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St. Monica Catholic Church
114 S. 4th St. Palatka Florida
We are called to welcome and assist all to the compassionate love of Jesus through the Eucharist.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday	**9:00 to 4:00**
Tuesday	**1:30 to 4:00**
Wednesday	**9:00 to 4:00**
Thursday	**9:00 to 4:00**
Friday	**9:00 to 4:00**

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Those needing "Anointing of the Sick" or in need of a Priest, please call these telephone numbers only:

During Business Hours:
Parish Office - 325-9777
After Business Hours : 904-994-6803

Please call the Parish Office to let us know if a parishioner is hospitalized, seriously ill or home-bound so that a Priest can visit and anoint them.

Meet Our Staff

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If you have any pictures or ministry news you would like to submit for approval for either the bulletin or newsletter please send them to stmoncatholic@gmail.com by noon. on Friday.

Attention — The Diocese of Saint Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with all allegations in a prompt, confidential and thorough manner.

To Report Abuse, call: Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator 904-262-3200, ext. 129, or the Department of Children and Families at 1-800-96-Abuse (800-962-2873).

MASS TIMES

Daily Masses
Tuesday - 5:30 pm
Wednesday - Friday 8:30 am

Weekend Masses
Saturday Vigil - 4:30 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am & 11:00 am

First Saturday
10:00 am
Mass with the Anointing of the Sick

Holy Day Masses
8:00 am & 7:00 pm

Confessions Saturday
3:30 - 4:15 pm

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday	**April 6**	**4:30 pm**	**+ Lorraine Allard** **+ Ann Poupore**
Sunday	**April 7**	**9:00 am** **11:00 am**	**Parishioners** **+Margret Mills**
Tuesday	**April 9**	**5:30 pm**	**+Miguel Dejuk Yunnis**
Wednesday	**April 10**	**8:30 am**	**+ Mylene Garcica**
Thursday	**April 11**	**8:30 am**	**Word Service**
Friday	**April 12**	**8:30 am**	**+ Joyce Miller**
Saturday	**April 13**	**4:30 pm**	**+ Miguel Dejuk Yunnis**

From the Heart of Our Pastor

Father Ron Camarda

Beloved of St. Monica and Visitors!

Thank you for being with us today, even if in spirit.
How wonderful to live where we live and how we live. Let us be grateful for God's abundant gifts. Last week we heard about blindness within ourselves. This week we hear about how God raises our loved ones to his Sacred Heart. We have hope.

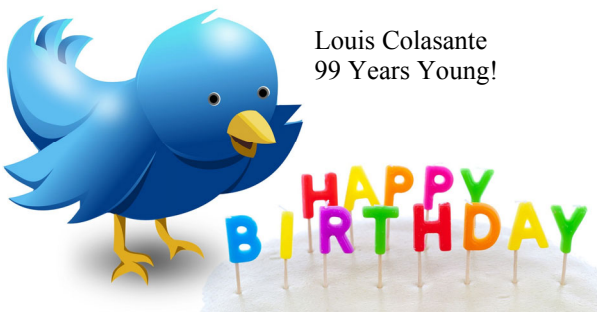
Congratulations to our transitional deacons who were ordained this Saturday at St. Joan of Arc in Boca Raton. They will hopefully be ordained priests next year. Please pray for Clay Ludwig, Jared DeLeo, Chris Knight, Mason Wiggins, and Anthony Hamaty. Maurice Culver is already ordained a deacon and I used to work with him at the Naval Hospital in Jacksonville. I have prayerfully grouped with Clay's father since 1983 when I made my Cursillo.I watched Clay grow up into a very compassionate soul. I was at his parent's wedding in 1984. Wow!

Next week is Palm Sunday! There is still time to make this the best Lent ever. May I suggest taking one of the Gospels and reading it out loud (maybe with a friend of family member). It only takes two to three hours. Let Jesus permeate your soul.

