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Saint Monica Church

109 Market Street, Sunbury, PA 17801

April 3, 2022

Fr. Fred Wangwe, AJ, Pastor

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parish family of Saint Monica Church, rooted in the teachings of Jesus Christ through the Scriptures and Sacred Tradition, are a welcoming Catholic Christian Community in the Diocese of Harrisburg. We are nourished and strengthened by the Eucharist and all the sacraments, and strive to live our discipleship by faith-filled worship and service. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we continue to carry Christ's message of peace, love, and joy to all generations, with the hope that we may attain the treasure that is God's Kingdom.

Masses - All Masses in Main Church

Saturday: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 10:00 am

Monday: 9:00 am

Tuesday: 9:00 am

Thursday: 9:00 am

Friday: 9:00 am

Penance

Saturday: 4:00-4:45 PM - Confessional in the Narthex

Parish Office

Location: Rear 109 Market Street, Sunbury, PA

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Facebook: St. Monica Parish - Sunbury

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Parish Staff

Rev Fred Wangwe, AJ, Pastor, ext. 113

Mrs. Linda Walborn, Pastoral Associate, ext. 111

Mrs. Monica Shovlin, Parish Manager, ext. 112

Mrs. Diane Bramhall, Parish Secretary, ext. 110

Mrs. Susan Bickhart, Coord. of Religious Education

Mr. Alan Reichenbach, Maintenance/Custodian

Office Hours

Monday: 11:00am-6:00pm

Tuesday-Thursday: 11:00am-2:00pm

Closed Friday

For after-hours emergencies requiring

Anointing of the Sick please call:

717-683-7116

Baptism: Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class before Baptism and it is recommended in advance of the child's birth. Contact the Parish Office.

Marriage: Couples should contact the Parish Office at least a year before the date of the wedding and before any other plans are made.

Parish Pastoral Council

Fr. Fred Wangwe, AJ (President)

Leonard Machesic, (Chairperson), Karen Stewart (Vice),

Dave Baumgartner, Susan Bickhart, Judy Davis,

Tom Frederick, Michelle Korbich, Stephanie McKinney,

Susie Pufnak, Anne Marie Ramph, Edwin Ruiz,

Monica Shovlin (staff), Martin Smith, Jolin Supsic,

Rich Vanslavie, Linda Walborn (Staff)

Parish Finance Council

Fr. Fred Wangwe, AJ (President)

Tom Frederick (Chair), Kerry Davis, Joe Dzwonchyk,

Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?"

She replied, "No one sir."

Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more."

John 8:10, 11

Entonces Jesús se enderezó y le preguntó: "Mujer, ¿dónde están los que te acusaban? ¿Nadie te ha condenado?"

Ella le contestó:

"Nadie, Señor".

Y Jesús le dijo: "Tampoco yo te condeno. Vete y ya no vuelvas a pecar".

Juan 8, 10, 11

Christ and the Woman Taken In Adultery by Emile Signol Circa 1842



5TH SUNDAY OF

LENT

5º DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



Weekend and Daily Masses will be celebrated in the Main Church.

Saturday, April 2nd

5:30 PM Mass - Mass of Anticipation (See Sunday Readings)

Intentions of the People of the Parish

Second Collection: Catholic Relief Services

Sunday, April 3rd (5th Sunday of Lent)

10:00 AM Mass - Is 43:16-21; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11

In Memory of Elizabeth "Betsy" DeWitt

Second Collection: Catholic Relief Services

Monday, April 4th (Saint Isidore)

9:00 AM Mass - Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Jn 8:12-20

In Memory of Sybil Yohe

Tuesday, April 5th (Saint Vincent Ferrer)

9:00 AM Mass - Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30

In Memory of Irene and Francis Sager

Wednesday, April 6th

NO Mass - Dn 3:14-20, 19-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday, April 7th (Saint John Baptist de la Salle)

9:00 AM Mass - Mass - Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59

In Memory of John & Josephine Nowak

Friday, April 8th

9:00 AM Mass - Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42

In Memory of Basil Dzwonchuk

Saturday, April 9th

5:30 PM Mass - Mass of Anticipation (See Sunday Readings)

In Memory of Francee Brehm

Second Collection: Collection for Ukraine

Sunday, April 10th (Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord)

10:00 AM Mass - Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14—23:56

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✠ **Traveling? www.masstimes.org lists U.S. Churches/Masses** ✠

Pope's Prayer Intention for April 2022 For Health Care Workers

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by government & local communities.

