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“Give to the LORD, you families of nations, give to the LORD glory and praise; give to the LORD the glory due his name! Bring gifts, and enter his courts.” PSALM 96:7-8

OCTOBER 18, 2020

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Beloved of St. Monica,

How wonderful it was to celebrate 150 years of the Diocese of St. Augustine and Nuestra Señora de La Leche y Buen Parto ~ Our Lady of the Milk and Happy Delivery. The music throughout the weekend was soulful.

Throughout the weekend we were still able to provide meals for about 400 souls and celebrate Mass. We also baptized and welcomed Charlie Mae Harris, daughter of Tyler and Eryn, sister of Michael and Shea. A huge thankyou to all who worked so hard in “welcoming all to the compassionate love of Jesus through the Eucharist.”

This is World Mission Sunday. We must never forget that we have always been a global church, even before globalism was a word. Even though we worship and doubt on the Mountain of the Ascension, we still hear Jesus say to us, *“All authority in heaven and earth has been given to me by my Father. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations. Baptize them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Teach them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I Am with You always, even to the end of the age.”* (Mt 28: 16-20)

Don't be afraid to love the poor through the world. Jesus is by our side. But please remember that it will always include suffering. Thanks for your generosity to the missions and your beloved Saint Monica.

St. Fulgentius of Ruspe, bishop writes,

*For God's love has been poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. Indeed our sharing in the Lord's body and blood when we eat his bread and drink his cup teaches us that we should die to the world, and that we should keep our life hidden with Christ in God, crucifying our flesh with its vices and evil desires.*

*That is why all the faithful who love God and their neighbor truly drink the cup of the Lord's love even though they may not drink the cup of his bodily suffering. And becoming inebriated from it, they put to death whatever in their nature is rooted in earth. They clothe themselves with the Lord Jesus Christ and do not indulge fleshly desires. They do not fix their gaze on visible things, but contemplate things which the eye cannot see. Thus they drink the Lord's cup by preserving the holy bond of love; without it, even if a man should deliver his body to be burned, he gains nothing. But the gift of love enables us to become in reality what we celebrate as mystery in the sacrifice.*

Have a blessed and most Holy week in God's garden.

Love, joy, peace,  
Father Ron Moses +

*In memory of loved ones who have recently left us,*

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.” Matthew 11:28-30



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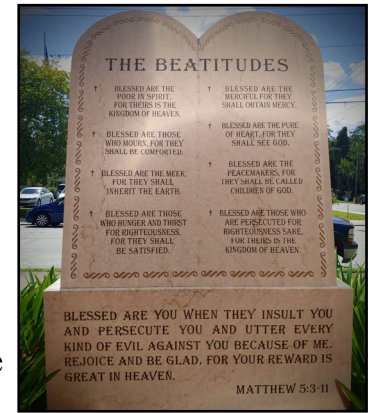


Lupe Rash

*We keep your memories close to our hearts and send our prayers to you!*

Beloved,

The Gospel passage for the Feast of the King on November 22, 2020 is Matthew 25: 31-46. (The judgment of the nations.) As we continue to form our conscience in all aspects, this may help. Pope Francis reflects on the Beatitudes in his apostolic exhortation (April 2018) on “*the call to holiness in the contemporary world*”. “Gaudete et Exsultate” is the Latin title of the text, which translated into English means “Rejoice and Be Glad”. The words are taken from the Gospel of Matthew (5:12) at the end of the discourse on the Beatitudes.



### The Gospel According To Matthew 25:31-46

<sup>31</sup> “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. <sup>32</sup> All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup> He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

<sup>34</sup> “Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. <sup>35</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, <sup>36</sup> I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’

<sup>37</sup> “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? <sup>38</sup> When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? <sup>39</sup> When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’

<sup>40</sup> “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

<sup>41</sup> “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. <sup>42</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, <sup>43</sup> I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.’

<sup>44</sup> “They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?’

<sup>45</sup> “He will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’

<sup>46</sup> “Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”

### Pope Francis: Gaudete et Exsultate 100-101

100. I regret that ideologies lead us at times to two harmful errors. On the one hand, there is the error of those Christians who separate these Gospel demands from their personal relationship with the Lord, from their interior union with him, from openness to his grace. Christianity thus becomes a sort of NGO stripped of the luminous mysticism so evident in the lives of Saint Francis of Assisi, Saint Vincent de Paul, Saint Teresa of Calcutta, and many others. For these great saints, mental prayer, the love of God and the reading of the Gospel in no way detracted from their passionate and effective commitment to their neighbors; quite the opposite.

