

CHURCH OF SAINT MONICA

Prayer for Memorial Day



CNS/Nancy Wiehler

MAY 26, 2024

Masses

Mon. to Thurs. 9 am
Saturday 4 pm
Sunday 9 am & 11 am

679 W. Veterans Highway
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Our Parish is Served by:

Reverend Alex Enriquez, Pastor
Deacon Christian Knoebel
Deacon John L. White

We invite you to celebrate with us

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The Church of St. Monica is a warm, accepting, and caring parish that worships God, teaches and lives the message of Christ, seeks to support and strengthen family life, and serves those in need through parish ministries and organizations.

Confessions

Saturdays
3:15 pm
to 3:45 pm
1st Thursdays 7pm
or by appointment

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY - MAY 26, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 25

4:00 pm Denise O'Brien (Calsetta Family)

Sunday, May 26

9:00 am Linda Sasso Martinowich
(Emily & Joe DeScenza)

11:00 am Raymond Humphrey
(Wife, Diane Humphrey)

Monday, May 27

9:00 am No Mass

Tuesday, May 28

9:00 am Pina Savastano (Christine Frulio)

Wednesday, May 29

9:00 am Kim Luke (Letcher)
(Stephanie Kujawski)

Thursday, May 30

9:00 am Pina Savastano

Saturday, June 1

4:00 pm Michael Coady (David Coady)

Sunday, June 2

9:00 am Kevin Michael Fitzpatrick
(Fitzpatrick Family)

11:00 am Judith Reed
(Ernie & Barbara Rookey)

To secure your intentions, please contact the Parish Office.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Micki Smith, Joyce Picon, Carol Atherton, Beth Kujawski, Chuck Smith, Toni Hetteroth, Dianne Smith, Frank Diolosa, Theodore Dunyak, Andy Sabine, Elaine Giblock, Marie Gould, Christopher Diolosa, Steve Andolora, Doris Garbarino, Melissa Staiger, Bonnie Holton, John Jennings, Arlene Toth, Deborah MacInnes, Judy Bocchicchio, Leo Diaz, Glory D'Acunto, Josephine Brennan, Frank Trimboli, Gabrielle D'Acunto, Anthony Pelle, Jr, Joey Brune, Phillip Wenz, Patrick Abeel, Robin Trombino, Mary Miniscalchi, Lane Morell, Frank Falesto, Jean Stein, Ann Rosetto, Elaine Stemmler, Tom Martin, Dorothy Palumbo, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Jennie D'Angelo, Paul Hetteroth, Cheryl Vega, Irene Kislán, Renee Brady, Carol Spezzano, Michael Seiler, Shannon Hubert, Ronald Nuzzola, Ray Kijowski, Nicholas Biddle, Matthew Biddle, Dennis Shwiner, Bob Dushanek, Laura Stoyer, Ruth Biele

Contact 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.

Readings for the Week - May 26, 2024

Monday, May 27, 2024 1 Pt 1:3-9 Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9 and 10c Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday, May 28, 2024 1 Pt 1:10-16 Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday, May 29, 2024 1 Pt 1:18-25 Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 Mk 10:32-45

Thursday, May 30, 2024 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12 Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5 Mk 10:46-52

Friday, May 31, 2024 Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16 Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 Lk 1:39-56

Saturday, June 1, 2024 Jud 17, 20b-25 Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6 Mk 11:27-33

Sunday, June 2, 2024 Ex 24:3-8 Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 Heb 9:11-15 Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

There is no 9:00 a.m. daily Mass on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27.

The Parish Offices are closed. Beginning May 31, the Parish Office will be closed on Fridays for the summer.

FATHER'S DAY MASS REMEMBRANCES

Mass Remembrance envelopes for Father's Day are on the table at the entrances to the church. Anyone wishing to honor their Fathers (living or deceased) may do so by filling out the intention envelope. To ensure your intentions will be published in our bulletin on Father's Day, please return your offering by placing it in the collection basket **no later than**

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION ON JUNE 2ND

On Sunday, June 2nd, Father Alex will lead a procession in honor of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, also called Corpus Christi Sunday. Father Alex will carry the Blessed Sacrament outside and around our church. The eucharistic procession will begin after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. All parishioners are encouraged to take part.

