

St. Monica Catholic Church

May 4, 2025

Third Sunday of Easter



3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. - Jn 21:12-13

Les dijo Jesús: "Vengan a almorzar". Y ninguno de los discípulos se atrevía a preguntarle: '¿Quién eres?', porque ya sabían que era el Señor. Jesús se acercó, tomó el pan y se lo dio y también el pescado. - Jn 21, 12-13

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Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 4:30 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

Daily Mass Times

(No Mass on Tuesday or Wednesday of This Week Due to Priest Convocation)

Tuesday - Friday 8:30 AM

1st Saturday of the Month 8:30 AM

Reconciliation

(No Confession on Tuesday of This Week)

Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:00-8:25 AM

Saturdays 3:15 PM to 4:15 PM

Or by appointment

Eucharistic Holy Hour

Fridays 9:00-10:00 AM

Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary

1st Friday of the Month 8:00 AM

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Parish Email Address: saintmonicacatholic@gmail.com; Fr. Jared's Email: frjared@stmonicacatholicchurch.com

Visit us on the web at: www.stmonicacatholicchurch.com

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 AM—4:30 PM; Friday 9:00 AM—12:00 PM

No Mass on Tuesday, May 6th or Wednesday, May 7th Due to Diocesan Priest Convocation

Thursday	May 8	+ Teri Lynn Cross	Req. by: Fr. Rick Schaeffer and Barbara & Art Ferrett
Friday	May 9	+ Jake Hoffman	Requested by: Helen Hoffman
		Kitty Breecher	Requested by: The Costello Family
		Mike & Jane White	Requested by: The Costello Family
Saturday 4:30 PM	May 10	Lyla Kuehmeier (Birthday)	Requested by: Mr. and Mrs. William Satchwell
		Carrie Cordell (Birthday)	Requested by: Rita Smith
Sunday 8:30 AM	May 11	Living & Deceased Parishioners	
Sunday 11:00 AM	May 11	+ Bill Mutchie	Requested by: Sammy and Sandy Sharp

Week at a Glance

Monday, May 5th:

9:30 AM: Adult Faith Formation
Video Series (Parish Library)
6 PM: Boy Scouts (Parish Hall)

Tuesday, May 6th:

- No Mass, Confession, or Prayer
Class Due to Priest Convocation
- Ladies Guild Meeting Moved to
Next Tuesday, May 13th
6:00 PM: Boy Scouts (Parish Hall)

Wednesday, May 7th:

No Mass Due to Priest Convocation
5:30 PM: Bible Study (Library)
6:00 PM: Choir Rehearsal (Church)
7:00 PM: Knights of Columbus
Meeting (Parish Hall)

Thursday, May 8th:

8:00-8:25 AM: Confession
8:30 AM: Mass
9 AM-12 PM: Food Pantry
6:45 PM: Fr. Jared's Class on
Prayer (Parish Hall)

Friday, May 9th:

8:30 AM: Mass
9:00 AM: Eucharistic Holy Hour

Saturday, May 10th:

3:15-4:15 PM: Confession
4:30 PM: Mass

Sunday, May 11th:

8:30 AM: Mass
11:00 AM: Mass



Birthdays this Week:

Ansley Hall
Charlene Shepard

Next Weekend Ministry Schedule:

Saturday, May 10th at 4:30 PM

Ushers: Ellen Fitzhenry, Kellie Thropp
EM (Body of Christ): Nanette Rund
EM (Precious Blood): Joyce Fitzsimmons, Shirley Delaney
Lectors: Mary Jo Perry (1st), Cheryl Meis (2nd)
Altar Server: David Aptt

Sunday, May 11th at 8:30 AM

Ushers: Bill Black, Bradlie Mulvey
EM (Body of Christ): Corrine Munn
EM (Precious Blood): Kevin Donnelly, Karen Lee
Lectors: Lynne Gray (1st), Eric Gray (2nd)
Altar Server: Jac Carr, Connor Donnelly

Sunday, May 11th at 11:00 AM

Ushers: Sammy Sharp, Mary Shackelford
EM (Body of Christ): Linda Cleveland
EM (Precious Blood): Sandy Sharp, Carol Burrigge
Lectors: Charlene Shepard (1st), Jim Doyle (2nd)
Altar Server: Carley and Zoey Romer



If you would like to sign up for the
Traveling Vocations Crucifix, please call the
Parish Office or scan the QR code to the
left!

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Please call the office if you or someone you know needs to be added to the prayer list. Please note that all prayer list requests will be left on the list for 6 weeks, unless the person has a chronic illness, is undergoing treatment for cancer, or has another serious condition. If this is the case, please let the Parish Office know: 386-325-9777. Prayer requests can also be written in our Parish Book of Intentions at the ramp entrance.

