

St Monica Catholic Church



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August 8, 2021 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 4:30 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM 11:00 AM

Confessions

Saturday 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM
Or by appointment

Summer Weekday Masses

Wednesday-Friday 8:30 AM

Healing Mass

Saturday August 7
10:00 AM



"The eyes of all look hopefully to you, and you give them their food in due season; you open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing." Psalms 145:17-18

"We are called to welcome and assist all to the compassionate love of Jesus through the Eucharist."



FIVE LOAVES AND TWO FISH IS ALL WE HAVE!

Beloved of St. Monica,

We need approximately \$5000 every week to meet all of our bills and serve over 500 members of St. Monica and approximately 50,000 people in Putnam County. The Gospel passage we hear today about the feeding of 5000 is in all four Gospel accounts. It is the center of our faith. What we have is insignificant, what Jesus can do with our little amount, is incomprehensible.

Jesus wants to bless St. Monica Church along the St. Johns River since 1858. After Jesus heard about the murder of John the Baptist, he wanted to be alone with his disciples. When he disembarked the boat and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with compassion. They hungered for healing of mind, body and spirit. And so, Jesus cured them in this deserted place... The crowd had faith in Jesus to perform miracles. Do we? I remember traveling to the Holy Land in November of 2018 and visiting all the places Jesus walked and taught. It was awesome and overwhelming. One place challenged me deeply. It was where the Gospel brings us today. I sensed I disembarked the boat with Jesus. We told Jesus to dismiss the crowd because they were in a deserted place. If ever we tell Jesus what to do, we ought to be open to his better solution. Jesus simply says, "Give them some food yourselves." They complained, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have." I have celebrated Mass all over the world these past 30 years. Every time I preside at Mass, I sense Jesus is using me to feed thousands. Spiritual and emotional healing leads to physical healing of hungers. Jesus multiplies the meager loaves and fish people hand us.

We don't have enough to do all the healing and ministry Jesus would like to do here at St. Monica's. And yet we really do. Jesus is in each and every one of us and able to do so much more, but we lack something. Jesus tells us to bring all that we have. Jesus takes what we bring, says the blessing, breaks us, and gives us to the people who hunger and thirst for holiness. It is through the Eucharist that we feed the poor, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless...through all eternity.

When I was serving in the Navy as a reluctant chaplain 25 years ago, I found myself in Hiroshima, Japan because I needed to minister to three Marines who murdered another Marine. I cried. I wept. I prayed. This week is the 76th anniversary of the dropping of the atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki (August 6 and 9), let us ask for healing, mercy, love, joy and peace... Let us bring what little peace we have to Jesus. He will multiply our love and mercy beyond our wildest dreams.

Have a beautiful and delicious week in God's garden.
Father Ron Moses +

Our reflection on the Gospel of John 6 continues.
Next Sunday is the Feast of Assumption,

"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord" The Mother of Jesus!





A Poem Father Ron wrote on August 17, 2003

I am on another journey: reluctantly
I am not alone, but protected with love and prayers
I feel so very blessed
I am quite peaceful, flying through the air
God will not let me down.
God will protect and nourish the flock entrusted to me, every one of them.
I don't judge, therefore I will avoid judgement.
I don't condemn, therefore I will not be condemned
I forgive, and so I am forgiven for my sins, which I own up to.
I give generously. The Lord gives me infinitely more.
I love you Jesus. I am not afraid.
Yes....whatever you want.
Help my unbelief.
Forgive me if I falter
Have mercy on me.
I love you and trust you.
Thanks for today...and the many blessings.

Me your beloved

Those generous with God have no Trouble!



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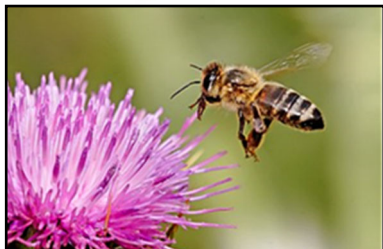
See a display of the healing power of the heart, featuring the works of Father Ron Camarda,

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Grow Strong in Your Faith

With Karen Lee



This time of the year, I love to sit in my window seat and watch the bees flying from one flower to another throughout my garden gathering nectar. Bees are tireless creatures who seem quite content with the work they do. Busy, busy bees.

One of my favorite saints, St. Francis de Sales, must have spent a lot of time thinking about bees. Known as the “gentleman saint”, he felt that all people are called to be holy.

He wrote a book for people like you and me called *The Introduction to the Devout Life*, which explains in everyday language how we can grow in faith and holiness. He often used similes and metaphors to help illustrate in simple terms what he was trying to preach. His similes and metaphors often mentioned bees.

“May your soul, like a mystical bee, never abandon the dear little King and may everything within it be for Him.”

“O my child, bethink you that just as the bee, having gathered heaven's dew and earth's sweetest nectar from amid the flowers, carries it to her hive; so the Priest, having taken the Saviour, God's Own Son, Who came down from Heaven, the Son of Mary, Who sprang up as earth's choicest flower, from the Altar, feeds you with that Bread of Sweetness and of all delight.”

“The bumble bee makes far more noise and is more bustling than the honey bee, but it makes nought save wax -- no honey; just so those who are restless and eager, or full of noisy solicitude, never do much or well.”

“All Christians ...in considering and reading the lives of the saints, should try and form themselves upon their example, just as the bees only light upon the flowers in order to gather honey where with to nourish themselves.”

“Like unto bees, you are all occupied in gathering from the flowers of religious life a delicious honey which will be composed of virtues.”

“A spoonful of honey gets more bees than a cup full of vinegar.”

“The bee collects honey from flowers in such a way as to do the least damage or destruction to them, and he leaves them whole, undamaged and fresh, just as he found them.”



