

**St. Monica
Catholic Church
(Est. 1858)
January 15 , 2017
Ordinary Times**



*Our Mission To be a Home of
Small Christian
Communities Helping each
other to connect life and
faith, and Welcoming
all to the
compassionate love of Jesus.*



THREE MISSIONS

Today we begin with one of the “servant songs” from the book of Isaiah, a song prophetic of Jesus’ ministry of service. Isaiah’s mission is not only to bring back the children of Jacob to gather in Israel; it is also to be “a light to the nations” (Isaiah 49:6). Jesus Christ, as servant, will be the fulfillment of the ancient prophecy and the basis of the new.

This Sunday we begin a series of readings from Paul’s letter to the Corinthians. Here Paul is identified by his mission: he is an apostle of Jesus Christ. The church at Corinth to whom he addresses this letter is also identified: it is part of the universal church of God. The Corinthians are called to holiness, as are all Christians.

Though the feast of the Baptism of the Lord was celebrated last Monday, today’s Gospel also alludes to the importance of that event. The reading emphasizes that Jesus “outranks” John: his baptism in the Spirit will eradicate sin. Jesus accepts John’s baptism, even though it is he himself who is the Lamb of God.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses - 8:30 a.m.

**First Friday Adoration/Sacred Heart Devotion
and Other Fridays Holy Hour - 9:00 a.m.**

Holy Day Masses

8 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Confessions - Saturday: 4:00 p.m. - Or by Appointment

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The glory of the Lord shows through Israel, a light to all nations, that salvation may reach to the ends of the earth (Isaiah 49:3, 5-6).

Psalm — Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will (Psalm 40).

Second Reading — All those who call upon the name of the Lord are called to be holy (1 Corinthians 1:1-3).

Gospel — John the Baptist testifies: The one who comes after me, on whom the Spirit comes down and remains, is the Son of God (John 1:29-34).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Is 8:23 — 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

Sat.	1/14	4:30 p.m.	+ Amalia Pedreanez
Sun.	1/15	9:00 a.m.	Parishioners
Mon.	1/16	8:30 a.m.	Respect Life
Tue.	1/17	8:30 a.m.	+ Elaine Reid
Wed.	1/18	8:30 a.m.	+ Doug Valenti
Thur.	1/19	8:30 a.m.	+ Irene Roberts
Fri.	1/20	8:30 a.m.	Kimberly Felten
Sat.	1/21	4:30 p.m.	+ Martin Kane

January 1, 2017

Weekly Offering	\$ 4154.00	Non-Parochial for January
Loose Cash/Visitor	\$ 187.00	
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 195.00	Respect Life
Respect Life	\$ 5.00	
Poor	\$ 0.00	
Catholic Education	\$ 105.00	
Children	\$ 5.60	
Total	\$ 0.00	
	\$ 4651.60	

January 8, 2017

Weekly Offering	\$ 3765.00	Non-Parochial for January
Loose Cash/Visitor	\$ 391.25	
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 399.00	Respect Life
Respect Life	\$ 5.00	
Poor	\$ 0.00	
Catholic Education	\$ 55.00	
Children	\$ 18.00	
Total	\$ 0.00	
	\$ 4638.25	

Thank you for your Stewardship



There will be a Mission Appeal on January 21st and 22nd for the Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales.

Office Hours

PARISH OFFICE

Phone: 386-325-9777 • Fax: 386-329-1960

Mon., Wed., Thur., and Fri. 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

114 South 4th Street

Palatka, Florida 32177

Nancy Tatum, Secretary/Bookkeeper

Diane Mutchie, Stewardship & Development Director

Joe Iovino, Church Sexton



Those needing "Anointing of the Sick" or in need of a Priest, please call these telephone numbers only:

During Business Hours: Parish Office—325-9777

After Business Hours - 904-402-4047

Please call the Parish Office to let us know if a parishioner is hospitalized, seriously ill or homebound so that a Priest can visit and anoint them.

