

CHURCH OF SAINT MONICA



July 13, 2025

Masses

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

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Our Parish is Served by:

Reverend Alex Enriquez, Pastor
Deacon Christian Knoebel
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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
or by appointment

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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—JULY 13, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 12

4:00 pm Sylvester Cascio & Joseph Anzalone
(The Anzalone Family)

Sunday, July 13

9:00 am Aley Kutty Punnen
(Laisa Vadakara)

11:00 am Irene Kislán
(Liz Becker & Don Kislán)

Monday, July 14

9:00 am Intentions of Alice, Eileen & Elaine
(Marie Gould)

Tuesday, July 15

9:00 am John Ducas
(The Piacentino Family)

Wednesday, July 16

9:00 am Tom Taibe
(The Piacentino Family)

Thursday, July 17

9:00 am Hal Erbe
(The Piacentino Family)

Saturday, July 19

4:00 pm Jeri Hembling
(Monthly Dinner Group)

Sunday, July 20

9:00 am Fr. Joseph Manapuram-Healing Mass
(Laisa Vadakara)

11:00 am Nickey DeLuca & Jonathan Lantieri
(Fran DeLuca)

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Micki Smith, Joyce Picon, Carol Atherton, Beth Kujawski, Toni Hetteroth, Dianne Smith, Andy Sabine, Elaine Giblock, Marie Gould, Doris Garbarino, Melissa Staiger, Bonnie Holton, Arlene Toth, Judy Bocchicchio, Leo Diaz, Glory D'Acunto, Catherine Dalfonso, Christopher Dalfonso, Dolores Burkshot, Josephine Brennan, Frank Trimboli, Gabrielle D'Acunto, Anthony Pelle, Jr, Phillip Wenz, Mary Miniscalchi, Lane Morell, Frank Falesto, Jean Stein, Ann Rosetto, Tom Martin, Dorothy Palumbo, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Jennie D'Angelo, Paul Hetteroth, Cheryl Vega, Carol Spezzano, Michael Seiler, Shannon Hubert, Ronald Nuzzola, Ray Kijowski, Nicholas Biddle, Matthew Biddle, Dennis Shwiner, Laura Stoyer, Mike Scott, Andrew G Sabine, A.J. Sabine, Stephen Alexander, Angela Belmont, Danny Merwin, Diane Hromiko, Kathy Reynolds, Margie Smith, Kevin Finnerty, Mark Hoffman

Readings for the Week – July 13, 2025

Monday Ex 1:8-14, 22 Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday Ex 2:1-15a Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday Ex 3:1-6, 9-12 Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 Mt 11:25-27

Thursday Ex 3:13-20 Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 Mt 11:28-30

Friday Ex 11:10—12:14 Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 Mt 12:1-8

Saturday Ex 12:37-42 Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15 Mt 12:14-21

Sunday Gen 18:1-10a Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 Col 1:24-28 Lk 10:38-42

TEARDROP MINISTRY PRAYER

Blessed Monica, mother of St. Augustine, we give thanks to our Father in Heaven who looked with mercy upon your tears over your wayward son. His conversion and heroic sanctification were the fruit of your prayers.

Dear St. Monica we now ask you to pray with us for all those sons and daughters that have wandered away from God, and to add your prayers to those of all mothers who are worried over their children. Pray also for us that, following your example, we may, in the company of our children, one day enjoy the eternal vision of our Father in Heaven.



