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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
September 1, 2019

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 1
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:00 People of the Parish
10:45 Hank Brown

Monday, September 2
Weekday
8:00 Elsie Shipta

Tuesday, September 3
Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
8:00 David Nowicki & Ryan Matchison

Wednesday, September 4
Weekday
8:00 Richard Lenczewski

Thursday, September 5
Weekday
8:00 Harry J. Rimmel Jr.

Friday, September 6
Weekday
8:00 Living & Deceased of Nancy Potter Family

Saturday, September 7
Weekday
3:15 Confessions
4:00 Lawrence Eppele

Sunday, September 8
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:00 People of the Parish
10:45 Caterina Restifo
2:30 Divine Mercy Holy Hour of Adoration

Religion Question of the Week
Who are the Four Evangelists in the New Testament?

Did You Know?
Did you know that there are only two Priests in the Diocese of Cleveland with the title of “Msgr” (Msgr. Robert Wolff and Msgr. Richard Antall)?

One Liner
“Some people handle the truth carelessly; some people never handle it at all”.

Answer to the Religion Question of the Week located on page 5 of this bulletin

The following members of our Parish Community:
If you have a special intention you would like remembered in prayer, please call Lillian Neptune (216) 662-5464

To help build an endowment fund, please consider St. Monica Church in your will.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE
October/November/December special request schedule needs to be turned in to the Parish Office no later than Monday, September 9th. Please note that this schedule will include the Christmas holiday, so please include your Mass preference on Christmas Eve / Christmas Day (4:00pm-6:00pm-Midnight-9:00am-10:45am)

ST. MONICA HOLY NAME SOCIETY Meeting and Installation Dinner on Tuesday, September 3rd, will take place at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 10806 Granger Road. Doors will open at 6:00pm and dinner will be served at 6:30pm. There will be a $5.00 charge for the dinner.

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 2nd for the Labor Day Holiday. The office will reopen on Tuesday, September 3rd at 8:00 am.

STewardship Offertory Collections

For: August 25, 2019

Regular Offertory………………………….$ 5,520.00
St. Monica Fund…………………………….$ 450.00
Childrens Envelopes……………………….$ 4.00

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MONTHLY RAFFLE WINNERS

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COMING THIS WEEK!
Join us as we welcome Mary Stenger from the American Liver Foundation.
Thursday, September 5th at 6:30 pm in the Augustine Room in the Lower level of the school building. (See pg 5 for more details)
Maybe you helped in some way . . . . . .

By SELLING tickets on the front lawn, By PURCHASING your share of raffle
tickets, By VOLUNTEERING to work that day, By HELPING SET UP on
Saturday. By ATTENDING and ENJOYING the Festival, By WINNING some
of the wonderful prizes, By HELPING CLEAN UP after the Festival, By Being
a member of THE COMMITTEE of the Festival

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Nights of Columbus Council 5106 · St. John Funeral Home · Turfscapes

A great BIG THUMBS UP for all the folks who spent time on the
front lawn for 5 weeks selling raffle tickets. $3500.00 worth of tickets
were sold during this time helping the raffle to once again be succesful.
Special thanks to Bill Skladaney who co-ordinated this effort!

A hearty SLAP ON THE BACK to all the parishioners and area
businesses who donated baskets, items or cash to help make the Chinese
Raffle a success. A special thank you to Mary Ann Wieliczko who did
such a great job of contacting different businesses and entertainment
venues for donations. Thanks to Barb Vaughn for assembling and co-
ordinating the Chinese Raffle!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU for all the entrants who baked some very
fine bakery for the Baking Contest. Everybody enjoyed the the bakery
for dessert. Thank You to Sue Shepka for taking charge of the most
delicious part of the Festival!

Fr. Thomas Haren
Pastoral Scene

Tuesday September 3, 2019

Feast of Gregory the Great (540-604)
Pope and Doctor

Coming events cast their shadows before: Gregory was the prefect of Rome before he was thirty. After five years in office, he resigned, founded six monasteries on his Sicilian estate, and became a Benedictine monk in his own home at Rome.

Ordained a priest, he became one of the pope’s seven deacons and also served six years in the East as papal representative in Constantinople. He was recalled to become abbot and at the age of fifty was elected pope by the clergy and people of Rome.

