

JULY 7, 2024



St. Monica CHURCH

WELCOME

Masses

Saturday | 4:00pm

Sunday | 9:00 and 10:45am

Mon - Fri | 8:00am

No Mass on Thursday

Confession

Saturday | 3:15pm

Parish Office Hours

Mon - Thurs | 8:00am - 5:00pm

Friday | 8:00am - Noon

Saturday & Sunday | Closed

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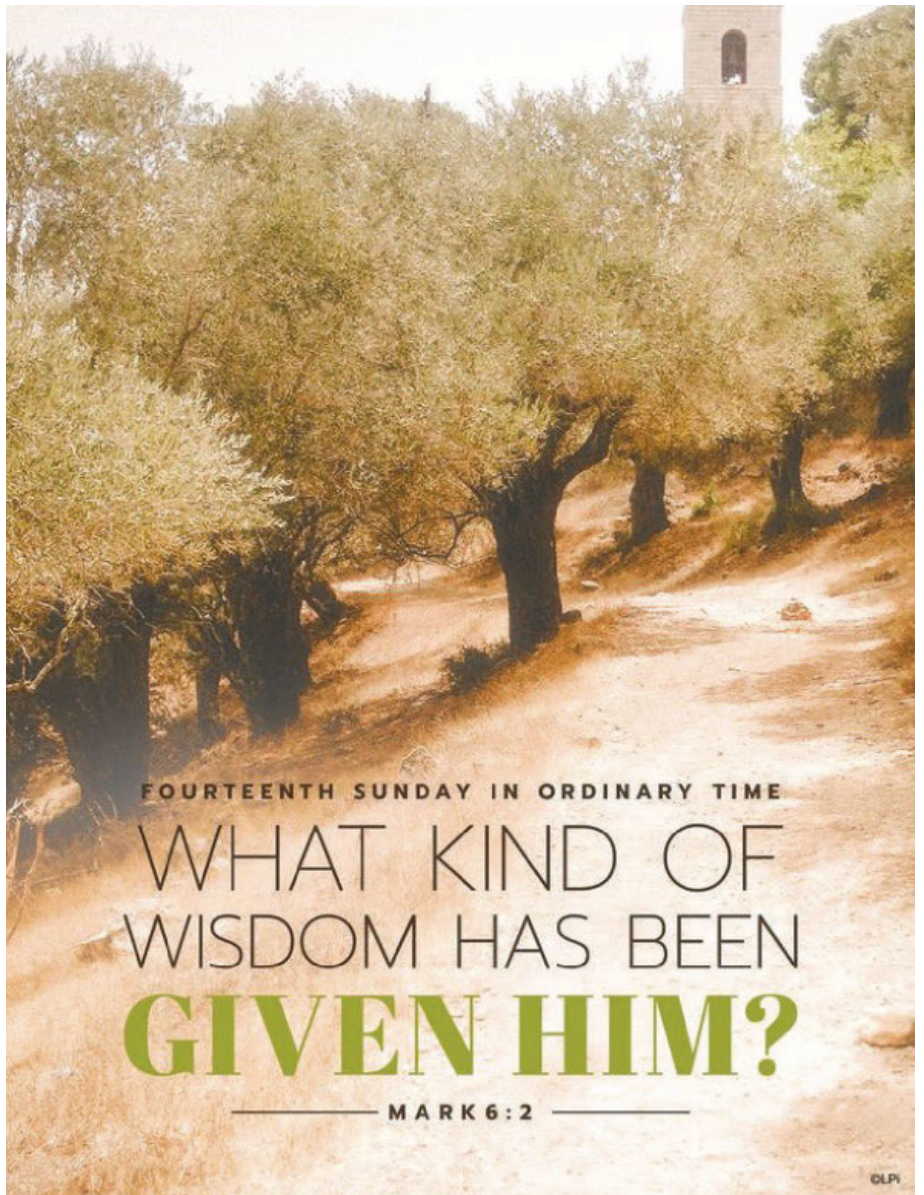
Email: srjoyce@saintmonicachurch.net
by NOON on Friday the week before.

