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# Saint Monica Church

109 Market Street, Sunbury, PA 17801

January 15, 2023

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

Telephone: 570-286-1435

Email: [stmonicaparishsunbury@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:stmonicaparishsunbury@hbgdiocese.org)

Facebook: St. Monica Parish -Sunbury

Web: <http://stmonicasunbury.org>

### 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, Leonard Marshalek,

Stephanie McKinney, Susie Pufnak, Anne Marie Ramph,

Edwin Ruiz, Monica Shovlin (staff), Jolin Supsic,

Rich Vanslavie, Linda Walborn (Staff)

### Parish Finance Council

Fr. Fred Wangwe, AJ (President)

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



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and said,  
"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world."

John 1:29

## 2<sup>o</sup> Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Al día siguiente Juan vio a Jesús que venía a su encuentro, y exclamó:  
"Ahí viene el Cordero de Dios, el que carga con el pecado del mundo."

Juan 1, 29

## **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**



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

### **Saturday, January 14th**

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

*Intentions of the People of the Parish*

### **Sunday, January 15th (2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

**10:00 AM Mass -** Is 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

*In Memory of Alberta Boyle*

### **Monday, January 16th**

**9:00 AM Mass -** Heb 5:1-10; Mk 2:18-22

*In Memory of Ronda Strzelecki*

### **Tuesday, January 17th (Saint Anthony)**

**9:00 AM -** Heb 6:10-20; Mk 2:23-28

*In Memory of Ray Benner*

### **Wednesday, January 18th**

**NO MASS -** Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Mk 3:1-6

### **Thursday, January 19th**

**9:00 AM Mass -** Heb 7:25—8:6; Mk 3:7-12

*In Memory of Florence Cellitti*

### **Friday, January 20th (Saints Fabian and Sebastian)**

**9:00 AM Mass -** Heb 8:6-13, 11; Mk 3:13-19

*In Memory of Joseph Petrof*

### **Saturday, January 21st**

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

*In Memory of Justine and David Fendt*

**Second Collection: Debt Reduction Campaign**

### **Sunday, January 22nd (3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

**10:00 AM Mass -** Is 8:23—9:3; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23

*Intentions of the People of the Parish*

**Second Collection: Debt Reduction Campaign**

✠ **Traveling? [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) lists U.S. Churches/Masses** ✠



The Parish Office will be closed  
Monday, January 16th in observance of  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

## **AT OUR PARISH**

### **Saturday, January 14th**

4:00—5:00PM - Confessions

### **Sunday, January 15th**

8:30—9:45 AM - Religious Education

Soup Sale Pre-Orders Due by end of 10:00 AM Mass

### **Monday, January 16th**

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

### **Tuesday, January 17th**

6:00 PM - Legion of Mary

6:30 PM - RCI for Children

### **Thursday, January 19th**

6:30 PM - RCIA

### **Saturday, January 21st**

10:00 AM - Noon - Soup Pick Up in the Parish Center Social Hall

4:00—5:00PM - Confessions

### **Sunday, January 22nd**

8:30—9:45 AM - Religious Education

✠ **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.**

This Week It Burns In Loving Memory of

***Florence Cellitti***

From Carolyn, Scot, Jessica and Dustin

*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**

### **December 31, 2022 and January 1, 2023**

Tithing: December 31, 2022 - January 1, 2023 - \$6,038.00

Tithing: January 1-2, 2022 - \$6,238.00

Love Thy Neighbor: \$ 75.00

Debt Reduction: \$ 80.00

Christmas: \$ 490.00

Aid to the Catholic Church: \$ 55.00

Weekly Surplus/(Deficit): \$ 1,038.00

YTD Surplus/(Deficit): \$ (7,114.19)

### **2022 Diocesan Annual Campaign** (As of January 2, 2023)

Diocesan Assessment \$ 33,661.00

Amount Collected \$ 39,673.00

Amount Over/(Under) Goal \$ 6,012.00

### **Debt Reduction Campaign**

November Payments on Debt: \$ 1,733.00

Debt Balance - November 30, 2022: \$ 218, 213.66

## **Stewardship: Giving Back to God**

### **January 7 - 8, 2023**

Tithing: 2023 - \$5,048.00 Tithing: 2022 - \$4,099.75

Love Thy Neighbor: \$ 65.00

Debt Reduction: \$ 295.00

Christmas: \$ 145.00

Aid to the Catholic Church: \$ 825.75

Weekly Surplus/(Deficit): \$ 48.00

YTD Surplus/(Deficit): \$ (7,066.19)

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**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.**

Thank you for your donations last weekend to the collection for  
**Aid to the Catholic Church in Central & Eastern Europe,  
Latin America and Africa.** Your dollars supports the work of  
evangelization and rebuilding the Church in these areas.