He was direct and firm. He removed unworthy priests from office, forbade taking money for many services, emptied the papal treasury to ransom prisoners of the Lombards in northern Italy and to care for persecuted Jews, as well as victims of plague and famine. He was very concerned about the conversion of England, sending forty monks from his own monastery. He is known for his reform of the liturgy, for strengthening respect for doctrine. Whether he was largely responsible for the revision of “Gregorian” chant is disputed.

Gregory lived in a time of perpetual strife with invading Lombards and difficult relations with the East. When Rome itself was under attack, he interviewed the Lombard king.

An Anglican historian has written: “It is impossible to conceive what would have been the confusion, the lawlessness, the chaotic state of the Middle Ages without the medieval papacy; and of the medieval papacy, the real father is Gregory the Great.”

His book, Pastoral Care, on the duties and qualities of a bishop, was read for centuries after his death. He described bishops as physicians whose duties were preaching and the enforcement of discipline. In his own preaching, Gregory was skilled at applying the daily gospel reading to the needs of his listeners.

Called “the Great,” Gregory has been given a place with Augustine, Ambrose and Jerome as one of the four key doctors of the Western church.

Fr. Ted Marszal

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NEXT BAPTISM CLASS
Sept 10, 2019 at 6:30pm.
If you would like to have your child baptized, please call the parish office (216-662-8685) to register.

Divine Mercy Holy Hour

Join us for a special hour of adoration and thanksgiving to the Divine Mercy of Jesus, Sunday, September 8th at 2:30 p.m. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and prayers for our families, our Church, and our country. All are welcome.

Growing Our Faith (GOF)
Session 1: September 4, 2019
Saint Augustine—The Teacher

Perhaps the premier example of how faith in Christ can change a person is St. Augustine’s story of personal transformation which provides a template for life in Christ that still captivates us today. Travel to Rome, Milan, and all of the locations that played a significant role in the formation. Begins at 6:30 p.m. with a light meal in the Cafeteria

Please register using one of the following options:
Parish Website: http://saintmonicachurch.net
   Click on ‘Growing our Faith’
   OR
   Email: bsoeder@saintmonicachurch.net
Complete form and return to Parish Office or place it in the Collection Basket at Mass:
Name:

Phone Number:

Number of Adults:

Number of Children:
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Parish Activities

MONDAY, September 2—HAPPY LABOR DAY
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY, September 3
2:00 p.m. Senior Board Mtg (F)
4:00 p.m. Athletic Practice (g)
6:00 p.m. MH K of C (AR)
6:30 p.m. Guild Board Mtg (F)

WEDNESDAY, September 4
4:00 p.m. Athletic Practice (g)
6:30 p.m. Growing Our Faith (GOF) (c)
7:00 p.m. G.A. (AR)

THURSDAY, September 5
4:00 p.m. Athletic Practice (g)
6:30 p.m. HEALTH AWARENESS SPEAKER (AR)
Mary Stenger—American Liver Foundation

FRIDAY, September 6
4:00 p.m. Athletic Practice (g)

SATURDAY, September 7
9:00 a.m. Sandwich Saturday (J)
2:00 p.m. Private Party (p)
2:00 p.m. Baptist Bible Study (F)

SUNDAY, September 8
2:30 p.m. Divine Mercy Holy Hour of Adoration (+)
8:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting (AR)

COFFEE & DONUTS
Please join us after the 9 am Mass only on Sunday, Sept 8th for Coffee—Donuts—Fellowship.
Hosting will be the Parish Office.

American Liver Foundation

Heartland Division

Thursday, September 5th—6:30 pm
Augustine Room - St. Benedict School
(lower level)

Did you know….Tens of thousands of people in the United States are living with liver disease and don’t even know it!

Join us when Mary Stenger from the American Liver Foundation will be here to help us learn and increase our awareness of liver health and wellness in order to prevent the rise of liver disease, such as Viral Hepatitis and Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease (NAFLD).

There will be a drawing for a $75.00 Giant Eagle Gift Card at our last event in November.

Attendees will receive one (1) ticket for each event. Attend all events and receive ten (10) additional tickets!

This is the first event in our Health and Wellness Ministry Fall Lineup of many different health topics being presented in September, October, and November!