*Liturgical Ministers
January 21th. & January 22th 2017*

Altar Servers

<i>Walt Egan</i>	<i>Lizzie Fortner</i>
<i>Isabelle Brady</i>	<i>Grant Fortner</i>
<i>Amanda Phillips</i>	<i>Isabelle Brady</i>

Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

<i>Joyce Fitzsimmons</i>	<i>Catherine Webb</i>
<i>Mary Iovino</i>	<i>Silvana Gallo</i>
<i>Ruth Boyette</i>	<i>Corrine Munn</i>

Readers

<i>Cris David</i>	<i>Carol Burr ridge</i>
<i>Karen Lee</i>	<i>Harry Burr ridge</i>

Ushers

<i>JJ Nichols</i>	<i>Dave Gugal</i>
<i>Joe Iovino</i>	<i>Dan Shepard</i>
<i>Sammy Sharp</i>	<i>Jim McMillan</i>
<i>Earl Wallace</i>	<i>Karen McMillan</i>

Greeters - TBA



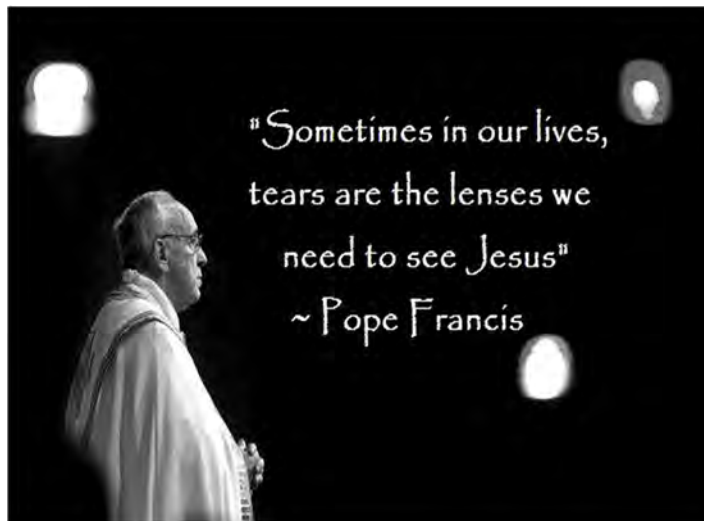
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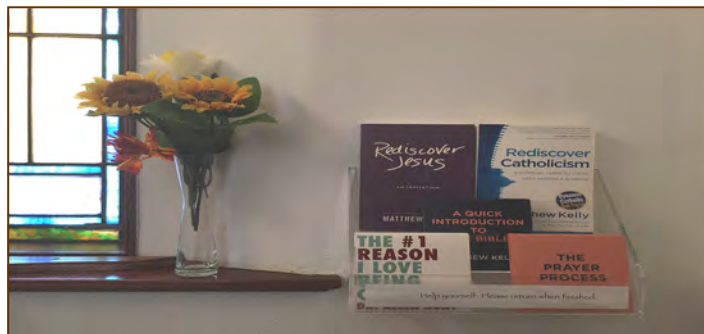
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Check out our new book/audio book racks in the entryways of the church. Help yourself to these free inspirational materials. Please return them when you are finished!



On behalf of Bishop Felipe Estévez, you are invited to the 2017 Florida Eucharistic Congress. Please accept his heartfelt invitation to come and adore our Eucharistic Christ.

March 24th & 25th 2017
6:00 pm
Prime Osborn Convention Center
1000 Water St , Jacksonville, FL 32204

*****Reminder*****

Baby Shower for St. Gerard's House is on February 7th

Given by the Ladies Guild. Who are asking the Parish to help them by donating new baby items. Items can be dropped off in the Church or at the Office. Also, don't forget about the Ladies Guild flea market on February 24th and 25th. Donations will be accepted on February 22nd and 23rd 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Classroom 3.