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OUR MISSION

We, the parish of St. Monica, work to create a Christlike family, welcoming all people where one encounters a loving God, by serving the spiritual, educational and social needs of the community.

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Pastoral Scene

The Land of the Free Because of the Brave

As a New Englander, and a woman who has participated yearly in the reenactment of Paul Revere's Ride, and the daughter of a Father who fought in the Battle of Iwo Jima, I have a great love for this "land of the free" that has endured from the time I was five-years old. If I learned anything from my dad and his soldier compatriots, it was that, in the

words of Elmer Davis, "This nation will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave."

The freedom that we celebrate today and every day, remind me that the very core of liberty in our country has been preserved because there were individuals willing to bravely defend it. You see, the essence of the liberty we celebrate today, is the hands of those who possessed and continue to possess the bravery to protect it.

Bravery, in its truest sense, is not the absence of fear, but one's ability to triumph over it. Bravery is not only seen in acts of heroism on the battlefield. We see it in those individuals who have the courage to challenge injustice, who protect others as firefighters who rush into burning buildings, who serve as police men and women who put their lives on the line each day, and those unnamed heroes and she-roes who stand up in countless other situations to maintain a free and just society.

Bravery takes many forms because it can be defined as "the triumph over fear" and not as "the absence of fear". Bravery is also intellectual, moral, emotional, and the ability to challenge situations of injustice, including the courage to defend our religious freedom.

As one who has lived for a long time, I have learned that bravery and freedom comprise two sides of the same coin, because the relationship between bravery and freedom depends upon people—especially those who possess the courage to defend it!

During this celebration and throughout every day of our lives, may we never forget this connection between bravery and liberty. May we always cherish the truth that the Brave have provided the foundation upon the land where the Free stand strong.

Wishing you the very best holiday!!
Sister Helene

This Week's Highlight



Party at the Pavilion



Second Party is this
Thursday, July 11th
5:00pm to 8:00pm

Joey Tomsick Orchestra will be entertaining us
From 5:30pm to 7:30pm

Come Join the

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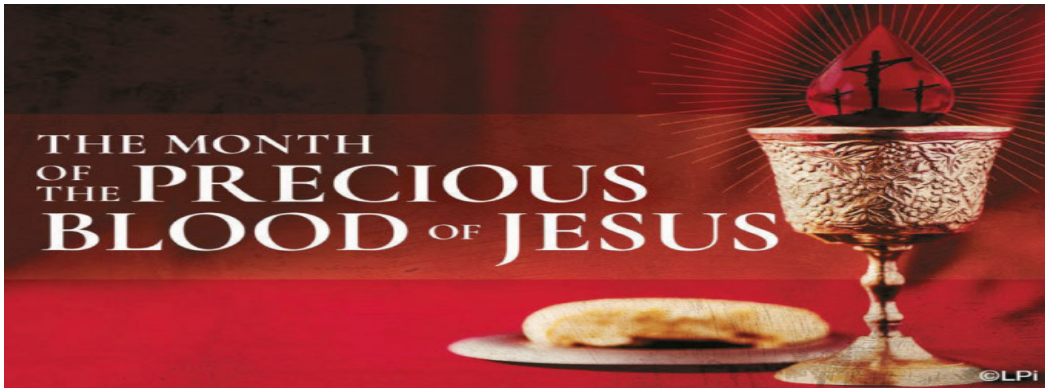
STEWARDSHIP FOR JULY 30, 2024

Due to an early bulletin deadline
July 30th donations will be
in next week's bulletin

Please continue to mail in your donations, donate online or drop off at the office. You can also drop your donation in the baskets in church.

