

Fifth Sunday in Lent March 26, 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."

WOMEN OF ST. MONICA'S

April 13, 2023 Meeting, 12:30 p.m. – Whitney Strohmayr, Ph.D. from The Shelter from Abused Women and Children https://naplesshelter.org/contact-us/to will 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 lunch.

LADIES LUNCHEON

Next month, April 10th at 12:30, we will be going to Jimmy P's. It is located 1201 Piper Blvd., across from Sam's on Immokalee Rd.

EASTER EGG HUNT

We will have an Easter egg hunt **Sunday April 9** following the 10am service. Help us make this year's hunt a funfilled event for our children and grandchildren. You can pick up some plastic eggs to fill in the church office. They can also be purchased at the dollar store (6 for \$1.25) Fill them with goodies and return them to the parish office before April 6th. Due to the warm weather and to help with the little ones – please try to avoid filling the e Have your children bring a basket or bag to collect the eggs in. Thank you JoAnn Sarconi. 239-297-2408

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.

USHERS NEEDED

If you attend the 5pm service and would like to provide your time and talent to be an usher – we need you! We just need a few extra moments of your time to serve while you are already here. If this is something you may be interested in doing, please contact Linda Duffy at 413.896.6425

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

3/26 Abigail Disse	elhorst 3,	/29 Katherine R	lice	
3/26 Kelly Manki	n 3,	/29 Heather Wi	lliamson	
3/26 Beth Moss	3,	/30 Nick Thom	pson	
3/27 Joan Blessin	g 4,	/1 Susan Beau	regard	
3/28 Jill Peck	4,	/1 Emily Clark	-	
William & Ann Frazer	4/28 David &	Evelyn Lounsbury	4/29	Dan & Sandi Zeidman

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	ion 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.

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- 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 form 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