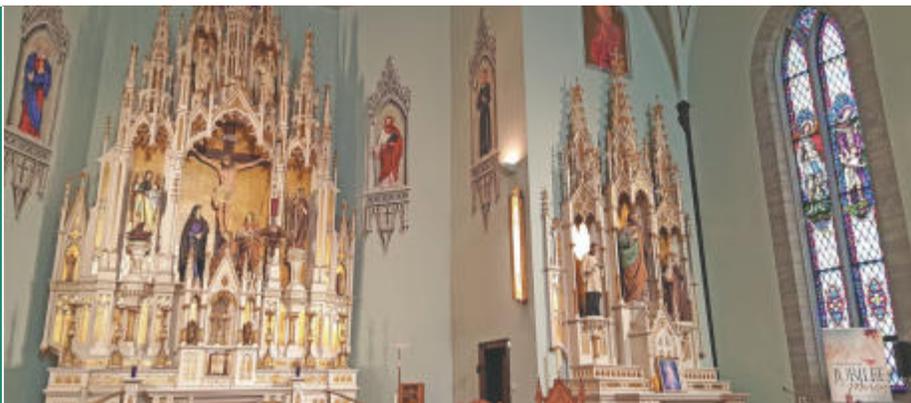


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NOVEMBER 14, 2021

• THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WORDS OF THANKS AND BLESSING OF THE CAMPUS RENOVATION

Last weekend our newly renovated campus was open to tour to see the changes made to make better use of the building. This week after 10:30 am Mass we will bless it and acknowledge those instrumental in the success of the project. There are a number of people who worked hard to envision and realize the project. They worked day and night for the completion of it.

First and foremost, I am so grateful to God for his fatherly providence. As a parish, we are so grateful to God our Father for His abundant blessings in these difficult times. My heartfelt gratitude to Luella A. Amolsch, and all the trust members for your generosity in seeing the need and supporting our parish and school to have better facilities. We are indebted to you for all that you do for our parish and school. I would like to thank James S. Jacobs, Architects PLLC, for taking up this project. You have worked hard and in this difficult time. We are grateful to you for a successful completion. Our Leadership Team, led by Gary Carter, played a major role in bringing this whole idea and following it through to complete it perfectly. I am grateful to the Finance Council led by Jim DuBay for saying yes to the project. I am indebted to David VanAcker for overseeing the whole project. My

thanksgiving writing will be incomplete without thanking my parish staff. Michael Newcomer, who takes care of the campus, worked hard - day and night - to see the work was done well, with some overnights by himself fixing certain things. I am very much grateful for your hard work and time put in to complete the project.

Thank you so much Lynn Fedewa and DeeDee Perkins for your service and dedication in overseeing things, auctioning some of the things that we do not need, and also buying the things we need for kitchen. I know how much time you have put in this project. Finally, not the least, ***I thank all of you*** for your prayerful support. I know you have been praying for the completion of this project. I am grateful to each of you for your support. I am sure there are so many others who were instrumental in completing this project. I am sorry if I have missed anyone.

Have a great weekend! God bless you. Stay Safe
Fr. Kishore Babu Battu SAC



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WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Why do some sacraments leave a character or mark on the soul? Don't all sacraments affect the soul?



All sacraments mediate grace and connect us to Christ and to the Church. Some sustain us in our faith journey, while others help us heal from the effects of sin. Each one offers a share in God's life, giving us what we need to be faithful followers of Jesus. But some sacraments change us in ways that are irreversible. The three sacraments that leave a character are Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Orders. We are literally different people because of the effect of the grace of those sacraments. We are changed at the core of our being in such a fundamental way that we can not go back to what we once were.

In Baptism, we are freed from original sin, initiated into the Body of Christ as adopted sons and daughters. In Confirmation, we are given the fullness of God's Spirit, sealed in his grace and gifted with what we need to live a Christian life. In Holy Orders, a priest is marked as an 'alter Christus,' another Christ, and is once and forever a priest who offers sacrifice, forgives sin, and acts in the person of Christ. In these three sacraments, we are conformed more closely to Christ, reflecting his love and truth.

