

WANT TO JOIN OUR CHURCH?

If you have found that St. Monica's may be your next spiritual home, we would be delighted to get to know you better. Feel free to call or email Fr. Jonathan, as he would love to welcome you. Also, you can fill out our online form. Visit our website at: www.stmonicasnaples.org. Under "I'm New", you'll find the form.

AFTER CHURCH CLASS

All are invited an "After Church Class" in the library. We will watch brief videos and have rich discussion. We will begin by exploring a series on the transformative power of giving thanks with Diana Butler Bass.

HEALING MINISTRY

We look forward to resuming our healing ministry this weekend, the third Sunday of each month. This will include healing prayers for those who desire it, just after taking communion.

MISIÓN PENIEL IN IMMOKALEE

Misión Peniel is a pastoral ministry that provides food, clothing, fellowship, and emergency support to farmworkers in Immokalee, Florida. This ministry works with people of faith and compassion to act with farmworkers to achieve fundamental change in their living and working conditions while increasing public awareness of the need for bridge building. We will be collecting in our "shopping cart" the following items:

- Tennis shoes - Non-Perishable Food
- Work boots (men and women)
- Personal Hygiene - Diapers (sizes 4,5,6 only)

MEN'S BOOK CLUB

Meetings are Mondays at 9am. We are now reading *Mere Christianity*, by C.S. Lewis. Please contact Ed Strong if you would like to find out more: estrongjr@gmail.com or 267.250.4576

MAKING OUR CHURCH OUR HOME

With your coins, we want to beautify our church, making our church our home. Please take one, fill it up, and bring it to church!

OLD TESTAMENT CLASS - LOCATION AND TIME CHANGE

The Hebrew Scriptures also known as the Old Testament's class, meet on Fridays at 1pm located at Doug Ball's home. Members can get the address by logging into the directory (look under the name Dowd) or contacting Doug directly at dcdoug@aol.com.

GIFT CARDS FOR CHRISTMAS

The Women of St. Monica's are accepting gift cards from Walmart and Target to distribute to the Highlands Elementary School. Our vestry member, Jenny Wise, is a teacher there and helps with the distribution of the cards to the most in-need children to help them have a little brighter Christmas. We ask that you purchase gift cards of \$10 value since we want to distribute them to a large number of children. All cards must be in the church office by December 13th. Last year's response to this event was a huge success. Let's share our blessings with these children!

AN EASIER WAY TO REQUEST PRAYER

The pastoral care team has put together a page to submit a request whenever you want. Simply visit the link below and you will see two different links. One is to add a prayer and the other is remove a prayer. We hope by implementing this, it will help you send in the requests and share with others. Simply visit and bookmark this link for quicker access: <http://www.stmonicasnaples.org/this-weeks-prayer-list>

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

December 16

9am-11am, **Holidays without Hunger**
Meals of Hope meal packing event

FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE

St. Monica's now has a Faith Community Nurse, Susan Docimo, R.N. Her ministry will include serving as a health counselor, educator, advocate, and liaison. She will also help you to promote a healthy relationship between faith, health, attitudes, and lifestyle choices through bulletin articles and health education programs.

GET MORE INFORMATION, UPDATES AND NEWS FROM ST. MONICA'S

Be sure to sign up to get our announcements, news, and alerts in your email. We send the eNews every Thursday at 5pm and it provides detailed information and photos. To sign up, visit our website at:

<https://www.stmonicasnaples.org/join-our-eneews>

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

November 20 – December 2

11/20 Lorraine Ciano	11/23 Greg Smith-Landwehr	
11/21 Hannah Williamson	11/26 Garry Fesler	11/26 Herb & Marciadee Newman
11/22 Betty Devlin	11/27 Debbie Corey	11/27 Beth Moss & Garry Fesler
11/22 Carol Yarusevich	12/1 Carole Nabbie	

Please contact us at administrator@stmonicasnaples.org to update our records if we missed you.

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It is our privilege to pray for our sisters and brothers. If you would like to have prayer for a family member, a friend, or yourself, please let us know.

Prayer List (Bulletin)	Prayer Chain (Email Chain)
Terri Tack	Colleen Rossomando
239.593.9429	239.253.6718
ttack3@yahoo.com	perkycolfl@gmail.com

If you are going into the hospital, or your spouse, partner, or family member is experiencing a pastoral or health care emergency, please call the Rev. Jonathan W. Evans at 786.450.5704

IN LOVING MEMORY

Remember a loved one, honor someone, or give thanks with the donation of a plaque that will be affixed to the back of a chair in our church. Some examples of wording include, "To the glory of God from the _____ Family," "In Thanksgiving for our many blessings, from _____," "In Memory of our Grandparents, from the _____," or "In memory of _____ and _____ from _____." The cost is \$200. Donations above that are welcome. Contact Sharon Lapierre at 920-204-4165 or Matt Devlin at 239-450-6229 for any questions. Request forms will be provided at the back of the church, in the church office or you can go online and send in your request.

eNEWS UPDATE

We have now updated our eNews to make it easier to recognize the new messages from the repeated messages. We have also changed the "weekly" birthday and anniversary to list the monthly. I hope this helps those that plan and can wish their friends a wonderful day on their special day. If you have any suggestions or ideas for the eNews - feel free to notify the office and we will certainly take it into consideration.