



CHURCH OF SAINT MONICA

"WHERE EVERYONE IS FAMILY"

Our Parish is Served by:

Reverend Alex Enriquez
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We invite you to celebrate with us

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or online at www.masstimes.org

For the times of Masses and location of the nearest Catholic Church within the U.S. www.dioceseoftrenton.org

The Eucharist - St Monica

Masses & Reconciliation

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am
Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 am
Holy Days As Noted
Reconciliation Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 pm or by appt.

Exposition of the Holy Sacrament & Benediction

1st Wednesday of each month 9:30 am

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Baptisms

Celebrated during Mass. Parents and godparents are required to attend our Baptism preparation program. Please call the parish office to register.

Visits to the Sick and Homebound

May be arranged by calling our parish office.

Little Disciples Youth Group

Meets the First Friday of each month at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Open to children between Communion and Confirmation age.

Knights of Columbus Council #11529

Meets the 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Visit our website: www.kofc11529.org

St Vincent de Paul Society

Emergency Assistance Helpline: 732-370-0098

Bereavement Support Group

Please contact the parish office for more information.

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings

Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall

New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish family! Registration forms are available at the entrances to the Church or may be downloaded at www.saintmonica.com. Please contact the parish office for further information.

Marriages

The Catholic Dioceses of New Jersey requests a one year period of preparation for marriage in the church. Contact the parish office to make arrangements.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

For those seeking full membership in the Catholic Faith, please contact the parish office.

Religious Education

Children are expected to receive a Catholic-Christian upbringing in their family life, to worship regularly at Sunday Mass, and to participate in ongoing Religious Education classes. Our program includes grades K-8. Registration is held annually at the end of March. Classes are held Monday and Tuesday, Sept. thru May at St Monica.

Karen Badach, Coordinator of Religious Education
732-928-4038 or stmonicaccd@yahoo.com

Women of St Monica

Ministry of Catholic women of the parish striving to fulfill their spiritual needs, sharing their faith, promoting community and conduct fundraisers throughout the year and enhance parish life in a variety of ways.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JANUARY 15, 2017

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 14

4:00 pm Nora Mastrian (Jim Mastrian)

Sunday, January 15

9:00 am Dorothy Mastrian (Jon & Mary Ann Tvaroha)

11:00 am Leona Przymylski (Carol & Josh Bjornsen)

Saturday, January 21

4:00 pm Beverly Long (Vikki McGlone)

Sunday, January 22

9:00 am Peggy (Mom) & Michael Coady (Coady Family)

11:00 am Dave Olson & Marian Horn (Houde Family)

Tuesday, January 24

9:00 Mary Tenreiro (Joseph Tenreiro & Family)

Wednesday, January 25

9:00 Thomas Ryan (M/M Nicholas Brachelli)

*Intentions followed by the names of those making the offering.
To secure your intentions, please contact the Parish Office.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .



Jackie Wilson, William Cole, Jr., Diane Black, Frank Colbert, Matthew Strout, Bob Wilson, Micki Smith, Annette Petercsak, Joyce Picon, Bob Wythoff, Peter Laudati, Scott Samu, Joseph Mays, Michael Bocchicchio, Carl Bocchicchio, Betty Cole, Dianne Smith, Joanne Baldachino, Ryan Connell, Vera Dzumyk, Sal and Anna Morrello, Matthew Wolansky, Myron Wolansky, Frank Potenza, Karen Bressi, Kathleen Lucchese, Gloria Trachtenberg, Ann Marie James, Walter C Vonah, Frances Panicola, Cathy Jetter, Tom O'Prandy, Michael Nagy, Carol Atherton, Larry St Laurent, Zesis Schelest, Ryan Walters, Marilyn Mays, Amado Enriquez, Wayne Herrnkind, Beth Kujawski, Jennifer Green, Rich Sassano, Dcn Gene Moir, Barbara Vonah, Mark Brower, Cassandra Hrelja, Monica Buono, Mary Green, Sue Bocchicchio, Margarita Ulloa and the O'Loughlin Family, Beatty Family, Paul Gallo, Meghan Badach, Michael Seiler, Josephine Brennan, Michael Warchal, Joseph Belluardo

Call the Parish Office to let us know of anyone to be remembered in prayer, so we may include them or, if they can be removed.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

COLLECTIONS DECEMBER 31, 2016 - JANUARY 1, 2017

Weekly Collection	\$2,632.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$375.00
<u>Online Giving (40)</u>	<u>\$1,234.50</u>
Total	\$4,241.50