Sandwich Saturday
Returns Saturday,
September 7th
9:00 AM Parish Office

School is back in session and days are getting shorter. It’s time to resume our sandwich making duties! All are invited to join us as we prepare peanut butter & jelly sandwiches.

Saint Monica Ladies Guild

We’re planning two exciting events for the month of September!

Gather together and celebrate your 45th Anniversary Mass scheduled at Saint Monica Church, Saturday, September 14th, at the 4:00 p.m. Mass.
Then, let’s get together for a fun barbecue/bonfire scheduled for Saturday, September 28th!
Anyone interested in attending these events, please contact Joe Ungarsky at (216)663-5252 or email me at josephungarsky@yahoo.com

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Answer to This Week’s Question
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Journeying Into Adult Faith

Have you been coming to Mass at Saint Monica Church and thought about any of the following scenarios?

_I have been attending Mass but have never been baptized—_  

_I have children in a Catholic school program or PSR and believe it is important for them to receive the sacraments. I am baptized Catholic, but never celebrated my First Communion or Confirmation. Can I still do that?_  

_I was baptized in another Christian faith, but would like to become Catholic. What can I do?_  

_I am not sure if I want to become Catholic, but I would like to learn more about the faith._  

If any of the above fit your situation, perhaps the Lord is inviting you to become Catholic through the RCIA journey. To learn more about the process, please contact Sister Helene at the Parish Office (216-662-8685) or e-mail srhelene@saintmonicachurch.net for more information.

Looking forward to speaking with you.

Sister Helene

Orientation meetings for parents with children who will be celebrating their First Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Confirmation in November will be held on the following evenings:

**CONFIRMATION**
Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm in the Church

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**
Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm in the Church

Please bring completed enrollment forms for the sacrament to the meeting. **IF** you did not receive a mailing for either sacrament, but have eligible children / teens, please attend.
Information for both sacraments will be available!

Our Parish School of Religion (PSR) is a combined program for Saint Martin of Tours and Saint Monica Parishes. **The Opening Mass and Parent Meeting for the Parish School of Religion is Monday, September 16, 2019, at St Martin of Tours Church.** Mass will start at 6:30 pm. At the conclusion of Mass, students will be released to their classrooms with the teachers, and parents will remain in Church for the parent meeting. Classes this year for students in grades K through 8 are held on Monday evenings at the Saint Martin of Tours campus from 6:30 pm to 7:50 pm. **Registration forms are available at the Parish Office and in the Gathering Area behind the main altar. Registration forms for students in the program are currently being e-mailed.**
Did You Hear What God Just Said?

St. Monica Church Ladies’ Guild Invites You

On Thursday, September 19
At 6:00 PM in Church

Guest Speaker Radio’s Trapper Jack

We sometimes struggle to hear God's voice in our daily lives.
What's your burning bush?
How is God communicating with you?
Did you just miss an important message?

The blind popular Cleveland radio host walked away from God and the Catholic church because he believed that God was boring, disconnected, and vague.

What brought Trapper back to the church after 30 years?

Using his own special brand of wit, Trapper Jack, a humorous master storyteller will have you inspired and awakened to the heavenly messages that you may have missed.

God has always communicated with His people.
Come discover how to listen.
The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Chant:

Table of Plenty (Journeysongs #761)

Come to the feast of heaven and earth! Come to the table of plenty!

God will provide for all that we need, here at the table of plenty!

1. O come and sit at my table where saints and sinners are friends.
   I wait to welcome the lost and lonely, to share the cup of my love.

2. O come and eat without money; come to drink without price.
   My feast of gladness will feed your spirit with faith and fullness of life

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Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11

God in your goodness, you have made a home, a home for the poor.

Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11


Offertory Chant:

We praise you, O Lord, for all your works are wonderful.

We praise you, O Lord, for ever is your love.

Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11

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1. Your wisdom made the heavens and the earth, O Lord;
   you formed the land then set the lights;
   and like your love the sun will rule the day,
   and stars will grace the night.

2. You have chosen Jacob for yourself, O Lord,
   so tenderly you spoke his name;
   then called a holy nation, Israel,
   to make them yours, you came.

3. You led us out of Egypt with a guiding hand.
   You raised your arm to set us free.
   And like a tender vine you planted us
   to grow unto the sea.

