

St Monica Catholic Church

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary time



When the St. Francis Gardeners had their first meeting on Oct. 4th, Linus Wiesner took this statue of our lady home and "with God's help" painted her and built her a shelter. He returned her Thursday, Oct. 7th on the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.

Thank you Linus for letting God use your creativity!
She is beautiful!

October 24, 2021

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Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 4:30 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM 11:00 AM

Weekday Masses

Wednesday-Friday 8:30 AM

Confessions

Saturday 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM

Or by appointment

Healing Mass

Saturday October 2

10:00 AM

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

Joe Grasso and I served on a KAIROS weekend recently. It was a truly awesome experience of God's infinite love. However, it was a gift that keeps on giving. This weekend is never ending. We continue to come together in prayer. We teach those who have been judged by the world to love and forgive. We teach them to fish. Jesus challenges us on a regular basis. ***"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me."*** Not only were we honored to visit, pray and eat with the prisoners... but they became our friends in Christ. This was one of the most powerful weekends of my life. It seems to be a continuation of the Cursillo weekend I experienced in 1983, before I even entered the seminary. It was on that original weekend that I met Bishop Jack Snyder for the first time. It is when I committed myself to this beautiful diocese of Saint Augustine.

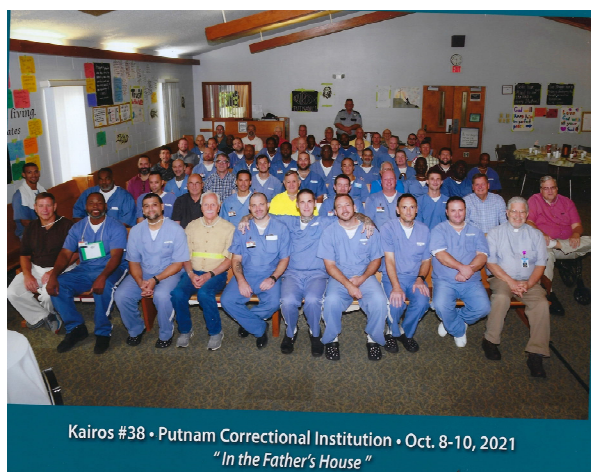
The weekend was God's time (Kairos time). The team of 40 men of all races, denominations and various levels of freedom... came together with 30 participants who became united in the love of Christ for us and for each other. We were enflamed by the Holy Spirit. We keep saying throughout the weekend, "Listen! Listen! Love! Love!" And that is what we did.

Last Friday and then Saturday, Joe and I went back to the prison for the Catholic Service and then the reunion of the weekend for more support. Lives of the prisoners had been transformed by the healing touch of Jesus. I know many will be skeptical, but the recidivism rate for prisoners in the state of Florida is 10 times lower for those who take part in the KAIROS weekend and continued small Christian faith groupings.

Every talk given begins with the following prayer spoken by every person in the room:

*Jesus, come join us
in our journey
as we seek Your will for
this community in this
environment.*

*Teach us to love each other
as You love us,
to give ourselves
as You give Yourself,
so that the Kingdom of God
might be made present to all.
Amen*



Jesus began his Ministry by saying, ***"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. God sent me to proclaim liberty to captives, recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord."***

Please look around at the many opportunities to share in the mission of Jesus. We have an awesome Food Pantry always looking for volunteers. Jesus is looking for laborers like ministers of adult faith formation, catechists, music, servers, proclaimers of the Word, environment, technology experts, prayer warriors, respect life, child care, bulletin, finance counsel, parish counsel, volunteers, and bereavement. Please pray about how God is calling you to this great adventure of Mission. I sense Saint Monica is simply a field hospital. We tend to the wounds of the soul. God is our spiritual and soulful surgeon.

Please pray for me as I enter into this Certificate of Catholic Social Teaching at Catholic University in Washington D.C.

Have a great week in God's love.
Father Ron Moses +



Grow Strong in Your Faith

With Karen Lee



Silence is Golden

Sometimes, when we enter our church, we forget where we are. We get caught up by the excitement of seeing our friends, remembering things we need to tell people, or looking around to see who all are worshipping with us. It is easy to forget whose house we are in.