Thank you for your continued support

Please note our average weekly expenses are \$13,546.00



Our sincere sympathy and prayers are extended to the families and friends of all who have recently died. May they and all of the dearly departed, rest in peace.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, July 7

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Fred & Dorothy Shisila

10:45am Marge Netzband

Monday, July 8

Weekday

8:00am Sisters of St Joseph—TOSF

8:30am Exposition following mass

Tuesday, July 9

Weekday

8:00am Ignatius Wiktorja

Wednesday, July 10

Weekday

8:00am Helen Bykiewicz

Thursday, July 11

St Benedict, Abbot

No Morning Mass

Friday, July 12

Weekday

8:00am Living & deceased Chris &

Pat Elliott & Family

Saturday, July 13

Weekday

4:00pm Florence Eppel

Sunday, July 14

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am People of the Parish

10:45am Joseph Dubas

SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS

Please pray for the Seminarians of the Cleveland Diocese

Please join us in praying for the following seminarians this week:

Monday: Jeremy Shafer

Tuesday: Sean Homcy

Wed: Alexander

Krukemeyer

Thurs: Sean Neville

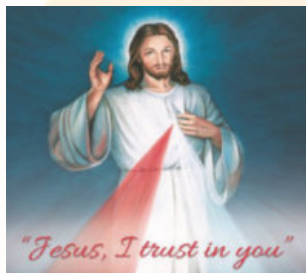
Friday: Daniel LaPolla

Sat: Billy Reed

Sunday: *Pray for the*

Vocation Director,

Fr. Garris



There will be a Divine Mercy Holy Hour

This Sunday at 2:30PM

in Church with

Eucharistic Adoration, the Chaplet of

Divine Mercy, and Benediction.

All are welcome!

Please Pray For the Parishioners Listed Below

Toni Oden, Agnes Ungarsky, John Virzi, Jeff Virzi,

Lisa Bielawski, Gaylene Bielewski,

Joan Chamberlin, Sheldon Stein,

Dorothy Hanzlick, Joanne Reddinger

Marianne Toma

Please call the parish office if you

would like to add a

name to the prayer list.

216-662-8685

THIS WEEK

Activities CALENDAR

Monday, July 8

4:15pm Walking Class (J)

Tuesday, July 9

2:00pm Senior Meeting (J)

Wednesday, July 10

6:30pm G.A. Meeting (p)

Thursday, July 11

5:00pm Party at the Pavilion (p)

Sunday, July 14

7:30pm A.A. Meeting (c)

Senior Meeting

The July Senior meeting is this Tuesday, July 9th in the St. Joseph Room. Come enjoy bingo, and friendship.



Parish Homecoming Picnic August 25, 2024



Outdoor Mass at 12:30 p.m.
At the Parish pavilion and tent.

Hot Dogs , Hamburgers, Italian Sausage
Pop, Water, Beer, Ice Cream

Entertainment Provided By the Brian Papesh Band

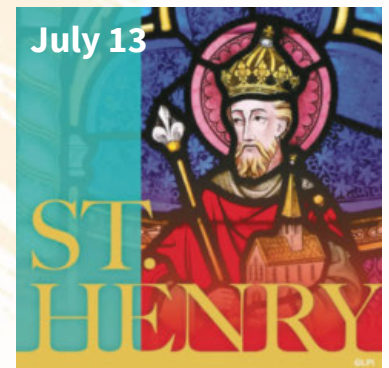
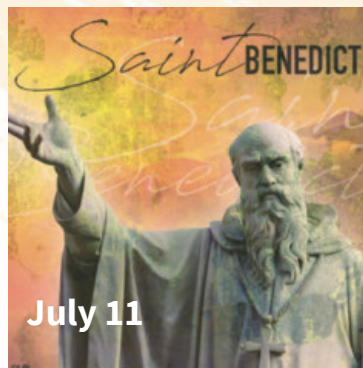
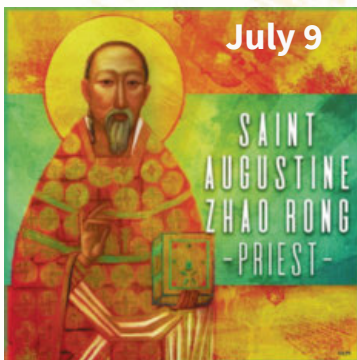
Chinese Raffle Baskets + "Spirit" Raffle + Guessing Game + 50/50 Raffles
All Day Long



Drawing for the winners of the Parish Raffle at 5 p.m.



