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21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Strive to enter through the narrow gate,
for many, I tell you, will attempt to
enter but will not be strong enough.

Lk 13:24

XXI DOMINGO ORDINARIO

Esfuércense en entrar por la puerta, que
es angosta, pues yo les aseguro que
muchos tratarán de entrar y no podrán.

Lc 13, 24

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ST. MONICA

Saturday August 23:

5:00 PM: People of the parish

Sunday August 24:

10:30 AM: Helen Davenport

12:30 PM:

Wednesday August 27:

7:00 PM: Dr. Thomas O'Flanagan

Friday August 29:

9:00 AM: Helen O'Keefe

Saturday August 30:

5:00 PM: People of the parish

Sunday August 31:

10:30 AM: Paul D. Rose & Jesus O. Cabral

12:30 PM:

ST. PETER

Sunday August 24:

9:00 AM: Edouard Charles Gentile

10:30 AM: Adele Povilavicius (10th Anniv)

Thursday August 28:

9:00 AM: People of the parish

Sunday August 31:

9:00 AM: Catherine O'Connor

10:30 AM:

CONFESSION TIMES

Saturday: 4:00 PM St. Monica

Wednesday: 6:00 PM St. Monica

Sunday: 8:00 AM St. Peter



Twenty-first Sunday of Ordinary Time

Isaiah is speaking on behalf of the Lord, directly to us: "...proclaim my glory among the nations." This might seem like too much of a challenge. Take a few minutes to ask God to whom should you be proclaiming God's glory? Is it a family member, a co-worker or a friend? Tell YOUR story of the importance of Jesus in your life. And, in case you think that task is for someone else, the Church in her wisdom reminds each one of us in today's psalm refrain: "Go out to all the world and tell the good news!"

Volunteers Needed for Religious Education & Youth Ministry

St Monica's Church is looking for dedicated parishioners to help with the following ministries:

First Communion Preparation

Prepare our children to receive first communion as well as the sacrament of reconciliation.

Confirmation Classes

Teach our youth to understand and receive the sacrament of confirmation.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

Support adults in their faith journey or prepare them to receive the sacraments.

Children's group

Review the Church's prayers with the children. Teach them one hymn that they can sing at mass.

Youth Group Leaders

Encourage youth to attend mass and deepen their faith by leading engaging events and discussions.

No previous teaching experience: Training and materials will be provided.

Interested?

Please contact Philomène Péan at this number: 617-268-8100X4 or Email her at: philomene@sbscatholic.org or meet with her after Mass.



Únete a nosotros

Para una celebración de Santa Mónica

Venga con familia, amigos y vecinos para celebrar a Santa Mónica. Disfruta de comida, compañía y música mientras apoyas a nuestra parroquia. La entrada cuesta \$25, y todos los ingresos se destinarán a las tan necesarias reparaciones que ayudarán a preservar nuestra querida iglesia.

AGOSTO | 31 | 2:30 PM

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Join us

For a Celebration of Saint Monica

Come together with family, friends, and neighbors to celebrate Saint Monica. Enjoy food, company, and music while supporting our parish. Admission is \$25, with all proceeds going toward the much-needed repairs that will help preserve our beloved church.

AUGUST | 31 | 2:30 PM

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Santa Mónica

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DÍA DE FIESTA: 27 DE AGOSTO

Mónica nació en Tagaste, en lo que hoy es Algeria. A esta mujer laica de la zona norte de África la casaron con Patricio, un romano pagano. San Agustín, quien más adelante se convertiría en santo, fue el hijo mayor de Mónica. Ella trató de criarlo como cristiano pero, a la vez, se preocupaba por su éxito en el mundo y lo envió a estudiar a Cartago. Sus oraciones ayudaron a que su esposo y su suegra se convirtieran al cristianismo. Sus otros dos hijos, Navigio y Perpetua, eran conocidos por su superioridad moral y, más adelante, Perpetua ingresó a la vida religiosa. Pero Agustín, para consternación de Mónica, se unió a la secta herética maniquea. Agustín despreciaba al cristianismo y llegó a tener un hijo con su amante. En el año 383, Mónica, buscando la conversión de su hermano, lo siguió a Italia en donde ella se convirtió en seguidora de san Ambrosio a quien solicitó que interviniera con Agustín. Tres años más tarde, Agustín fue bautizado por san Ambrosio. Poco después, Mónica cayó enferma y falleció antes de poder regresar a África. Años antes, un obispo la consoló con esta famosa frase: “no se perderá el hijo de tantas lágrimas”.