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Giving Until it Hurts

In the time of Christ, sacrifice was nothing new to the Jewish people. The Israelites were experts at sacrifice. So, after centuries of every kind of offering imaginable, what was so special about Christ's? What made it so different from the sacrifices offered by the Levitical priests for centuries before his death?

Well, to adequately answer that question would consume whole volumes. And, of course, the first and most important reason is that Christ was the son of God and the savior of the world, not a random (if "unblemished") lamb offering. It was only by the blood of Christ that we could be redeemed.

But another answer is this: Christ's sacrifice cost him. In fact, it cost him everything. The offerings made by the Israelites through their priests cost them too, of course. They gave of their flocks, of their household stores, of their wealth. But Christ gave differently. He gave of himself. He gave until it was all gone.

Such is the highest form of stewardship: the gift of self to the point of discomfort. It can take a multitude of forms and I am not saying we are all called to be nailed to the cross. In fact, for most of us, our gifts will not involve physical discomfort at all. But certainly, stewardship demands discomfort. It demands that we go against our human nature of putting ourselves first, of thinking primarily of our own needs and desires. And most of all, it demands love. For that, above all else, distinguished the gift Christ gave us.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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St. Elizabeth of Hungary | Feast Day November 17

Although her life was short, St. Elizabeth of Hungary (1207 – 1231) is recognized for her love of the poor and suffering, and as patroness of Catholic charities and the Secular Franciscan Order. The daughter of the King of Hungary, she chose a life of penance instead of leisure, which made an impact on the "commoners" she served.

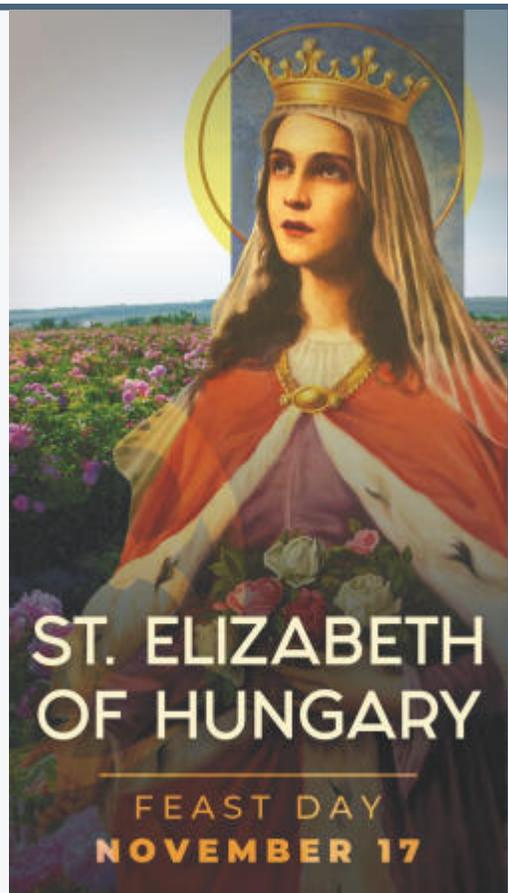
St. Elizabeth married Louis of Thuringia when she was 14. Deeply in love, they had three children. Despite their wealth, she led a life of prayer, sacrifice, and service to the poor and sick under the spiritual direction of a Franciscan friar.

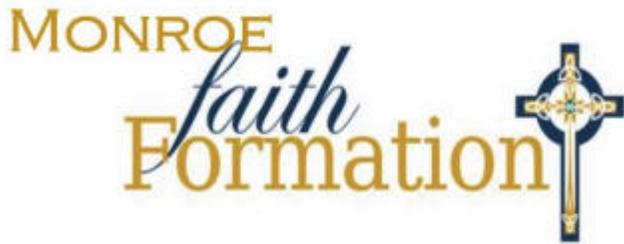
After six years of marriage, her husband died in the Crusades, and St. Elizabeth was grief-stricken. Her husband's family did not look kindly upon her and mistreated her before finally throwing her out of the palace. However, the return of her husband's allies from the Crusades resulted in her being reinstated, since her son was legal heir to the throne.

St. Elizabeth joined the Secular Franciscan Order in 1228 where she cared for the poor in a hospital she founded in honor of St. Francis of Assisi. She died in 1231, but her great popularity resulted in her being named a saint only four years later.

