

# Church of Saint Monica Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Saint Stephen of Hungary

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**The Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time-October 21st, 2018**

## Office Hours

Our Offices are open:

**Mo. 9am – 5pm**

**Tu.-Th. 9am – 7pm**

**Fri. Closed**

**Sat. 10am -2pm**

**Sun. Closed**

Our offices close for  
lunch:

**1pm – 2pm daily**

*Pastor*

*Associates:*

*Deacon*

*Pastoral Associate:*

*Parish Manager:*

*Music Director*

*Cantor:*

*Wedding Coordinator:*

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## Mass Schedule

**Saturday: 12:00pm Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm**

**Sunday: 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 12:00pm 5:00pm**

**Monday – Friday: 7:30 & 12:00pm**

**Confessions:**

**Saturday 5:00 – 5:30pm and by appointment**

**Our church is open: 7am – 4pm daily for private prayer**



## St. Stephen of Hungary School

**Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Catholic Parochial School**

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*Principal:*

**Ms. Kelly Burke**

**[www.saintstephenschool.org](http://www.saintstephenschool.org)**

Interested in admissions to our parish school?

**[admissions@saintstephenschool.org](mailto:admissions@saintstephenschool.org)**

## MISSION STATEMENT

The Roman Catholic Parish of St. Monica, St. Elizabeth of Hungary and St. Stephen of Hungary opens its doors to welcome and embrace all in our community. We strive through worship, hospitality and service to receive those seeking a spiritual home. In the midst of diversity of thought, life style, nationality, economic status and age, we endeavor to live as a community of faith and invite you to join our family - a family seeking to know and love Jesus Christ.

## TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- My servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear (Isaiah 53:10-11).

Psalm -- Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

Second Reading -- Let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help (Hebrews 4:14-16).

Gospel -- Whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all (Mark 10:35-45 [42-45]).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 12:13-21  
Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22; Ps 85:9ab-14; Lk 12:35-38  
Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 12:39-48  
Thursday: Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk 12:49-53  
Friday: Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59  
Saturday: Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 13:1-9  
Sunday: Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-6; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

## Mass Schedule

<b>SATURDAY</b> 5:30PM	<b>October 20th Vigil</b> Mary Lever
<b>SUNDAY</b> 7:30AM 9:00AM 10:30AM 12NOON 5PM	<b>October 21st The Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Juanita Gusmanos Walter Farley Cecilia Gill All Parishioners Patrick Breheny
<b>MONDAY</b> 7:30AM 12NOON	<b>October 22nd Weekday</b> Matthew Anderson Liliana R. Caniggia Litrenta (Living)
<b>TUESDAY</b> 7:30AM 12NOON	<b>October 23rd Weekday</b> Juanita Gusmanos Jozsef Tomahatsch
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 7:30 AM 12NOON	<b>October 24th Weekday</b> Juanita Gusmanos Warner Hertzal
<b>THURSDAY</b> 7:30AM 12NOON	<b>October 25th Weekday</b> Vanes Bellevue Mary Crouley
<b>FRIDAY</b> 7:30AM 12NOON	<b>October 26th Weekday</b> Joycelin Eiaw Anna Cora
<b>SATURDAY</b> 12NOON	<b>October 27th Weekday</b> Laura Soledad Litrenta (Living)

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
World Mission Sunday  
Monday: St. John Paul II  
Tuesday: St. John of Capistrano  
Wednesday: St. Anthony Mary Claret  
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

*If you wish to add the name of a loved one to the prayer list, please notify the parish center:  
(212) 288-6250*



### **K-8 Religious Education**

- **Registration will close November 1<sup>st</sup>!** Please come by the Parish Center to register your child(ren) *as soon as possible* for K-8 Religious Education and/or Sacramental Preparation. You must re-register each year.
- **Upcoming dates:**
  - Religious Education for K-8** meets in the Parish Center, 10:15-11:45 – October 21 & 28
  - Family Faith Formation**, Saturday, November 3, 2-5pm in the Parish Center – save the date – more info to follow!
  - No Religious Education or Adult Faith Formation on Sunday, November 4**, due to NYC Marathon road closures

### **Sacramental Preparation for Children and Teens Not in Catholic School**

- **First Penance, First Communion, Confirmation**

The Archdiocese of New York requires **two years** of either Catholic School or Parish Religious Education **before** the reception of **First Communion** (2<sup>nd</sup> grade or up) or **Confirmation** (8<sup>th</sup> grade or up). Please register your children NOW in Religious Education! Registration closes on November 1<sup>st</sup>!