Our church is the home of our living Lord, Jesus Christ. He is physically present in the tabernacle in the form of the Eucharist. He is inviting us to dinner, which is what the Mass is about. Our first thought upon arriving should be to greet our Host. We should acknowledge his presence in silence and greet him with the honor and reverence due to our creator and redeemer.

We should glorify and worship him with words straight from our hearts. We should thank him for the many blessings he has bestowed on us during the past week. And in humility, we should also beg his forgiveness for not always being our best selves.

If you like to arrive early, you have the wonderful opportunity to do even more. Sometimes, there will be soft music playing. Let it seep into your soul and quiet your mind. Close your eyes and let God speak to you. If there is time, greet our blessed Mother with a rosary prayed in her honor for your special intentions. Or look over the readings ahead of time and think about what they mean and what God is asking of you in your life.

Spending time in prayer before Mass will help make your Mass experience be so much more meaningful.

(I must admit here that I need to heed my own advice! I all too often forget whose house I am in. Let's all try to remember that "Silence is golden", especially in church.)

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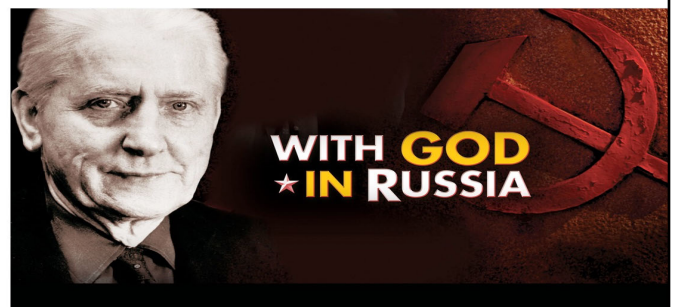
PICK OF THE WEEK

Oct 24, 2021

WITH GOD IN RUSSIA

Don't forget to use our code **R87GP3**

Well known for his heroic story of surviving 24 years in Russian prison camps, this film about the great Jesuit Fr. Walter Ciszek traces his incredible endurance and struggle for survival. It highlights his tremendous faith in God, and the remarkable impact his life has had on the resurgence of Catholicism in Russia, as seen with on location footage from around the world.



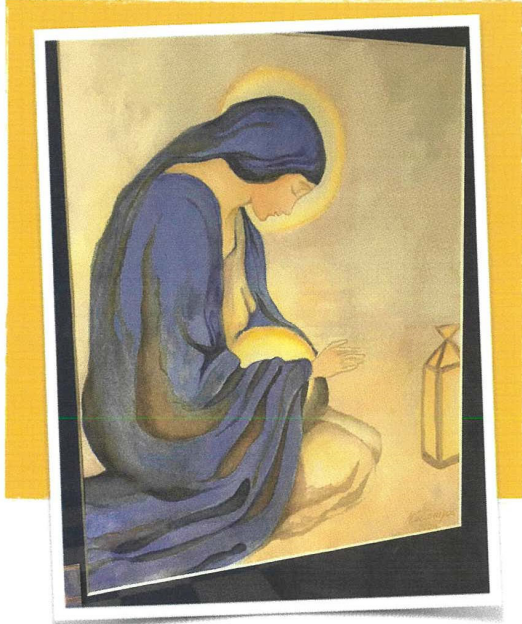
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Mass for the Precious Ones

For all who have lost a child

November 7, 2021, 1:00pm
At the Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche
St. Augustine, FL



Our thoughts and prayers are with family of Thomas Kynard who passed on Oct 3rd, 2021. His funeral was Oct. 8, 2021.



"The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and torment will never touch them."

Wisdom 3: 1

St. Joseph Renewal Center

November Programs



Sister Carolyn Tucker spent the first half of her religious life in the field of education, both as a teacher and principal. Her second half has been devoted to the field of counseling, as a Licensed

Marriage and Family Therapist.

Sister earned her Bachelor's degree in Math and then furthered her studies by completing her Masters in Administration followed by a Masters in Counseling.

Sister served on the Leadership Team for the Congregation for 8 years while serving as the Congregational Treasurer.

The Jesse Tree— Enriching the Advent Season

with Sister Jane Stoecker, SSJ

Saturday, November 20th

10:00-3:00 p.m.

\$30 includes lunch and materials

Spirituality and Creativity

with Sister Carolyn Tucker, SSJ

Saturday, November 6th

9:00-3:00 p.m.