Due to the enormous costs of replacing our Air Conditioning system there will be a second collection next week to help defray the costs. We sincerely thank you, our loyal parishioners, for your help, support and generosity to get through these difficult times. Thank you and God Bless. Fr. Alex Enriquez

We Need You—To Be Altar Servers
Altar Server Training

If you are now in Grades 3 through 7, please consider serving God during the Mass as an altar server. Training will be provided. To answer thus call, just ask your parent / guardian to contact Deacon John at dcnjohnw@gmail.com. Or at (848) 992-1652

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP COLLECTIONS
JUNE 9—15, 2025

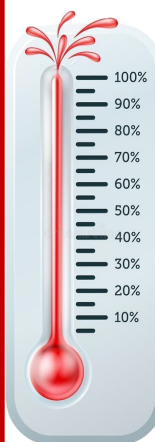
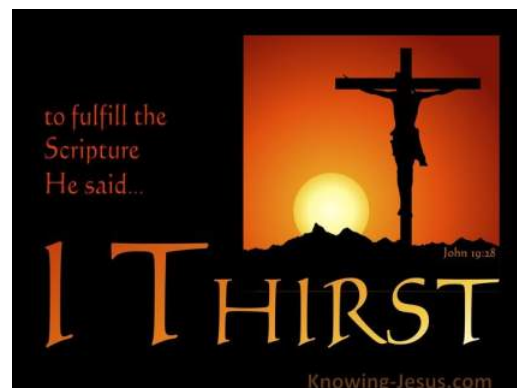
Weekly Offerings \$3,402.00

Online Giving \$1,423.00

Total \$4,825.00

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

Thirsting for God? Do you know someone not baptized or baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition, who is thirsting for what it means to become Catholic? Do you know someone already Catholic but has not yet received Confirmation & Communion? They may be thirsting too! **The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)** is a place to ask questions and seek understanding. Contact: **Deacon John:** dcnjohnw@gmail.com or call 848-992-1652.



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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—JULY 13, 2025

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

Exposition of the Holy Sacrament & Benediction

1st Wednesday of each month 9:30 am

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 class or take the convenient online presentation. Please call the Parish Office to register for the class held on the first Thursday of every month at 7:00pm. Or stop by the Parish Office to pick up a DVD copy of the class.

Knights of Columbus Council #11529

The Knights of Columbus were founded in 1882 by Blessed Father Michael McGivney. It is an international order of more than 2 million Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others, and defend Catholic values in busy changing world. St Monica Council #11529 has a long history of support for the parish and any local charities. If you would like to join just scan the QR Code or go to KofC.org/join & enter council #11529 when prompted.



St. Monica's "Teardrop" Ministry

The St. Monica Teardrop Ministry is a prayerful initiative where individuals and the community come together to intercede for loved ones who have drifted away from their faith, drawing inspiration from St. Monica's unwavering dedication to her husband and son's conversion. Prayer is very powerful, it only took 1 Hail Mary for Jesus to come to earth.

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

Visits to the Sick and Homebound

St Vincent de Paul Society

Emergency Assistance Helpline: 732-370-0098

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.

OCIA

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 Belinda Azzollini, Coordinator of Religious Education 732-928-4038 or stmonicaccd@yahoo.com

Legion of Mary

Members participate in the life of the parish through a program of prayers and service. The Legion of Mary 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. Meetings are at St. Monica every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. 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.

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. Please contact the parish office for more info.



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

CALENDAR**Saturday, July 12**

10:00 am Howlett & Campbell Baptisms
 3:15 pm Confessions
 4:00 pm Mass

Sunday, July 13

9:00 am Mass
 11:00 am Mass
 12:00 pm Knights of Columbus Installations

Monday, July 14

9:00 am Mass

Tuesday, July 15

9:00 am Mass
 7:00 pm Adult Choir (Church)
 7:00 pm Legion of Mary (LC)

Wednesday, July 16

9:00 am Mass

Thursday, July 17

9:00 am Mass
 7:00 pm COR Men's Prayer Group

Saturday, July 19

3:15 pm Confessions
 4:00 pm Mass

Sunday, July 20

9:00 am Mass
 11:00 am Mass
 12:15 pm McKenna McEvoy Baptism

Monday, July 21

9:00 am Mass
 7:00 pm Building Committee Meeting (LC)

Tuesday, July 22

9:00 am Mass
 7:00 pm Adult Choir (Church)
 7:00 pm Legion of Mary (LC)