### **Adult Faith Formation – open to all adults!**

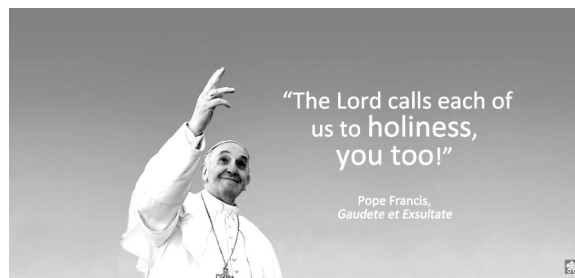
- Sunday Morning **Scripture Discussions** resume on October 21, 10:15-11:45am – join us for coffee and conversation every Sunday that Religious Education is in session!
- Friday **Evening Prayer** in the chapel at 5:10pm – all are welcome!
- **“Rejoice and Be Glad”** series continues on Thursday, October 25 at 6pm in the Parish Center

**Adults who are thinking about becoming Catholic, or Catholic adults who have missed First Communion and/or Confirmation** contact Maryann Tyrer, Pastoral Associate, to discuss our adult initiation process. You can begin the process any time throughout the year.

**Want to volunteer?** Yes, we need more volunteers, please! Many different opportunities are available, with various time commitments – Contact Maryann to discuss how your gifts might meet our needs.

*Rejoice* always,  
*Pray* without ceasing,  
In everything *Give Thanks*;  
For this is the will of  
*God in Christ Jesus*  
for you.  
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

**Evening Prayer in the Parish Center Chapel each Friday at 5:10pm. All are welcome!** It is a simple prayer service, lasting 15-20 minutes, consisting of psalms, readings, and pauses for quiet prayer. It is a lovely way to end your work week. Please consider joining us!



### “Rejoice and Be Glad: The Call to Holiness”

- An Adult Faith Formation Mini-series led by our clergy and lay pastoral staff
- Continues on Thursday evenings: **October 25** (Maryann Tyrer presenting), **November 1** (John Zupan presenting), and **November 8** (Msgr. Ivers presenting) in the Angelo Room of the Parish Center (406 E. 80<sup>th</sup> St.)
- Begins at 6pm with a light dinner
- Continues with reflection and discussion on *Gaudete et Exsultate* (*Rejoice and Be Glad*) – the latest Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis
- Concludes with Night Prayer by 8:30pm
- No charge to attend, so please save the dates and join us! Please RSVP to the parish center so we can prepare enough food and supplies.

### Family Faith Formation

- **2-5pm, Saturday, November 3, Parish Center**
- Open to all families with school-age children – at least one parent must attend with the children
- Stories, crafts, activities, a snack, and take-home materials
- No K-8 Religious Ed or Adult Faith Formation on Sunday, Nov. 4

## SPECIAL DEVOTIONS

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 Friday afternoon at 3 PM

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

5:00 PM on Saturdays Anytime by appointment

## **BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES:**

Please call the rectory office for more information.

## **COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND:**

If you know of anyone who cannot attend church because of illness or age, and would like to have communion brought to them, please contact the parish office, so that we can arrange for a Eucharistic Minister to bring communion to them.

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

### **Please remember in your prayers**

**Anthony Lekay, Elena Rivera,**

**Jennifer Demello,**

**Matt McCarthy, Lyn Scheuring**

**& Anita Devaney**

**ALL VICTIMS OF MILITARY ACTIVITY**

## PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

*Please pray for our deceased parishioners  
and family members*

*Aaron Burchette, Edward Moreno, Lexi  
Ambadjes, Jose Gutierrez & Anthony Teixeira*

## Bread & Wine



This Week's Bread & Wine  
In Memory of Maria Chong

Offered By Mary Lee

## Sanctuary Lamp



This Weeks' Sanctuary Lamp  
Intentions for Lilith Barry & Family

Offered by Kitty O'Donoghue

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

As election campaigns move into high gear, sometimes the phrase "the Catholic vote" is heard. It's an interesting concept, since Catholics started out in this country as a very fragile group: fewer than forty thousand of us at the time of the first census in 1790, and only about 2 percent of the population by 1830. It was a priestless church for all intents and purposes, lay-led clusters of Catholics waiting patiently for the occasional visit of a priest, sustained by gathering when they could on Sunday for devotional prayer like litanies and the rosary. They tried to hold on to their ancestral faith as best they could. Archbishop Jean-Louis Cheverus told one family in Maine to "every day say your prayers on your knees with affection, and every Sunday gather to hear the Gospel, to pray in common, and to quiz the children on the catechism."

