

St. Monica's Episcopal Church

News this Week - July 24th, & 25th, 2021

The Altar flowers are given today by Betty Gamel in memory of the late Larry Gamel.

OUR WORSHIP SERVICES

Please welcome The Rev. Jean Hite as our guest celebrant this week.

Saturday and Sunday Holy Eucharist Services

St. Monica's is offering a Saturday Holy Eucharist Rite II in-person service at 5:00 PM & a Sunday Holy Eucharist Rite II in-person service at 10:00 AM. *All Are Welcome!* Per the CDC guidelines, if you are **FULLY** vaccinated, you have the option to wear your mask, it is no longer a requirement. However, if you are not fully vaccinated, masks must be worn, and social distancing must be maintained when inside St. Monica's buildings.

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH!

We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us, be it in person or online. Please take this opportunity to check out our website at www.StMonicasNaples.org While visiting our site, if you are new, please fill out the visitor's form. You will find that under "I'm New". Thank you for joining us!

WANT TO JOIN OUR CHURCH?

If you have found that St Monica's is the place for you, we would be delighted to get to know you better & let you know that transferring your membership is simple! Simply fill out our online form to start the process. Visit our website at:

www.StMonicasNaples.org. Under the "I'm New" tab, you'll find the form "New Member Form".

SERVING IN WORSHIP

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY

5:00 PM

- Usher Ann Hoffman
- Lector Kathy Crevier
- Altar Guild Team 1 - Leader: Kathy Crevier

SUNDAY

10:00 AM

- Usher Betty Gamel
- Lector Sue Adams
- Altar Guild Team 1 - Leader: Kathy Crevier
- Camera Team Matt Devlin / Ray Lapierre

NEXT WEEK

for JULY 31st & AUGUST 1st

Saturday

5:00 PM

- Usher Donna Janosec-Luzzi
- Lector Pat Kearns
- Altar Guild Team 2 - Leader: Linda Duffy

Sunday

10:00 AM

- Usher Betty Gamel
- Lector Michael Gaynor
- Altar Guild Team 2 - Leader: Linda Duffy
- Camera Team Matt Devlin & Ray Lapierre

PLEASE WELCOME THE REV. JEAN HITE THIS WEEKEND

The Rev. Jean Hite has returned to us to worship with us this Saturday July 24th @ 5PM, & Sunday July 25th @ 10AM. She will again return the following weekend Saturday July 31st @ 5PM, & on Sunday August 1st @ 10AM.

If there are any pastoral care or emergencies during the month of July as we transistion, please contact the office (239) 591-4550 or reach out to The Rev. Jean Hite. (239) 980-0912 / jeanhite@gmail.com



COME TO THE CELEBRATION WEEKEND AUGUST 7 & 8 TO WELCOME FR. JONATHAN & THE EVANS FAMILY!



FIRST SATURDAY SOCIAL on AUGUST 7 & SUNDAY
SOCIAL on AUGUST 8

Please join us in welcoming our new Rector, Fr. Jonathan, his wife, Barbara Evans, and their children, Luca and Vittoria:

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7 following the 5:00pm service. We will have a pot-luck celebration of light bites, both sweet and savory, and beverages of many kinds. Water, lemonade, club soda and decaf coffee will be provided as well as a selection of individually wrapped snacks.

In the spirit of our pre-Covid "First Saturday" pot luck tradition, please feel free to bring other food and beverages to share. Please note that the refrigerator, freezer and microwave will be available, but the stove/oven will not.

If you bring food that needs to be served, e.g. out of a big bowl, please help us keep everyone safe by staying at the food table to serve it to other people. We want to minimize many hands touching the same serving utensils.

If you can volunteer to help set-up at 4:00pm, pour and serve during the celebration, and/or clean up afterwards, please email Ann Hoffman at anhoffman4@comcast.net or text her at (239) 404-4227. Many thanks to those who have already volunteered: Theresa Miller, Nancy Nick, JoAnn Sarconi and Val Ouillette.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8 following the 10:00am service. We will be serving "Welcome Back" cake and cupcakes as well as coffee, tea and lemonade. Thank you to Jill Ducatman for volunteering to help. We also need volunteers to help with the clean up afterwards. Please email Heidi Varsames at havarsames@gmail.com

CELEBRATION TIME - OUR BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

We hope that we did not miss *YOUR* special day! If you have a birthday or an anniversary this week & your name does not appear, please contact us at: administrator@stmonicasnaples.org so we can add you! We don't want to miss out on your special day!!