AT OUR PARISH

Saturday, April 2nd

4:00 - 5:00 PM—Confessions in the Narthex

Sunday, April 3rd

8:15 - 9:30 AM - Religious Education

Tuesday, April 5th

7:00 PM - Penance Service

Thursday, April 7th

6:30 PM - RCIA

6:30 PM - RCIA for Children

Friday, April 8th

7:00 PM - Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 9th

4:00 - 5:00 PM—Confessions in the Narthex

Sunday, April 10th

8:15 - 9:30 AM - Religious Education

Paska Bread orders due after the 10:00AM Mass

✠ **Use parking lot door at ramp for Blessed Sacrament visits in
Saint Augustine Chapel** ✠

Monday - Friday: 10 am –2 pm; Sat. 9am - 2:00 pm



The Sanctuary Light burns as a sign of the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Tabernacle.

*The **Sanctuary Light** may be lit in honor or memory of a loved one with the minimum suggested donation of \$10.00.*

***Flower arrangements at the Tabernacle** may be dedicated in honor or memory of a loved one with the cost of \$45.00 for 2 small arrangements, or \$70.00 for 2 larger ones. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a week and for payment.*

Stewardship: Giving Back to God

March 26-27, 2022

Tithing: 2022- 3,991.25 2021 - \$4,661.15

Love Thy Neighbor: \$ 280.00

Debt Reduction: \$ 150.00

Easter: \$ 140.00

Holy Land: \$ 20.00

Catholic Relief Services: \$ 335.00

Catholic Home Missions: \$ 10.00

Weekly Surplus/(Deficit): \$ (1,008.75)

YTD Surplus/(Deficit): \$ 727.58

2022 Diocesan Annual Campaign (As of March 28, 2022)

Diocesan Assessment \$ 33,661.00

Amount Collected \$ 7,270.00

Amount Over/(Under) Goal \$ (26,391.00)

Debt Reduction Campaign

February Payments on Debt: \$ 76,424.00

Debt Balance - February 28, 2022: \$ 237,048.16

Thank you for your continued generosity!!

****Please note that the "Tithing" Category includes:**

Adult & Children's Envelopes, Loose Offerings, Building & Maintenance, Monthly, Holy Days, and Memorials.

This weekend we will take up **The Catholic Relief Services Collection** to reveal Christ's love to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support for struggling communities and to work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers & sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief

COVERING STATUES AND CROSSES IN CHURCH

The tradition of covering statues and crosses likely has its roots in the medieval usage of a veil to cover the entire Sanctuary during the Lenten Season. The Fifth Sunday of Lent traditionally brings the Church into the time of Passiontide wherein the intensity of our preparation for the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection is increased. To cover the statues deprives the visual senses of the joy of seeing the fruit of the Paschal Mystery exemplified in the Saints. It likewise forces the mind and the heart to focus more intently on the central acts of Christ's redeeming work of love. (Stained glass windows, Stations of the Cross and the Processional Cross remain uncovered.) The covering of the statues remain in place until the end of the Celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday, and then uncovered for the glorious Easter Vigil Liturgy on the Holiest of All Nights!



MAY THEY REST IN THE PEACE OF THE LORD!

Please pray for the soul of **Seth Wheeland**, who passed away on March 23, 2022

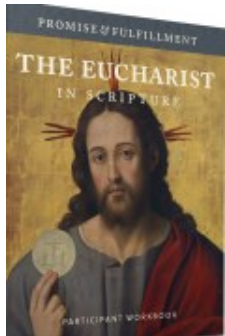
The parish community of Saint Monica extends to his family our deepest sympathy and prayers of consolation.

PASKA BREAD Orders for Easter: The Fundraising Committee is taking orders for Paska Bread from Tuzzi Baking Co., Inc, Berwick. **Orders are due at the end of the 10:00 AM Mass NEXT Sunday, April 10th.** **Cost** is \$6.00 per loaf.

Order forms are available on the tables as you enter/exit Church or in the Parish Office. Payment is due with the order. **Make checks payable to Saint Monica Church.** Put order & payment in an envelope clearly labeled "Paska Bread" and put in the collection basket, or the secure box in the Narthex, or bring to the Parish Office. Items will be available for pick-up on Holy Saturday, April 16th after the Blessing of the Easter Foods (12:00 Noon) until 12:30PM in the Main Church.

