

# St. Monica Catholic Church,

*A vibrant Catholic Community along the St. Johns River since 1858,  
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of Jesus through the Eucharist.*



*January 21, 2018, Third Sunday of Ordinary Time*



## Epiphany Two Weeks Later

### *Living in the Light of God!*

What a wonderful and beautiful Christmas we celebrated in worship, sound and beauty! I pray that you continue to unwrap the gift of Jesus that we received this Christmas: wisdom, knowledge, understanding, counsel, courage, reverence, and “wonder and awe” in the presence of God.

### **Into the Deep Bible Study:**

This **Tuesday @ 6 pm** St Monica & this **Wednesday @ 4:30 pm** St John's. We are journeying with the gospel of *St. Mark*. Please bring your new American Bible as we take a remarkable journey through the Gospel we will be reading all through this liturgical year.

*If you thirst for a deeper relationship with God and Jesus, this is for you.*

It has been a wonderful six months here at St. Monica, for you have been extraordinarily wonderful and welcoming.

Next week is Covenant weekend. Please pray about how you and your family will love our Parish? How will you say to St. Monica, *“I love you, I will care for you.”*

Please if you haven't checked out the FORMED.org marvelous movies, educational and Sacramental content and so much more await you and your family. Our parish code is R87GP3. If you find something wonderful, please share.

This truly has been the best Epiphany & Christmas Ever, and now Ordinary Time is Extraordinary!

Love, Joy, Peace....Father Ron

### **THE DEMANDS OF DISCIPLESHIP**

Today we encounter readings that already have a Lenten feel about them. Nineveh undergoes a forty-day fast, the psalmist reminds us that God alone can show sinners the way, Paul shows us how fleeting the things and events of this world are, and Jesus cries out “Repent!” before he calls his new followers. “Come after me,” Jesus says, but if we are to truly live out the commands and demands of our discipleship through baptism, we must first know our need for conversion, our repentance, our need to believe in the gospel fully. Today's Gospel opens with the stark reminder of what befell John the Baptist for completely living out his vocation as the herald of Christ and the gospel: he was arrested, imprisoned, and martyred. Though few of us will experience consequences that extreme, we must all be ready to risk some sort of rejection as, heeding the call of Jesus, we live out the kingdom of God at hand, repent of our sins, and believe in the good news of salvation. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

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### **MASS SCHEDULE**

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.**  
**First Saturday Mass with the Anointing of the Sick 10:00 a.m.**  
**Holy Day Masses**  
8 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**Confessions - Saturday: 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 - Or by Appointment**

**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 : 561-827-1132**  
**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.**

Next Week's Mass Intentions

Sat.	01/20	4:30 p.m.	+ Yuki Roberts
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>01/21</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Parishioners</b>
Mon.	01/22	8:30 a.m.	+ June Crouch
Tue.	01/23	8:30 a.m.	+ Estelle Mclaughlin
Wed.	01/24	8:30 a.m.	Father Amar Nagothu
Thur.	01/25	8:30 a.m.	+ David Jones
Fri.	01/26	8:30 a.m.	+ Deceased member of Barady & Clemente family
Sat.	01/27	4:30 p.m.	+ Miguel Dejuk Yunis

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — The people of Nineveh believed God and turned from their evil ways (Jonah 3:1-5, 10).

**Psalm** — Teach me your ways, O Lord (Psalm 25).

**Second Reading** — The world in its present form is passing away (1 Corinthians 7:29-31).

**Gospel** — This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand (Mark 1:14-20).

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26;  
Mk 3:22-30, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer

Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10;  
Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2;  
Mk 16:15-18

Friday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11;  
Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17;  
Mk 4:35-41

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35;

*Office Hours*  
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**Session One**

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**As you prepare for Lent, please check this out on FORMED.org.**

**The Second session is**

**“An Encounter with Mercy”**

**a video located under the tab Faith Formation, A Lent to Remember.**

Have you ever felt lost and alone, isolated in guilt? Like the Prodigal Son among the pigs, we know that we have sinned. But God won't leave us there—He searches for us and runs to welcome us home in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**There are four Sessions, with an additional video for Children on how to make a good Confession.**

**St. Johns the Evangelist Interlachen**

**All are Welcome**

**Mass Schedule**

Wednesday 6:00 p.m.  
Friday 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday 11:30 a.m.

**Social after Sunday Mass**

**Confessions**

Sunday 11:00 a.m.

**Bible Study**

Wednesday 4:30 p.m.

# Here's What's Happening!

**January 23, 2018 - Into the Deep,  
Bible Study with Father Ron, 6:00 p.m.**

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***February 13th Save the date for Mardi Gras, Fat Tuesday, Pre-sold only, tickets will be going on sale soon. No Tickets sold at the door!***

**If you need a tax letter, please contact the office. We have a list we use every year, so if you have already requested a letter, you will be on the list to receive it.**

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*Romans 15:7 Accept one another,  
then, just as Christ accepted you, in  
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It’s a beautiful hideaway, with nothing spared in regard to marble, gilding, a pipe organ, and classic Dutch painting. A few steps away, the Old Church, begun in 1250, stands emptied of the statues and carvings of its Catholic days, its windows replaced by plain glass. The new tenants gave up when it came to the ceiling, which is still painted with saints, biblical scenes, and merchant ships. The Dutch reformers were tolerant sorts, and as long as the Catholics kept out of sight, they were out of mind. Catholicism was at last tolerated in Holland after 1853, but in 1924 when the International Eucharistic Congress was held in Amsterdam, processions of Catholics were still forbidden in the streets. Today, Roman Catholics are about 19 percent of the population, and there’s no need for any of them to hide in the attic.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

**GIFT** What I am is God’s gift to me. What I become is my gift back to God.—Anonymous

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