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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office is
open 8:00 am—5:00 pm.
Monday - Thursday and
8:00 am— Noon on
Friday

MASSES: 7 days a week
Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
and 10:45 a.m.
Monday-Friday: 8:00a.m.

Bulletin Announcements due to
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PARISH CLERGY

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: We, the parish of St. Monica, work to create a Christlike family, welcoming all people where one encounters a loving God, by serving the spiritual, educational and social needs of the community.

BAPTISM: Please make arrangements in advance. Baptisms are performed on Sundays, immediately following the 10:45 a.m. Mass. Pre-Baptismal instruction is required for parents. Please call the Parish Office for time of next scheduled class.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Adults and school-age children seeking full membership in the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist can make an appt. to continue their conversion process by calling the Parish Office.

RECONCILIATION: Opportunities to celebrate God's forgiveness in one's life are available on Saturday afternoons from 3:15-3:45 p.m. Individual appointments with a Priest can be arranged.

MATRIMONY: The Diocese of Cleveland requires a 6-month preparation period for marriage. Call the Parish Office to set your wedding date and plan your celebration.

CONFIRMATION: Any adult or high school student needing Confirmation, please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation.

ANointing OF THE SICK: Celebrated upon request. Call the Parish Office to make arrangements with one of our Priests.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please call the Parish Office to register.

ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC SCHOOL: Provides Catholic education for students K-8. School hrs.: 8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. *Before & After Care* available. Mrs. Lisa Oriti, *School Principal*

EUCCHARIST FOR THE HOMEBOUND: Parish Team and Staff Members visit the homebound on a monthly basis. If you or someone you know is homebound and would like to receive communion, call the Parish Office.


**LITURGY
SCHEDULE**
Sunday, November 27
First Sunday of Advent

9:00 Emil & Florence Svarovsky

10:45 People of the Parish

Monday, November 28
Advent Weekday

8:00 Frank Hrovat

Tuesday, November 29
Advent Weekday

8:00 Theresa Buffington

Wednesday, November 30
St. Andrew, Apostle

8:00 Margaret Konkowski

Thursday, December 1
Advent Weekday

8:00 April Rutherford

Friday, December 2
Advent Weekday

8:00 Daniel Strohmeier

Saturday, December 3
St. Francis Xavier, Priest

4:00 People of the Parish

Sunday, December 4
Second Sunday of Advent

9:00 William Neptune

10:45 William J. Gadomski

Pastoral Scene
Pray for Ukraine

As many of you know, I have relatives living in western Ukraine near the Polish border in the city of Lviv. Part of the difficulty is communication with them. A few months ago, I got in contact with Rostic, a cousin and he speaks English! Since then, I have been talking and texting him about his life under this attack.

The high point was last Easter when we used face time to visit with the family. We first met when I visited the Ukraine in the early 80's. He came with his parents to Cleveland for a soccer tournament. He is now in his 50's married and two children.

This opportunity to be in touch with family still in Ukraine is a great joy to me. Given the present circumstances, it is even more important. This last week with the bombing in western Ukraine, Rostic texted me. They were in their basement and had no electricity. One feels so helpless when you cannot assist them. I called him later that day and all was quiet.

I share these thoughts with you because they are reality that is taking place. Please pray for the Ukraine and for my family.

Fr. Ted Marszal

Book for the Season of Advent

At our Church entrances this weekend there is a special book entitled **"Holy Moments"**

which was written by Matthew Kelly. This Book encourages a person to enjoy life on a daily level in an entirely new way. It helps one to see how the "little things" in life can cause much happiness. It is easy to read, and each section contains some interesting thoughts.

Please take one home for your family.

It can add much to your

Advent Season

as you prepare for Christmas.

