

St Monica Catholic Church
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July 25th, 2021
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary time



**GOD MAKES EVERYTHING
BEAUTIFUL IN ITS OWN TIME**



Weekend Masses

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

Summer Weekday Masses

Wednesday-Friday 8:30 AM

Confessions

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

Healing Mass

Saturday August 7
10:00 AM

Thank you for sharing
pictures of your flowers from
the Spring Challenge!

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

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Bulletin July 24th ~ After the Tenting ~ Beloved of Saint Monica,

13 July 2005, 2021

Five years ago (21 years ago), I received the scary news that my mother was dying of cancer quickly. It was already beginning to be metastasized. Our relationship with our mother made a radical shift.

Today I am filled with gratitude. I love my Mom. I love myself. I love my enemies. There is often confusion and really raw emotions. But I have the ability embedded deep within my soul to forgive and love unconditionally, through and through.

So often, our problem is desiring and arranging to go back through the waters. (Back to the way it was before the Corona pandemic.) Moses brought the people into the desert through the seas, the Dead Sea. For forty years the people wanted to go back. They couldn't see the New Heavens and the New Earth. Maybe they still want to go back. There is no return to the womb or enslaving someone who has been already freed. We are destined to become children of God for all eternity. We must imitate Our God... We must be like Jesus physically, spiritually and psychologically. The Body of Christ we eat and the Blood of Christ we drink is the only way to transition to heaven. The Blood of Christ was on the lips of my mother the moment she died to this world and passed over to heaven, love itself.

There will be no life unless we curb our appetites, our addictions, our meanness or feeling we are loved more than the poor.

God loves us. We need not fear anything else but God, our Father and Friend. Ooh & ah! O my.

July 17, 2021 ~ Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Speak Beloved God, your servant is listening.

O Mary, Mother of God and our Mother.

Thank you for saying "yes" and loving all of us.

You truly are the perfect Mother.

You love us just as much as you love your Son,

our brother, our savior, and our Beloved Spouse.

We are growing as a family

rooted in God's love, mercy and compassionate Sacred Heart.

Have a beautiful week in God's garden with great love, joy and peace!

Father Ron Moses +



Beloved of St Monica,

Let us honor National Family Planning and the wonderful vocation of marriage.

Have a great week

Love Joy Peace Father Ron

**TO HAVE
TO HOLD
TO HONOR**

Natural Family Planning
Supporting God's gifts of
love and life in marriage



To have ... God has given each man and woman an abundance of gifts and marriage is one of them!

What would you think of a person who has an amazing gift, a gift that brings lasting happiness, but doesn't open it? Even more bewildering, what if the gift is in plain sight, but the person still does not open it? Sounds strange? Not really. For a variety of reasons, from distractions to presumptions, from insecurity to arrogance, from fear to foolhardiness, people can easily miss a gift. This all-to-common human inclination to not see the forest for the trees can make us laugh or cry depending upon what it is that we missed. With this in mind, let us remember that as people of faith, we don't want to miss God's gifts to us—they are, after all, from the Lord God Himself. And, they are given to us for our ultimate happiness!

God, the great gift-giver, is the one who gives life to every man and woman. This life is directed to the fullness of joy and eternity since the Lord God made men and women "in His image" (see Genesis 1: 27). God's gift of life is multifaceted. The gift of life unfolds to reveal many related gifts, all willed by God, including personhood—one's identity as a precious child of God; human sexuality with its fertility—the ability to co-create with the Lord of all creation; the capacity to love like God, to forgive, empathize, and form small communions of persons in families, friendships, businesses, citizenships, and so forth. Finally, as if all this were not enough, God crowns His creation with His ultimate gift of salvation through His son Jesus—"For God so loved the world that he gave His only Son so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life" (John 3:16).

For more information please visit USCCB.org.



It has been several years since we have had a new directory and we have added many new families since then. It would be amazing to get everyone to participate and have a complete church directory for all our parishioners. Unfortunately the company that has done our church directory for many years (Lifetouch) has gone out of business, so we are going to try something new.