"The procession with the Blessed Sacrament... reminds us that we are called to go out and bring Jesus to others. To go out with enthusiasm, bringing Christ to those we meet in our daily lives." Pope Francis, 6 June, 2021



**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP COLLECTIONS
MAY 6 - 12, 2024**

Total \$4,945.00

Thank you for your contributions as we support the ministries, programs and facilities of our parish.

FATHER'S DAY SUB JUNE 15 & 16

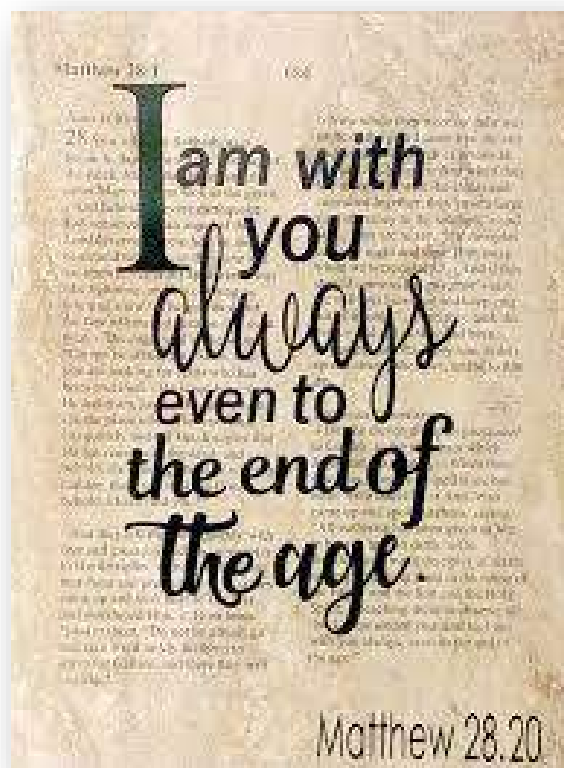
The Women of St Monica will host a sub sale after all Masses on Father's Day weekend, June 15 & 16. Please place a pre-order for your subs at the back of the church.

Sub choices are:

Italian or Turkey/Provolone \$10.00 each.

A limited number of subs will also be available for sale after Masses. For more info, please contact Janet Noordzy at 732-814-4501.

Thank you for your support!



Almighty God,
our Heavenly Father,
in Your hands
are the living and the dead;
we give You thanks
for all those,
our comrades and sisters,
who have laid down their lives
in the service of our Country.
May they rest in peace,
and may perpetual light
shine upon them.
May the good work of seeking
justice for the oppressed and
peace for all mankind
be rewarded with success,
that their sacrifices
shall not have been in vain.
And may we never fail
to remember the
awful cost of the freedom
which we enjoy.
We ask all this in the name of
Jesus, your Son.

Amen.



LEGION OF MARY



Members participate in the life of the parish through a program of prayers and service. Apostolate works include visitation of families, the sick, taking the pilgrim statue of the Blessed Mother to families, and assisting with pastoral needs of the parish community.

“The Legion of Mary Mystical Rose” is open to all Catholic men and women over 18 years of age who have the good will to want to serve God through Mother Mary.

Members meet at St. Monica every Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. for prayer, planning and discussion. Members also carry out weekly assignments under the guidance of a spiritual director.

The Legion is always looking to recruit new members. If you discern a divine connection to the Blessed Mother, and feel she is calling you to join, please contact the parish office.

CALENDAR

Saturday, May 25

Most Holy Trinity Weekend

9:00 am Convalidation

3:15 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Mass

Sunday, May 26

Holy Trinity Sunday

9:00 am Mass

11:00 am Mass

Monday, May 27

Memorial Day

No 9:00 am Mass

Parish Offices Closed

Tuesday, May 28

9:00 am Mass

7:00 pm Adult Choir

6:00 pm Legion of Mary (LC)

7:30 pm K of C Officer Mtg. (LC)

Wednesday, May 29

9:00 am Mass

Thursday, May 30

9:00 am Mass

Friday, May 31: Parish Office Closed-Summer Hours

Saturday, June 1

Corpus Christi

10:00 am Priest Ordination, St Mary's Cathedral

3:15 am Confessions

4:00 pm Mass

Sunday, June 2

Corpus Christi

9:00 am Mass

11:00 am Mass

11:45 am Eucharistic Procession (outside)

12:00 pm Women of St. Monica Mtg. (LC)

Monday, June 3

9:00 am Mass

Tuesday, June 4

9:00 am Mass

6:00 pm Legion of Mary (LC)

7:00 pm Adult Choir

Wednesday, June 5

9:00 am Mass

9:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, June 6

9:00 am Mass

7:00 pm Adoration/ Benediction/Confessions

Friday, June 7: Parish Office Closed-Summer Hours

Friday, June 7

6:00 pm Youth Grp Mtg (LC)

Saturday, June 8

3:15 am Confessions

4:00 pm Mass

Sunday, June 9

9:00 am Mass

11:00 am Mass



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**Vocations BBQ
"Come and See"**

Men, ages 16-40, interested to learn more about discerning a vocation to the diocesan priesthood.