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St Elizabeth of Hungary is the patron saint of bakers, beggars, brides, charities, and death of children.





STEPHEN MINISTRY

News from Faith Formation!!

We have completed our second month of classes!

Our 4th -7th graders have learned about the opportunity to join the Altar Server Ministry at our three parishes!

Our pre-K and Kindergarten students are learning all about the Bible, vestments of the church, and taking a church tour.

Our 1st grade students in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium are spending time on the Five Parables of the Kingdom. The wonder of the tiny mustard seed (*Mark 4:30-32*) that grows into a large bush tells us that even if God's love is a small beginning, it will grow and grow. The beauty of the precious pearl (*Matthew 13: 45-46*) helps us to know the value and beauty of God's Kingdom (Reign) in all of creation. It is worth everything. We will go on to look up the Hidden Treasure (*Matthew 13:44*), the Leaven (*Matthew 13:33*) and the Grain (*Mark 4:26-29*). All of these parables have a human being cooperating with God in discovering the Kingdom of God among us all. We live in the Kingdom, although not yet complete We help to make it so!!

Our 2nd grade students are working on Kingdom of God parables, The Good Shepherd, the wolf, and the hireling, and introduction to Bible Work.

Our 3rd and 4th grade students are working on the 10 commandments, and learning the meanings of two new Catholic Faith words every week. We are going to start learning how to pray the rosary and will be making a rosary.

Our 5th grade students are diving deep into the sacraments, specifically baptism, Holy Eucharist, and confirmation. Why has God given us these beautiful graces? What gifts come with each wonderful sacrament? At the end of the month, we will start journeying with the Saints.

Our 6th grade students are reading about Joseph and the Israelites' journey to Egypt.

Our 7th grade students are working through the confirmation preparation program, *Chosen*, focusing on *Who are you and What is your story?*

Our 8th grade students are preparing for confirmation, and also studying the *Chosen* preparation program.

We still need help in the following areas!

- Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sunday at 10:30 am Mass.
- Help with translation in Spanish
- Substitute catechists/assistants, Tuesday evenings

Leslee Smith, Director

You are Invited / Please Come / All are Welcome

Introductory / informational meeting to learn about Stephen Ministry

Wednesday, December 1, 2021

6:30 - 7:30 pm

SMCC High School (2nd Floor Media Center)

For more information, please contact John Castiglione: 313-363-3545 or johncastiglione15@gmail.com.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

What sin does the Sacrament of Baptism remove?

Answer is on the calendar page.



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Any parishioner who has completed their First Holy Communion and are of good faith are welcome and encouraged to become an **Altar Server** at Saint Michael.

After completing an application, candidates undergo a period of training before becoming a commissioned server. During training servers will learn basic information about the Catholic Church and the Mass. Candidates will observe experienced servers and learn how to carry out specific tasks while serving at the Altar.

Training Dates AT ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL:

November 15th 2:45-4 pm

November 16th 6-7:15 pm

November 30th 6-7:15 pm

More information, including an application, is available on our website: www.stmichaelmonroe.com.

God Works! Family Soup Kitchen Invitation

Monroe County churches have provided daily meals to the homeless and working poor for nearly 15 years. Through the generosity of dedicated workers and donors this Corporal Work of Mercy (*Feeding the Hungry*) continues its outreach mission.

The St. Mary Parish Life Center kitchen is used every Friday to prepare and serve a nutritious meal to those who come to our door seeking a well-rounded meal. During the pandemic, meals are packaged and "bagged" for distribution at the Life Center door.

As we create a 2022 *God Works!* schedule, we invite members of our *Family of Parishes* to join the work of planning, preparing, and serving meals to those most in need. **Would you consider sharing your time and talent in 2022?**

Where do your gifts and talents fit with these various levels of opportunity? Can you be available from 4-7 pm on a Friday evening? With whom could you partner in this effort?

- **Point People** Those who plan the meal, obtain supplies & ingredients, manage the assigned team.
- **Team Leader** One who invites friends, family members, co-workers, neighbors, parishioners, etc. to partner in working a *God Works!* meal.
- **Team Member** People working with other generous people to prepare, serve, and clean up a meal.
- **Fruit Dessert Provider** Those who supply fresh fruit at some time during the year. Fruit donations are brought to the Parish Office during office hours on Friday or to the Parish Life Center (4-5 pm).