101. The other harmful ideological error is found in those who find suspect the social engagement of others, seeing it as superficial, worldly, secular, materialist, communist or populist. Or they relativize it, as if there are other more important matters, or the only thing that counts is one particular ethical issue or cause that they themselves defend. Our defense of the innocent unborn, for example, needs to be clear, firm and passionate, for at stake is the dignity of a human life, which is always sacred and demands love for each person, regardless of his or her stage of development. Equally sacred, however, are the lives of the poor, those already born, the destitute, the abandoned and the underprivileged, the vulnerable infirm and elderly exposed to covert euthanasia, the victims of human trafficking, new forms of slavery, and every form of rejection. We cannot uphold an ideal of holiness that would ignore injustice in a world where some revel, spend with abandon and live only for the latest consumer goods, even as others look on from afar, living their entire lives in abject poverty.



The gifts the weekend of October 10th and 11th were \$4,654.00 including \$215.00 for the Building and Restoration fund and \$3,150 for the Food Pantry.

Mass Attendance was: 177

The good stewardship of our parishioners at St. Monica Church makes all that we do possible! Thank you for your continual financial generosity!



**“In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”**

**Acts 20:35**

St. Monica’s First Fruits Outreach Committee meets on the first Wednesday of every month to determine which local outreach organization to donate 10% of our collections to. If you would like to be a part of this group please contact the office.

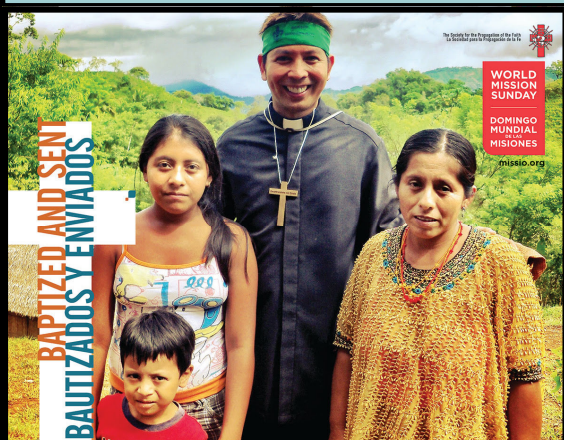
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World Mission Sunday, organized by the Propagation of the Faith, is a day set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the Church’s missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice. World Mission Sunday will be celebrated within our diocese on **Sunday, October 18th, 2020.**

The offerings that will be collected are destined for a common fund of solidarity distributed, in the Pope’s name, by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith among the poor and suffering in more than 1,150 mission dioceses across the world.

*Please give generously!*



# Grow Strong in Your Faith

With Karen Lee

*Today's Fruit of the Spirit is... Goodness*

Have you ever spontaneously exclaimed “God is Good!”? It often happens when we realize that God has blessed us once again. If you ever sat down and made a list of all the blessings God has given you in your lifetime, you would probably be mentally exhausted when you were done. God is goodness personified. He is the source of all goodness and we His creatures, made to His image and likeness, are created for goodness, too. It is in our DNA!

We, as Christians, are all called to lead the “good” life. That doesn’t mean having a beautiful home, an awesome car, and lots of money in the bank. It means that each day we should try to grow our fruit of goodness with help of the Holy Spirit. This isn’t something that is meant to be done once in a while. It is a daily effort and requires discipline. We have to wake up each morning and purposefully seek out what good we can do. Growing in goodness is not always easy. Some days are better than others. The more we strive, the more we become good like God. We become the person He created us to be.



Yes, GOD IS GOOD! All the time!



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## Happy Birthday!



Daniel Shepard  
Mary Lawniki  
James Martin  
Sheryl Daley  
Abel Velez

**BECOMING CATHOLIC** is a lifelong journey. Long after receiving your Sacraments of Initiation, there is always more to experience as we walk with Christ. There is always immense joy when an individual chooses to approach the table of the Lord for the first time. We all welcome those that wish to join our church, and together we show what it means to be Christian, to be Catholic. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the journey of BECOMING CATHOLIC looks a little different this year. We are going to begin virtually and progress to in person as we can.

**If you are reading this and are not already Catholic, Please Come On In!** We would love to welcome you! Reach out to me at [rcia@stmoniacatholicchurch.com](mailto:rcia@stmoniacatholicchurch.com) or call the parish office.