The next time you see a bee, think of these!

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PICK OF THE WEEK

August 8, 2021

15 THINGS TO DO IN THE MIDST OF SUFFERING BY JEFF CAVINS

In addition to St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, the Church also celebrates the feast of St. Maximilian Kolbe this week. Kolbe, a Polish Catholic priest, fearlessly suffered the horrors of Auschwitz, where he was eventually martyred because of his faith. The life of this Saint reminds us that suffering is a mystery we all face at many points in our lives. In this talk, internationally known speaker Jeff Cavins shares his insights on this difficult topic and shows us how our suffering can become redemptive.

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Mass Attendance

Saturday Vigil :	58
Sunday 9:00 AM:	82
Sunday 11:00 AM:	35

First Fruits Donations for July



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St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Women's Retreat

Saturday August 21, 2021

9:00a.m.-1:00p.m.

Come hear the mysteries of the Holy Rosary explained

9:00a.m.-9:30a.m. Welcome: Father Pablo Fuentes

9:30a.m.-11:30a.m. Mysteries of the Rosary

11:30a.m. Celebration of Mass with Fr. Pablo and Fr. Ron

2:30p.m. Luncheon in the St John Social Hall

Guest Speaker

Father Ron Camarda

All Are Welcome

106 N. Manitoba Avenue
Interlachen, FL 32148

Please RSVP to the Parish office at 386-684-2528 or Connie Ostrowski at 352-475-3522

Pope Francis' Monthly Prayer Intentions for August:



The Church

Let us pray for the church that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

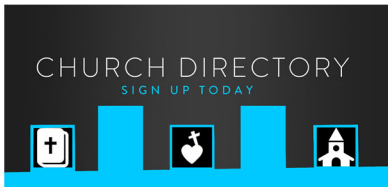


Protecting God's Children Class

Monday August 16, 2021

6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Contact the office to sign up



We will be asking that parishioners email in a current family or individual picture to use in our new directory by August 31. Please include what info (address, phone number, email) that you would like included with your picture. Please send to:saintmonicacatholic@gmail.com.

We will also be taking photos in front of the Grotto after the weekend Masses by appointment the month of August for those who do not have a photo or the means to have one taken. Please contact the office at 386-983-7297 to set up your appointment.

We are prayerful that everyone will consider participating.
Thank you & God Bless.



A DAY OF

Reflection

"You are my refuge and shield, in your word I hope."

-Psalm 119:114



Saturday, August 14, 2021

St. Joseph Catholic Church - Cody Center

4152 Loretto Rd. Jacksonville 32223

9:00am to 3:00pm - Morning Mass at 8:00am in the main church

Speakers include:

Fr. Briggs Hurley, Fr. Anthony Hamaty, Fr. Mike Elias and Bishop Estevez

Topic 1: Believe in His Promise

Heb 10:23: "Let us hold unwaveringly to our confession that gives us hope, for he who made the promise is trustworthy."

Topic 2: Do Not Be Anxious

Matt 6:25-34: "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you eat (or drink), or about your body, what you will wear. It is not life more than food and the body more than clothing?"

Topic 3: Hope Gives Us Strength

2 Cor 3:12-16: "Therefore since we have such hope, we act boldly, and not like Moses, who put a veil over his face so that the Israelites could not look intently at the cessation of what was fading."

Rather their thoughts were rendered dull, for to this present day the same veil remains unlifted when they read the old covenant, because through Christ it is taken away. To this day, in fact, whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their hearts, but whenever a person turns to the Lord, the veil is removed."

Topic 4: Peace Be With You

Luke 24:36-49: "While they were still speaking about this, he stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." But they were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. Then he said to them, "Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have..."

meals provided

Continental Breakfast will be provided by the Spanish Community
Lunch will be provided by the English Community

Love offering to cover expenses would be appreciated.

Register Today!

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**WEEKEND
MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

Saturday, August 14 @ 4:30 PM

Ushers: Shirley Delaney, Mary Shackelford
Eucharistic Minister: Joe Iovino
Lectors: Mary Lawnicki, Helen Muir
Altar Server: Bill Maus

Sunday, August 15 @ 9:00 AM

Ushers: Eddie Dubeck, Jim Wigand
Eucharistic Minister: Jan Schneider
Lectors: Jerry Rash, Stephanie Huskey
Altar Server: Frank Fraize

Sunday, August 15 @ 11:00 AM

Ushers: Bill Black
Eucharistic Minister: Linda Cleveland
Lectors: Mary Crawford, Jasmine Lopez Martinez
Altar Server: Perla Lopez Martinez



**August 11 and 25
6:00 PM in the Church**

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 Sandra Scranton, Lance Watson, Mary Graham,
 Theresa Gayle Whitley, Frank Comer, Thomas Szczes
 Millie Sellers, Donnelly Family, Alex McCreery

Please call the office at 386-325-9777 if you know someone that needs prayers.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Christian Gilmore
 Jerry Rash
 Patricia Kilgore
 Andy Hall
 Karen McMillian
 Philip Gallo



This Week's Daily Readings

Monday: Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;
 Mt 17:22-27
 Tuesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
 Wednesday: Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17;
 Mt 18:15-20
 Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6;
 Mt 18:21 — 19:1
 Friday: Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24;
 Mt 19:3-12
 Saturday: Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11;
 Mt 19:13-15
 Sunday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7,
 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;
 Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56



Saturday, August 7
 +Ann Lininger

Sunday, August 8
 9:00 AM -Parishioners
 11:00 AM- +Katie Martinez

Tuesday August 10 +Katie Martinez-
 Wednesday, August 11 +Margarita Seaney
 Thursday, August 12 +Agnes Hall
 Friday, August 13 +Helen Ryan

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