WHEN:

Tuesday, June 11, 2024

WHERE: Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine

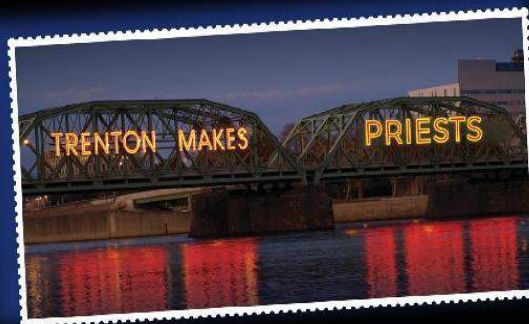
61 Georgia Road, Freehold, NJ 07728

WHAT TIME:

4pm Mass (Church)

5pm Dinner and back yard fellowship (at the residence).

RAIN OR SHINE



Vocations@DioceseofTrenton.org for any questions

“Speak Lord, Your Servant is Listening”

PARISH MISSION



Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine | Freehold, NJ

Saturday, June 1st thru Tuesday, June 4th

7:00 PM

(Morning Sessions at 9am Mass)



Fr. Kevin MacDonald is a Redemptorist priest from Woburn, Massachusetts, about 10 miles north of Boston. He entered the Redemptorist Missionary Order after attending Boston College and playing seven years of professional baseball with the Pittsburgh Pirates organization and overseas in Holland and Australia. He is a member of the Boston College Hall of Fame. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1991 and has worked as a parish priest in Dominica, New York, Boston, St. Lucia, and the Virgin Islands. He is currently assigned to the Redemptorist Community at San Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch, NJ.



The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

MAY 26, 2024

The Mystery of the Holy Trinity

"The Feast of the Most Holy Trinity leads us to contemplate the mystery of God who unceasingly creates, redeems and sanctifies, always with love and through love." –Pope Francis, May 27, 2018

The mystery of the Holy Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian faith and life. God reveals himself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The doctrine of the Trinity includes three truths of faith.

First, the Trinity is One. We do not speak of three gods but of one God. Each of the Persons is fully God. They are a unity of Persons in one divine nature.

Second, the Divine Persons are distinct from each other. Father, Son, and Spirit are not three appearances or modes of God, but three identifiable persons, each fully God in a way distinct from the others.

Third, the Divine Persons are in relation to each other. The distinction of each is understood only in reference to the others. The Father cannot be the Father without the Son, nor can the Son be the Son without the Father. The Holy Spirit is related to the Father and the Son who both send him forth.

All Christians are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. The Trinity illumines all the other mysteries of faith.

The Feast of the Visitation of Mary

Friday, May 31, 2024

This feast commemorates the three-month visit of Mary with her elderly cousin Elizabeth during Mary's pregnancy with Jesus and Elizabeth's with John the Baptist. The story appears in the first chapter of Luke's Gospel. It recounts Elizabeth's Spirit-filled greeting, acknowledging Mary as "the mother of my Lord," and Mary's beautiful response, the Magnificat, which begins, "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord." Introduced by the Franciscans in 1263, the feast became universal in the 16th century.



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NATIONAL Eucharistic Pilgrimage

in the
Diocese of Trenton



Day 1: Cathedral St. Mary of the Assumption

151 N. Warren St. Trenton NJ 08608 *Celebrations in Spanish Only*

May 28, 2024

5-7 pm-Refreshments, talks for men, women, teens and Kids

7:15 pm - Mass with Bishop David O'Connell, C. M. and the Pilgrims



Day 2: St. Mary of the Pines, Manahawkin

100 Bishop Way, Manahawkin, NJ 08050

May 29, 2024

6:30 pm - Mass with Bishop David O'Connell, C. M. and the Pilgrims

7:30-8:30pm - Procession, Adoration, Benediction

Day 3: Mary Mother of the Church Parish, Bordentown

St. Mary - 45 Crosswicks St, Bordentown, NJ 08505

May 30, 2024

9:00 am: Mass with Bishop David O'Connell, C. M. and the Pilgrims

After Mass:Process to Bordentown Hilltop Park – 0.4 miles.