Wednesday, July 23

9:00 am Mass

Thursday, July 24

9:00 am Mass
 7:30 pm KofC Meeting in Church

Saturday, July 26

3:15 pm Confessions
 4:00 pm Mass

Sunday, July 27

9:00 am Mass
 11:00 am Mass

Monday, July 28

9:00 am Mass

Tuesday, July 29

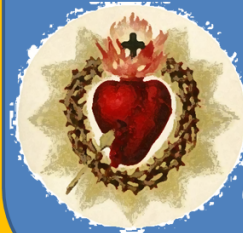
9:00 am Mass
 7:00 pm Adult Choir (Church)
 7:00 pm Legion of Mary (LC)

Wednesday, July 30

9:00 am Mass

COR**Men's Prayer Group**

3rd Thursday of Each Month
 7 PM – Main Church



**PRAYER
 FELLOWSHIP
 FRATERNITY**

Come Join Us - All Men Are Welcomed

**Next meeting July 17, 2025
 at 7:PM**



**ST. MONICA
 PARISH FESTIVAL
 SUNDAY, AUGUST 24, 2025**

Noon – 4:00 p.m.

after 11 a.m. Outdoor Mass



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“Who is my Neighbor?”

After many centuries of recounting Jesus’ Parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37) the story seems to have lost the “sting” Jesus intended for it. Especially now, when we are coming out of social isolation, perhaps it is appropriate to reflect on the Gospel story which reveals Jesus’ encounter with the legal scholar and his response to the question: Who is my neighbor? Perhaps now is a good time to reflect more deeply on Jesus’ teaching and its practical implications for our lives in these times of continued uncertainty.

In the Gospel story Jesus affirms the legal scholar: “You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” But the lawyer asks: “And who is my neighbor?” This is the question that prompts Jesus to offer a story revealing the vastness of God’s mercy, and of course, Jesus’ expectation of his followers.

It is significant that Jesus offers a Samaritan as the ideal model of God’s mercy. Jews despised Samaritans as a lower form of humanity. So, of course, it provoked his audience when Jesus told of the priest, then the Levite, walking thoughtlessly by the half-dead robbery victim lying at the side of the road. It is the third man, the Samaritan, who stops, renders the victim first aid and generously pays the innkeeper in advance for taking care of the brutally beaten victim.



Jesus’ parable teaches us that the neighbor is the person we encounter in our daily lives who is in dire need of our help. We are called to be good stewards of our fellow human beings, God’s precious children who we meet on our own journey in life. Our love and mercy are not confined to our families, friends, co-workers or fellow parishioners. The “sting” to the parable is that Jesus Christ expects us, his followers, to extend his love and mercy to others regardless of their race, religion, gender, culture, ethnicity or social standing.

Pope Francis, used the Parable of the Good Samaritan to urge us not only to imitate the mercy of Jesus in our personal lives, but to have the courage and compassion to promote a culture of Christ’s mercy in our society as well.

To be a disciple of Jesus Christ obliges us to love and show mercy to those we don’t know nor recognize as “one of us.” The Samaritan in Jesus’ story did not see a stranger, alien or foreigner. He simply saw a suffering human being who needed help. Jesus asks: “So who was the neighbor to the robbers’ victim?” The legal scholar replied: “The one who treated him with mercy.” Jesus said to the scholar as he would say to us today: “Go and do likewise.”





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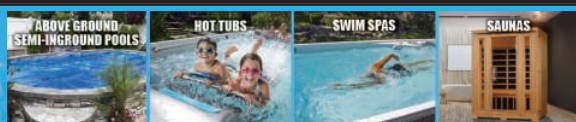
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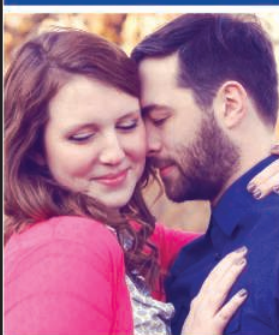
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