Joseph Dame	Buzzy Wiseman	Doug Scott	John Skalnik	Camryn Aldridge	Diana & Tommy Downey
Marilynn Gauthier	William Parker	Darlene Sweat	Christine Taylor	James Nicholas	Jane Twardowski-Otton
Greg Bodalski	Diane Kinnon	Joy Williams	Amy Johns	Larry Beaton	Nicole Smith and Family
Alex de Guzman	Victoria Bradshaw	Fred Lininger	Rick Carr	Joseph Dang	Brandy Delashmutt
Domingo Nguyen	Maria Nguyen	Anna Dang	Mike Foster		



From the
Journal of
Fr. Jared

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

After the Institution Narrative and Consecration as well as the Memorial Acclamation, the fifth part of the Eucharistic Prayer is called the Anamnesis. This Greek word is the opposite of amnesia, meaning “reminiscence, remembrance, or recollection.” This part is an extension of Jesus’ invitation to “Do this in remembrance of me.” This portion of the Eucharistic Prayer incorporates the full Paschal Mystery of Jesus Christ, namely, His blessed Passion, crucifixion, death, glorious Resurrection, and Ascension into heaven.

After the Anamnesis, we move into the sixth part of the Eucharistic Prayer, known as the oblation. It is an uncommon word, but it means a thing offered to God, i.e. a sacrifice. The priest acting in the person of Jesus Christ offers Jesus as the unblemished sacrificial Victim in the Holy Spirit to the Father. The faithful are not only invited by the Church to offer Christ as an unblemished sacrifice, but also learn to offer our very selves through the mediation of Jesus Christ to grow in deeper unity with God and with each other.

Then we have the seventh part of the intercessions, reminding us that the Eucharist is celebrated in communion with the whole Church—the Church militant (the living), the Church suffering (those undergoing reparation in purgatory), and the Church triumphant (the saints in heaven). Incorporating both the living and the dead, the oblation/sacrifice is made for the Church, and all her members are invited to participate in the salvation and redemption purchased by the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. The priest asks for Mary, Joseph, and all the saints to intercede on our behalf for the good of the dead, and for the good of the Church and those living on earth. Typically, we pray for our pope and the local bishop here as well.

Rely on Our Redeemer,

Fr. Jared S. De Leo



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With Karen Lee



Lord, please harken to my voice. Hear my pleas.

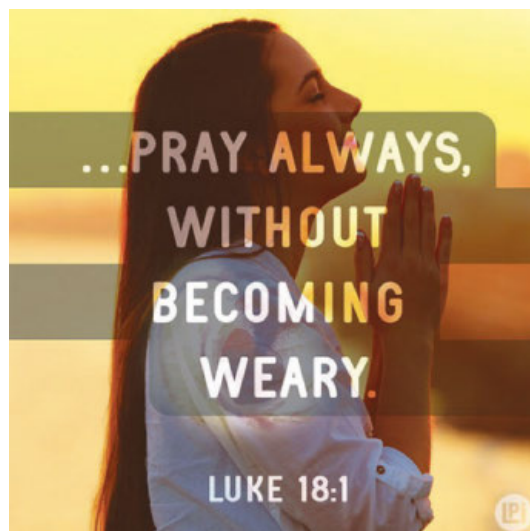
Praying for others is a priceless gift. It comes straight from the heart. Whether it is someone in your family who you love deeply, a dear friend, someone's petition from your prayer group, a stranger you meet, or even someone who you are having trouble forgiving, that person is someone who God loves and cares about. He welcomes your prayers and is pleased that you care, too.

When you promise to pray for someone, it is always good to say a quick prayer right then and there and then add their name to your prayer list. Even with our best intentions, our memories are not always reliable. A prayer list can easily become lost and forgotten. Find a place to keep it where you will see it often. Your refrigerator door is a good spot. Next to your favorite chair is another. (Prayer and coffee or tea go well together.) Your cell phone is a good place, too, as it is always with you. And if you have a special place where you pray every day, you might put it there in your Bible, your Word Among Us, or in your journal.

If you feel the need to pray extra hard for someone, you might consider giving up something you enjoy and offer your sacrifice to God for that person. If you are in pain, you can offer that, too.

When Father Jared is offering the bread and wine at Mass at the offertory, it is a good time to offer someone up in prayer. Lifting up a person to God during Adoration is also a special way to pray.