If you have not received your raffle tickets through the mail please call the parish office.



OTHER INFORMATION

Peter's Pence Collection

Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection. Your contributions will join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help Pope Francis in his ministry to the Universal Church, including relief to people in need and support for the Holy See. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give. Visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence



Thank You

Thank you to American Legion Post 309 of Maple Heights and the Stoltz Family for retiring the old and worn American flags in a dignified manner. Thank you for the Patriotic Ceremony.

Memorial Bricks

The Holy Name Society will be placing a memorial brick order in the Fall.

Bricks are available for \$50.00.

If you are interested in buying a brick, please fill out the order form and return it to the parish office or drop it in the Sunday collection basket.

Order forms are available in the parish office, and in future bulletins.



Parish Council Recorder



Saint Monica's Parish Council is in need of a parishioner who is willing to take notes during our parish council meetings.

Parish Council meets the first Tuesday of every month (September - June) from 6:30p.m. - 7:30p.m.



The task of a recorder is to take notes during our meetings which accurately reflects the conversations and discussion of the meeting.

This allows the meeting chairman to concentrate on leading the discussion without having to write down what is taking place at the same time. It is the recorder's role then to type up the minutes and have them completed by the next parish council meeting in order for approval. We would greatly appreciate your consideration be given to this most important parish ministry.

Should you have any questions please contact

Father John at frmullee@saintmonicachurch.net at 216-662-8685

or myself Joseph Ungarsky at jungarsky@stbenedictohio.com or 216-663-5252

Thank you and God Bless

OTHER INFORMATION

CAN YOU PLEASE HELP US HELP THOSE IN NEED?

WHO WE ARE

- I'm In Ministry! is a 501C3 non-profit organization
- Your generous donations help support the homeless, displaced families, the elderly, and children in our community in need to make a place to call home
- All items are passed on **free** of charge

WHAT WE NEED

WE ACCEPT NEW & GENTLY USED

- Kitchen items: dishes / pots & pans / utensils
- Silverware, glassware, kitchen towels
- Sheets, blankets, bedspreads, comforters
- Bath towels, washcloths, hand towels

PERSONAL CARE / HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

- Paper towels, toilet paper, tissues, cleaning items
- Mouthwash, toothpaste, toothbrushes
- Shampoo, bath soap, deodorant

**PLEASE bring your donations to our truck
at the "Party in the Pavilion" on July 11**



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Christ our Light!

Easter boldly proclaims that Christ is the Light stronger than all the darkness. He is our way, our truth and our life. He is the path of peace.

Come on Sunday, August 4 as we gather in the light of summer to rejoice in the Eternal Light of Christ at The FEST. Our 23rd Annual Catholic Family FESTival takes place at the Center for Pastoral Leadership in Wickliffe.

Come and enjoy the best national Christian artists: **Casting Crowns, We the Kingdom, Cochren & Co., Caleb & John.** There are inspiring and fun activities for the kids and grandkids. There are meaningful displays, family friendly food, opportunities for prayer and reflection. There's something for everyone at The FEST. The day will conclude with an inspiring outdoor Mass with Bishop Malesic and Bishop Woost.

Invite your family and friends to join you for this amazing day of faith, family and fun – all for FREE – thanks to our friends at: **Marc's, First Day School Supplies, and Baron's Bus.** This summer bask in the joy and Light of Christ at The FEST.



THEFEST

Visit the TheFEST.us

We Need Your Help!

As we are preparing for our **Annual Homecoming Picnic and Raffle** on August 25th, we are looking for help from people who would be willing to sponsor one of the baskets for our **Chinese Raffle Baskets**. All you need to do is purchase items of a certain theme, gift cards or even provide a total basket of goods. Maybe ask a friend to help sponsor a basket. We are trying to make each basket worth between \$75.00 - \$100.00 each. We would like to have at least 20 - 25 baskets for this raffle so as many people can win one of these great prizes.

