

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

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The Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 7th, 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

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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 8th Grade Catholic Parochial School

408 East 82nd St., New York, NY 10028

(212) 288-1989 Fax: (212) 517 – 5788

Principal:

Ms. Kelly Burke

www.saintstephenschool.org

Interested in admissions to our parish school?

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 -- The man said, "This one is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called 'woman' " (Genesis 2:18-24).

Psalm -- May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives (Psalm 128).

Second Reading -- He who consecrates and those who are being consecrated all have one origin (Hebrews 2:9-11).

Gospel -- Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it (Mark 10:2-16 [2-12]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-17; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 [17-27]

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY *October 6th Vigil*
5:30PM *Vivian & Jimmy Migliore*

SUNDAY *October 7th The Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*
7:30AM *Stanley Grodan*
9:00AM *Esther Patricia Lane*
10:30AM *Agnes Ryan*
12NOON *All Parishioners*
5PM *Peggy Stenson*

MONDAY *October 8th Weekday*
9:00AM *Patricia Perry*

TUESDAY *October 9th Weekday*
7:30AM *Eileen Perrey*
12NOON *Adam Armetta*

WEDNESDAY *October 10th Weekday*
7:30 AM *Juanita Gusmanos*
12NOON *Sylvia Landes*

THURSDAY *October 11th Weekday*
7:30AM *Juanita Gusmanos*
12NOON *James Enaes*

FRIDAY *October 12th Weekday*
7:30AM *Christopher Wagner*
12NOON *Edward Moreno*

SATURDAY *October 13th Weekday*
12NOON *Rose & James Graham*

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday
Monday: Columbus Day;
Tuesday: St. Denis and Companions; St. John Leonardi
Thursday: St. John XXIII
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 continues. Please come by the Parish Center to register your child(ren) *as soon as possible*. Registration will close November 1st! You must re-register each year.

Upcoming dates:

First Religious Education Session – This Sunday!

October 7, 10:15-11:45am

Parent Meeting – during Religious Education on

October 14

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** (2nd grade or up) or **Confirmation** (8th grade or up).

Please register your children NOW in Religious Education!

Adult Faith Formation – open to all adults!

Sunday Morning **Scripture Discussions** resume on October 21, 10:15-11:45am

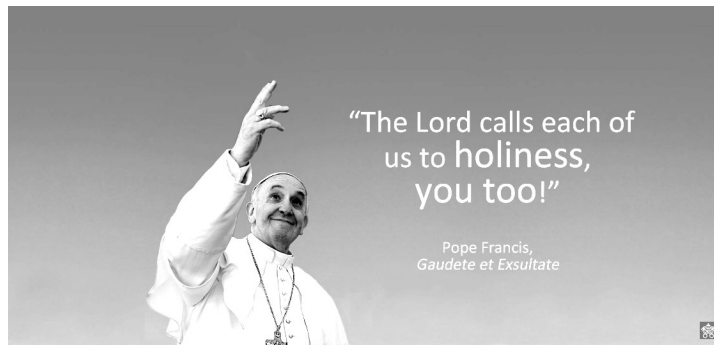
Friday **Evening Prayer** in the chapel begins on October 5 at 5:10pm

Adults who are thinking about becoming Catholic, or Catholic adults who are missing 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! 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

Beginning on Friday, October 5, we will have 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!



Coming in October and November – “Rejoice and Be Glad: The Call to Holiness”

- An Adult Faith Formation Mini-series led by our clergy and lay pastoral staff
- Thursday evenings: **October 4, 18, 25, and November 1 and 8** in the Angelo Room of the Parish Center (406 E. 80th 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 at 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.

Also coming up on Saturday, October 13, 9-3 in the Parish Center:

The Sounds of Silence – a quiet retreat facilitated by Msgr. Ivers, includes Mass, Adoration, Benediction, and time for silent prayer and reading. Please RSVP to the Parish Center so we can prepare enough food and supplies.

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

**Jackson Meyer, Aaron Burchette,
Anita Devaney, Richard Baldwin, Csiki Fudit &
David Jusius**

ALL VICTIMS OF MILITARY ACTIVITY

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Please pray for our deceased parishioners and family member

**Iris Horowitz, William McKinnon &
Gladys Marco**

Bread & Wine



This Week's Bread & Wine
In Memory of Arlene Hardy

Offered By Maria Litrenta

Sanctuary Lamp



This Weeks' Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of Arlene Hardy

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SENIOR MINISTRY NEWS

Dear Seniors,

Our first Senior Ministry Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, October 17th at noon.

Following Mass, we will have coffee, tea, and sweets in the Angelo Room at the Parish Center.