50th Wedding Anniversary Mass: Were you married in 1972? In honor of your **50th Wedding Anniversary**, there will be a special Mass and reception on Sunday, July 10, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd Parish in Camp Hill. Bishop Ronald W. Gainer will be the celebrant. **To receive an invitation, please contact Saint Monica Parish office by April 6th.**

SAINT MONICA PARISH FAITH PROGRAM



Save the Dates - Wednesdays, April 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25, June 1 to join us for an inspiring Scripture Study. In our six week program we will discover God's Plan as it is expressed through the Bible and the Mass. This DVD series, presented by Dr. Scott Hahn examines the Biblical foundations of the Eucharist and explores the Church's Liturgy as the original context for the Books of the Bible. Please use the sign-up sheet in the Narthex to register.

The rosary will begin at 5:40PM, Mass at 6:00PM with the presentation to follow Mass.

Holy Family Radio Benefit Dinner – Dr. David Anders, host of 'Called to Communion' on EWTN Radio, will be the Keynote Speaker at the annual Holy Family Radio Benefit Dinner on Friday, April 29. The dinner will be at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Mechanicsburg. Tickets are \$100 each. This dinner is an important source of funds for the listener supported local radio ministry. A Meet & Greet will begin at 6 p.m. with Dr. Anders, Bishop Ronald Gainer and Tom Russell of CBS21. The dinner starts at 7 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at www.720whyf.com or by sending reservations and payment to Holy Family Radio, P.O. Box 6028, Lancaster, PA 17607-6028. Registration deadline is Wednesday, April 6. Call 717-525-8110 with questions.

Foster Parents Needed: A caring adult can make a lasting difference in a child's life forever. If you can provide a loving home, we will provide the support that you need. To find out how to become a foster parent, please contact Catholic Charities Specialized Foster Care at (717) 564-7115 or gpfeifer@cchbg.org. Classes start soon!



ANNOUNCING NORTHERN DEANERY PENANCE SERVICES

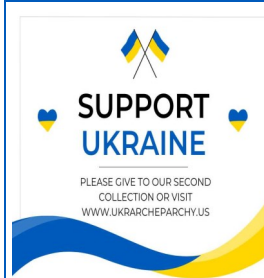
All begin at 7:00 pm

Saint Joseph, Danville - Monday, April 4th
Saint Monica, Sunbury - Tuesday, April 5th
Saint Pius X, Selinsgrove - Wednesday, April 6th
Saint Joseph, Milton - Thursday, April 7th
Sacred Heart, Lewisburg - Friday, April 8th



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us as we pray the Stations of the Cross every **Friday evening during Lent at 7:00 pm.**
On Good Friday, April 15th, Stations of the Cross will be at 12:00 Noon.
Sign up on the Bulletin board in the church narthex if interested in carrying the cross or candles for our devotions.



A special collection to support the people of Ukraine will be taken the weekend of April 9-10th at each Mass. Donations can also be made directly to the Humanitarian Aid Fund for Ukraine at www.ukrarcheparchy.us. The money collected will be given to the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia who will oversee the funds.

Liturgical Celebration of Holy Week 2022

Saturday, April 9th Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

5:30 pm - Mass with Blessing of Palm

Sunday, April 10th Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

10:00 am - Mass with Blessing of Palm

Monday, April 11th

7:30 am - Daily Mass in the Main Church

Tuesday, April 12th

9:00am - Daily Mass in the Main Church

+++++++**The Sacred Triduum**+++++++

Holy Thursday, April 14th

7:00 pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper in the Main Church followed by Adoration in the Chapel, concluding with Night Prayer at 10PM

Good Friday, April 15th

12:00 Noon - Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm - Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord

Holy Saturday, April 16th

12:00 Noon - Blessing of Easter Foods

8:00 pm - Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

+++++++**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**+++++++

Easter Sunday, April 17th

10:00 am - Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord

The Tenth Annual Freedom Seder, "Why We Welcome Refugees" will be held Thursday, April 7th at 6:30 PM in person at Beth El Temple, 2637 North Front Street, Harrisburg and virtually on Zoom. The Freedom Seder is an interfaith event that commemorates the journey from slavery to freedom for Jews in ancient Egypt and for African-Americans in the United States. To attend in person please RSVP to Patty Brown at patty@bethelhb.org or call 717-232-0556. The cost to attend in person is \$18. To attend virtually please register at <https://bit.ly/3GPVGFg>