

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

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The Ascension of the Lord– Sunday, May 13th, 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

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Deacon

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Parish Manager:

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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. Caroline Walker

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 -- Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).
Psalm -- God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).
Second Reading -- God seated Jesus at his right hand in the heavens (Ephesians 1:17-23) or Ephesians 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13].
Gospel -- The Lord Jesus was taken up into heaven. (Mark 16:15-20).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY *May 12th Vigil*
5:30PM *Mary DiGregorio*

SUNDAY *May 13th The Ascension of the Lord*
7:30AM *Phyllis Noonan*
9:00AM *Antonio Criscola*
10:30AM *Emily & Joseph Coleman*
12NOON *All Parishioners*
5PM *Vivian Migliore*

MONDAY *May 14th St. Matthias*
7:30AM *James Ward*
12NOON *Noraan Muldering*

TUESDAY *May 15th Easter Weekday*
7:30AM *Luke Brunelle, Sr.*
12NOON *Warner Hertzell*

WEDNESDAY *May 16th Easter Weekday*
7:30 AM *Jennie Rose Furnari*
12 NOON *James P. Power*

THURSDAY *May 17th Easter Weekday*
7:30AM *Helen D. Flack & Edward Prancikitas*
12 NOON *Thanksgiving to St. Agata*

FRIDAY *May 18th Easter Weekday*
7:30AM *Anna Gangenic*
12 NOON *James P. Power*

SATURDAY *May 19th Easter Weekday*
12NOON *Eileen Frazzetta (Living)*

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord;
Mother's Day;
World Communications Day

Monday: St. Matthias

Tuesday: St. Isidore the Farmer

Thursday: Julian Calendar Ascension

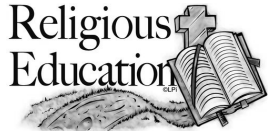
Friday: St. John I

Saturday: Armed Forces Day;
Vigil of Pentecost;



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

LIFELONG *Faith Formation*



K-8 Religious Education - May 13, and 20 at 10:15am.

Family Faith Formation – Saturday, June 2, 2-5pm, will include a Year-End Celebration!

SAVE THE DATE! Summer Bible Camp will be July 16-20, 2018, 8:30 to 11:30am! This event for rising 3rd through 6th graders will be co-sponsored by Religious Education and Music Ministry. This year's theme is **Table of Plenty: Singing Around the Table of the Lord**. Each day we will learn about a different meal that Jesus had with his friends, and each day will include prayer, story time, skits, crafts, a snack, and lots of music! Registration will open up in May, and will be limited to 20 children this year.



All adults are welcome in the Parish Center, **10:15 -11:45am** on Sunday mornings to discuss the Scriptures over a cup of coffee or tea, led by one of our clergy or our pastoral associate. This **Adult Faith Formation** program is open to any adults - drop in any Sunday (when Religious Education is in session) and check it out! (Only two more sessions this year!)

“Luther’s Four Solae” Series presented by Fr. Baker, continues on May 16 and 30, 6-8pm. Come and be a part of this discussion of Lutheran and Catholic theology and practice. No charge, but please contact the parish center to pre-register.

Icon Painting Workshop – Fr. Peter Pearson returns to our parish June 4-8, 6-9pm, in the parish center. \$250 fee covers all expense, material, and expert instruction. Contact the parish center to pre-register.

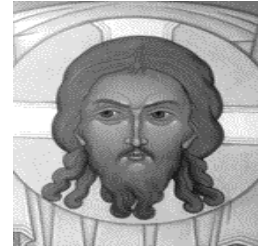
**Have you been thinking about becoming Catholic?
Are you Catholic, but need to be confirmed?**

Contact Maryann at mtyrer@stmonicanyc.org to begin the conversation.
You can join the process any time during the year.

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION “Keeping a Catholic Summer”

- **Saturday, June 2, 2-5pm**
- In the Parish Center
- Family Mass follows in the Church
- Final event of our 2017-2018 Religious Education year
- For all K-8 children and their family members – at least one parent needs to attend with the child.
- Learn about the practice of our faith
- Participate in fun activities
- Take home materials to continue practicing your faith at home
- No cost!
- Participation certificates will be given out for the year of religious education
- And you can register for summer and fall programs!

ICON PAINTING WORKSHOP



Fr. Peter Pearson returns to lead us in the painting of this icon. Space is limited, so sign up now

June 4-8, 2018, 6-9pm Parish Center

250 includes all materials and supplies for your icon, and expert instruction. No previous artistic experience necessary. You must pre-register at the Parish Center by May 23. Payment is due by June 4



Christ Alone, Grace Alone, Faith Alone, and Scripture Alone. What do these have to do with us, as Catholics?

Lutherans sum up their theological vision in these “Four Solae” – which both critique and affirm our Catholic theology and practice.

Join us in May for a discussion series led by our pastor, Fr. Donald Baker. Come to one or all weeks.