Next week we will be registering for Youth Encounters that will begin on April 28th. We will have two programs for 6 to 8th grade and 9th to 12th grade. We will meet most Sundays from 12:30 to 2:30 pm. More information to follow. Pray for our YOUTH!!!!

Finally, but not last… Congratulations to Louis Colasante who turns 99 this Sunday. Wow!!! Thank You God for another year of this incredible man of faith, integrity and love.

Love, joy, peace,
Father Ron +



Louis Colasante
99 Years Young!

Current & Future Events

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

2019 Annual Lenten

Fish Fry

Every Friday of Lent

March 15, 22, 29

April 5, 12

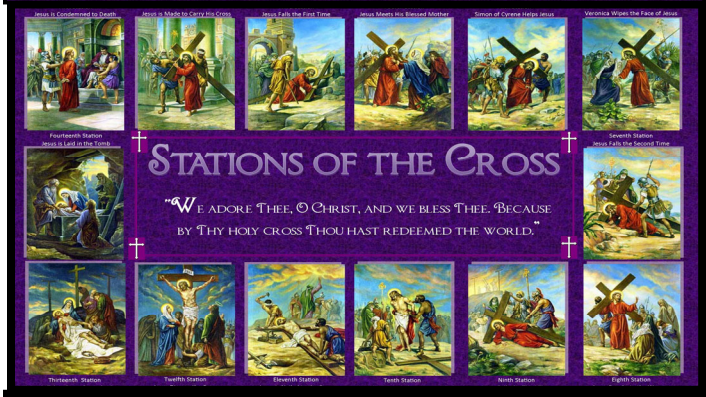
4:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Choice of Baked or Fried Fish
Or Fried Shrimp (Combo Platters Available)
Choice of Baked Potato or Fries
Hush Puppies, Cole Slaw, Dessert and a Drink
$8.00 for Fish
$9.00 for Combo
$10.00 for Shrimp

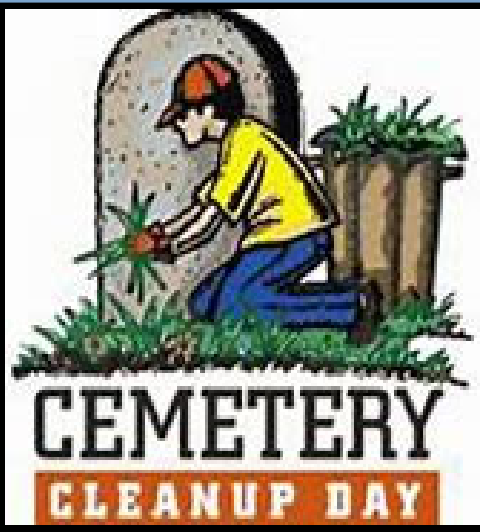
St Monica Catholic Church
Parish Hall
410 Oak Street
Palatka, Florida

Dine In or Carry Out
Curb Service Also Available

Let's Open the Bible
Let's put out into deep water and lower our nets for a catch!
Father Ron's Bible Study on Tuesdays
6:15 p.m. in the Library