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 saintmoniacatholic@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.

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possible!



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July 17 & 18

Offertory: \$ 5,933.00
Outreach to Poor: \$ 78.00
Building Fund: \$ 25.00
Children's Gifts: \$ 12.00

Thank you for supporting St Monica

Mass Attendance

Saturday Vigil :	55
Sunday 9:00 AM:	84
Sunday 11:00 AM:	42



The St Monica Food Pantry

Open every Thursday
from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Next Food Truck Giveaway
Thursday August 5, 2021



First Fruits Donations for May

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August 1



BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION

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Our Mission to
the Missions**

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- Many people benefit from your support of the BIMC.
 - Students in the small mission school in the Deep South.
 - The Catholic community served by a Native deacon in Alaska.
 - The Native American parish on the prairie.
- Your support helps all of them come to know Jesus.
- The BIMC helps get good teachers in schools that would otherwise struggle to stay open.
- Funding from the BIMC helps dioceses form lay ministers and catechists to spread the Gospel in their own communities.
- Supporting the BIMC helps encourage young African Americans and Native Americans to give their lives to the Lord as priests, brothers, or sisters.

La Colecta para las Misiones Afroamericanas e Indígenas (CMAI) existe para ayudar a los obispos y las diócesis a edificar la Iglesia entre las comunidades Afroamericanas, Indígenas y de Nativos de Alaska.

- Muchas personas se ven beneficiadas de su apoyo a la CMAI.
 - Los estudiantes de la pequeña escuela misionera en el sureste de los EEUU.
 - La Comunidad Católica atendida por un diácono Nativo Americana en Alaska.
 - La parroquia Nativo Americana en la Pradera.
- Su apoyo ayuda a todas estas personas a llegar a conocer a Jesús.
- La CMAI ayuda a conseguir buenos maestros para escuelas que en otras circunstancias estarían luchando para mantenerse abiertas.
- Los fondos de la CMAI ayudan a las diócesis a formar ministros laicos y catequistas para difundir el Evangelio en sus propias comunidades.
- Contribuir a la CMAI ayuda a animar a jóvenes Afroamericanos o Indígenas a entregar su vida al Señor como sacerdotas, religiosos o religiosas.



Grow Strong in Your Faith

With Karen Lee



HAPPY GRANDPARENT'S DAY!



***“Grandparents are the ring linking generations,
to transmit to young people the experience of life and faith.” Pope Francis (2021)***

Whether you are a grandparent or have a grandparent, you know that these words by Pope Francis are true. In fact, Pope Francis thinks grandparents are such an important part of our families that he named today World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

There is an inexplicable bond between grandparents and grandchildren. That bond begins the second we hold our grandchild for the first time. Something wondrous happens to our hearts! And that incredible feeling grows exponentially with each passing year. Grandchildren must be God’s rewarding gift to us for surviving parenthood! Amidst all the fun and games, though, we can easily forget that one of our primary God-given roles is to pass on our faith to each generation.

How can you share your faith with your grandchildren?

- Pray for them by name each day. Take your time. Be specific.
- Dream with them. Tell them your dreams and ask them about theirs. Listen attentively. Do what you can to help them achieve their dreams. Help them discover who God wants them to be.
- Let them catch you in the act of living your life for God. Be their role model. Walk the walk. They will ask you questions. Simply explain to them why you do the things you do.
- Help them experience holy moments. Pray with them. Read a children’s bible with them and help them learn to think as God thinks and not as the world thinks. What would Jesus do?
- Teach them to be generous and kind.
- Teach them to be thankful. Pray together at meals and let them lead the prayer sometimes.
- Teach them to pray at bedtime. Ask them what or who they would like to pray for. Join them in prayer.
- Use teachable moments to discuss what is the right thing to do in a situation.
- Share your relationship with God with them. Ask them about how God is with them in their own lives.