“ El 27 de agosto celebraremos el memorial de Santa Mónica, madre de San Agustín. A la intercesión de estos santos confiamos a los recién casados y padres cristianos quienes, como Mónica, puedan acompañar con el ejemplo y la oración el camino de sus hijos. Encomendemos a los enfermos quienes necesitan más consuelo y una atención constante, así como los jóvenes quienes, como Agustín, puedan alcanzar la plenitud de la Verdad y el Amor que es Cristo: solo él puede satisfacer las profundas necesidades del corazón humano. ”

—Papa Francisco, audiencia general, 26 de agosto de 2015



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Saint Monica

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FEAST DAY: AUGUST 27

Born in Tagaste in present-day Algeria, this North African lay woman was given in marriage to Patricius, a Roman pagan. St. Augustine of Hippo, a saint in the making, was their eldest child. Monica tried to bring him up a Christian but was also concerned for his worldly success and sent him to Carthage to study. Her prayers helped the conversion of both her husband and her mother-in-law to Christ. Her two other children, Navigius and Perpetua, were also known for righteousness, and Perpetua eventually entered religious life. But Augustine, to Monica's dismay, joined the heretical Manichean sect. He scorned Christianity and had a son with his mistress. In 383, Monica sought his conversion and followed Augustine to Italy, where she became a follower of St. Ambrose and asked for his intervention with Augustine. Three years later, Augustine was baptized by St. Ambrose. Monica fell ill shortly after and died before their return to Africa. Years before, a bishop had famously counseled her, “It is not possible that the son of so many tears should be lost.”

“ [August 27] we will celebrate the memory of St Monica, Mother of St Augustine. To the intercession of these Saints let us entrust Christian newlyweds and parents, that like Monica, they may accompany by example and prayer the journey of their children. Let us commend the sick who are most in need of comfort and constant attention as well as young people that, like Augustine, they may move towards the fullness of Truth and Love, which is Christ: he alone can satisfy the deep needs of the human heart. ”

—Pope Francis, general audience, August 26, 2015



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Good Samaritan Cookout

Our final cookout for the summer will be Tuesday, August 26th from 6:00-7:00 PM at St. Monica Church. Please join us for food and to meet some of the people from the neighborhood. If you would like to volunteer to help, please come at 5:00 PM. Bring a friend.



Please pray for our parishioners who cannot join us at Mass.

Ann Ford, Veronika Gavelis, John Healy, Kathleen Kenny, Bernadette Moss McGowan, Alice Ruseckas, Florence Zaleskas, Helen Suprin



Gracias por una exitosa venta de garaje.

Queremos agradecer a todos los que trabajaron muy duro para hacer de nuestra venta de garaje un éxito. Hubo comida, música y muchos buenos artículos para comprar. El clima fue bueno y la gente se divirtió. El dinero recaudado se utilizará para reparaciones en la iglesia.

Thank you for a successful yard sale

We would like to thank everyone who worked very hard to make our yard sale a success. There was food, music and many good items to purchase. The weather was good and people enjoyed themselves. The money collected will be used for repairs at the church.



READINGS & OBSERVANCES 2025 YEAR C	
21ST SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Aug 24	Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30
MONDAY Aug 25	<i>Saint Louis of France; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest</i> 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a+9b/Mt 23:13-22
TUESDAY Aug 26	1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mt 23:23-26
WEDNESDAY Aug 27	<i>Saint Monica</i> 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/Mt 23:27-32
THURSDAY Aug 28	<i>Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i> 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-4, 12-13, 14+17/Mt 24:42-51
FRIDAY Aug 29	<i>The Passion of Saint John the Baptist</i> 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1+2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12/Mk 6:17-29
SATURDAY Aug 30	1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30
22ND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Aug 31	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

Pilot Bulletins

Start off the school year with a prayer!
Our parish is praying for all of our students,
families and teachers.

PRAYER TO BEGIN A SCHOOL YEAR

Blessed are you, Lord God,
Creator of body and mind and heart;
you have sent the Spirit of wisdom and knowledge
to guide your people in all their ways.
At the beginning of this new school year
we implore your mercy:
bless our students, teachers, and staff,
that together we may grow in faith, hope, and love
as we learn from you and each other
how to follow your Son Jesus.
Expand the horizons of our minds,
that we may grow in wisdom,
understanding, and knowledge;
deepen our commitment to seek the truth of your ways;
and enliven our faith to reach out to those in need.
Glory and praise to you, Lord God,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus forever and ever.

R/. Amen

Prayer taken from the Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers,
Revised Edition (Washington, DC: USCCB, 2007), USCCB 300.



Lithuanian Community

On August 17th Rev. William Kennedy, pastor, celebrated the 10:30 Mass at St. Peter Lithuanian Parish. Egle Slezas was lector and Gabriel Cunninham was Eucharistic Minister. The altar servers were Zilvinas and Nomeda Cunningham. Jack McGowan and Anthony Abidaud were ushers. Daiva Navickas led the congregation in singing and accompanied on the organ.

