

May 24
2020

ASCENSION OF THE

Lord

MEN OF GALILEE, WHY ARE YOU
STANDING THERE STARING AT THE SKY?
THIS JESUS WHO HAS BEEN
TAKEN UP FROM YOU INTO HEAVEN
WILL RETURN IN THE SAME WAY AS YOU
HAVE SEEN HIM GOING INTO HEAVEN.

Acts 1:11



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Beloved of St Monica,

Oh how great to come together as the body of Christ again. Even for those who are at home and staying sheltered, we became thrilled to connect as the body of Christ! We will continue to do the drive-by communion as long as you need. It will happen right after that 9 AM and 11 AM Mass until 10:30 AM and 12:30 AM respectively. Let the office know if you need to possibly do it on Saturday evening.

A huge gratitude goes out to those who work behind the scenes to make sure that our temporary “church” hall was so beautiful. Lorenzo did a phenomenal job on the floors and painting in the hall. All the ministries came together beautifully and seamlessly. Thank you! The food pantry is thriving under great leadership, and they can always use more help especially in this time of crisis. I did not realize how much I missed you until we were able to gather again. Keep being patient with one another and me.

It truly is an opportunity to love even those who persecute us. We do have to love all people with the compassion of Jesus the Christ!

Congratulations to Jordan and Kelsi in the baptism of their son Emmett last Friday. The pictures tell you so much joy. We brought Kelsi and her sister Samantha into full communion into the church a few weeks ago. Samantha was the godmother! We are growing and blooming into the beautiful body of Christ.

As we continue to paint the church because of your great Stewardship, we are in the hall again this weekend... However, we are still gathered as the Church.

On this Sunday when Jesus ascended into heaven, we realize that we sometimes worship but doubt. That is OK with Jesus, but he says to us, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me by my father. Go therefor and baptize all nations in the name of the father and of the son and of the Holy Spirit teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always until the end of time.”

We are not afraid.

As I said last week: If we love the coronavirus despite what it has done, the tragedy becomes something beautiful. We return different, more loving. It is like a village with a wild tiger. If they simply kill the tiger, another tiger returns. The circle of hatred continues. But if we love what we fear, we strive for solutions that will be for all people, not just our inner circle. we don't shy away from our distress. We pick up our cross.

Try it... Love those your hate and watch your body and soul and spirit heal.
Amazing!

Have a beautiful week and continue to stay safe. Remember that complacency kills.

**Love, joy, peace,
Father Ron +**



Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses Limit 50

Saturday Vigil 4:30 pm

Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Drive Thru Communion

10:00 AM to 10:30 AM

12:00 PM to 12:30 PM

Daily Masses Limit 20

Tuesday - 5:30 pm

Wednesday - Friday 8:30 am

Facebook Live Events

Holy Hour Friday 4:30 PM

Rosary Saturday 3:30 PM

Mass Sunday 9:00 AM

Father Ron's Bible Study

Focus: The Gospel according to Matthew

Every Tuesday at 6:15 pm (Limit 10)

(Live on Facebook & Website)

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Please note that Masses will be on a first come first serve basis. Please also read the reopening guidelines before reserving your seat and add all family members who will be attending with you.

Thank you & God Bless

Ministry Schedules

Saturday, May 30, 2020 4:30 PM

Ushers: JJ Nichols, Bill Black, Connor Phillips

Eucharistic Minister: Bill Maus

Lectors: Mary Lawnicki, Helen Muir

Altar Server: Connor Donnelly

Sunday, May 31, 2020 9:00 AM

Ushers: Terry Gilmore, Frank Fraize, Matt Harris

Eucharistic Minister: Corrine Munn

Lectors: Cheryl Meis, Stephanie Husky

Altar Server:

Sunday, May 31, 2020 11:00 AM

Ushers: Ricky Webb, Karen McMillan

Eucharistic Minister: Catherine Webb

Lectors: Pam Mathes, Mary Crawford

Altar Server: Matthew Webb



The Parish office will be open to visitors starting May 26

Please follow social distancing guidelines

Monday –Friday
from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

The office staff will also be available by phone:
Monday-Friday
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

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Thank you to everyone who helped out at the Youth Ministry Golf Tournament. It was a huge success.