May 2, 9, 16, and 30, in the Parish Center

Light supper at 6pm

Discussion 6:30pm

Night Prayer 7:45pm

No cost, but please pre-register with the parish office so we have enough food and materials

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
Megan Driscoll, Elaine Snulling,
Sheila Farina, Mercedes Ferreiras &
Barbara Longa

ALL VICTIMS OF MILITARY ACTIVITY

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

**Msgr. Neil Graham, David Ortiz,
Anthony Dara, Kimberly Snarely &
Margaret Dorsey**

*Please pray for our deceased parishioners and
family members*

Sanctuary Lamp



This Week's Sanctuary Lamp
Intentions for
Sean & Endija O'Donoghue

Offered by Kitty O'Donoghue

Bread & Wine



This Week's Bread & Wine
In Memory of
Mrs. Albert Blain

Offered by Rita Bellevue

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In Ireland and the United Kingdom, Mother's Day is over. "Mothering Sunday" was on the Fourth Sunday of Lent. Long ago, people were freed from work to travel on this day to the parish where they were baptized, their "Mother Church." Often, people were reunited with their mothers on this day. Employers would release their workers and servants for this visit. The American celebration, while based on this custom, really has to do with an anti-war movement of mothers in Civil War times. They crusaded for better sanitary conditions for their sons. When President Wilson instituted the first Mother's Day in 1912, it was a day to fly the flag in honor of mothers whose children had died in battle. Knowing the tradition is a good balance to our celebration today. We can enfold in prayer the mothers who have suffered the loss of their children in war.

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

ST. MONICA'S ANNUAL BABY SHOWER



It's time for Saint Monica's annual May Baby Shower! Help support mother's and babies in need by donating NEW and unwrapped items such as clothing, diapers, baby food, and toys. Your donations can be placed in front of Saint Joseph's altar starting on May 2nd. These items will benefit the New York Common Pantry, the Pregnancy Help Center, and the Catholic Home Bureau

BANS OF MARRIAGE



I Sebastian Ruiz

&

Joanne Rispoli

II James Aaron Edward Knowles

&

Ingrid Renelle Maurice

Wednesday, May 16

Presentation by Father Baker

The Architecture of St. Monica's Church

**Talk begins at 10:00 am at the Parish Center
followed by the noon Mass**

Friday, May 18

**Movie: The Scarlet & the Black - a true story of
Msgr. O'Flaherty working in the Vatican during
the German occupation**

Potluck Snacks at 3pm; Movie at 3:30 pm

Thursday, May 24

All-day bus trip to the Museum of the Bible & the
Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

**Bus leaves from St. Monica's Church at 7:00 am and
returns home at approximately 9:00 pm. See flyer at
the back of the church for more details.**

To sign up - contact the Parish Center - 212-288-6250.
Cost is \$70.00 per person. Includes travel via bus and
entrance to attractions.

(Price may be reduced based on # of attendees.)

Just a word

From Your Pastor May 13th, 2018

Welcome Kelly Burke!

This past Wednesday we announced to the school community the hiring of Ms. Kelly Burke as the new Head of School of St. Stephen of Hungary. As many of you know, Ms. Burke's hiring was the culmination of a long process begun right after Christmas, when our current Head of School, Ms. Caroline Walker, decided this would be her last year at St. Stephen.

In her introductory letter to the school community she stated:

"I believe that parents are the primary educators of their children – a deeply held belief as both a teacher and as a parent of two sons – and I believe that Catholic schools exist to support parents in their role as the primary educators of their children. Catholic schools are a child's first experience of community, outside of the family unit, and as such, I strive to make it the best model of community possible for children."

Even as we say thank you to Ms. Walker for her years of service to St. Stephen, both as teacher and administrator, we are excited to welcome Ms. Burke. She will begin in her position on July 1st.

Welcome Bishop O'Hara

This Sunday at the 12 noon Mass we welcome Bishop John O'Hara, auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of New York. I got to know Bishop O'Hara when he was Father O'Hara and a part of the Making All Things New process. You might remember that Bishop O'Hara celebrated my installation, and was here last year for Confirmation. Today he comes in his capacity as Vicar. Welcome Bishop O'Hara!

A Complaint, a Suggestion and a Request

I don't hear it often here, but every so often, someone comes up and asks why our masses can't be shorter. They will tell me that when they were younger mass was over in 45 minutes, that they didn't sing so much and the homilies weren't so long. Why can't we do that?

I try to explain that masses here (with the exception of the 12 noon), are always less than an hour, that good music is integral to Roman Catholic liturgy, and that more important than asking whether a homily was too long is to ask whether it was good.

However I sometimes suggest that, in their critique of Mass length, they leave out the two longest parts of the mass: The Collection and Communion. And the length of these two parts is not determined by the priest, but by the number of ushers and Eucharistic ministers we have. More ushers would mean faster collections; more Eucharistic ministers would mean more communion stations and faster Communion distribution.

So I'd like to make a request: Consider becoming a part of one of these ministries. We are not going to recruit now, as summer is approaching and people will be away. But think about it. Pray about it. And this fall, when we are back from vacations, volunteer!

Father Baker