

Announcements

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 19, 2023

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 the "I'm New" tab, you'll find the form "New Member Form."

HAVE YOU MADE A PLEDGE?

We are so grateful for those who have made a financial commitment to the ministries of St. Monica's. Your generous gifts allow us to do so much! If you have not made a pledge yet, please pray about doing so - with your participation, we can "build a house" and live into our holy calling together. All those who come here for the season are also encouraged to be a part of St. Monica's through their pledge and participation.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We invite you to join us every Friday at **12 noon** through **March 31st** for a prayerful meditation through the Stations of the Cross. *He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."*

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISING EVENT

Join us Sunday, March 26, 2023 beginning at 4:00 pm in the Parish Hall for a fun-filled early evening of light entertainment performed by our very own Student Choir Section Leaders. Music performed from all styles - Classical, Jazz, Broadway, and Standards. The event will be accompanied by substantial Hors D'oeuvres and appropriate libations. This fund-raising event will provide scholarships for our young singers to attend the July 2023 Episcopal Church Music Conference at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee, and a fellowship opportunity for St. Monica's parishioners and their guests. Please bring your family and friends and consider this to be an outreach ministry event for our church. Tickets are not necessary; however, reservations are requested for catered food preparation. Reservation Deadline: Tuesday, March 21, 2023. Contact Dr. Ron Doiron at drdoiron@aol.com

WOMEN OF ST. MONICA'S

Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Dental Floss Thanks for your donations to support the dental health of children in need. The donations went to Manatee Elementary School. About 150 children are the recipients of your kindness.

April Meeting - Date has changed to **April 13th** at **12:30**. We invited a speaker from The Shelter from Abused Women and Children <https://naplesshelter.org/contact-us/> to speak about the needs in Collier County and how we can help. We strongly encourage you to join us and bring a friend. Please also bring your own sandwich. Looking ahead to the **May 4th** meeting, we will have a speaker from the David Lawrence Center <https://davidlawrencecenters.org> to hear about their programs, services and plans for expansion - all invited to come. More to come on this soon.

BABY BASICS OF COLLIER COUNTY

One of St. Monica's Church's ministries is serving as a monthly distribution site for Baby Basics of Collier County. Your help is needed twice during the day each first Wednesday of the month. We need volunteers to pick up the diapers from a North Naples area warehouse mid-morning and take them over to St. Monica's. Later that afternoon, we need volunteers to come to the church for a couple of hours to distribute the boxes of diapers to the families. If you believe that you can be of support in either or both of these areas, even for a limited time, please contact Tammi Pittaro at 239.250.7730. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

COME PRAY WITH US

Your faith and scripture will come alive as we pray together in this prayer group. We invite you to spend one special hour with us each week. We think you will be glad you did. All are welcome to gather with us in the Church every Tuesday at 10am. We will praise God with song, read and pray with scripture, share faith experiences, bring our needs and the needs of others to our Lord through intercessory prayer and close with a prayer and song. For more information contact Theresa Miller 239.849.3315 or Toni Strong 717.372.8619.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

3/20 Mark Shepherd	3/23 Marilyn McIntyre	3/24 Carolyn Savitsky
3/20 Raine Waverka	3/24 Luca Evans	3/25 Dan Zeidman
3/22 Diane Traicoff		
3/23 Ann & Bill Hoffman		

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

OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED IN-PERSON AND ZOOM MEETINGS


Zoom Only	➤	Contemplative Prayer..... Wednesdays, 11am - Zoom	MEETING ID
Zoom & In-Person	➤	Bible Study..... Fridays, 9am - Library and Chapel	166 7392
Zoom & In-Person	➤	Daughters of the King..... 1 st and 3 rd Mondays, 1pm - Church	PASSCODE
In-Person Only	➤	Prayer and Faith Sharing... Tuesdays, 10am - Church	7070
In-Person Only	➤	Old Testament Readings.... Sunday, 11:15am - Library	
In-Person Only	➤	Ladies Luncheon..... 2 nd Monday, 12:30pm - Different location each month.	
In-Person Only	➤	Men's Book Club..... Mondays, 9:00am - Library	

To join a Zoom meeting, visit: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6951667392>
 or call one of these three numbers: 301.715.8592 312.626.6799 929.204.6099

Consider a Gift of Retirement Assets!

Retirement assets can be the best gift for a donor to leave.

- ◆ A tax-efficient planned gift: Qualified retirement accounts are subject to income tax when received by your heirs. If left to heirs, federal income taxes and estate taxes can erode a sizable amount of this asset. As a nonprofit organization, St. Monica's does not pay any federal income tax or estate tax on the distribution of this asset.
- ◆ Higher value assets to heirs: Leave to your heirs a wide range of other assets that are not subject to income tax.



- ◆ Simple set-up: a simple form is all you need. While no attorney needs to be involved, it is practical to touch base with your professional advisors for their counsel.
- ◆ During your lifetime, you continue to use and receive distributions from your retirement accounts.
- ◆ Flexibility: If your circumstances change, you may easily change the beneficiary designations at any time.

Simply contact St. Monica's at finance@stmonicasnaples.org