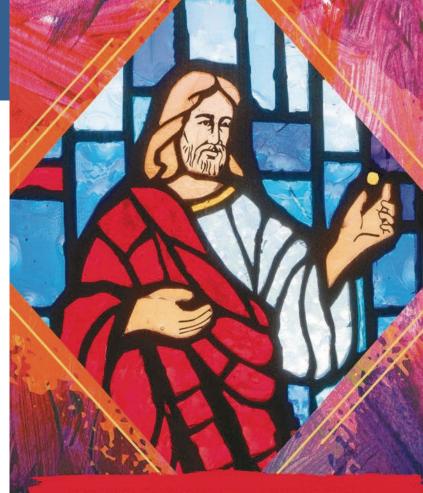
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ST. MONICA CATHOLIC CHURCH



29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." - Mt 22:21c

OUR MISSION

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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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Welcome!

Masses

Saturday | 4:00pm Sunday | 9:00 and 10:45am Monday - Friday | 8:00am

Confession

Saturday | 3:15pm

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday | 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Friday | 8:00 am - Noon Saturday & Sunday | Closed

Parish Clergy

Rev. John J. Mullee, **Pastor** Rev. Theodore Marszal **Retired, in Residence** Stan Drozell, Deacon

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Sister Helene Skrzyniarz SSJ-TOSF Parish Catechetical Leader srhelene@saintmonicachurch.net Molly Grunau, Director of Liturgy and Music Diane O'Neill, Business Manager Susan Shepka, Office Manager Joseph Ungarsky, Pastoral Council Chairman Bill Simon, Finance Council Chairman Bob Soeder, Web Master

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

Additional Contacts

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Pastoral Scene

Praying for the Dead Nov 2023

Beginning in November, the celebration of All Saints and All Souls reminds us to look at the full view of the Communion of Saints. These days remind us of our connectedness with those who have gone before us in the sleep of peace.

St. Monica, our Patroness, reminded her son, St. Augustine who was distressed that she would be buried in a foreign country, not to worry about where her mortal

This Week's Highlight

"Being a Beacon of Hope" Program

Over the next few weeks, you will be hearing about the upcoming "Being a Beacon of Hope" Program at St. Monica Church. This effort is very important as we move forward with the mission and vision of St.

Monica Church. We, as a parish family, have changed so many lives in our community! In order to continue our mission and ministries, we encourage all parishioners to spend time in prayer and discussion with your family reflecting on the work we do. Our special Commitment Weekend will be celebrated on November 18 & 19. If you have any questions regarding the "Being a Beacon of Hope" Program, please feel free to contact the parish office.

remains were buried. She was more concerned about being remembered at the altar of the Lord, that is to make sure that Masses were offered for her soul. Even Saint Monica knew that she needed prayers to assist her on her final journey to God, and knew she that there was no greater prayer than the Sacrifice of the Mass.

This truth of our Faith, namely our union and communion with those who have died, encourages us when we feel alone and oftentimes forgotten to realize that our memory holds much to support and help us. These memories are important, not only personally, but to share with members of the family especially the younger generation. I remember saying how I wished I had asked my grandparents and their contemporaries more about their early lives in Europe and their struggles coming to America.

We cannot go back in time, but we can have the memories as a foundation to the present. Now we often take the place of older relatives who we remember as children, so that we can pass on those happenings which supported us and where we experienced love and care. The feasts of All Saints and All Souls takes on more meaning each year as we celebrate them, bringing us closer to the true reality of God and why He made us.

During the month of November, the custom of praying for the dead with the 'All Souls Intentions" will be remembered not only on All Souls Day but during the Month of November. All Souls Day envelopes are in your November packet of envelopes and located at the doors of the Church.

Father Ted

STEWARDSHIP FOR OCT 15, 2023

Sunday Offering\$	5,657.50
St. Monica Fund\$	278.00
Misc. Special Envelopes\$	182.00

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



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, October 22 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00am Pete Winnie & Tammy Walchanowicz

10:45am Thomas & Veronica Kvasnok

Monday, October 23 Weekday

8:00am Clara Holderman 8:30am Exp<mark>osition following mass</mark>

Tuesday, October 24 Weekday 8:00am Thomas Hamovz

Wednesday,October 25 Weekday 8:00am Mary Ann Shaw



Zacharias George VonCarlowitz Thursday, October 26 Weekday 8:00am Regina Barnes

Friday, October 27 Weekday 8:00am Living & deceased of Mary & Robert Myers Family

Saturday, October 28 Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles 4:00pm Tom Polak

Sunday, October 29 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am People of the Parish 10:45am Sr. Maryann Zakrajsek & Family

God of reconciliation and mercy, mounting causalities and hostilities in the Holy Land Threaten increased hatred and prejudice among Jews, Muslims, and Christians. May Your mercy raise up prophets of peace who will work to build unity and understanding to overcome the divisions of those who live in Your Promised land. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.