Pray often. Pray earnestly with your whole heart. Pray confidently knowing God hears every single word you say and listens with great love. Pray with thanksgiving knowing that Jesus Himself has assured us, *"Ask and it shall be given to you: seek and you will find: knock and the door will be opened to you."* Matthew 7:7



St. Monica Events and Updates

First Communion Mass This Sunday at 8:30 AM



This Sunday, May 4th at the 8:30 AM Mass, three of our young parishioners will make their First Holy Communion. **Please keep Riley Cashes and Levi and Savannah Nobles in your prayers** as they receive Our Lord in the Eucharist for the first time.

No Mass This Tuesday, May 6th or Wednesday, May 7th



Due to Diocesan Priest Convocation, there will be **no** Mass this Tuesday, May 6th or Wednesday, May 7th. Please pray for our priests at their convocation!



Date Change for Ladies Guild Meeting

Our May Ladies Guild Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, May 13, 2025**. Father will be installing our 2025-2026 officers at 11:00 AM. Officers are:

President: Lori Stuhler

First Vice-President: Jan Schneider

Second Vice-President: Linda Cleveland

Secretary: Corrine Munn

Treasurer: Joyce Fitzsimmons

All are asked to bring a favorite dish to share for lunch.
All women of St. Monica are invited to attend.

Calling All High School Graduates!



On Sunday, June 1st at the 8:30 AM Mass, we will bless and honor all of our graduating high school seniors! If you are a graduating senior and would like to be a part of this celebration, please call the office at 386-325-9777 by **Friday, May 16th**.



Adult Faith Formation Opportunity Starting This Monday!

Begin forming a deeper connection to the roots of your faith. St. James the Lesser Small Christian Community invites you to view this new series from Franciscan University about the Dead Sea Scrolls. Father Dave Pivonka and Dr. John Bergsma will explore how these discoveries reveal deeper truths about Jesus, the Sacraments, and the Early Church.

We will be meeting in the Parish Library at 9:30 AM on Mondays, beginning this Monday, May 5th.

Don't Forget to Return Your CRS Rice Bowl!



If you have not yet returned your CRS Rice Bowl, please bring it to the Parish Office at your earliest convenience. Thank you!

Weekly Offering

Thank You For Your Generosity!

April 26-27, 2025

Offertory	\$5,193.13
Children's Gifts	\$31.00
Catholic Home Missions (2nd Collection)	\$1,084.06
CRS Rice Bowls	\$548.61
Easter Gift	\$270.00
Easter Flowers	\$25.00
Building and Restoration	\$41.00
Food Pantry	\$353.10

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells Peter again and again, "If you love Me, feed my sheep." He says the same to each of us, "If you love Me, use the gifts I have given you to serve your brothers and sisters."

Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet



Would you like to give your mom or a special woman in your life the gift of prayer for Mother's Day, whether she is still living or has passed on? In observance of Mother's Day, the Respect Life Team is offering spiritual bouquets where mothers and spiritual mothers will be remembered in the Mother's Day Masses offered in our church. If you are interested in giving this gift, the Respect Life Team will be offering Mass cards and the opportunity to have your mom and/or spiritual mother's name placed by the altar on Mother's Day weekend. We ask for a donation of \$5, which will support St. Monica's Respect Life Ministry. **To sign up and receive a Mass card, please see one of the Respect Life representatives outside the church after any of the Masses this weekend.**



It's Time to Start Thinking About Vacation Bible School!

This year VBS will be at St. Monica's from June 16th—20th! Registration forms are available at CCF or in the Parish Office.

If you would like to volunteer, please call or text Cheryl Carr at 386-336-2382. (Please note that all adult VBS volunteers must take the Protecting God's Children Class and be background screened if you have not already done so.)

Around the Diocese

Upcoming Jubilee Events:

May 4th – Celebration for Persons with Disabilities
2 to 4 PM, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Jacksonville.
Sensory-friendly Mass and fun, inclusive activities for individuals with disabilities and families.
Contact: ahassell@ccbdosa.org

May 4th – Jubilee of Business & Entrepreneurship
3 to 7 PM, National Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche, St. Augustine. Join business leaders for Mass, Adoration, and talks on ethical entrepreneurship.
Contact: melnard.rio@gmail.com.

May 9th – Jubilee of Musical Bands
Held in Catholic schools across the diocese. School Mass blessings and student band performances to honor music's role in faith.
Contact: andrewpeterson@bishopsnyder.org.



Monday, May 19, 2025

REGISTRATION 7:30 A.M.

FOR TICKETS: WWW.CCBSTAUG.ORG

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2025 Diocese of St. Augustine Family Fest

The Offices of Family Life and Human Life and Dignity are thrilled to announce:

“Family Fest,” a celebration of the Jubilee of Families, Children, Grandparents, and the Elderly, on Saturday, May 31, 2025 from 10 AM—3 PM at the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche.