I will update you on some of our planned activities for the year.

On Friday, October 19th at 3 pm, we will show our first movie of the year. —

MOVIE TO BE DETERMINED.

POT LUCK DONATIONS ARE VERY WELCOME.

We can set up & enjoy the treats at 2:30 pm
I look forward to seeing everyone.

My very best regards to all,
Anne Sabatini, Chairperson

DAY OF SILENT PRAYER

There will be a Day of Silent Prayer on Saturday, October 13th, from 9:30 am - 3:00 pm in the Parish Center. Breakfast will be available beginning at 9:30 am and the day will start at 10:00 am. Please bring your own lunch; beverages will be available.

The day is meant to provide you with time for silent prayer, reflection, and an opportunity to do some spiritual reading.

There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in our parish chapel with time for personal adoration.

The day will conclude with Benediction. If you need some "alone time" with the Lord, this is a perfect opportunity.

The Parish of St. Monica, St. Elizabeth of Hungary,
St. Stephen of Hungary

Annual Christmas Bazaar



*St Monica Church Hall
413 East 79th Street*

**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 11th, 2018
9:00 AM—3:00 PM**

WANT TO HELP YOUR PARISH?

PRIZE RAFFLES

We're looking for donations of new merchandise/gift cards/
Electronics/ Dinners and services to raffle off.

FLEA MARKET

We need new or slightly used items for our Flea
Market.....artwork, jewelry, dinnerware, gift items.

FRESH BAKED GOODS

How about baking something special for our Bakery?

VOLUNTEERS

We're also looking for volunteers to help us the day of the event.

For all information , please e-mail christmas_bazaar@stmonicanyc.org or call the parish office at (212) 288-6250.

Just a word

From your Pastor October 7th, 2018

Feast Day

Every year at the end of September, we have a special celebration at the 12 Noon mass in honor of our three patrons – (actually, two should be called matrons: St. Monica, St. Stephen of Hungary and St. Elizabeth of Hungary. It is an opportunity for the parish to gather, celebrate our community, learn a little about the three saints whose names our parish bears, and of course to focus on the coming year. Thank you to everyone who made the celebration such a festive event!

It was also the first time to hear our growing choir in all its glory after the summer hiatus. Thanks to our Music Director, Mr. John Zupan and all the choir members for the gift of their music.

After mass, we had a reception in the rear of the church, with cookies, coffee and cake. Thanks to all those who donated baked goods, to our Sacristan, Michael Blecha, our Plant Manager Guillermo Vanegas, and our Pastoral Associate Maryann Tyrer and everyone who helped them for the work they did organizing the reception.

The Elizabeth of Hungary Chapel

Sunday was also the soft opening for our new parish center chapel. Thank you to the Head of School for St. Stephen of Hungary School, Ms. Kelly Burke, for her help as a guide to people who came over to see the chapel after mass.

You have been hearing about this chapel for months – especially how the various contractors delayed its completion for an absurd amount of time. Nevertheless, stage two of the renovation is complete. The doors are in, the new glass front is complete, and starting this past week the chapel is open for private prayer, Monday through Thursday, 8am through approximately 4pm. Fridays the chapel will be closed until 5pm when we will celebrate a quiet weekly service of Evening Prayer.

Evening Prayer 5:10pm on Fridays

Apropos Evening Prayer: what is it?

Jesus was Jewish. As a result, he had the custom of praying the psalms at various times of the day, just as Jewish people do to this day (Shacharit – Mincha – Ma'ariv, being their morning, afternoon and evening prayers. Walk by a synagogue and you will often see the times for these prayers listed).

Christians continued this custom. After the fall of the Roman Empire in Europe, the custom was largely abandoned, except in the monasteries where it was elaborated into a series of liturgies celebrated at different hours of the day (thus one of the names for this prayer is the **Liturgy of the Hours**). The image of monks or nuns standing in a chapel singing in Latin that we see in so many movies and TV shows is a depiction of that custom.

After the Second Vatican Council, the Church wanted laypeople to pray the **Liturgy of the Hours**. Simpler forms of the Liturgy of the hours were produced, and over the last 50 years lay people have begun to experience this form of prayer.

Members of our pastoral staff have from time to time expressed the interest of praying together some part of the Liturgy of the Hours. So, starting in October, **we will gather in the St. Elizabeth of Hungary Chapel in the parish center (406 East 80th St. – NOT St. Elizabeth of Hungary Church, which remains closed) at 5:10pm for Evening Prayer (also known as Vespers)**. It will be a quiet service, not lasting more than 20 minutes. Anyone who is able to come is welcome to attend, and to begin to learn this form of prayer.

Father Baker