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Through Mary, “All the knots of our heart, every knot of our conscience can be undone.”

Pope Francis

When you were small and got a knot in your shoelace, who did your turn to? Your mother! Somehow, she always managed to undo it. We all have knots in our lives – family problems, financial troubles, depression, loneliness, addictions, and others. When we have a difficult knot, we can still turn to our mother, Our Lady Undoer of Knots.

*Mother of fair love, I look to you.
Take into your hands the ribbon of my life,
and see the snarl of knots that keeps me bound
to sin, anxiety, and hopelessness.
I beg you, Mother, by your powerful intercession
and long fingers of love and grace,
undo the knots in my heart and in my life.
Free me to love as Christ loves.
Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for us.*

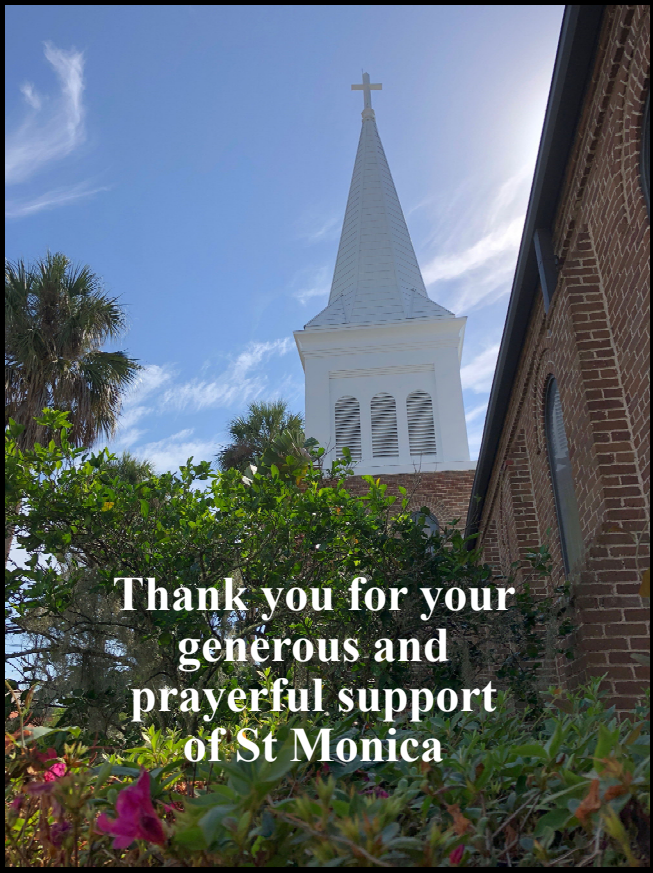
For more information about Our Lady Undoer of Knots, take a brochure from the Adult Formation Centers at the back of the church, or email adultformation@stmonicacatholicchurch and we will mail you one.



To Susan Walwik

**We hope you had a
fabulous day!!**

God Bless



**Thank you for your
generous and
prayerful support
of St Monica**

May 17

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 24

Parishioners

Tuesday May 26

Agnes Costello

Wednesday, May 27

+Fred Sylvester

Thursday, May 28

Cathleen & Stephen McKearney
Anniversary

Friday, May 29

+Alberto M David

Saturday, May 30

Teresa G. David



Pope's Intentions for May

For Deacons

We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

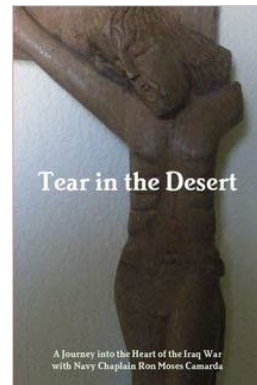
Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23



Louise Egan, Sue Wilson, Fred Lininger,
David Cummings, Frank Comer,
Mary Jo Vincent, Sandy Freligh, Edna Blandford
Redonna Futch, Angie Spena,

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



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This Weeks Birthdays

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Maribel Wheeler
Robert Lukasick
Bill Gaines
Marcio Novaes
Avery Gugal
Gayle Whitley

Janice Pounds
Bill Sylvester
George Williams
Mary Jo Perry
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