April 12th at
5:30 pm
Solemn Way of the Cross
April 19th at
3:00 pm



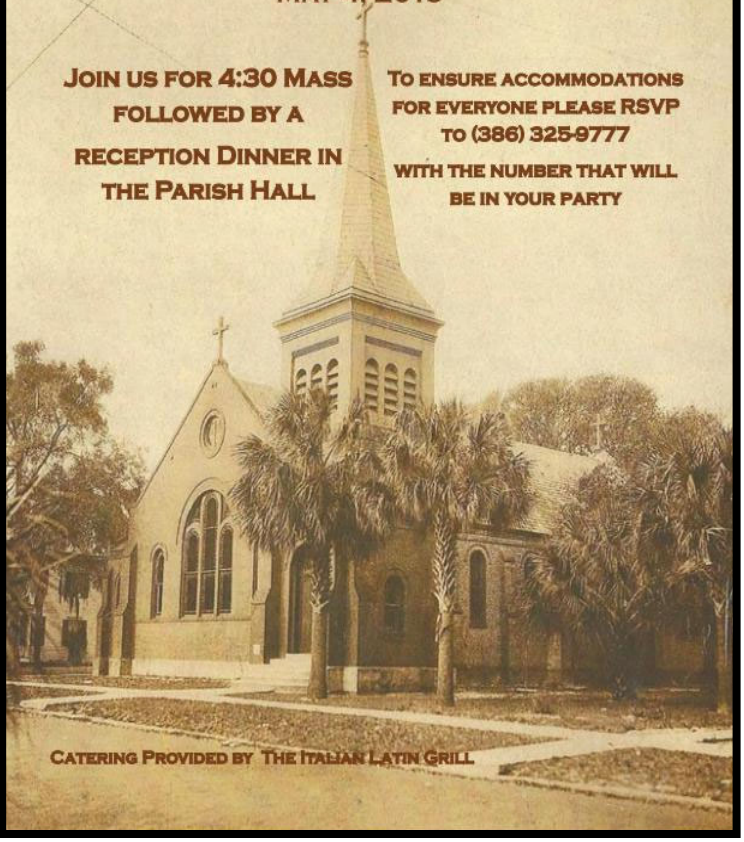
April 13
at 8:00 am

June 24-28
Vacation Bible School
Spelunking news Coming soon

120TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR CHURCH BUILDING
ST. MONICA CATHOLIC CHURCH
MAY 4, 2019

JOIN US FOR 4:30 MASS FOLLOWED BY A RECEPTION DINNER IN THE PARISH HALL

TO ENSURE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR EVERYONE PLEASE RSVP TO (386) 325-9777 WITH THE NUMBER THAT WILL BE IN YOUR PARTY



CATERING PROVIDED BY THE ITALIAN LATIN GRILL

GOD'S ACTIONS NOW

When Jews celebrate the Passover, they always tell the story of the Exodus in present terms, as if they themselves experienced those events: when we were prisoners in Egypt; when God brought us out of slavery and through the waters of the sea. We would do well to follow their example and see the works of Jesus and his sacrifice as being in the present, as happening to us now. We believe that Christ's work, his teachings, and his sacrifice on the cross were not just for his followers in the past, but for all people at all times. When we think of this in our prayers, we become one in faith with that great cloud of witnesses, the saints.

We have been striving through Lent to repent of our sins and failings, and to follow Jesus more closely. Today in the story of the woman caught in adultery, we see Jesus forgiving the woman, saving her from a horrible death, and urging her not to sin any more. This is new, and brings out something for which the law had not allowed—forgiveness. Of course one can sin no more if one is dead, caught in one's sins forever. But Jesus introduces the concepts of forgiveness and reconciliation.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — See, I am doing something new! (Isaiah 43:16-21) *or Ezekiel 37:12-14*.

Psalm — The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126) *or Psalm 130.*

Second Reading — I have been taken possession of by Christ Jesus (Philippians 3:8-14) *or Romans 8:8-11.*

Gospel — Go, and from now on do not sin any more (John 8:1-11) *or John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]*.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:12-20
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday:	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday:	Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9: Jn 8:51-59
Friday:	Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday:	Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56
Sunday:	Lk 19:28-40 (procession);

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Fifth Sunday of Lent; Third Scrutiny
Thursday:	St. Stanislaus
Friday:	Abstinence
Saturday:	St. Martin I

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Next weekend, many churches provide palms to be carried in the opening moments of the liturgy, as we gratefully recall Jesus' entry into the holy city of Jerusalem. The children who greeted him on that day used what was both handy and traditional, since palms were carried to inaugurate the joyful harvest feast of Succoth. To this day, faithful Jews are directed to take a beautiful palm branch, green and straight as possible, called a *lulav*, and bind it with three myrtle branches fifteen inches long, and two longer willow branches. At the end of the temple service, everyone carries the *lulav,* circling the sanctuary in a dance called the *Hoshanot,* singing hymns of joy.