**If you are Catholic and would like to help** welcome the seekers, reach out! Each new person needs a sponsor (*think Godparents for Adults*) to walk with them. It is difficult to pair up like-minded folks that would 'click' when we cannot hang out together, so the more volunteers the better! Since this will include virtual elements, we will be utilizing on-line resources such as Formed.org (Parish Subscription!!) and other such sites. From time to time, I will be sharing the links that BECOMING CATHOLIC is viewing that week. We are starting with a conversation about Scripture and watching <https://watch.formed.org/symbolon-the-catholic-faith-explained/season:1/videos/the-bible-god-s-love-letter-to-humanity>. I encourage each of you to explore these materials as 'refreshers' on your own life long Catholic journey.

Prayerfully,  
Cheryl M

### The St Monica Food Pantry

needs volunteers help distribute food on their drive thru giveaway *Every Saturday Morning from 8:30 AM to 11:00 AM*

Please consider giving a few hours your time just once a month!

## Ministry Schedules

### Saturday, October 24, 2020 4:30 PM Youth Mass

**Ushers:** Abel Valez, Scott Phillips  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Connor Phillips, Rick Carr  
**Lectors:** Jasmine Martinez, Joshua Carr  
**Altar Server:** Jac Carr

### Sunday, October 25, 2020 9:00 AM

**Ushers:** Frank fraize, Andy Hall  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Rick Carr  
**Lectors:** Pam Mathes, Stephanie Huskey  
**Altar Server:** Jac Carr

### Sunday, October 25, 2020 11:00 AM

**Ushers:** Bill Black  
**Eucharistic Minister:**  
**Lectors:** Mary Mundy  
**Altar Server:** Andrew Walwik

## Mass Schedule

### Weekend Masses

**Saturday Vigil** 4:30 pm  
**Sunday** 9:00 am & 11:00 am

### Drive Thru Communion

10:00 AM to 10:30 AM

### Daily Masses

**Tuesday - 5:30 pm**  
**Wednesday - Friday 8:30 am**

### Confessions

**Saturday 3:30PM —4:15 PM or by appointment**

### Anointing of the Sick

**First Saturday of Every Month 10:00 AM**

### Facebook Live Events

<b>Mass</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
<b>Fr Ron Bible Study</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>6:15 PM</b>
<b>Rosary</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>7:45 AM</b>
<b>Holy Hour</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>

# Mass Intentions for the Week

**Saturday, October 17**  
+Marjorie Lane

**Sunday, October 18**  
Parishioners  
+ Antonette Scimonelli & Robert Burke

**Tuesday October 20**  
+ Isabel Gazel Dejuk

**Wednesday, October 21**  
Bill Maus  
Jennifer Silva for Healing

**Thursday, October 22**  
Jim Dickerson

**Friday, October 23**  
+Kimberly Miller

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## This Week's Daily Readings

Monday: Reading 1, *Ephesians 2:1-10*  
Responsorial Psalm, *Psalms 100:2, 3, 4, 5*  
Gospel, *Luke 12:13-21*  
Tuesday: Reading 1, *Ephesians 2:12-22*  
Responsorial Psalm, *Psalms 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14*  
Gospel, *Luke 12:35-38*  
Wednesday: Reading 1, *Ephesians 3:2-12*  
Responsorial Psalm, *Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6*  
Gospel, *Luke 12:39-48*  
Thursday: Reading 1, *Ephesians 3:14-21*  
Responsorial Psalm, *Psalms 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19*  
Gospel, *Luke 12:49-53*  
Friday: Reading 1, *Ephesians 4:1-6*  
Responsorial Psalm, *Psalms 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6*  
Gospel, *Luke 12:54-59*  
Saturday: Reading 1, *Ephesians 4:7-16*  
Responsorial Psalm, *Psalms 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5*  
Gospel, *Luke 13:1-9*  
Sunday: Reading 1, *Exodus 22:20-26*  
Responsorial Psalm, *Psalms 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51*  
Gospel, *Matthew 22:34-40*  
Reading 2, *First Thessalonians 1:5-10*

## Prayer Requests

Louise Egan, Sue Wilson, Fred Lininger,  
David Cummings, Frank Comer,  
Mary Jo Vincent, Sandy Freligh, Edna Blandford,  
Angie Spena, Frank Spena, Becky  
Laura Hall, Stella Reyes, Thomas Szczes, Sue Doyle,  
Susan Revels, Cooper Newman, Linda Wyland,  
Judy Beckwith, Dale Theriault, Sarah Jean Stewart

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

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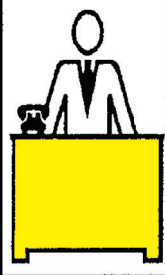
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