Drive to Walking bridge in Trenton, NJ – and walk over the bridge to Morrisville, PA.

Meet the Pilgrims of the Seaton Route



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Catholic Chaplain to
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of Mary,**
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The Eucharist - St Monica**Masses & Reconciliation**

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am--3:30 pm
 Saturday 4:00 pm
 Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 am
 Holy Days As Noted
 Reconciliation: Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 pm
 1st Thursday of the month 7:00 pm
 or by appt.

Exposition of the Holy Sacrament & Benediction

1st Wednesday of each month 9:30 am
 1st Thursday of each month 7:00 pm with
 Confessions

Parish Office Hours

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

Baptisms

Celebrated outside of 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.

Knights of Columbus Council #11529

Did you know that the Founder of the Knights of Columbus, Blessed Michael McGivney, was also a heck of a ballplayer. He paved the way for a long history of baseball players who would join the Knights, including Connie Mac, Babe Ruth, and Joe DiMaggio. Catholic gentlemen 18 years and older can join online. Use Promo Code: BlessedMcGivney for one year of free membership. Our local Council is #11529.

St Vincent de Paul Society

Emergency Assistance Helpline: 732-370-0098

Bereavement Ministry

Please contact the parish office for more information.

Grief Support

For those grieving the loss of a loved one or close friend. This is a Catholic centered Support Group offering a caring, compassionate, and confidential environment to support your journey from grieving to healing. For registration and details contact Deacon John White 848-992-1652 or dcnjohnw@gmail.com

Youth Group

Open to all children of St Monica registered families and we would love to have you join us. For more information, call Theresa Calsetta 732-299-0261.

RCIA/OCIA*Rite/Order of Christian Initiation of Adults*

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

New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish family! Registration forms may be downloaded at www.saintmonica.com
 Please contact the parish office for further info.

Adult Faith Formation Core Team

Our mission is to encourage and support parishioners in their lifelong learning in the faith in order to grow closer to God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit through discipleship and evangelization.

Marriages

The Catholic Dioceses of New Jersey request a one year period of preparation for marriage in The Church. Contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

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 on-going Religious Education classes. Our program includes grades 1-8. Please contact Karen Badach, Coordinator of Religious Education 732-928-4038 or stmonicaccd@yahoo.com

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Women of St Monica

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



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 someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan ABUSE HOTLINE: 1-888-296-2965 or via email at: abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org

Reflections on Readings for the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity - May 26, 2024

FIX THIS IN YOUR HEART

Have you ever felt a tug to do something out of the ordinary? Maybe say something to someone you've never met before or call up an old friend to check in? This tug can make us feel uncomfortable; we aren't sure why we have this feeling we need to act, but we feel almost disobedient if we don't follow through. Often-times, these promptings are from the Holy Spirit, who puts things on our hearts in order for us to be Christ to others. Through Baptism and Confirmation, the Holy Spirit dwells in us. The next time you feel prompted to reach out, be bold in love and ask the Holy Spirit for the gift of courage.

PRAYER

On the mountaintop, Jesus commands his disciples to "go and make disciples of all nations." Imagine yourself receiving this command along with the disciples. How do you react to his words? What does his command mean? How will you prepare yourself for this task? Take comfort in Jesus's words: "I am with you always, until the end of the age."

RESOLUTION

We often think it is the priest's or missionary's job to evangelize people. However, we are all commanded to share Christ with everyone we meet and bring them into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism. As a lay person, we are given access to people's lives in a radically different way than the priest. Don't be afraid to bring Christ into your workplace, sports, hobbies, and friendships. It is here that he wishes to be among you.

Make a personal mission statement. Include in it your gifts that you can use in evangelizing others and how you will use those gifts in your daily encounters with people around you to bring them closer to Christ. Make a commitment to start each day asking for the guidance of the Holy Spirit throughout your day | formed.org

"The mission that Jesus entrusted to the Apostles has continued through the centuries, and continues still today: it requires the cooperation of all of us."

—Pope Francis, May 13, 2018



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