BIRTHDAYS

7/25 Christina Sawczak 7/29 Suzanne Bodley
7/25 Joan Smalley 7/30 Mary Albanese
7/27 Sharon Lapierre 7/31 John Jacobs

ANNIVERSARIES

7/25 Robert & Virginia Carter
7/25 Wayne & Linda Stickney
7/26 Brian & Danielle Yarusevich
7/29 Gary & Mary Gentzle
7/29 William & Pauline McCown
7/30 Paul & Nancy Nick

Celebrate

ACCIDENTS HAPPEN



On Sunday, June 27th at approximately 11:40 AM, a red car, we think, after looking at a video, a Toyota Camry, hit the column in front of the Parish Hall entryway. The accident damaged the stucco on the column, but most likely did very little damage to the car. The driver may not have known he/she hit the column. If you are familiar with the circumstances, we would appreciate a call to our Senior Warden, Matt Devlin at (239) 450 - 6229 or email MatDevlin@comcast.net.

FLOWER DEDICATIONS



Now that we are slowly but surely returning to Church, we wanted to remind everyone of the ability to post a dedication in the worship bulletin. We have created an online form that will allow you to submit your dedication request & send a donation all at the same time. Flowers provided each week help beautify the Sanctuary of our church, and are a gift to God and those who attend our worship services. The altar flowers are funded through generous donations from parishioners. A contribution to the Flower Fund is a meaningful way to honor, remember or celebrate a loved one. It's also tax deductible.

There will also be flower dedication forms at the back of the Sanctuary for anyone that would rather mail in or drop their dedication in the offering plate. Let's help decorate our Church by remembering, honoring, or celebrating a loved one!

You can visit our webpage by typing: www.St.MonicasNaples.org/giving in your browser; then click on the "Flower Dedications" link.

ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IN NEED OF PRAYER?

Pastoral Needs & Emergencies



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 Jean Hite at (239) 980-0912.**

Prayer List/ Prayer Chain

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

To be added to our prayer list, please contact **Terri Tack** at: (239) 593-9429 or ttack3@yahoo.com.

To be added to our chain, please contact **Colleen Rossomando** at : (239) 352-6887 or perkycolf@gmail.com.

LET US PRAY....

Our Parish Family

Sue Baker, Doug Ball, Nancy Beaupré, the Benson family, Susann Benson, Leon/Eula Burrows, Aden Chalick, Al Ciano, Lorraine Ciano, Steve Corey, Sonya Delgado, **Ron Doiron**, **Debby Edmonds**, Joan Fuggi, Joyce Gebhardt, **Tom Gibson**, Nancy Hennel & family, Pat Kearns, Ray Lapierre, Diana Lee, Ralph/Margaret Miano, Al Neuner, Connie Potts, Jim Sacroni, Priscilla Sandler, Nancy Scofield, Mary Sprague, Lynn Swendmen, Terri Tack, George Traicoff, Butch Yarusevich, & all those who have requested anonymity.

Family & Friends of Our Parish

Anthony, Kevin Bennett, Richard Benson, Patricia Blake, Jo-Ann Blatt, Emma Braun, Kevin Brown, Raymond Butera, Karen C, Tony Champ, Charlie/Joanne, Joyce Coryea, Arline Coston, the Infozino family, Regina Fournier, Margaret Gates, Caleb Gebhardt, Bob/Kristen Gentzel, Donna Gentzel, Joey Gentzel, Sarah Goebel, LeAnn Gomez, Lydia Gomez, Bob Harold, Lisa Herrlich, Sam Hood, Rosanne Ierardi, Dorie Johnson, Dell Kintiner, Frank Luzzi & family, Laurie May, David McCurdy, Megan, the Mitchell family, Lucille Moss, Dianne Murphy, Barbie Myrick , Frank Napolitano, **Joe Napolitano**, George Nelson, Nora, Angie Pahletog, Sue Pawlowski, TJ Payton, Jace Perkins, Kristen/Teagan Perkins, Tom Platz, Denise Platz, **Agatha Pope**, Tom/Yvonne Powers, Kathy Probst, Elliot Ralston, Joe Randazzo , Martha Reaney, Abby Reed, Kelly Rhoades, Carol Roman, Ginny/Dick Rossi, Peggy Royce, Rebecca Ruppert, **Ken Salkeld**, Mariola Shuler, Deana Smart, Barbara Swidler, Ali Tabrizchi, **Dennis Tack**, Karyn Terry, Mark Thiel, the Thorn family, Scott Velky, Warren Wilson, Kurt Winsellmann, Alan Yarusevich Jr, **Virginia Yost**, & all those who have requested anonymity.

