



FOURTH SUNDAY OF *Easter*

MAY 3, 2020

The shepherd calls his own sheep
by name and leads them.

John 10:3



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Beloved of St. Monica,

Can you believe it is already May? For the most part, even though we are in such crisis with the Corona virus exile, the weather has been so wonderful. However, the allergies and excessive pollen are something that I wish were toned down a bit. One of the fruits of the Holy Spirit is “patience”. I am sure this is the one fruit we are all challenged with to keep ripe, sweet and delicious while on lock down! Jesus, have mercy on us!

As we continue throughout the Easter Season, we are blessed to bring our elect and candidates into full communion with the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Last week we welcomed David William “Joseph” Jepson into full communion. It was awesome to see the Holy Spirit work such magic. This week we will be welcoming Thelma. Keep the prayers coming.

As we journey, I am most grateful of your stewardship to St. Monica Community. We need and appreciate you. We are doing amazing things to help the poor, lonely and lost. Please keep reaching out to each other.

We are broadcasting our Sunday Masses, Rosary, Reflections and Bible Studies live on Facebook and then uploading most to our website. Your comments and encouragement have been most helpful. We are hoping to get zoom up and running for CCF (religious education for children), small faith communities, Church History, Tech for the Church Vision 2020, Spirituality courses, and Sacrament Courses. Don't forget to keep using [formed.org](https://www.formed.org) (Code R87GP3) for great spiritual movies, sacraments, preparing for Sunday readings, and so much more.

In some ways, this new way of doing church might help the younger people to relate to those of us born in the last century. I remember not too long ago when my parents refused to use a cell phone or answer calls. My dad still refuses to use email or a computer... but he does love his “smart” television and cell phone. Things do change sometimes. There is hope!

Have a great week in God's garden. Our lilies are blooming in the grotto.

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





Rosary from Church	Saturday 4 pm
Preparing the Scripture for Sunday	Saturday 5-6 pm
Reading the Bible as a Community	Saturday 6-7 pm
Sunday Eucharist on Facebook Live	Sunday 9 am
Drive-by Blessing with Father Ron (Drive by on Oak Street. Stay safely in your car)	Sunday 10:30 - 11:30
Father Ron's Bible Study	Tuesday 5-6 pm
Sacraments & Spirituality w/ Father Ron	Friday 3:30 pm
Exposition and Benediction	Friday 4:30-5:30 pm

Other gathering suggestions: Volunteers, Lectors, EM's, Ushers, Councils

CCF on Zoom (coming soon, (maybe Wednesdays))

All events will be Live on Facebook and added later to the St Monica website.

Website: Stmonicacatholicchurch.com

Facebook Page: St. Monica Church, Palatka est. 1858

Last week the story of recognizing Jesus in the Breaking of Bread reminded me of this poem I wrote a few years after I was ordained back in 1990.

FRAGMENTS

*I must be crazed
The center of my life
Fragments
Broken
Spilt on parched ground
Desperate for pieces of hope, of love
Plain - bland - and somewhat tasteless
bitter... sweet
No pomp, no grandiose
Simple bread
Sinful hands - holy hands
grapes of wrath - grapes of life
crushed - love
I must be crazed
My life centered;
Broken Bread, poured out wine...
and now... I...
...am...
fragmented.*

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MAY: MONTH OF MARY, MONTH OF MOTHERS



“A mother is something so great and beautiful that even God wanted to have one... Mary!” And since no one is more generous than God, from the Cross He gave the world such great and beautiful gift, our Mother... He gave us Mary, His own mother! Mary is the living calyx that carried Jesus in her womb. Mary’s womb was home to He who neither Heaven nor Earth can hold. Mary gave life to He who is the Life. Mary gave light to He who is the Light of the World. Mary fed the Living Bread that came down from Heaven with her virginal breasts. Mary taught He who is the Way how to walk. Mary taught the Word of God His first words. In Cana of Galilee, Mary “advanced the hour” of the Eternal... He who is the Alpha and Omega. That agonizing Christ, tells us from the Cross: “Behold thy mother”... and from that very moment Mary delivered us in the painful birth of Calvary.”

Author: Raúl Nessler

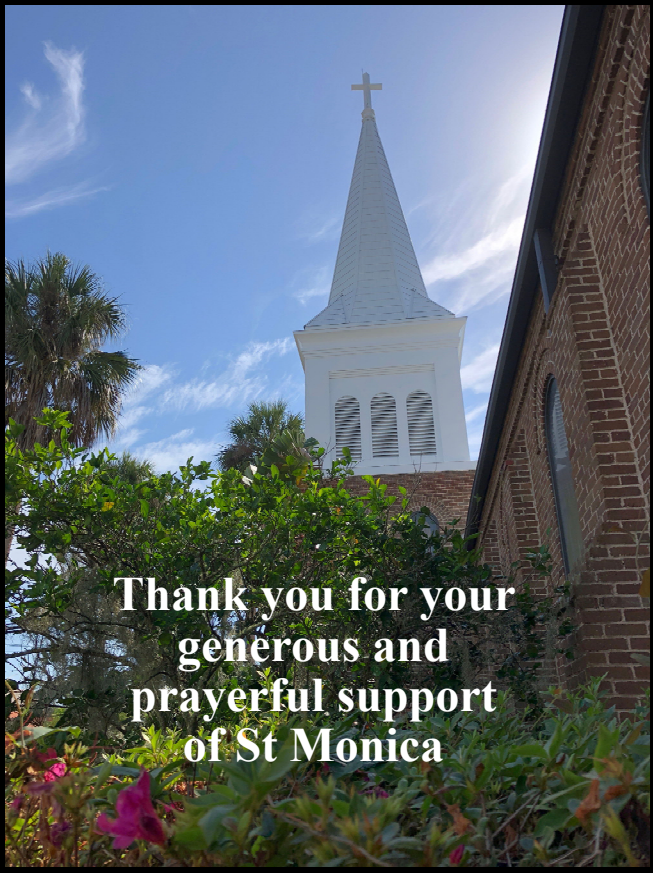
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May is the month dedicated to our Blessed Mother.

One of the sweetest devotions we have to honor her is praying the rosary, as we look at the life of Jesus through her eyes.

This month you can join our St Monica family in praying the rosary every Saturday at 4:00 p.m. on Facebook and on our website.

If you would like a rosary or a rosary audio CD, email adultformation@stmonicacatholicchurch.com and we will mail you one.



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April 26

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 3

Parishioners
Mary Feeley

Tuesday May 5

+Oscar Ray

Wednesday, May 6

Hank & Margaret Costello

Thursday, May 7

+Purification David

Friday, May 8

+Felisia Guanlo

Saturday, May 9

+Jake Hoffman



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 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4;
Jn 10:11-18

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;
Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27;
Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19;
1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12



Louise Egan, Sue Wilson, Bill Walwik,
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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Mildred Sellers
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Sharonlyn Wright

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Ansley Hall
Jessica Tordin

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