

St. Monica Catholic Church

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

NOW, MASTER,
YOU MAY LET YOUR SERVANT GO IN PEACE,
ACCORDING TO YOUR WORD,
FOR MY EYES HAVE SEEN YOUR SALVATION.

LUKE 2:29-30

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

FEBRUARY 2, 2020

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Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil - 4:30 pm

Sunday - 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Daily Masses

Tuesday - 5:30 pm

Wednesday - Friday 8:30 am

Adoration Friday 7:30 AM

First Saturday of the Month

Mass with Anointing of the Sick

10:00 am

Holy Day Masses

8:00 am & 7:00 pm

Confessions Saturday

3:30 - 4:15 pm

Father Ron's Bible Study the Gospel of Matthew

Every Tuesday
at 6:15 PM

All Are Welcome



Pope's Intentions for February

Listen to the Migrants' Cries

We pray that the cries of our migrant
brothers and sisters, victims of criminal
trafficking, may be heard and considered.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7;
Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 —
19:3; Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk
6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12;
Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18:31, 47, 50, 51; Mk
6:14-29

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-
34

Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5;
Mt 5:13-16

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Beloved of St. Monica,

Thank you for choosing to worship with us at our beautiful 161 year old church community. Thank you for the opportunity to return to St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary this past week for a course/workshop on the Parables of Jesus. I graduated from this seminary 30 years ago with a Masters of Divinity in Theology and a Masters of Art in Sacred Scripture. I feel as if I am one of the most blessed and happy persons in the world.

It has been and continues to be a tremendous journey.

***If you get a chance, join us for Bible Study on Tuesday at 6:15 pm right after the 5:30 pm Mass. We meet in the library. Experience is not necessary, but a desire to grow closer to Jesus is a must. We will be focusing on the Sermon of the Mount in the Gospel according to Matthew (Chapters 5, 6, and 7 which only takes about 15 minutes to read and a lifetime to reflect and enjoy!).

***As we are moving forward with the Marion Chapel (with restrooms and reconciliation room), please let me know if you would like to be involved in the building committee. There are many of our elder parishioners who struggle to join us for Mass because of this need. Also, in protecting our children and the times of the time, restrooms in our church without needing to go across to the hall is essential for our continued growth. Please PRAY for this endeavor.

***Please keep the women preparing to present the Christ Renews His Parish for women on the weekend of March 14 & 15. If you are a woman over 21, please consider enjoying this awesome retreat that stirs up our souls for God and one another.

***Today is the feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the temple. When Jesus was only 12 years old, his parents thought they lost him at a great festival in Jerusalem. They searched for him for three days among family and every inch of the city. Then they found him where he was presented as a baby. He was teaching the teachers. When his Mother Mary and Father Joseph asked him about whether he was concerned that they would be searching for him, he simply replied, "Why did you look for me, didn't you know that I had to be in my Father's house?"

At that moment Mary must have felt the tip of the sword piercing her heart. Her initial "Yes" to God was being tested.

I can imagine that Mary remembered the words and blessing of Simeon as he held her child, "Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel."

After Simeon blessed the child's father and mother who were amazed and stunned, he said to Mary his mother,

"Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted. And you yourself a sword will pierce so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."

Beloved, the Way of Jesus is very difficult. If someone tells you different, you might remember how Mary withstood a sword to her heart while she lived. Jesus is counting on each of us to truly be Good News for the world. Let us pick up our cross and follow this Awesome Jesus, the Son of God, Son of Mary & Joseph to be with Him forever.

"Be not afraid, for behold, I am with you always!"

Have a most blessed week in the love of God.

Love, joy, peace,
Father Ron Moses +



GROWING YOUR FAITH

Are you Friends with the Saints?

Rediscover
the Saints

TWENTY-FIVE QUESTIONS
THAT WILL CHANGE YOUR LIFE

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
MATTHEW KELLY

Have you had a chance to begin reading your Christmas book *Rediscovering the Saints* yet? The author, Matthew Kelly, warns us not to put the saints on pedestals. We are just as capable of becoming saints as they were. We are all called to holiness.

He instead challenges us to become friends with the saints.

Kelly says, "The saints are always there, swirling around us...The saints teach us, encourage us, challenge us, and inspire us...The saints are great teachers, primarily because they teach with their actions as much as their words...The saints show us what is possible, and what is possible is amazing. You are capable of incredible things.

Don't be afraid to embrace your beautiful self."

So, are you friends with any of the saints? There are so many to choose from! Make a saint your friend today.