“Family Fest” will be a delightful day of fun and spiritual enrichment to kick off summer that will include activities for all ages, such as games, a petting zoo, a Catholic market, talks and music from national Catholic speakers, and the Sacraments. It's also a great opportunity for pilgrimage and obtaining a plenary indulgence this Jubilee year!

Visit family.dosafl.com for more info and to register.

Explore the Teachings of Vatican II Jubilee Series



Join us **this Monday, May 5th from 6:30 to 8 PM** at the Pilgrim Center at the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche for a special Vatican II series presented by the Office of Christian Formation. This overview will highlight seven key documents and their continued impact on the Church today. The series is part of the Jubilee of Hope and offers an opportunity to obtain a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions.



Monthly Discernment Evenings for Vocations

Join us on **Monday, May 12th from 6 to 8 PM** for our monthly discernment evening with Father Clay Ludwig, the diocesan director of vocations. The event will begin with a Holy Hour in **Marywood Chapel**, followed by a meal and small group discussions. **All young men ages 16 and older who are interested in learning more about priestly vocations are encouraged to attend.** To RSVP, please email vocations@dosafl.com.

Amplify the Spirit: A Concert of Priests Friday, May 9th from 7-9 PM at the Shrine of Our Lady of Le Leche in St. Augustine



Join us for an unforgettable night as our musically talented priests from across the diocese lift their voices in song to support a great cause — updating the Shrine's sound system so all may hear the Word of God clearly and beautifully. Featuring: Fr. Matt King, Fr. Rafael Lavilla, Fr. Alex Carandang and more! Admission is \$20.

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Lent, Triduum, and Easter—Thank You and Congratulations!

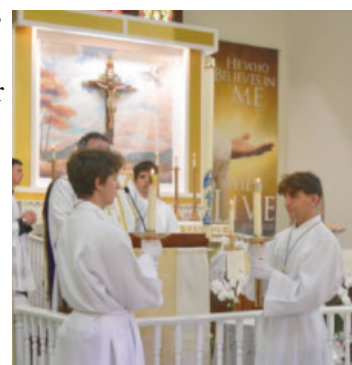


Congratulations to the newest Catholic members of our parish community—Sarah Azula, Ashleigh Byrd, and Sally McGhee, who received the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist at the Easter Vigil!



Thank you so much to all who worked so hard to make our Lent, Paschal Triduum, and Easter beautiful and meaningful. Thank you to our liturgical ministers and ministry leaders—ushers, lectors, Extraordinary Ministers, altar servers, and choir, as well as our sacristans, who did so much to make our liturgies wonderful and smooth. Thank you to our OCIA team who did so much to prepare our candidates to receive the Sacraments. Thank you to our decorating team who worked so hard to make our church and the Altar

of Repose look beautiful. Thank you to the Boy Scouts who put on the fire at the Easter Vigil. Thank you to our Youth Group and Youth Leaders who lit the luminaries in church and at the Altar of Repose, and to all who purchased luminaries to support our teens going



to the Steubenville Youth Conference. Thank you also to our Youth for putting on such a beautiful and meaningful presentation of the Stations of the Cross of Good Friday, and to all of our adult volunteers who guided our Youth. Thank you to our Ladies Guild who made dinner for the priests who heard Confessions at the Lenten Penance Service. Thank you to all who cleaned up our church campus to make it look beautiful for Easter. Thank you to our CCF Team who put on the Soup and Sandwich Dinner and the Children's Easter Egg Hunt, and to all who donated Easter Candy.



Thank you to all those who made our livestreams possible. Thank you to our staff who worked so hard to prepare for all of the liturgies, and to Deacon Ken Laybourn and Seminarian

J Paul Schellenberg who helped and contributed so much at our Holy Week liturgies.

And of course, thank you to Fr. Jared for leading us closer to Christ throughout Lent, Holy Week, and Easter. And thank you to everyone who contributed in any way.

We truly appreciate everyone's help!

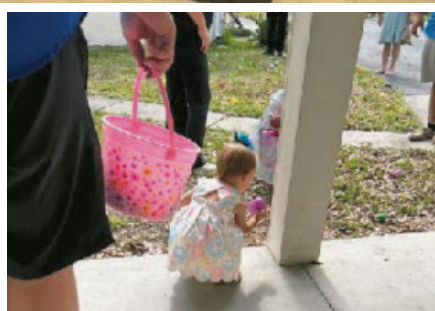
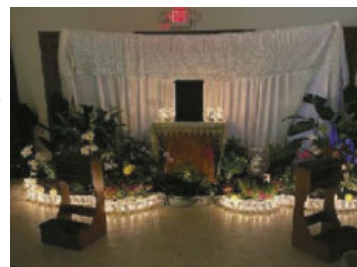


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