In other climates, Jews and Christians alike have had to make accommodations over the years. In Italy, everyone carries olive branches today, often brought from their own garden. In England, forsythia branches are preferred, a relative of the olive, sign of peace. Germans prefer pussywillows, and others look for flowering spring branches. In our part of the world, what do you think would be the best choice to express joy and welcome, and to remind us of the joy of Christ's victory even as we prepare to commemorate his passion?

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Fifth Sunday of Lent
April 7, 2019

I consider everything as a loss
because of the supreme good of knowing
Christ Jesus my Lord.

If you know longer wish to be included in the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office.

Ron Harnois
Joe Welsh
Hoyt Muir
Jeff O'Berry
Fred Lininger
Ray Johnson
Albino Gaw
Denise Orr
Connie Weisner
Anna Katherine Fraize
Cathy Sheridan
Minda Carter
Father Keene
Joan Carter
Nicole Newman
Kyler Manis
Matilda Aloia
Gary Rummel
Louise Egan
Paul Vincent
Mary Jo Vincent
Lee Gibbs
LaDonna Tanner
Lois Boucher
Sandy Nichols
Sandra Lewis
Lee Weaver
Cathleen Phillips
Bill Walwik
Linda Spencer
Anita Gieselman
Lillian Morgan
Caroline Riley
Nicole Newman
Abby Thayer & Baby
Freya Thayer
Father Jeff
Laura Hall
Andy Hall
Larry Beaton
Greg Bodalski
Mary Iovino
Alicia Alexander
Sister Maureen Kelly
All Service Men& Women

TIME • TALENT • TREASURE

Stewardship

A WAY OF LIVING

Our Stewardship of Treasure from March 24th

Offertory received in Church
$4196.20
10% Outreach to the Poor
$419.62

For March's Non Parochial Eastern European Churches

Online Giving is reported for March
$2665.00

Thank you

Your generosity allowed us to give & proclaim to Kingdom of God and his Love!

Holy Moments

Saint Anthony answered my prayer and I found my lost keys.

Watching a sun rise to a new day

So many prayers answered by our loving Lord. Praise God!!

Ash Wednesday Ecumenical Service—Bring all faiths together in God's love. It was community , faith, educational, uniting, and fun. God Bless are many faiths in Christ.

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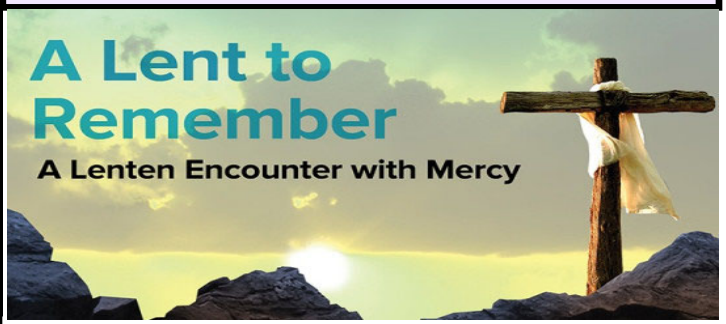
Don't forget to use our code **R87GP3** and get



Using the highly-acclaimed Augustine Institute programs *Symbolon* and *Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession*, *A Lent to Remember* explores the ways God reaches out to each of us with his mercy. Through Christ's suffering on the cross in the Paschal Mystery and his perpetual reception of his people in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, God makes his love, his very self, present to us in the world. By reflecting on the Paschal Mystery and making a step-by-step examination of the Rite of Confession, *A Lent to Remember* communicates God's invitation to each one of us to come experience his indescribable love this Lent

March 22, 2019

St. Monica Catholic Church
ATTN: Ronald Camarda
114 S. 4th Street
Palatka, FL 32177

Dear Ronald,

Thank you for your $600.00 gift to Hands Together. In compliance with the Internal Revenue Service, Hands Together has supplied no goods or services in exchange for this gift. With your help we can continue our simple approach to helping the poor.