Whether you can help once a year or on a monthly basis, **all are welcome!** Thank you in advance!

For more information, please contact Fred Fedorowicz: 734-755-4705 or fedorowicz@sbcglobal.net

Join the Parent Service Committee at our annual SMCC ADVENT SCHOLARSHIP GALA Sunday, November 14, 2021

Event starts at 5 pm

Doors open at 4 pm

IHM Activities Center (SMCC cafeteria)

Pastor Heather Boone from Oaks of Righteousness Church will be our guest speaker. She has suggested the devotional:

The Purpose Driven Life by Rick Warren

We will have a few copies for sale during the event.

- Raffle items & book sale
- Potluck – bring a dish to pass
- No Admission – goodwill offering-non-perishable food/diapers sz.3-6
- No table decorations are required
- Come alone or bring your friends & reserve a table

100% of proceeds provide college scholarships for our SMCC Seniors.

Hosted by: SMCC Parent Service Committee

RSVP: Diane Mathies, mradiance@yahoo.com
or text 805-338-4015

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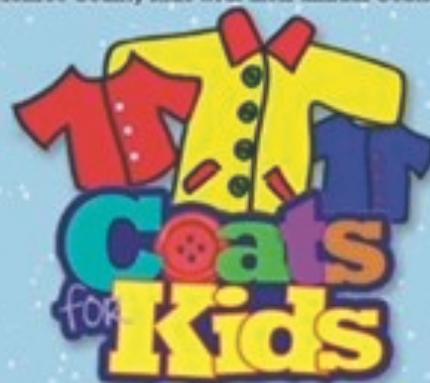
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Winter in Monroe County is unpredictable but cold is usually part of the season. Dressing warm for school each day is a necessity for all, but impossible for many. The Monroe K of C Council #1266 wishes to change this for Monroe County kids with their annual Coats for Kids!



Saturday, November 20, 2021

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MCES Academic Update

MCES has committed to ensuring the students stay on target with a variety of academic supports. Namely, we have employed an interventionist at each campus to provide accommodations to students with identified needs.

We also have deployed Renaissance Star 360 in Young 5s through 8th grade to assess students' ability level in math and reading and implement interventions based on the data the assessment provides. Teachers will be receiving training on interpreting this data. Another tool we have launched is the use of IXL, which is a computer-based program that provides activities based on the students learning level. Questions can change based on how they are doing. This program is being used in all classrooms, Young 5s through 8th grade, and can be accessed at home to supplement learning.

All of our classrooms have received a technology upgrade, with the addition of a BenQ Interactive Touch Display. These 65" screens replace dated SmartBoard Technology, allowing teachers to provide interactive activities, demonstrations, presentations and more.

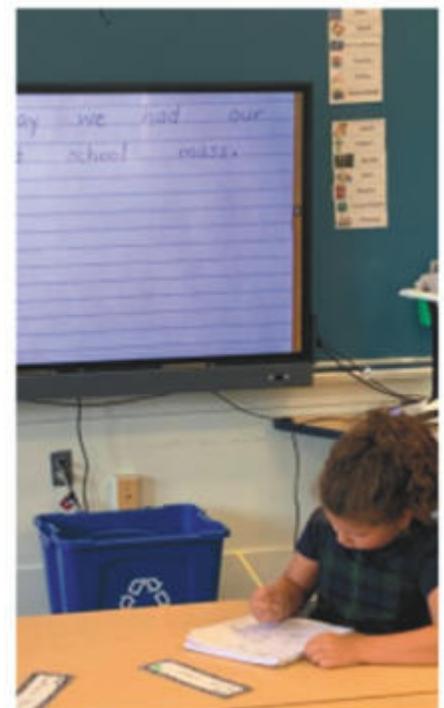
Our Young 5s through 3rd grade teachers are implementing a new science curriculum - "Mystery Science" that aligns with the Next Generation Science Standards. The series is web-based and focuses on hands-on science experiments to keep students engaged in their learning.

We have also partnered with St. Mary Catholic Central to ensure our students are ready for high school and beyond. Our 8th grade students are taking theology at SMCC and our 7th and 8th grade participate in the foreign language sequence of classes at SMCC.