In his homily Fr. Kennedy commented on the paradox that in today's scripture passage Jesus, often called the Prince of Peace, is telling his followers that he has come "to set the earth of fire." Further Jesus says that he has come to bring division. In the first reading the prophet Jeremiah is persecuted because the princes don't like what he is saying. Fr. Kennedy urged the congregation to speak up about truth and not shy away from difficult discussions whether they be about simple things such as what a child is wearing to school or more complicated such as the church teachings about gender. Fr. Kennedy gave examples from his time as chaplain in the military of government policies that contradicted Church teachings and about which he spoke up. The second reading encourages all "to persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus."

The "kavute" after Mass was prepared by Aldona Lingertat with assistance from Anthony Abidaud and many others who offered to help.

Beginning Wednesday August 20th through the Sunday 24th Camp Neringa will be hosting an adult camp session: Cultural Days. Each day a number of workshops will be scheduled including in art, weaving, writing, culinary arts, dance and singing. Before dinner each day there will be a series of lectures including: Dalia Sakas on Ciurlionis, Regina Laukaityte on "Correspondence Between Relatives in the US with Those in Lithuanian During Soviet Times" and Egle Rad on current Lithuanian textile crafters. Each evening will have a specific evening program which will include a viewing of a Lithuanian comedy film "Gardute," a Literature Night, a concert by Kristina Malinauskaite, soprano with Dalia Sakas accompanying, and a presentation by Vytas Ciuplinskas of his photo project, Riverside Observed. Each evening will have a prayer time in the chapel. Fr. Algis Malikauskis, OFM will say Mass on Saturday evening. If interested register at: CampNeringa.org. All are invited.

The Young at Heart Ensemble invites all to join them on September 6th at 4:00 at the Lithuanian Club third floor auditorium to celebrate their 20th anniversary of singing together and to bid farewell to Estera Sunelaite as she prepares to move to Texas. The evening will include Lithuanian folk dancing with Sodauto as well as line-dancing led by Maureen. Please consider coming.



Special Mission Appeal

Each year our parishes are assigned a Pontifical Missionary Organization to support. This year we will have a second collection on the weekend of September 7th to support the work of the Friends of the Catholic Biblical Federation. Father Jan Stefanow S.V.D. will be at St. Peter Church for the 9:00 Mass and then at St. Monica Church for the 10:30 and 12:30 Masses. Please consider supporting this good cause.

Apelación de Misión Especial

Cada año, nuestras parroquias son asignadas a una Organización Misionera Pontificia para apoyar. Este año tendremos una segunda colecta el fin de semana del 7 de septiembre para apoyar el trabajo de los Amigos de la Federación Bíblica Católica. El Padre Jan Stefanow S.V.D. estará en la Iglesia de San Pedro para la misa de las 9:00 y luego en la Iglesia de Santa Mónica para las misas de las 10:30 y 12:30. Por favor, considere apoyar esta buena causa.

Greetings and blessings from the General Secretariat of the Catholic Biblical Federation (CBF) in Vatican City. We are very grateful to the Mission Office of your Diocese for allowing us to benefit from your Missionary Cooperative Plan this year. Through the "Friends of the Catholic Biblical Federation" (FCBF) we are able to collect funds for financing biblical projects of the 98 Bishops' Conferences and more than 240 other Catholic institutions affiliated with the CBF. These institutions, active in 126 countries around the world, translate, print and distribute Bibles, organize Bible courses, prepare and distribute materials for personal reading and meditation on the Word of God, organize Bible Weeks, congresses and conferences at all levels of the Church.

In this challenging time of war and natural disasters, many are rightly turning to help our suffering brothers

and sisters. But let us not forget that God's Word, the Word of Life and Hope, has the power to help us to grow in strength and perseverance in overcoming the crises at hand. Thank you for helping us to bring the Word of God to those who need it most.



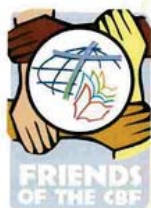
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Our Projects



Through its diverse solidarity funds Friends of the Catholic Biblical Federation wants to collect economic resources to help in the financing of the biblical projects prepared by the member institutions and by the General Secretariat of the Catholic Biblical Federation.

We invite you to help us to help - Just make a donation to one or more of our funds!!

Bible Distribution Fund: One of the elements of our mission is to help the Catholic Biblical Federation to promote and support the translation, production and distribution of the Bible at Catholic and interconfessional levels.



Biblical Formation Fund: We also help the Catholic Biblical Federation to promote biblical studies and the production of educational tools for the sake of a better understanding of the Bible.

Biblical Pastoral Ministry Fund: CBF Member institutions organise many Biblical Pastoral Ministry activities. One of the elements of our mission is to help the Catholic Biblical Federation to support the work of its Member organizations in biblical pastoral ministry.



CBF General Fund: Through this General Fund Friends of the CBF wants to collect economic resources to help in the financing of the biblical projects prepared by the member institutions and by the General Secretariat of the Catholic Biblical Federation.



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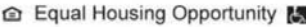
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