4. The nations fashioned silver idols, golden gods;
   but none have hearing, speech, or sight.
   Their makers shall be like their empty gods,
   the Lord alone brings life.

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Communion Chant:

Loving and Forgiving (Journeysongs #532)

Loving and forgiving are you, O Lord; slow to anger, rich in kindness,
loving and forgiving are you.

Loving and Forgiving (Journeysongs #532)

1. All my being bless the Lord,
   bless the holy name of God.
   All my being, bless the Lord,
   remembering the goodness of God.

2. God forgives us all our sins,
   healing those who live in pain,
   saving us from final death.
   God fills us with goodness and love.

3. Good and gracious is the Lord,
   slow to anger, rich in love.
   God remembers our sins;
   forgiving and loving is God.

4. As heaven soars above the earth,
   so great the love of God for us.
   As far as east is from the west,
   the Lord takes our sins from us.

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Sending Forth:

Lead me, Lord, lead me, Lord, by the light of truth
seek and find the narrow way.
Be my way; be my truth; be my life, my Lord,
and lead me, Lord, today.

Lead Me, Lord (Journeysongs #733)

Blessed are the poor in spirit, longing for their Lord,
for God’s coming kingdom shall be theirs.
Blessed are the sorrowing, for they shall be consoled,
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Reading 1  Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29
My child, conduct your affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts. Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God. What is too sublime for you, seek not, into things beyond your strength search not. The mind of a sage appreciates proverbs, and an attentive ear is the joy of the wise. Water quenches a flaming fire, and alms atone for sins.

Responsorial Psalm  Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11
R. God, in your goodness,
you have made a home for the poor. The just rejoice and exult before God; they are glad and rejoice. Sing to God, chant praise to his name; whose name is the LORD. R. The father of orphans and the defender of widows is God in his holy dwelling. God gives a home to the forsaken; he leads forth prisoners to prosperity. R. A bountiful rain you showered down,
O God, upon your inheritance; you restored the land when it languished; your flock settled in it; in your goodness, O God, you provided it for the needy. R.

Reading 2  Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a
Brothers and sisters: You have not approached that which could be touched and a blazing fire and gloomy darkness and storm and a trumpet blast and a voice speaking words such that those who heard begged that no message be further addressed to them.

No, you have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and countless angels in festal gathering, and the assembly of the firstborn enrolled in heaven, and God the judge of all, and the spirits of the just made perfect, and Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and the sprinkled blood that speaks more eloquently than that of Abel.

Gospel  Lk 14:1, 7-14
On a sabbath Jesus went to dine at the home of one of the leading Pharisees, and the people there were observing him carefully.

He told a parable to those who had been invited, noticing how they were choosing the places of honor at the table. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited by him, and the host who invited both of you may approach you and say, 'Give your place to this man,' and then you would proceed with embarrassment to take the lowest place. Rather, when you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, 'My friend, move up to a higher position.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table. For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

Then he said to the host who invited him, "When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors, in case they may invite you back and you have repayment. Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

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Your Chance to Shine!

**Party at the Pavilion**

Thursday, September 12, 2019

Denny Carleton’s ‘Open Mic Nite’

- Music or performances MUST BE appropriate for a family gathering. *Denny Carleton and the St. Monica Parish Staff reserves the right to disallow or stop any performance that is deemed inappropriate for this event.*

- Each performer/group will be assigned a 15 minute slot, including setup and takedown, beginning at approx. 5:45p.m. The last performance will begin at approx. 7:15 p.m.

- Time slots will be assigned on a first-come first-served basis as well as program flow. Requested time slots will be considered, but not guaranteed.

- On site sign up will only take place if time slots are not filled in advance.

- Bring your own instruments - *no instruments will be provided.* A small sound system and microphone(s) will be available.

- Recorded accompaniment is acceptable (cd player available - bring your own mp3 player to plug in).

- Questions may be sent to Bob Soeder via email only (please no phone calls)
  
  bsoeder@stmonicachurch.net   Email subject should be ’Open Mic Question’

*Fill out the Open Mic Registration Form below and return it to the Parish Office or in the Weekend Collection.*

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**Open Mic Registration Form - Please Print Clearly**

Name of Performer or Group: __________________________

Contact Name: ___________________________ Phone No. ___________________________ Email: ___________________________

Description of Performance (style of music, song titles, other helpful info): ___________________________

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