\$30 includes lunch and materials

TO REGISTER:

Call: Sister Jane at (904) 824-5894 or Email: stjosephrenewal@ssjfl.org

Provide name, contact information and program title.

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WEEKLY OFFERING

October 16 & 17

Offertory:	\$ 6,132.00
Outreach to Poor:	\$ 2,028.00
Building Fund:	\$ 140.00
Children's Gifts	\$ 15.00

Thank you for supporting St Monica

Mass Attendance

Saturday Vigil :	70
Sunday 9:00 AM:	103
Sunday 11:00 AM:	45

First Fruits Donations for October



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TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY.

We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call
– to bring the Gospel to all!

The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, as it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities.

Thank you for your generosity.



WE NEED YOU

to make our new family directory complete

If you have already either sent in a picture or had one taken, thank you very much.

There is still time to be added to our new directory.

You can send in a picture to saintmonicacatholic@gmail.com or call the office to set up a time to have one taken

Please include what information you would like printed (Address, Phone, Email).

Also please include your wedding anniversary so that we can celebrate your glorious day.

Final Day for submissions will be November 17.



Pope Francis' Monthly Prayer Intentions for **October:**

Missionary Disciples

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has a flavor of the Gospel.

CLOTHING GIVEAWAY

If you have gently used clothes you would like to donate to the clothing give away please drop them off during office hours. Children's and Men's clothing are especially needed!



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The St Monica Food Pantry

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Next Food Truck Giveaway
Thursday November 4, 2021

WEEKEND
MINISTRY SCHEDULE
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Saturday, October 30 @ 4:30 PM

Ushers: Shirley Delaney, Mary Shackelford
Eucharistic Minister: Mary Iovino
Lectors: Mary Jo Perry, Ken Freligh
Altar Server: Joe Iovino

Sunday, October 31 @ 9:00 AM

Ushers: Eddie Dubeck, Gerald Donnelly
Eucharistic Minister: Joe Grasso
Lectors: Ramona Bodalski, Jasmine Martinez
Altar Server: Benjamin Motl

Sunday, October 31 @ 11:00 AM

Ushers: Bill Black
Eucharistic Minister: Jim Doyle
Lectors: Amy Moore, Pam Mathes
Altar Server:

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).

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Ricky Webb
 Catherin Donnelly
 Chris David
 Fred Lininger

This Week's Daily Readings

Mon: *Romans 8:12-17, Psalms 68:2, 4, 6-7, 20-21, Luke 13:10-17*
 Tue: *Romans 8:18-25, Psalms 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6, Luke 13:18-21*
 Wed: *Romans 8:26-30, Psalms 13:4-5, 6, Luke 13:22-30*
 Thurs: *Ephesians 2:19-22, Psalms 19:2-3, 4-5, Luke 6:12-16*
 Fri: *Romans 9:1-5, Psalms 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20, Luke 14:1-6*
 Sat: *Romans 11:1-2, 11-12, 25-29, Psalms 94:12-13, 14-15, 17-18, Luke 14:1, 7-11*
 Sun: *Deuteronomy 6:2-6, Psalms 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 57, Mark 12:28-34, Hebrews 7:23-28*

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 23
 + Yvon Theriault

Sunday, October 24
 9:00 AM -Parishioners
 11:00 AM- +Helen & Harry Scileppi

Wednesday, October 27 Cris David
 Thursday, October 28 +Alex McCreery
 Friday, October 29 + Alex McCreery



Sue Wilson, Branda Kay Mangum, Barbara Wisniewska
 Fred Lininger, Carrie Brubaker, Edna Blandford, Gary Rummel,
 Adrienne Fennell, Larry Beaton, Quinn Soucey, Sandy Nichols
 Hoyt Muir, Bernice Rich, Dave Green, Kitty Crews, Diane Kinnon,
 Dorothy Burmester, Tony Wheeler, Frank Fraize, Nancy Jones,
 Andrew Nanakowski, Connie Wiesner, Cooper Newman,
 Matilda Aloia, Kimball Murray, Sandra Scranton, Mary Graham,
 Ron Levesque, Theresa Gayle Whitley, Frank Comer, Thomas Szczes,
 Millie Sellers, Yvon Theriault, Kindra Porter, T. Burmester

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