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ActivitiesCALENDAR
Monday, November 28

3:15 p.m. Catholic War Veterans Auxiliary (AR)
 4:15 p.m. Walking Class (J)
 7:00 p.m. HN Board Meeting (F)

Wednesday, November 30

6:30 p.m. G.A. Meeting (+)

Thursday, December 1

4:00 p.m. Athletic Practice (g)
 4:15 p.m. Walking Class (J)
 6:00 p.m. Set Up Sandwich Saturday (J)
 7:00 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting (F)

Friday, December 2

8:00 a.m. Santa Shoppe (AR)
 3:00 p.m. Set up Breakfast w/Santa (c)
 4:00 p.m. Athletic Practice (g)
 6:00 p.m. Set up Sandwich Saturday (J)

Saturday, December 3

8:00 a.m. Santa Shoppe (AR)
 9:00 a.m. Sandwich Saturday (J)
 9:00 a.m. Breakfast w/Santa (c)

Sunday, December 4

8:00 a.m. Santa Shoppe (AR)
 1:00 p.m. RCIA (F)


STEWARDSHIP

November 13, 2022

Sunday Offering.....\$ 5,260.00
 St. Monica Fund.....\$ 634.00
 Misc. Special Envelopes.....\$ 191.00

*Due to early bulletin deadlines November 20th
 Stewardship numbers will be publishing
 In the December 3rd bulletin*

*Please continue to mail in your donations,
 donate online or drop off at the office. You can
 also drop your donation in the baskets in church.
 Thank you for your continued support.*



***Please keep in your prayers the following
 members of our Parish Community:***

Harrison Shepherd, Lisa Bielawski, Gaylene Bielawski, John A. Chesney, Martin & Marie Hobbs, Drew, Mandy & Brian Gibson, Kyle Leanza, Donna Bogucki, Bill Paluscsak, Veronica Mayak, Nina Hubiak, Sarah Burket, Joann Reddinger, Mike Helmick, Bonita Pentak, Carole & Gerald DeLooze, Anthony Lupica, Gabriel Malcolm, Special Intention, Francis Lahman, Veronica Mayak

*The names will remain in the bulletin for two months.
 Please call the parish office if your name or a loved one's
 name needs to be added to the list.*

*If you have a special intention you would like
 remembered in prayer, please call
 Lillian Neptune (216) 662-5464.*



II Mary-Kate Begin and Daniel Knowlton



Our sincere sympathy and prayers are extended
 to the families and friends of
 Concetta Graceffo and Peter Cappelli
 who were recently buried.
 May they and all of our dearly
 departed, rest in peace.

Religion Question of the Week:
 How many Books are in the Bible?

Did You Know?

Did you know there are 20 Catholic High
 Schools in the Diocese of Cleveland?

One Liner

"Part time Faith, like a part time job, will not
 fully support you".

Answer to This Week's Religion Question:
How many Books are in the Bible?

Answer:

There are 46 Books in the Old testament, and 27 Books in the New Testament.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Thank you for your generous support last week for the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development!

As a parish your donations supports those on the margins who live in poverty in the United States.

If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give!

Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections and click "How to Give" under "Resources."

Prepare your heart for Jesus and Christmas with AM1260 The Rock.

During the Holy Season of Advent as we prepare for the Birth of Jesus Christ and throughout the 48 hours of Christmas, AM 1260 The Rock

will be broadcasting special programming from EWTN to enrich your celebration of the Nativity.

Please visit our website at www.am1260therock.com for the most up-to-date schedule, including Christmas Masses, or call us at 216-227-1260.

And may you and those you love have a blessed Advent and a Merry Christmas.



WeGiveCatholic

This is our final weekend before the WeGiveCatholic day on Tuesday, November 29.

All donations to St. Monica's will be used in the purchase of the new electronic outdoor sign. You can give electronically on our web page, at WeGiveCatholic.org or if you prefer drop off your donations in the parish office by Tuesday and it will be entered into the webpage manually.

Thanking you in advance for your participation.

Thank you for your generosity to St. Monica Parish.



Sandwich Saturday

Join us Saturday **December 3rd**, beginning at **9:00 am** in the lower level of the Parish Office. This month, sandwiches are delivered to **Front Steps Housing**. Any questions, call the Parish Office 216-662-8685.



All are invited to join the fun.