Being a grandparent means making memories together that will last long after you are gone. Make spiritual memories together that they can pass down to their own children and grandchildren. Tomorrow is the feast day of Jesus’s grandparents, St. Joachim and St. Anne. Ask them to help you be the best grandparent you can be for each of your grandchildren. If you would like more ideas, get a copy of *Dreams for your Grandchild* by Allen Hunt.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, July 31 @ 4:30 PM

Ushers: Steve Woods, Bill Maus
Eucharistic Minister: James Doyle
Lectors: George Schiffbauer, Mary Jo Perry
Altar Server: David Aptt

Sunday, August 1 @ 9:00 AM

Ushers: Eddie Dubeck, Jim McMillan
Eucharistic Minister: Ramona Bodalski
Lectors: Amy Moore, Frank fraize
Altar Server: Benjamin Motl

Sunday, August 1 @ 11:00 AM

Ushers: Bill Black
Eucharistic Minister: James Doyle
Lectors: Rita Lambert, Perla Lopez-Martinez
Altar Server: Avery Gugal

Prayer Requests

Louise Egan, Sue Wilson, Branda Kay Mangum,
 Fred Lininger, Pam Mathes, Carrie Brubaker,
 Edna Blandford, Andy Hall, Gary Rummel,
 Adrienne Fennell, Larry Beaton, Quinn Soucey,
 Hoyt Muir, Bernice Rich, Dave Green, Kitty Crews,
 Diane Kinnon, Ken Lininger, Dorothy Burmester,
 Tony Wheeler, Frank Fraize, Nancy Jones,
 Stella Reyes, Connie Wiesner, Cooper Newman,
 Matilda Aloia, Kimball Murray, Sandra Nichols,
 Sandra Scranton, Lance Watson, Mary F Graham

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



Choir Practice Summer Schedule

August 11 and 25
 6:00 PM in the Church

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 24
 +Ann Lininger

Sunday, July 25
 9:00 AM -Parishioners
 11:00 AM- Annie Cummings

Tuesday July 27	+Angie Spena
Wednesday, July 28	Tom & Dot Riddle
Thursday, July 29	Ellen Reid
Friday, July 30	+Helen Ryan

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PICK OF THE WEEK

July 25, 2021

SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA: SOLDIER FOR CHRIST

At the end of this week, we celebrate the feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the "Soldier for Christ." While Martin Luther's interior troubles plunged Europe into a maelstrom of controversy, Ignatius of Loyola set out on an extraordinary interior pilgrimage of grace. Taught directly by God, Ignatius offered the Church a new spirituality of devoted service to Christ and founded a religious order dedicated to evangelization, the Jesuits.



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Pope Francis'
Monthly Prayer
Intentions for July

Social Friendship:

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

This Week's Daily Readings

Monday: Reading 1, *Sirach 44:1, 10-15*
Responsorial Psalm, *Psalms 132:11, 13-14, 17-18*
Gospel, *Matthew 13:16-17*
Tuesday: Reading 1, *Exodus 33:7-11; 34:5-9, 28*
Responsorial Psalm, *Psalms 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13*
Gospel, *Matthew 13:35-43*
Wednesday: Reading 1, *Exodus 34:29-35*
Responsorial Psalm, *Psalms 99:5, 6, 7, 9*
Gospel, *Matthew 13:44-46*
Thursday: Reading 1, *Exodus 40:16-21, 34-38*
Responsorial Psalm, *Psalms 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11*
Gospel, *John 11:19-27*
Friday: Reading 1, *Leviticus 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34-37*
Responsorial Psalm, *Psalms 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11*
Gospel, *Matthew 13:54-58*
Saturday: Reading 1, *Leviticus 25:1, 8-17*
Responsorial Psalm, *Psalms 67:2-3, 5, 7-8*
Gospel, *Matthew 14:1-12*
Sunday: Reading 1, *Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15*
Responsorial Psalm, *Psalms 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54*
Gospel, *John 6:24-35*
Reading 2, *Ephesians 4:17, 20-24*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Aella Stuhler
Mary Dobbs-Smith
Derek Stuhler
Joseph Iovino

Maudie Valenti
Michael Harris
Isabella Kurtz

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