Inevitably, some became Protestant, but many more stayed Catholic from generation to generation, with very little encouragement or sacramental ministry from the clergy. Archbishop John Carroll, the first American bishop, tried to make Church law flexible: shortening the length of the fast before Communion, easing the Lenten fast, and even relaxing the rule of Sabbath rest at harvest time. Catholicism in England had been quietly sustained in this way for two centuries, and the first American Catholics carried on as had their ancestors, providing a fertile soil for the unprecedented success and phenomenal growth of the Church in our country.

--Rev. James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

## SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday, October 21st, 2018**





### **Our 10th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner**

will be November 22nd at the

St. Stephen School Auditorium.

Ticket are on sale now at the Parish Center for a  
donation of \$5.00.

Please come and enjoy dinner with our community

### **ST. STEPHEN OF HUNGARY SCHOOL-GRATITUDE CANDY DRIVE**

We are pleased to announce that St. Stephen of Hungary School will be holding its Annual Operation Gratitude Candy Drive and Ronald McDonald Pantry Drive and Fun Run from 11/1- 11/19.

Operation Gratitude is an organization that the students at St. Stephen donate all or a portion of their Halloween Candy to. In addition, the students write letters thanking our troops for their service. The candy and letters are then sent to U.S. troops that have been deployed throughout the world. Last year, St. Stephen sent 19 boxes packed full of candy and letters to support our active duty service members.

The Ronald McDonald House is a charitable organization located on 74th street that provides temporary housing for children who have been diagnosed with cancer, and their families, while the child receives treatment at New York City hospitals. Each year our students and families collect goods needed to keep Ronald McDonald House pantry stocked so that the families there have basic items such as household cleaning, personal hygiene and baby care supplies. In addition, the St. Stephen's students participate in the Annual Ronald McDonald Fun Run where they solicit sponsorships for participating in up to a one mile run. All the proceeds raised go directly to the New York City Ronald McDonald House. Last Year St. Stephen of Hungary School raised over \$16,000 and is one of the Top Teams that participates in this event.

To further support these charities, our students will be at the 5:30 family mass on Saturday, November 3rd collecting any extra Halloween candy you may have as well as letters you would like to send thanking our troops for their service. In addition, St. Stephen's families will also be at mass accepting monetary donations in support of the students that will be running in the Ronald McDonald Fun Run.

Thank you in advance for supporting our school and our community - See you on 11/3!

Thanks,  
- Colleen Kisak

# Just a word

*From your Pastor October 21st, 2018*

## **Singing in the Rain**

... Doesn't just happen in the movies. On Thursday October 11<sup>th</sup> we were in the middle of the one-day shift from summer humidity and heat to fall chill. It poured that day. It was also the day upon which the first Concert in our new Music Series was planned. We all prepared for the worst. I was ready to be sitting in a church with about 6 people . . .counting the performers!

Instead there were over 60! Soprano Kerrianna Krebushevski, flutist Patricia Lazzara and our music director John Zupan on Piano performed works by Debussy, Bach, Bellini and contemporary American folk songs. At just over 1 hour, it was a wonderful weeknight concert, long enough to satisfy, but short enough to get home early.

Congratulations to John Zupan on the start of a wonderful series! The next concert is Sunday November 11<sup>th</sup> at 3pm (Following the conclusion of the Christmas Bazaar) and features the City Winds Trio (Flute, Oboe and Cello) playing Bach, Schickle, Vivaldi and Devienne.

## **Ministry Month**

Let me thank everyone who has spoken or is speaking as our month-long focus on ministries continues. We have gotten several new applicants and some are already being trained. However, if you are still interested and just didn't get up the courage to apply there is still time. Come to the table in the back of the church after mass this Sunday.

## **Senior Ministry**

Thanks to Anne Sabatini once again for her work on the many things we offer for our seniors. The film series, luncheons, discussions and trip are all in the offering this year. Contact the parish center or just speak to Anne personally and she can fill you in on what is happening.

## **Parish Council**

As of your reading this the Parish Council will have had their fall retreat day. It is a day where we gather, and deepen our understanding of the council's role in the parish. Dr. Robert Choiniere, an expert in parish pastoral planning led the day. The focus is one that has occupied the council for the last 18 months: Planning for the future. What new ministries do we want? How should we support them? What resources do we need to allocate to realize them? How should we shape our parish's ministries in the face of the clergy shortage? These and other questions will be on the agenda of our council. We will be asking for your advice as well. Please support us as we seek to ministry effectively to our community.

## **Thank You for Your Thank You's**

Serval of you have approached me or written about the ways in which we the clergy have spoken, preached and prayed about the scandal of sexual abuse of minors in the Church. Your words have been deeply appreciative. Msgr. Ivers, Fr. Joslin and I believe we have to deal with the issue publicly, because you all are. Thank you all for your support of us and the parish.

Fr. Baker