PRAYER

Our sincere sympathy and prayers are extended for the family and friends of: Elizabeth Chervenak Who were recently buried. May she and all of our dearly departed rest in peace

SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS

Please pray for the Seminarians of the Cleveland Diocese.

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

Monday: Dan Jordan Tues: Nathan Menkhaus Wednesday: Zachary Smith Thursday: Steven Vasko Friday: Matthew Wasinski Sat: Christopher Yankay Sunday: Pray for Parents of Priests

Please Pray For the Parishioners Listed Below

Annie Runyeon, Anthon<mark>y Lupica, Teadan Maynard (infant),</mark> Tommie Ferrante, Betty Jacob, John A. Chesney, Madeline Iglodi, Joanne Red<mark>dinger, Paul Lysob</mark>ey, Pat Dzurilla, Kati<mark>e Medvetz,</mark> Joan Fischer, Lisa Bielawski, Special Intention, Marianne Toma Please call the parish office if you would like to add a name to this list. If you have a special intention you would like remembered in **prayer**, **please call Lillian Naptune** (216)662-5464

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THIS WEEK

Activities CALENDAR

Monday, October 23

4:00 pm Fall Sports Practice (g) 4:15 pm Walking Class (J) **Tuesday, October 24** 4:00 pm Fall Sports Practice (g) Wednesday, October 25 4:00 pm Fall Sports Practice (g) 6:30 pm G.A. Meeting (p) 6:30 pm Guild Board Meeting (F) Thursday, October 26 4:00 pm Fall Sports Practice (g) 4:15 pm Walking Class (J) 7:00 pm Ward 7 Block Watch

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Friday, October 27

4:00 pm Fall Sports Practice (g) Saturday, October 28 8:30 am Men of the Vine (ocu 1&2) 5:00 pm Weiners and S'mores (P) Sunday, October 29 7:30 pm A.A. Meeting (c)

Early Bulletin Deadlines For November & December

Due in Office
Tue. Nov 7 th
Mon. Nov. 13th
Tue. Dec. 5 th
Mon. Dec. 11 th
Mon. Dec. 18 th
Tue. Dec. 26 th

St. Monica Guild

November Board Meeting this Wednesday, October 25th 6:30pm in the St. Francis in the parish offices.

Hearts on fire, feet on the move.

Today, we celebrate World Mission Sunday, heeding Pope Francis's call to keep our "Hearts on fire, feet on the move" On this day, we reflect on our baptismal promise to be disciples and missionaries, sharing the Good News. The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith directly aids priest, religious, and lay leaders in the Pope's missions, allowing them to minister to and uplift communities in dire need. Let's light up the world with our prayers and generosity.

Thank you for your heartfelt contributions!

The Garfield Heights Ward 7 Block Watch,

sponsored by Councilman Tom Vaughn, will meet Thursday, October 26th at 7:00 PM in the CAFETERIA of St. Benedict School. Mr. Vaughn would like to thank everyone who has supported this group for the past 14 years. This will be Tom's final meeting.



Donations for Thanksgiving baskets would be appreciated. All are welcome. For more information contact Gail, 216-662-9213.

Attention Vendors! Christmas Craft Fair

Tables are still available for the

St. Monica & Zelie's Home

"Christmas Craft Fair" on November 25th

Always the Saturday after Thanksgiving!

Visit http://www.SaintMonicaChurch.net or phone Regina 216-581-4122

Light of Hearts Villa

Holiday Flea Market 283 Union Street—Bedford, OH 44146 November 16-17 (9am - 5pm) November 18 (9am - 2pm) All items new or nearly new. No admission fee. All proceeds benefit our Benevolent Fund, which helps cover Medicaid shortfall. Last year that shortfall was \$800,000.00

HOLY CROSS CEMETERY – Pre-Planning Seminar

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on Saturday, November 4, 2023, at 1 p.m. Please join us to learn more about your Catholic burial options, including options for cremated remains. Attendees will receive a personal reference guide and savings certificate. We kindly ask that you

RSVP to this event to HOLY CROSS Cemetery – 14609 Brookpark Rd., Brook Park 216/641-7575 ext. 3 or email bdejohn@clecem.org.

