

Announcements

May 4 & 5, 2024

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.

NEW THIS WEEK

MUSIC MINISTRY UPDATE

We have received several promising applications, and we have begun initial interviews of candidates as we aim to find a good fit for the music ministries of St. Monica's.

POTLUCK SOCIAL SATURDAY MAY 11

Last social until September. Bring an appetizer, dessert or some wine to share. Bring a friend. Food can be dropped off in the Parish Hall after 4:30pm. All are welcome.

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Join us to assist Mision Peniel in Immokalee on **Friday, May 24, from 2pm-6:30pm**. We need 8 volunteers to distribute food and goods to 400 families. Contact Debbie Corey at 781-413-5398 sdjcorey@comcast.net Read more about this in our eNews.

WATER AND THE WORD CONFERENCE

Ed and Toni Strong attended the second annual Water and the Word conference at DaySpring in Parrish, FL. They said it was a wonderful experience filled with music, worship, and informative talks on church growth and diversity. Please read his full article about this experience in our eNews!

JOIN OUR eNEWS

To receive our eNews, sign up quickly by going to our website. Registering yourself ensures prompt updates. If you've contacted us but haven't received the eNews, please confirm your email address with our office. Stay informed about St. Monica's events and news by signing up today at: www.stmonicasnaples.org/join-our-enews.

PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEN'S BOOK CLUB

The Men's Book Club continues to meet Mondays at 9:30am in the church library. We have setup the meeting for Zoom. For information, contact: Ed Strong 267.250.4576 strongjr@gmail.com or just come and join us.

NEW PASTORAL MINISTRY

Our new Deacon, Ken McCaslin, has begun to expand our Pastoral Care ministries. We have begun training Eucharistic Lay Ministers. St. Monica's has been providing Eucharist to those who are not able to attend in person due to mobility issues. We will be able to increase the visits with our team of Eucharistic Lay Ministers. Read more about this in our eNews!

LADY'S LUNCHEON

The On Monday, May 13th at 12:30, we will be going to L'Appetite. It is located 2592 Northbrooke Plaza Dr. It is between The 7-11 and Bob Evans just before the entrance to highway 75 from Immokalee Rd.

OUR NEW COMMUNITY GARDEN

We're excited about our collaboration with The Healthy Earth Organization. Together, we've established a community garden aimed at alleviating hunger and educating children about caring for the environment. If you'd like to get involved, please reach out to Falon Tabares at falon@thehealthyearth.org.

ENVELOPES FOR OFFERINGS

If you need envelopes, you can find them on the usher's table by the door.

PARISH HALL UPDATE

We're sprucing up our Parish Hall! Painting has already started, thanks to our dedicated volunteers who generously donated their time and others who donated the materials. If you'd like to lend a hand, please reach out to Fr. Jonathan.

NAME TAGS

Please take a moment to find and wear your name tags, as it allows us to easily recognize you and note your attendance. Please leave them in the baskets toward the back doors.

WAYS TO GIVE OF YOUR TIME

- Sign up for hosting coffee hour – we will train you! Just call or email the office.
- Learn how to do wonders with flowers serving our flower guild.
- Learn the prayerful experience of serving in the altar guild.
- Give of your time at the front desk, help with small administrative tasks, answering phones and greeting visitors.

HEALING MINISTRY

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

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!

TRIP TO EPISCOPAL CHURCHES IN CUBA

In November 2024, we are taking a small delegation, along with St. Mark's and Padre Gerardo, to visit three churches in Cuba to explore the possibilities of missional relationships. Please contact Fr. Jonathan if you would like to find out more.

PASTORAL

If you go to or are going into the hospital, or your spouse, partner, or family member is experiencing a pastoral or health care issue, please call Fr. Jonathan at 786.450.5704.

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>

PRAYERS

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 by visiting:

www.stmonicasnaples.org/this-weeks-prayer-list
or contact:

Prayer List (Bulletin)	Prayer Chain (Email Chain)
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BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

May 5th - 11th 2024

5/7 Betsy Smith

5/8 JoAnn Sarconi

5/10 Sue Lemons

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

PLEDGE – STEWARDSHIP DRIVE

PLEDGES IN 2023	# PLEDGED REC'ED	# NEW PLEDGES THIS WEEK	TOTAL AMOUNT PLEDGED
94 Totaling \$350,385.53	73	1	\$284,515.31