

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

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Fourth Sunday of Easter – May 12th, 2019

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

Vespers (evening pray) 5:10pm Fridays in Parish Center Chapel

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 word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region (Acts 13:14, 43-52).

Psalm -- We are his people, the sheep of his flock (Psalm 100).

Second Reading -- I had a vision of a great multitude (Revelation 7:9, 14b-17).

Gospel -- My sheep hear my voice; I know them and give them eternal life (John 10:27-30).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass (c) 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113: 1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Wednesday:	Acts 12:24 -- 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Jn 12:44-50
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14
Sunday:	Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-3

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY 5:30PM	May 11th Vigil <i>Deceased Members of The Foley Family</i>
SUNDAY	May 12th Fourth Sunday of Easter
7:30AM	<i>Mary Mitchell</i>
9:00AM	<i>Marie Epstein</i>
10:30AM	<i>Matthew Anderson</i>
12NOON	<i>All Parishioners</i>
5PM	<i>Margaret DiCarlo</i>
MONDAY	May 13th Easter Weekday
7:30AM	<i>Victor Vensas</i>
12NOON	<i>Brian Thompson</i>
TUESDAY	May 14th Easter Weekday
7:30AM	<i>Werner Hetzer</i>
12NOON	<i>John & Katherine Swanchak</i>
WEDNESDAY	May 15th Easter Weekday
7:30 AM	<i>Thanksgiving</i>
12NOON	<i>For the Priest of St. Monica's</i>
THURSDAY	May 16th Easter Weekday
7:30AM	<i>Souls in Purgatory</i>
12NOON	<i>Marvin Valentin</i>
FRIDAY	May 17th Easter Weekday
7:30AM	<i>Michael Cachioli</i>
12NOON	<i>Helen D. Flack & Edward Pranckitas</i>
SATURDAY	May 18th Easter Weekday
12NOON	<i>Peter Moraites</i>

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Fourth Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day; World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Monday:	Our Lady of Fatima
Tuesday:	St. Matthias
Wednesday:	St. Isidore the Farmer
Saturday:	St. John I; Armed Forces Day

*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

- **K-8 Religious Education** - Sundays, 10:15-11:45am in the Parish Center. Sessions meet on May 12, and 19, and June 2.
- **Save the date:** Family Faith Formation 9-11:45am on Sunday, June 9. This is the final event for the year!
- **Registration** for next year will open up later in May!

Adult Faith Formation – open to all adults!

Sunday Morning **Scripture Discussions**, 10:15-11:45am in the Parish Center – join us for coffee and conversation every Sunday that Religious Education is in session! No charge, no registration needed.

Adults who are thinking about becoming Catholic, or

- **Catholic adults who have missed First Communion and/or Confirmation – It’s never too late!** 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 on Sunday mornings, please!

Many different opportunities are available, with various time commitments – Contact Maryann to discuss how your gifts might meet our needs.

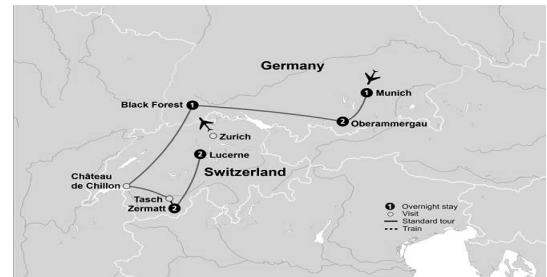
LAST CHANCE!

OUR NEXT PARISH TOUR WILL BE.....

Switzerland and Germany with the Oberammergau Passion Play!

Details at:

<https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/938182#>



July 7-15, 2020

Experience the epic Oberammergau Passion Play, performed every ten years since 1634 by the residents of Oberammergau - a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity! Tour the Black Forest region of Germany, see the castles of Neuschwanstein and Chateau de Chillon on Lake Geneva. Ride through the Swiss Alps to the Matterhorn. Tour Zermatt and Lucerne. Escape the heat of NYC in July with this exciting tour!

Our parish has 25 spots guaranteed until May 15, 2019. After that, they are opened up to the general public. **The Passion Play sells out a year in advance, so you MUST book early!** Contact Maryann at 212-288-6250, or mtyrer@stmonicanyc.org, or stop by the parish center to get a brochure. \$750 deposit holds your spot!

Quiet Day of Reflection, led by Msgr. Ivers, on May 18 in the Parish Center, 10am to 3pm. Please RSVP to the parish office. No cost, but please bring a bag lunch.

The Concert Series at St. Monica presents **A Broadway Review**, Sunday, May 19, 2:30pm in the Church. Admission is free!

Our next Family Mass is at 5:30pm on June 1st. Please join us!

Please keep our 58 **First Communion** candidates in prayer (from St. Stephen of Hungary School, The Caedmon School, and our Parish Religious Education Program) as they prepare to come to the Eucharistic Table for the first time on May 18.



Please keep our 24 Teen **Confirmation** candidates in prayer (from St. Stephen of Hungary School and our Parish Religious Education Program) as they prepare to receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on June 2. Please also remember in your prayers our two Adult Confirmation candidates, who will celebrate the sacrament on June 9.

Family Faith Formation – let's close out our year of Religious Education with a fun-filled morning of family activities!

- Sunday, June 9
- **9am** to 11:45am
- Parish Center
- K-8 children with at least one parent (but the whole family is invited!)