Haiti is a place that continually challenges us. We rely on God's strength and provision to face the numerous obstacles that seek to hinder our work. It is impossible to exaggerate the human misery faced by the people we are helping in Haiti. There are many days when Fr. Tom and I find ourselves questionIng whether we should continue our work. There is so much violence and theft. At times we are simply overwhelmed. Yet, we find ourselves loving these good people and we admire their strength, resiliency and determination to survive in one of the most dangerous places on earth. It is a wonder to see the joy and hope in the faces of the children here in this picture as we seek to bring God's love to a dark place.

We deeply appreciate your kind support of our numerous projects to feed, clothe, educate and provide medical attention and clean water to the poorest of the poor. With your help we continue to bring hope and dignity to the Haitian people we are privileged to serve. In a place with such desperation there is so much to do and so many who need our help. At our core, Hands Together is about human relationships and seeing that people have been born with a dignity that they can not lose. Even after the earthquake and hurricanes destroyed nearly everything, our relationships have remained. We are about building relationships...looking into the eyes of another person and seeing the face of Jesus.

We ask for your prayers as we continue our work with the very poor in Haiti. Please know that we deeply appreciate your support as we help those who have no one else.

With a grateful heart,

Doug Campbell
Executive Director

Date: 3/20/2019 Amount: $600.00 Deductible: $600.00 Check #: 15764

This receipt should be retained with your income tax records as it may be required by the IRS for gift substantiation. Our employer ID tax exempt number is 23 2566502

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Our Bishop's Commitment to Justice, Transparency, and the Creation of a Safe Environment for All

Statement on Holy Ghost Father William Malone

Credible allegations of sexual abuse of a minor have been made against Father William Malone, a Holy Ghost Father who served in the Diocese of St. Augustine from January, 1982 to March, 1992. The abuses occurred in the early 1980's at Sacred Heart Parish in Jacksonville. A thorough review of the allegations was conducted by an independent investigator. Based on his report, the Diocesan Review Board found the allegations to be credible. The report has been shared with local law enforcement. Bishop Felipe Estévez has met with the victim to express his deep sorrow for the pain the victim has suffered, and he apologized on behalf of the church.

Father Malone served as an associate pastor at Sacred Heart Parish in Jacksonville from 1982 to 1991, and associate pastor at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Palm Coast from 1991 to 1992. He moved to the Holy Ghost Fathers community in Long Island, N.Y. in March 1992. In Sept. 1993 he returned to the Ireland Province of the Holy Ghost Fathers where he remained until his death in 2003.

If you or someone you know has been harmed by someone representing the Catholic Church, call the police. You can report abuse to the Florida Department of Children and Families by calling 1-800-962-2873. You may also contact the diocesan Victim Assistant Coordinator, Tina Nugent, by calling (904) 208-6979 or email inquiries@dosafl .com.

Easter and Lenten Schedule 2019

April 13 and 14 , 2019

The Passion of the Lord Vigil Service Saturday	4:30 pm
The Passion of the Lord Sunday	9:00 am & 11:00 am

Blessing of Palms in the Parish Hall 15 minutes prior to Mass Time

Procession enters Church via Ramp

April 18, 2019

Soup & Sandwich Supper for All	5:00 PM
Mass of the Lord's Supper & Washing of Feet	7:00 PM
Solemn Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	8:00 PM

April 19, 2019

Solemn Way of the Cross (Church Grounds)	3:00 PM
Celebration of Our Lord's Passion	7:00 PM

April 20, 2019 at 8:00 PM

Blessing of the Fire at the Grotto and procession enters church via ramp.

Vigil Service with Baptism, Confirmation, and Communion of Catechumen and Candidates

April 21, 2019

Mass 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Easter Egg Hunt to follow 9:00 AM Mass