Our Father's Daughters

WOMEN'S FAITH STUDY

OIN US FOR OUR UPCOMING STUDY: "UNTOLD BLESSINGS" IN THIS STUDY, BISHOP ROBERT BARRON PAINTS A BEAUTIFUL AND MYSTERIOUS IMAGE OF WHAT IT TAKES TO BE A FOLLOWER OF JESUS.

> JOURNEY WITH US ON THIS INTRIGUING PATH TO HOLINESS!

DAYS : TUESDAYS, NOVEMBER 7TH THROUGH DECEMBER 19TH TIME: 1:00 P.M.—2:30 P.M.

 WHERE: ST. FRANCIS ROOM IN THE PARISH OFFICE BLDG
COST: \$14.95 (FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE, IF NEEDED)
RSVP: DIANE O'NEILL AT 216-662-8685 EXT. 117 OR EMAIL AT DONEILL@SAINTMONICACHURCH.NET

Register by October 25th—space is limited!

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Saint Monica's Parish Council will be hosting a WEINER ROAST AND SMORE'S GALORE!

Please join us on Saturday, October 28, 6pm-8pm. In the Pavilion

ALL FOOD AND BEVERAGES WILL BE PROVIDED.

Old Fashioned Sing-A-Long and Ghostly Tales told around the fire. Plenty of fun for all!



Dear Friends in Christ,

Please review the annual information on our parish that will open our eyes on ways we can grow together as one Body in Christ. In the coming weeks, I will share an initiative at St Monica, in partnership with Our Sunday Visitor, to grow as a community in living the Gospel centered on Christ. This will be an exciting opportunity for us to grow both personally and communally in our relationship with Christ and will offer a roadmap that will strengthen our financial foundation, so that we can continue the Mission Christ calls all the baptized to; "Christians must be to the world what the soul is to the body" [Letter to Diognetus]. — *Lumen Gentium, 38.*

Father John

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIBILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

		Balance	at Jun	e 30,
		2023		2022
ASSETS				
CHECKING, SAVINGS AND INVESTMENTS				
Checking Account Balances	\$	2,348.73	\$	11,157.77
Savings and Investment Account Balances		612,608.46		629,208.72
TOTAL CHECKING SAVINGS AND INVESTMENTS	1.0000000000000000000000000000000000000	615,157.19		640,366.49
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		18,855.48		4,785.54
OTHER ASSETS		39.19		-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	634,051.86	\$	645,152.03
LIABILITIES				
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED EXPENSES				
Payable to Diocese of Cleveland	\$	18,578.88	\$	
Other accounts payable and accrued expenses		1,579.02		16,558.80
TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED EXPENSES		20,157.90		16,558.80
INCOME RECEIVED IN ADVANCE		-		3,017.72
EMPLOYEE WITHHOLDING		-		
DEFERRED RESTRICTED SUPPORT				7,140.72
LOANS, NOTES AND MORTGAGES PAYABLE		-		
TOTAL LIABILITIES		20,157.90		26,717.24
FUND BALANCE				
FUND BALANCE BEGINNING OF FISCAL YEAR		618,434.79		692,207.89
Net Surplus (Deficit) for Fiscal Year			10.00	
Parish		(4,540.83)		(73,773.10
School		-		•
Cemetery		-		
Net surplus (deficit) for fiscal year	And the second	(4,540.83)		(73,773.10
FUND BALANCE, END OF FISCAL YEAR		613,893.98		618,434.79
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$	634,051.86	\$	645,152.03

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STATEMENT OF REVENUE and EXPENSES