Suggested themes for these baskets are:

*Rainy Day Games • Gardening • Great Outdoors • Pets • Christmas • Baking
Road Trip • Car Care • Beauty / Spa • Back to School • Or Something **YOU** Like*



If You would like to participate, please contact the parish office.

Homecoming Picnic and Raffle Tickets

Don't forget about returning your tickets for our **Special Raffle** baskets. You should have received these in the mail in early June. If you did not receive these, or need more, please contact the parish office. Each of these baskets contains \$250.00 in cash, a bottle of wine, Malley's Chocolate and a few other goodies all would enjoy! Our goal this year is \$20,000.00 in ticket sales.

ALL monies raised from this raffle help support our Parish

** Please note that due to a unexplained reason from the mailing house, some of our parishioners received 2 envelopes with the letter and tickets in them. We apologize for the inconvenience and will work to make sure it does not happen again.*

Homecoming Picnic and Raffle Sponsorships

If you have a business, or know of someone that does, there is still time to become a sponsor for this picnic. Sponsorship opportunities begin at \$100.00.

If interested please contact Jim Joyce at 216 548 9510



A PILGRIMAGE



To Mark This Year of Going Out on Mission
During the National Eucharistic Revival

The Catholic Bishops of Ohio Invite all the Faithful to Join them in a Pilgrimage to the Basilica & National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey

Join the bishops, priests, deacons, consecrated religious
and lay faithful from across the state to celebrate the
Vigil of the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

- Wednesday, Aug. 14, 2024, 9 p.m.
- Candlelight procession with the Miraculous Statue of Our Lady of Consolation from Basilica Shrine to Shrine Park
- Holy Mass follows at the outdoor Altar in Shrine Park



Cleveland Bishop
Edward C. Malesic, JCL



Columbus Bishop
Earl K. Fernandes, Homilist



Toledo Bishop
Daniel E. Thomas, Celebrant

For more information, www.ohiocathconf.org

Entrance Chant 685 Seek Ye First

First Reading Ezekiel 2:2-5

As the LORD spoke to me, the spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard the one who was speaking say to me: Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have revolted against me to this very day. Hard of face and obstinate of heart are they to whom I am sending you. But you shall say to them: Thus says the LORD GOD! And whether they heed or resist—for they are a rebellious house—they shall know that a prophet has been among them.

The Responsorial Psalm Psalm 123:1-4

R. Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

To you I lift up my eyes
who are enthroned in heaven —
As the eyes of servants
are on the hands of their masters.

R. Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

As the eyes of a maid
are on the hands of her mistress,
So are our eyes on the LORD, our God,
till he have pity on us.

R. Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

Have pity on us, O LORD, have pity on us,
for we are more than sated with contempt;
our souls are more than sated
with the mockery of the arrogant,
with the contempt of the proud.

R. Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Brothers and sisters: That I, Paul, might not become too elated, because of the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, an angel of Satan, to beat me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I begged the Lord about this, that it might leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses, in order that the power of Christ may dwell with me. Therefore, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and constraints, for the sake of Christ; for when I am weak, then I am strong.

READINGS & SONGS

Gospel Mark 6:1-6a

Jesus departed from there and came to his native place, accompanied by his disciples. When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands! Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary, and the brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house." So he was not able to perform any mighty deed there, apart from curing a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

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Offertory Chant 664 Dwelling Place

Communion Chant 836 Panis Angelicus

The Concluding Rites 614 How Great Thou Art



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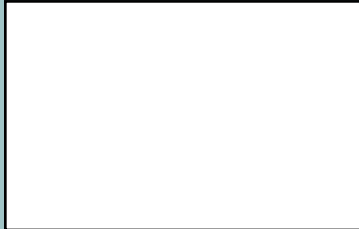
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