Thank you for helping to support our Parish

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF January 15

Monday:	Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday:	Is 8:23 — 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

In Loving Memory

Please Remember In Your Prayers:

**Frances Duhamel
Stephen Kubinski**

The deceased members of St Monica,
The souls in Purgatory
Those who died serving Our Country
May they enjoy peace in their new life with Christ
Jesus.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

- * On Monday, January 16 - Martin Luther King there is no Mass or Liturgy of the Word at 9:00 am. There is no CCD and the Parish Offices are closed.
- * Tuesday, January 17 - Thursday, January 19 Liturgy of the Word/Holy Communion 9:00 am.
- * Monday, January 23 - Liturgy of the Word/Holy Communion - 9:00 am
- * Tuesday, January 24 and Wednesday, January 25 Mass - 9:00 am
- * Thursday, January 26 - Liturgy of the Word/Holy Communion - 9:00 am



**JANUARY 19
ST MONICA PARISH HALL**

Next Thursday, January 19 come to St Monica’s Blood Drive. Giving blood saves lives! When you donate, you actually save 3 lives. The blood drive hours are 4:00 - 9:00 pm. The drive is being coordinated by the Knights of Columbus and the Central Jersey Blood Center. Please set some time aside to help our community.

Basic requirements: Donors must present a photo ID, be a minimum of 16 years old (with Parental consent), in good health, and weigh at least 120 Lbs. Any questions, please contact Richard Wilson at richard.wilson@onboardusa.com or (732) 492-9888. Walk-ins are always welcome, but you can save time by setting an appointment on the sign-up sheet in the back of the church or ONLINE by visiting www.cjbcbloo.org and click on “donate now”.

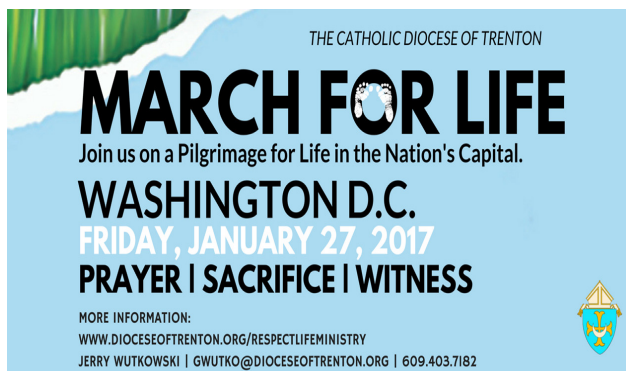
4TH SUNDAY ROSARY – SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

Join us in the sanctuary to Pray the Rosary following our 9:00 am Mass.

THANK YOU

Thank you to our Knights of Columbus for clearing the snow from the Church parking lot last week. We appreciate all your efforts in making it safe and accessible for us.

Thank you to the Women of St Monica, Mark Piznik, Jon Tvaroha and John White for your assistance removing the Christmas decorations last Sunday.



March for Life 2017 – Washington D.C.
Bus Departures from around the Diocese of Trenton:

St Robert Bellarmine, Freehold

Tom Panettiere – (908) 338-7128 or tpanettiere@victorypackaging.com

St Joseph Parish, Toms River

Frank McKenna (732) 286-7722

Details:

Leaving from St. Joseph Parish immediately after the 7:00 am Mass. Anticipated time of return is approximately 10 pm. Following the March, participants will meet with Rep Chris Smith. There will be a dinner stop on the return trip. There is no charge for bus transportation, but participants are asked to bring a small amount of spending cash for personal meal, expenses and tip for the driver. Seating is by reservation only.

For additional parishes, please visit www.dioceseoftrenton.org/respectlifeministry

**BISHOP O’CONNELL TO CELEBRATE MASS FOR LIFE
JANUARY 23 IN TRENTON**

Those unable to travel out of state for the annual March for Life in Washington on Jan 27, or who would like an additional opportunity to make their stand for life known, can make sure their voices are heard on Jan 23 in Trenton. All are invited to attend a Mass for Life to be celebrated by Bishop David M. O’Connell, C.M., at 9:30 am Jan 23 in St Mary of the Assumption Cathedral Trenton. After Mass, attendees are invited to join in a procession to the Rally for Life on the State House steps, Trenton. Clergy, pro-life leaders and state lawmakers are scheduled to attend the rally from 11 am to 1 pm, which is meant as a peaceful demonstration against the 44th anniversary of the US Supreme Court decision to legalize abortion.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Karen Badach, Religious Education
732-928-4038 or stmonicacd@yahoo.com