Those Who Are Serving Our Country

Katie Coston, Noah Evans, Sal Filardi Jr., Dane Grauer, Devin Harrity, Kate McHenry-Evans, Emma McHenry, Schaeffer McHenry-Grauer, Troy Nelson, Tristan Pate, James Pyles, Doug Ross, Drew Scullard, Daniel Williams, Peter Witte.

* **NAMES IN BOLD PRINT ARE NEWLY ADDED THIS WEEK**

OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED ZOOM MEETINGS

- **Contemplative Prayer**.....Wednesdays, 11 AM ➤ **MEETING ID:** 695 166 7392
- **Bible Study**.....On Vacation - WILL RESUME AT A LATER DATE ➤ **PASSCODE:** 7070
- **Daughters of the King**.....Monthly 1st Monday, 7 PM

To join a Zoom meeting, visit link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6951667392> or call one of these three numbers:
(301) 715 - 8592 (312) 626 - 6799 (929) 204 - 6099

PARISH LIFE IS RETURNING!

WE CONTINUE TO NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HOST SUNDAYS SOCIAL & COFFEE HOUR FOLLOWING THE 10 AM SERVICE.

Sign up sheets can be found in the Parish Hall on the bulletin boards, or you may email Heidi Varsames at HAVARSAMES@GMAIL.COM or call (239) 776-2173 for available dates.

Please help continue our special St Monica's tradition by volunteering.

If there is not sufficient help we will need to schedule only one Sunday per month.

... AND FOLLOWING THE 5 PM SERVICE

You may reach out to Ann Hoffman to help with the Saturday 5PM Social Hour at (239) 404-4227 which will be held on the first Saturday of each month starting on August 7th.

There will also be a sign-up sheet on our bulletin board outside of the kitchen in the Parish Hall to sign up for either of these gatherings! Thank you in advance!"



ST MONICA'S FACEBOOK PAGE "BIBLE QUIZ" & ANSWER



Did you know that we have a Facebook page & we are on Instagram? Check them out!

FACEBOOK: www.FaceBook.com/StMonicasNaples

INSTAGRAM: www.Instagram.com/StMonicasNaples

We ask simple, but fun bible question on our facebook page sometime during the week to have you, test your knowledge of the Bible. We will drop a "Hint" and this will allow you to find the answer in the Bible. This is a simple, but fun way to open our bibles, discover something new or remind us of a story we once heard. Share & have fun with it!

THIS WEEKS QUESTION: Who said, "I am. Fear Not"? **ANSWER:** C: Jesus

Prepare the Way

Dear Parishioners,

The initial response to our "Prepare the Way" effort has been amazing! As of the writing of this letter, we have received over \$65,490 in commitments toward our goal of \$80,000! If you have already committed to the campaign; we thank you and this will serve as an update.


We realize that it is summertime, and that many of you are out of town. We also realize that your summer has probably been busy. Our original letter explained that we are working to prepare both our hearts and our household before we welcome the Reverend Jonathan W. Evans. Preparing our household means filling the \$80,000 gap in our parish budget. We cannot achieve our goal without you.

There are several ways to "Prepare the Way": Write a check, fill out a pledge form and pay by the end of the year or use a credit card / debt card on our E-Giving site.

We want to "wrap up" this effort by the end of the month. We hope to hear from you soon, because we know, with God's help, together we can do this!

Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

The Stewardship Committee



Prepare the Way 2021

NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

I/we will share from God's abundance in our lives, & I/we are committed to support God's mission through the ministry of St. Monica's Episcopal Church.

To help Prepare the Way we offer: (Check One)

A New Pledge of \$ _____ for the year.

A One-Time Contribution of \$ _____

"And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." 2 Cor 9:8 NIV

PS: Feel free to fill out the attached pledge card to either mail to St. Monica's or drop it in the offering plate.

If you prefer, you are welcome to visit our website at <https://www.stmonicasnaples.org/giving> & click on the "Prepare the Way" pledge form link to fill in this form electronically & securely send in your contribution.

If you have any questions, call our Treasurer; Ray Lapierre at (920) 251 - 3489 or email him at: rlapierre@stmonicasnaples.org.

Prepare the Way