Lastly, the launch of FACTS SIS allows our families to have real-time data of student learning and provides our families and teachers tools to keep their children/students on track.

To learn more about MCES academics, visit www.mcesmonroe.com.

Mark Your Calendar



MCES FALL RAFFLE WINNERS
will be drawn **November 23rd** at
2 pm on Facebook Live!

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Sgt. Michael Makela	CPL Justin Zukowski

CATHOLIC TRIVIA
Answer: **Original Sin**

Readings for the Week of November 14, 2021

Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32
Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158 [cf. 88]/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [6b]/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15 [15b]/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [23b]/Lk 19:41-44
Dedication: Acts 28:11-16, 30-31/ Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Mt 14:22-33
Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chron 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd [13b]/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19 [cf. 16a]/Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

THIS WEEK ~ NOVEMBER 15 - 21

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15

St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Mass 8:15 am - church
Devotions 9 am - church
Altar Server Training 2:45-4 pm - church
RCIA 6:30 pm - Archangel room
Parish Council Meeting 7 pm - rectory meeting room
Boy Scouts 7:30 pm - gym

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin

Altar Server Training 6 - 7:15 pm - church
Faith Formation 6 - 7:15 pm - St Mary Campus
Cub Scouts 6:30 pm - gym

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

St Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

Choir Practice 6:30 pm - loft

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18

The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Mass 8:15 am - church

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Blessed Virgin Mary

Confession 3:30 pm - church
Mass 5:00 pm - church

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Mass 8:30 am - church
Mass 10:30 am - church
Baptisms noon - church

VOTIVE LIGHTS FOR NOVEMBER

Sanctuary Light: Marian Thornton
St. Mary: Mary Rose
St. Joseph: Mary Sue Terrasi

LITURGY SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 15 - 21

DAY & TIME	INTENTIONS
Monday 8:15 am	† Dorothy Bezeau 1 year † Mario Crocenzi
Friday 8:15 am	† Mario Crocenzi † Norman & Sophie Kanar
Saturday 5:00 pm	† Jack and JD Furnari † Sharon Robinson
Sunday 8:30 am	† Earl Navarre Jr † Mary Sue Terrasi
10:30 am	† The People of St Michael

LIVE THE LITURGY

Every human being asks and answers a very important existential question. What happens to us when we die? The answer we provide will determine how we chart the course of our existence. It will also determine whether the Second Coming of Christ will be of any concern to us. For many, life is simply a random occurrence with no significant intention or meaning about it. For these people, their eventual death, and the end of the earth as they know it, have little importance beyond their personal consequences. But, for people of faith our natural death and the Second Coming of Christ have huge implications. It is to these things that our faith speaks volumes and can bring a keen understanding and direction that the secular world simply cannot provide. This is where the call to vigilance and the primordial virtues of faith, hope, and love become useful and meaningful. We are works in progress who can either resist the inspirations of the Divine Artist or give into the wonderful surprising creativity of his will.

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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time:

The Gospel predicts end times; our challenge though is to live faithfully now. When we live in conformity to the Word, hearing Jesus' words and living them out, the future holds no fear for us.

As you give your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are hearing the words of Jesus and living them out.

Pantry Needs: Gravy, bouillon, cream soup, stuffing mix, sweet potatoes/yams, cranberry sauce, biscuit mix, corn muffin mix, crackers, instant potatoes, and personal products such as deodorant, toothpaste, mouthwash, bar soap, small packages of toilet tissue and paper towels.

Please consider donating any small hotel or travel sized products you may have from traveling. These are perfect for many of our clients.



Advent Retreat Focuses on our own Holiness

When most people think of the Incarnation, they think of God becoming human as Jesus Christ. But, like Jesus, we all come from the wholeness and holiness of God. What if we really believed and lived from this essential truth?

Sister Pat Kozak, CSJ, explores this theme in "Becoming Incarnation: An Advent Retreat," scheduled from 7 pm EST Sunday, November 28, 2021, through 11 am EST Thursday, December 2, 2021. The event is offered virtually, through Zoom.

The cost is \$160. Registration is required and is available at www.webercenter.org; click on "programs." Registrations may also be made by calling 517-266-4000 or emailing webercenter@adriandominicans.org. Limited scholarships are available.

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