Enjoy One Last Day of Feasting February 25, 2020 in the Parish Hall

Trivia

6:00 PM

Photo Booth



Bring your favorite hors d'oeuvre

Cost of Admission:

Non-Perishable Food Item to stock our Food Pantry



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Celebrating 150 Years
So That They May All Be One



Ladies Guild
Flea Market

February 21st and 22nd

Donations will be collected on
February 19th and 20th

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

During Business Hours:
Parish Office - 386-325-9777
After Business Hours : 904-994-6803

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

A Dream for Our Future

Marion Chapel with Reconciliation
Room and Restrooms

Help us make this dream
a reality



Donate today to our Building
and Restoration Fund

Mass Intentions

Sunday January 26 9:00 AM
Parishioners

Sunday January 26 11:00 AM
+ Lourdes Guanlao

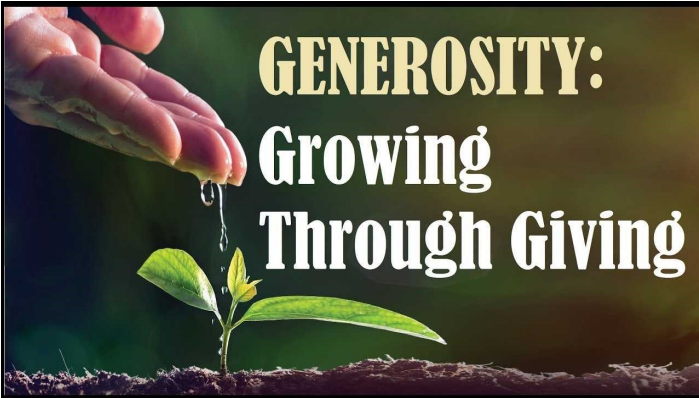
Tuesday January 28 5:30 PM
+Margaret Shepherd

Wednesday January 29 8:30 AM
Agnes G. David

Thursday January 30 8:30 AM
George Habeeb

Friday January 31 8:30 AM
+ Lourdes Guanlao

Saturday February 1 8:30 AM
+Shannon Hawkins



GENEROSITY: Growing Through Giving

January 25th & 26th

Envelopes	\$2087.00
Loose Offerings	\$ 672.93
Online Giving	\$ 340.00
Building & Restoration Fund	\$ 60.00
Children's Gifts	\$ 36.50

Mass Attendance 375

We're pleased to announce that St Monica now provides online giving through ParishSOFT Giving.

This is a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring donation. Just scan below or visit <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/st114191> to get started

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Thank you for your generous and prayerful support of St Monica

— END OF YEAR —

GIVING STATEMENTS

Available upon request Please Contact Office



Thanks to your generous donations we were able to donate to St John The Baptist in Crescent City to help fund their immigrant English Class

Christ Renews His Parish

Women's Retreat Weekend

March 14th and 15th 2020

GET INVOLVED

Join A Ministry!

At St Monica Today

Youth Ministry
GOLF
TOURNAMENT
May 16, 2020

Palatka Golf Course

Please Contact Scott Phillips or Rick Carr
for Registration Form

Tournament Format

4 Player Captain's Choice Scramble

Registration 8:00 am

Shot Gun Start 9:00 am

Player Entry Fee: \$ 50.00 per person
(incl: Cart and Green fees and lunch)

Sponsorships:

Hole Sponsor: \$ 100.00 per sign

Company name will be displayed on sign
and two rounds of golf
at Palatka Golf Course

Cart Sponsor: \$ 50.00 per team

Company name will be displayed on the back of
the golf carts of one team and one round of golf at
Palatka Golf Course)

Prizes will be announced later

Please support our youth ministry

Youth Ministry Events



Saturday February 8 : Meeting 6 to 8
Saturday February 22: Meeting 6 to 8
Saturday March 7: Rib Sale
10:00 AM -4:00 PM

Please Join Us
For more info call Scott Phillips
at 386-983-7317

Youth Ministry



\$18.00 a Slab

Tickets on Sale Now in the Parish Office
or by contacting
Scott Phillips or Rick Carr

Pick up On March 7 , 2020 12:00 PM to
4:00 PM



**Every Friday during Lent
Beginning February 28,2020**

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Please pray for our sick

Louise Egan, Sue Wilson, Bill Walwik,
Fred Lininger,

The prayer list will be changed each week.
Please call weekly if you have someone that needs to
be added. Thank you

Ministry Schedules

Saturday February 8, 2020 4:30 PM

Ushers: JJ Nichols, Bill Gaines, Earl Wallace, George Schiffbauer

Eucharistic Ministers: Joe Iovino, Catherine Maus, Helen Muir

Lectors: Bill Maus, Mary Jo Perry

Altar Servers: Andrew Walwik, David Aptt

Sunday February 9, 2020 9:00 AM

Ushers: Matt Harris, Ricky Webb, Jim McMillan

Eucharistic Ministers: Catherine Webb, Sharon Harris, Corrine Munn

Lectors: Harry Burridge, Carol Burridge

Altar Servers: Benjamin Motl, Camryn Gilmore, Joshua Carr

Sunday February 9, 2020 11:00 AM

Ushers: Linus Wiesner, Immanuel Rosado

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Mundy, Lina Majesky

Lectors: Rita Lambert

Altar Servers: Grant Fortner, Josmil Montanez

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).