, and encourage you as you live the Christian life.
  5. **A catechist is a role model.** As a catechist, you have the opportunity to model behaviors young people might not learn elsewhere.
  4. **You will be practicing stewardship.** Being a catechist is a way of being a good steward of your gifts, as you offer your time and talent to others.
  3. **You show your own family that you value religious education.** Taking time out of your life to teach the faith models the importance of religious education for your own children, grandchildren, and other family members.
  2. **It's fun.** Kids remind us to live and laugh in the moment, and renew our enthusiasm for things like stories of our faith and celebrations of our traditions.
  1. **It's what we're called to do.** At the end of his earthly ministry, Jesus commissioned us to "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations."
- (adapted from *Our Sunday Visitor* at [www.osv.com](http://www.osv.com).)

Please contact Maryann Tyrer, Pastoral Associate, at [mtyrer@stmonicanyc.org](mailto:mtyrer@stmonicanyc.org), or call her at the parish office, if you are interested in helping out with our parish religious education program. Catechists, greeters, and program assistants are needed at all grade levels and in many different aspects of the program

**Religious Education  
2016-17**

**St. Monica's - St. Stephen's - St. Elizabeth's  
is beginning a religious education program this fall!!!**

Classes run K through 8th Grade - includes First Communion and Confirmation preparation.

**REGISTRATION BEGINS June 1st!**

For more information call 1.212.288.6250



## Invitations, News, Thoughts and Prayers

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The first “presbyters” were advisers to the bishops rather than what we would call “priests,” yet by the year 1000 our present-day understanding of the ordained priesthood is clearly in place. The Germanic influence was strong in those days, reflected in a series of questions posed to the candidate about his intentions.

The priest’s role in the celebration of Mass had by then come to the fore, as the ritual notes that Mass vestments must be worn, the hands of the priest must be anointed with chrism, and a chalice with wine and water and a paten with a host must be given. Up to then, the ordination rite had stressed the presbyter as a collaborator with the bishop and a member of the order of presbyters. Then, in a not-so-subtle shift, the presbyter came to be seen as a “priest” designated to celebrate the Mass and, as the prayer suggests, to touch the chalice. By these days, remember, the cup had long vanished from Communion for the laity. A thousand years ago, today’s patterns were already in place. The priest no longer saw himself as a member of a council of elders, a presbytery, and in some dioceses he had little influence over the bishop. Instead, he was either a pastor, with relationship to the eucharistic community in the parish, or he was a priest monk, offering Mass for the salvation of the departed or the intentions of the living.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Mark your calendars. St Monica’s Christmas Bazaar 2016 will be held Saturday November 19th and Sunday November 20th. More information will be available in the bulletin in the next few weeks as to how you can help.

### SUMMERTIME AND THE GIVING IS EASIER

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**Come and join us for our summer program of study, reflection and conversation about Pope Francis and his recent Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation “The Joy of Love” (Amoris Letitia) conducted by Fr. Jim Dugan, S.J. The program will be on the Tuesday evenings of July 5, 12, 19, 26. If you wish to join in please phone the Parish at 212-288-6250 or send an email to: [contact@stmonicanyc.org](mailto:contact@stmonicanyc.org).**

# Just a word

From Your Pastor 7/10/2016

## *Grüße aus Deutschland!*

. . . For all those who have never studied the language, that means, “Greetings from Germany”.

I am currently at St. Joseph’s Church in Münster, which is a small city of about 300,000 people about an hour and 30 minutes northeast from Cologne. Münster, founded in the 9<sup>th</sup> century, was originally a monastery outpost for the evangelization of the Germans (*Münster* is in German what *minster* - as in “Westminster”- is in English). Münster has its own bishop and its own cathedral. It is famous for its role in the Reformation, and as the place where the 30 Years War (the war between Catholics and Protestants after the Reformation) was brought to an end. In the years leading up to the Second World War, it was the home of Cardinal von Galen, the so-called “Lion of Münster” who spoke out powerfully against the Nazis. He was so influential that, though the Nazi leadership silenced and imprisoned everyone who spoke against them, even the Nazis could not touch von Galen.

I came to know this town because of a German priest friend, who before he was ordained here, was a photographer in New York. When he came back to Germany and became a priest, he invited me here in 2008 for his first mass. I have come back here several times to visit and to practice my German.

Due to a contract worked out between religious organizations and the German government years ago, a tax for the support of the Church is levied by the state from every registered church member. What that means is that even when a person has not gone to church in years, if they are still registered as a Catholic, they pay the tax (*Parish Pay*, eat your heart out!). This money is then distributed to the various German dioceses, and the dioceses support the churches, pay the pastors, music people, pastoral assistants, etc. This system means that, in comparison with the American church, the German Church is RICH. The church where I am now has several priests, (though only one who works in the parish full time, the Pastor), secretaries, pastoral assistants, all manner of Kindergartens, ministries for youth, senior citizens etc. They have a fulltime music director with, I believe, 4 choirs.

And yet the people who go to mass are few – maybe 5% of the Catholic population. They are well cared for by the Church, but many do not care for the Church much. Which is a shame. We are poorer, and I regularly have to beg for money, but frankly if given the choice, I prefer our system. People see where their money is going, and it causes them to be more engaged in the local church community.

Nevertheless, there is a lot going on here in the German church as well! For me however, this time is one of rest, of visiting friends, and as many of you have already heard, of saying mass, preaching and celebrating two weddings. The first wedding takes place next Saturday. The second the following weekend. More about those weddings, and the church in Germany, next week!

Auf Wiedersehen!  
Father Baker