UPCOMING CALENDAR

Monday, January 16

No Class Today

Tuesday, January 17

4:15 pm Class

6:00 pm 8th Grade Class

Monday, January 23

4:15 pm Class

6:00 pm Class

Tuesday, January 24

4:15 pm Class

6:00 pm 8th Grade Class

Wednesday, January 25

5:30 pm First Communion Parent Meeting
(Church)

USE ONLINE GIVING TO MAKE YOUR DONATIONS

BENEFITS :

- No check writing or ATM stops before Church
- Safe, secure, and confidential
- Use your checking, savings, or credit card
- Schedule recurring or one-time donations
- Choose offering, special funds, CCD tuition, and pledges
- Earn rewards through your credit card
- **\$50 gift card to iPlay America in Freehold to families that sign up for a limited time**

Go to www.saintmonica.com or scan code below.

For assistance, contact the parish office 732-928-0279.



WOSM (WOMEN OF ST MONICA)

Sunday, February 5

12:00 pm Meeting (Little Church)

Sunday, March 5

12:00 pm Meeting (Little Church)

We welcome all women of the parish to join us. If you would like more information about our group, please contact Eleanore Althaver 732-691-5463 or Mary Ann Tvaroha 732-740-4785.

LITTLE DISCIPLES OF ST MONICA NEWS

Who are the Little Disciples? We are the youngest members of St Monica Church who have come together to have fun and make new friendships while also helping the Church and our community. Our group meets the First Friday of each month at the Church from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. It is open to any child between Communion and Confirmation age. There is a sign up sheet at the back of the Church. If you have any questions please contact Theresa Calsetta at 732-961-7161 or email dakota16@optonline.net.

REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE!

Is your marriage going down the right road . . . or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? *Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship.*

Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. **The next program begins on the weekend of February 10 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. Additional weekends will be held in April and August.** For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our web site at: www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

SAINT MONICA PARISH CALENDAR

EVENTS

Sunday, January 15

9:00 am Mass
 10:00 am Adult RCIA (Dcn Mike/Little Church)
 11:00 am Children's Mass
 5:00 pm Choir Practice

Monday, January 16

No Mass/Liturgy of the Word
 No CCD Class
 Parish Offices Closed
 7:00 pm K of C 1st Degree

Tuesday, January 17

9:00 am Liturgy of the Word/Dcn Mike
 9:30 am Tuesday Social (Kitchen)
 4:15 pm CCD Class
 6:00 pm CCD Class - 8th Grade
 7:15 pm Legion of Mary (Little Church)

Wednesday, January 18

9:00 am Liturgy of the Word/Dcn Mike
 7:00 pm AA Meeting (Parish Hall)

Thursday, January 19

9:00 am Liturgy of the Word/Dcn Mike
 9:30 am Thursday Rosary
 4:00 pm Blood Drive (Parish Hall)

Saturday, January 21

3:15 pm Confessions
 4:00 pm Mass

Sunday, January 22

9:00 am Mass
 9:45 am 4th Sunday Rosary
 10:00 am Adult RCIA (Little Church)
 11:00 am Mass
 5:00 pm Choir Practice

Monday, January 23

9:00 am Liturgy of the Word/Dcn Mike
 4:15 pm CCD Class
 6:00 pm CCD Class

Tuesday, January 24

9:00 am Mass
 9:30 am Tuesday Social
 4:15 pm CCD Class
 6:00 pm CCD Class - 8th Grade
 7:15 pm Legion of Mary (Little Church)

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 21 - 4:00 pm

Reader: Don Hansen
 Extra-Ordinary Ministers: Theresa Calsetta, Jim Mastrian
 Altar Servers: S. Calsetta, J Debiak
 Ushers: Mike Carle, Michael Debiak, Mike Hintenach, Guy Okulewicz
 Greeter: John Finley

Sunday, January 22 - 9:00 am

Readers: Betty Cole, Cathy Sedano
 Extra-Ordinary Ministers: Sylvia Piznik, Ada Trematerra
 Altar Servers: CJ Hanson, M Serrano
 Ushers: Rob Guimaraes, Jim Scatigna, Ronald Serrano, Bob Vonah
 Greeter: Linda Thompson

Sunday, January 22 - 11:00 am

Reader: Domenica LaPorte
 Extra-Ordinary Ministers: Liz Mauro, Monica Principato
 Altar Server: A Farias
 Ushers: Nickey Deluca, Christopher LaPorte, Bill Reed, Needed
 Greeter: R. Hutchison

FOR THE MINISTRY SCHEDULE AND UP TO DATE CALENDAR ITEMS, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.SAINTMONICA.COM

YOU'RE INVITED!