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

*KATHRYN FOLEY, ALBERT WALSH,
PAULINE TIAMBO, DR. PAUL OCTAVIONO
& BETH SOUCY*

ALL VICTIMS OF MILITARY ACTIVITY

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

*Please pray for our deceased parishioners
and family members*

*Geraldine Corvo, Joan Dwyer,
Aidan Parigen, Hedwiga Jankowski,
Jean Hatch & Aristide Tiambo*

Bread & Wine



This Week's Bread & Wine

In Memory of
Albert Blain

Offered by Rita Bellevue

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The reception of Holy Communion at Sunday Mass is such an expected feature of the Mass these days that it is surprising to realize that for many centuries, receiving Communion was a relatively rare event in the life of a faithful Christian. Easter duty means that Catholics must celebrate reconciliation if aware of serious sin, and receive Holy Communion during the Easter season. For a while, this was a requirement of Easter week, and later extended to the whole season of fifty days, and even beyond that by a few weeks. For the majority of people long ago, this meant Communion was a once-a-year moment. A rather complex bureaucracy grew up around this rule in the Middle Ages. Amazingly, people received a kind of token at confession admitting them to Communion in their home parish, which then kept careful records and reported them to the bishop. Surviving records can tell us a great deal about our ancestors. In fact, people were encouraged to journey to the church of their baptism in order to fulfill their duty, and therefore the Easter duty includes in its origins a grateful pilgrimage to the font in which you were first embraced by Christ. If your Holy Mother Church is within a drive, why not make a pilgrimage to that font a feature of your Easter celebration of these fifty days? --James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.



Baptism Announcements

Next Saturday, *May 18th*, there will be a baptism service at *1:00pm* in the church.

At that service we will be baptizing:
Shea Patricia McEvoy
Annabelle Grace Treem
Thomas & Sylvia O'Malley

Please join us in congratulating
Michael McEvoy & Erin Hayes
Matthew Treem & Sara Mohebbi
Thomas O'Malley & Jennifer Case
on their children's new life in Christ.

Baptism Services are open for members of the parish to join in the welcoming of our newest members.



BANS OF MARRIAGE



I Scott Anthony Maul
&
Jessica Ida Galba

SENIOR MINISTRY COMING ATTRACTIONS

All activities are open to parishioners

WED.MAY 15TH
NOON MASS & SOCIAL:
ANGELO ROOM

FRI. MAY 17 MOVIE 1-3:30PM:
ANGELO ROOM

WED. JUNE 19
MASS & SENIOR LUNCHEON:
ANGELO ROOM

The movie on May 17 will be
"Sister Act" a light & funny finale to
the movie season

The luncheon on June 19th will be
hosted by the Senior Committee

Please call Gladys if you plan to
attend the events 212-288-6250

Thank you

Anne Sabatini & the Senior Committee



Just a word

From your Pastor May 12th, 2019

Sacramental Season

It seems like Easter is barely over this year and all the celebrations of the spring are upon us. First Communions, Confirmations, weddings ordinations and baptisms. For clergy, spring is “sacramental season”, and this year it is upon us in full.

A reminder that May 18 there will be two first communions: St. Stephen of Hungary School’s first communion mass will take place at 10am in the church. Then after the 12pm daily mass The parish religious education program, along with the children from the Caedmon school, will celebrate first communion at 2pm. This year we will have almost 60 kids receiving holy communion for the first time.

On May 25th a newly ordained priest of the Archdiocese of New York, Father Roger Kwan, will celebrate his first mass here at St. Monica’s Church at 3pm. He extends an invitation to everyone in the parish to come and celebrate with him. As I mentioned last week, I have known Roger since he first started seminary. I am so happy that he will be ordained.

On Sunday June 2, at 2pm we will celebrate Confirmation with Bishop John O’Hara. Mark your calendar for that date should you wish to attend.

Air Conditioning

There will be more information on this soon, but even though it seems like work has stalled on this important project, we are told that the work is on track for completion by the start of summer. A major milestone was reached Friday with the delivery of the condensers. They are now set in their places and the workers can begin to connect them to the system. The covers for the ductwork are being fabricated off-site and will soon be delivered. It doesn’t exactly look pretty right now, but it will, one day; even better it will *feel* pretty.

The Lights

. . It all started from my desire to save money. I asked to have the old incandescent bulbs switched to LEDs, thus saving energy and money. The lighting people came and replaced all the lights with LEDs – but never told us that the brightest LEDs they could install in the current fixtures were considerably dimmer than the old inefficient incandescent lights. After weeks of back and forth they finally admitted that. So right now, we are weighing options. Should we pay to change the fixtures? Should we just go back to the old incandescent bulbs? We are waiting on a quote from the electricians on changing the fixtures. After that happens, we can take the next steps to repair this situation.

I know. Many of you have told me how dim the church is, and how difficult it is to read, to follow the music, to see. When the sun shines it is o.k. but evenings and cloudy days are pretty difficult. All I can say at this point is that we are working with the contractor to figure out a solution to this problem.

Alex Crow

This summer we will be welcoming Alex, a seminarian for the diocese of Mobile, Alabama. He arrives on May 27th and will be doing a summer of chaplaincy work at Bellevue Hospital in preparation for priestly ordination. Many of you will remember Patrick Gilbreath and Luke Hassler, seminarians who lived with us two summers ago. They attended the same program Alex will be attending. I am sure Alex will be around on Sundays, and I hope you will welcome him.

And pray for Luke and Patrick! In this “sacramental season”, they will be ordained priests for the dioceses of Evansville, Indiana and Mobile, Alabama in just a few weeks.

Father Baker