## MAY THEY REST IN THE PEACE OF THE LORD!

Please pray for the soul of **Joan Pittiglio**, who passed away on January 6, 2023.

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



## SOUP ORDERS ARE DUE!

**ALL ORDERS MUST BE PREORDERED by the end of Mass TODAY, Sunday, January 15th.**

Order forms are available on the table in the back of the church. Drop off your order form and money at in the collection basket or in the box on the wall in the Narthex.

Pick up orders at Saint Monica's Parish Center on Saturday, January 21st from 10:00 AM - Noon.

**Donations of frozen mixed vegetables, frozen corn, canned Great Northern Beans, canned petite diced tomato (no flavoring), or money donations are greatly needed & appreciated!**



There are a few copies of *Holy Moments, A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life* by Matthew Kelly remaining. Copies are available on the table in the back of the church and in the mail office. Pick up your free copy of this small but powerful book to change your life forever.

**Job Openings:** Sisters of Saints Cyril & Methodius in Danville are looking for 2 Full-Time Housekeepers, 1 Full-Time Cook, 1 Full-Time Dishwasher and 1 Part-Time 3<sup>rd</sup> shift Nurses' Aide. Please contact our HR Department for more information at 570-275-3581 ext. 156 or e-mail [scole@sscm.org](mailto:scole@sscm.org)

**Mental Health Support Group** will meet Monday, January 16th at 5:00 PM at St. Joseph Church, 68 Center St., Danville in the Library on the 1st floor For more information call 570-275-2512.

*9 Days for Life* is a novena for the protection of human life. Respect Life Novena, begins Thursday, January 19 and ends Friday, January 27. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Get daily intentions, reflections, and more by signing up at <https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-signup>

The **Annual Diocesan Respect Life Mass** will be Saturday, January 21, 2023, at 4:00 PM at Holy Spirit Church, Palmyra. This Mass is celebrated every year to commemorate the lives lost to abortion since 1973 and to pray for a culture of life in our nation from conception to natural death. Attached, please find materials to promote this Mass. For additional information, please contact the Office for Life & Dignity at 717-657-4804 ext 322 or email [mweltmer@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:mweltmer@hbgdiocese.org).

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Any questions please contact the Parish Office for assistance.

## ATTENTION

If you would like a report of your 2022 contributions to Saint Monica Church for tax purposes, **please contact the Parish Office by Tuesday, January 17th.** These requests will be distributed after Masses the weekend of January 21st & 22nd at the Smart Money table. If you prefer to pick-up your report from the Parish Office, you may do so beginning Monday, January 23rd. Thank you for your generosity to Saint Monica Church!



**Thank You To All Parishioners** who gave of their valuable time and talent to care for our Lord's House in preparation for the Advent and Christmas Seasons. It takes many hands to help with: cleaning, decorating, arranging flowers, washing, ironing and placing Sanctuary linens, placing new missals in pews, and undecorating. Your service to God and His Church is truly a blessing!



## The 2023 Catholic Calendar "Feasts and Saints"

in both English and Spanish, is available for pick up on the tables as you enter or exit the Church or in the Parish Office. These calendars are graciously provided to us by Blank Funeral Home.

**Full-Time Position: Help Desk Technician:** The Diocese of Harrisburg is seeking an energetic, customer-service oriented individual to join its IT Department. This position is the primary contact for Help Desk requests, performing a variety of computer/network problem analysis and monitoring tasks for the Information Technology Department. Candidates must have superior telephone etiquette skills, strong customer service skills and a working knowledge of IT departmental procedures among other skills. This position requires a year of experience with computer operations, network communication systems or in a setting with high exposure to personal computers to become familiar with a variety of software and hardware. This position requires communication and analytical skills normally acquired through two years of post-secondary education in computer science or a related field, or equivalent technical training in a computer-related field. To apply, please send your cover letter & resumé to [employment@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:employment@hbgdiocese.org). The full job description can be found at [www.hbgdiocese.org/careers](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/careers).