Our Town & All-Around Book Fundraiser

St. Monica Respect for Life Ministry is again selling the "Our Town and All-Around" coupon books for \$28.00. Enjoy life and support pro-life at the same time! You will be saving \$\$ even if you use only a fraction of the hundreds of local and national discount offers (offers valid now through December 1, 2023). The **FREE** "SaveAround" Mobil App includes additional offers you can use across the U.S. and Canada! Want a gift for someone who lives in a different city or state? There are many options you can choose from.

Last Chance, order **NOW** (there are a few books available in the parish office).

Contact Regina at 216-581-4122 or order online: SAPayNow.com/242012

ENTRANCE CHANT 274 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

FIRST READING Isaiah 2:1-5

This is what Isaiah, son of Amoz,
saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.
In days to come,
the mountain of the LORD's house
shall be established as the highest mountain
and raised above the hills.
All nations shall stream toward it;
many peoples shall come and say:
"Come, let us climb the LORD's mountain,
to the house of the God of Jacob,
that he may instruct us in his ways,
and we may walk in his paths."
For from Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between the nations,
and impose terms on many peoples.
They shall beat their swords into plowshares
and their spears into pruning hooks;
one nation shall not raise the sword against another,
nor shall they train for war again.
O house of Jacob, come,
let us walk in the light of the Lord!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 122:1-9

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

I rejoiced because they said to me,
"We will go up to the house of the LORD."
And now we have set foot
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Jerusalem, built as a city
with compact unity.
To it the tribes go up,
the tribes of the LORD.

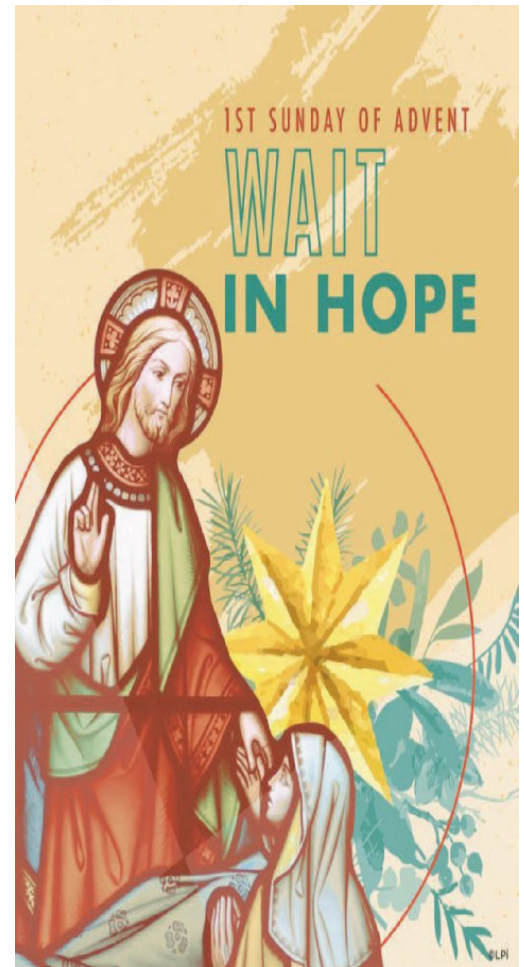
R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

According to the decree for Israel,
to give thanks to the name of the LORD.
In it are set up judgment seats,
seats for the house of David.

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!
May those who love you prosper!
May peace be within your walls,
prosperity in your buildings.

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.



Because of my brothers and friends
I will say, "Peace be within you!"
Because of the house of the LORD, our God,
I will pray for your good.

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

SECOND READING Romans 13:11-14

Brothers and sisters: You know the time; it is the hour now for you to awake from sleep. For our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed; the night is advanced, the day is at hand. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves properly as in the day, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in promiscuity and lust, not in rivalry and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the desires of the flesh.

GOSPEL Matthew 24:37-44

Jesus said to his disciples: "As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. In those days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah entered the ark. They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away. So will it be also at the coming of the Son of Man. Two men will be out in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken, and one will be left. Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come. Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour of night when the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and not let his house be broken into. So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

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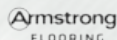
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