GRAND MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE WITH FR ALEX

From Barcelona to the French Riviera, Italian Riviera, Stunning Greek Isles & Rome September 9 - 20, 2017. Information is available at the tables near the entrances to the Church.

SELECTIVE SECONDS

Our high-quality, new and gently used furniture and home décor shoppe located at 911 Main Street, Rear, Belmar; Phone: 732-894-9393. Open Thursday – Saturday, 11-5; Sunday, 12-4

JANUARY SALE: The shoppe reopens on 1/12/17 with 50% off select items.

How to beat those post-holidays blues:

Experts agree one of the easiest ways to lift your spirits is to spend time doing something helpful for people less fortunate. There are many opportunities available in our furniture outreach ministry (not just for retirees), and the amount of hours it will take out of your busy schedule is dependent on you alone. Share your gift of time this new year by helping us help those less fortunate, and enjoy the camaraderie of new friends!

CATHOLIC FAITH

You may have noticed the small book rack and CD holder in the back of the church! This is the latest of our efforts to bring everybody up to date about our Catholic Faith! The books, booklets, and CDs are available for purchase on the Honor System--please pay for what you take. Thanks to the Knights of Columbus and an anonymous donor for the materials which are from Lighthouse Catholic Media. The whole book rack should pay for itself with your cooperation, so materials can be updated as we go through the church year. Check it out and take home some cutting-edge Catholic ideas and information today! For further information, please contact Barbara Rookey 732-904-8152.

OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the US Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, report that abuse through the diocesan Abuse Hotline: 1-888-296-2965 or e-mail abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org.

CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS**MONDAY, JANUARY 23 AT 8:00 PM**

Holy Cross Church, Ward Ave & Rumson Road, Rumson. Rev Garry R Koch, Celebrant, Pastor of St Benedict Parish in Holmdel. He is widely known throughout the Diocese and beyond through his 15 years of writing a Scripture column for the Monitor. He also conducts many Bible study groups throughout the area. For additional information, call 732-345-8400.

HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT SERVING AT MASS ?

If you would like more information about any of the following ministries, please contact the Parish Office or speak with Fr Alex.

Eucharistic Minister
Lector/Reader
Altar Server
Usher
Greeter

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR AARP TAX AIDE PROGRAM

Last year AARP transmitted over 7,000 Federal and State tax returns in Ocean County! If you are looking to make a difference in someone's life and interested in a sense of satisfaction by helping others in need, the AARP Tax Aide Program welcomes you. Our volunteers will receive training in January that will prepare them to complete and electronically file a Federal and State return, free of charge. The IRS and the NJ Division of Taxation will provide all training materials. If interested, please call Lynn at 732-373-1948 for details. ** There are a number of support roles that do not require tax or computer skills.

BREAD FROM HEAVEN CAFE

Food will be served to those in need at the Knights of Columbus building located at 401 Bartley Road, in Jackson every Tuesday 11:00 am - 1:00 pm. You don't have to live in Jackson to come. Food offerings will consist of healthy meals, sandwiches, soup and fruit. To volunteer or for more information please call Helen at 732-245-5954.



*St Monica
Ministries*

If you are interested in becoming more involved with our parish, need assistance, or would like more information, please contact the parish office at 732-928-0279 or stmonicanj@yahoo.com

- * *Adult Formation Programs (RCIA)*
- * *Altar Server*
- * *Baptismal Preparation*
- * *Bereavement/Consolation Ministry*
- * *Catechetical Ministry (CCD)*
- * *Choir*
- * *Eucharistic Minister*
- * *Greeter*
- * *Knights of Columbus*
- * *Lector*
- * *Legion of Mary*

- * *Little Disciples*
- * *Music Ministry/Choir*
- * *New Evangelization Team*
- * *Religious Education Program (CCD)*
- * *Social Concerns & Food Pantry*
- * *St Martha's Cooks*
- * *St Vincent de Paul*
- * *Usher*
- * *Visitation/Holy Communion for
Homebound*
- * *Women of St Monica*