					Budget Year Ending
		Actual Year E	nded		June 30,
		2023		2022	2024
CHURCH REVENUE					
Offertory Collections	\$	445,494.38	\$	464,847.34	\$ 462,240.00
Other Collections		51,117.80		59,783.32	48,000.00
Donations & Bequests		46,704.82		44,597.65	30,000.00
Net Bingo Proceeds		-		-	-
Net Fund Raising Income		51,308.75		52,486.26	46,100.00
Income from Parish Programs		16,299.75		4,322.75	9,740.00
Investment & Endowment Income (Loss)		59,914.38		(75,629.84)	
Rental Receipts		19,200.00		19,200.00	19,200.00
Contributions from Parish Organizations		15,497.00		11,684.43	14,500.00
Miscellaneous Receipts		25,429.18		15,606.25	20,219.00
Designated Collections		13,808.40		14,226.65	12,420.00
Extraordinary Receipts		676.00		541.00	
TOTAL CHURCH REVENUE		745,450.46		611,665.81	662,419.00
CHURCH EXPENSES					
Salaries, Benefits, & Taxes		355,032.21		340,102.92	324,382.01
Rectory & Household		14,428.21		15,565.88	13,360.00
Parish Office & Administration		42,521.98		49,899.49	53,271.00
Altar, Sanctuary, & Liturgical		20,971.15		16,846.13	23,440.00
Community Outreach		16,432.85		3,740.35	6,200.00
Religious Education		148.92		-	-
Stewardship & Evangelization		8,281.61		2,997.54	10,950.00
Utilities		57,351.49		55,139.12	55,270.00
Insurance & Property Taxes		54,915.29		53,378.34	56,000.00
Maintenance, Repairs, & Plant Operating		60,531.16		42,572.62	52,695.00
Diocesan Assessments		52,308.00		52,398.00	53,460.00
Payments to Other Schools		800.00		1,200.00	-
Designated Collections		13,808.40		14,272.15	12,420.00
Capital Expenditures		51,784.02		36,785.37	-
Intra Parish Transfers & School Support Extraordinary Expenses		676.00		541.00 -	-
TOTAL CHURCH EXPENSES		749,991.29		685,438.91	 661,448.01
NET CHURCH SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$	(4,540.83)	\$	(73,773.10)	\$ 970.99

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READINGS & SONGS

Entrance Chant 598 Sing a New Song (Schutte)

First Reading Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, Cyrus, whose right hand I grasp, subduing nations before him, and making kings run in his service, opening doors before him and leaving the gates unbarred: For the sake of Jacob, my servant, of Israel, my chosen one, I have called you by your name, giving you a title, though you knew me not. I am the LORD and there is no other. there is no God besides me. It is I who arm you, though you know me not, so that toward the rising and the setting of the sun people may know that there is none besides me. I am the LORD, there is no other.

The Responsorial PsalmPsalm 96:1, 3-5, 7-10

R. Give the Lord glory and honor.

Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all you lands. Tell his glory among the nations; among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.

R. Give the Lord glory and honor.

For great is the LORD and highly to be praised; awesome is he, beyond all gods. For all the gods of the nations are things of nought, but the LORD made the heavens.

R. Give the Lord glory and honor.

Give to the LORD, you families of nations, give to the LORD glory and praise; give to the LORD the glory due his name! Bring gifts, and enter his courts.

R. Give the Lord glory and honor.

Worship the LORD, in holy attire; tremble before him, all the earth; say among the nations: The LORD is king, he governs the peoples with equity.

R. Give the Lord glory and honor.

GIVE THE LORD HONOR AND GLORY.

READINGS & SONGS

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b

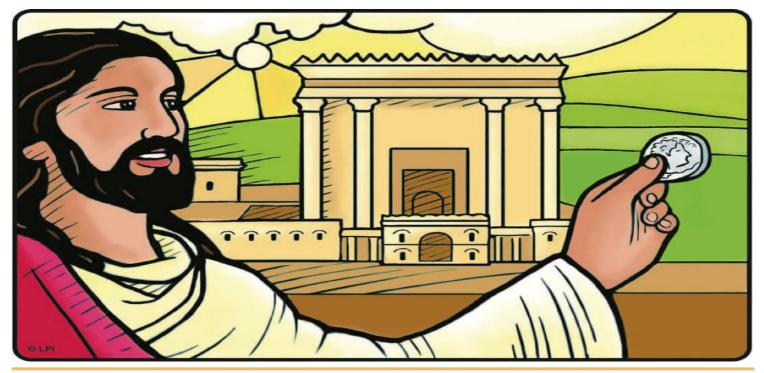
Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: grace to you and peace. We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers, unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love and endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus Christ, before our God and Father, knowing, brothers and sisters loved by God, how you were chosen. For our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction.

Gospel Matthew 22:15-21

The Pharisees went off and plotted how they might entrap Jesus in speech. They sent their disciples to him, with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are a truthful man and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. And you are not concerned with anyone's opinion, for you do not regard a person's status. Tell us, then, what is your opinion: Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?" Knowing their malice, Jesus said, "Why are you testing me, you hypocrites? Show me the coin that pays the census tax." Then they handed him the Roman coin. He said to them, "Whose image is this and whose inscription?" They replied, "Caesar's." At that he said to them, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

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