

**St. Monica  
Catholic Church  
(Est. 1858)  
October 15, 2017**

**Twenty Eighth Sunday of  
Ordinary Time**



*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.*



**Gratitude: October 7, 2017 ~ Birth Day! ~ Our Lady of the Rosary**

For this week, I want to share a poem I wrote on my birthday. I am full of gratitude for all the wonderful wishes and greetings. My greatest gift of course is the Eucharist. Have a blessed week. Don't forget to check out [Formed.org](http://Formed.org) with our code R87GP3.

Eucharist  
Center of my life and soul  
Piece of Bread, drops of blood  
My body, just a little achy  
Attempting to awaken  
Yes, by standards of many (and sometimes my self)  
There are many things to criticize  
Much that lacks "father" wonderful  
And yet  
I am:  
loving, joyful, kind  
gentle, generous, somewhat self-controlled  
peaceful, patient and faithful  
If I try to defend my flaws and being less than perfect  
I gloss over my limitations  
which are sometimes my greatest strengths  
You see, all of us have temptations, struggles and growing edges  
We love things and people that others abhor or avoid  
That is just the way it is  
But ALL are welcome, no exceptions  
The only ones excluded from the table,  
are those who excuse themselves  
or exclude others  
My mission apostolic and sometimes impossible:  
Bring them home  
the isolated, the alone, the lost, the lonely, the wounded  
I love my mission and the God who sends me  
Soulitude revisited.

*Ron Moses +*

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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.**

**Holy Day Masses**  
8 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

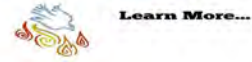
**Confessions - Saturday: 4:00 p.m. - Or by Appointment**



Can you help me become a Catholic?

St. Monica Catholic Church invites everyone to join us in our Journey of Faith. If you, or someone you know, are interested in becoming Catholic, please call Karen Lee (386) 972-0316.

## Catholic but not Confirmed?



Adult Confirmation classes starting soon! Please contact Karen Lee (386)972-0316

### Level I Formation/Certification for Catechists Or Those Interested

If you do not have your certification you must attend these classes! You must attend all four classes to be certified:

November 5th, 18th and 19th.

Saturdays 9-3 p.m.

Sunday 1-6 p.m.

Please call the office for more information. 386-325-9777

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  
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Join Father Ron as he encourages us to put into deep water and lower our nets!



*Into the Deep*, a Bible/Catholic study, will meet each Tuesday, at 6 p.m. in the Parish Enrichment Center. All are welcome (including adults and teens, non-practicing Catholics, and those who are interested from other denominations). Invite a friend! It's B.Y.O.B. (Bring Your Own Bible).

### Next Week's Mass Intentions

Sat.	10/14	4:30 p.m.	+ Alberto David
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>10/15</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Parishioners</b>
Mon.	10/16	8:30 a.m.	+ Peter Beddoe
Tue.	10/17	8:30 a.m.	Living members of Braday & Clemente Family
Wed.	10/18	8:30 a.m.	+ Estelle McLaughlin
Thur.	10/19	8:30 a.m.	+ Miguel Dejuk Yunis
Fri.	10/20	8:30 a.m.	Marlene Wheelus
Sat.	10/21	4:30 p.m.	Cris David

### October 8, 2017

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Children	\$ 16.73	World
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Faith, hope, and love: the three theological virtues are the foundation of all Christian moral activity. These virtues make humanity capable of acting as God's children in the world. CCC# 1813

### 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  
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Nancy Tatum, Pastoral Administrator  
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Lorenzo Delacruz, Church Sexton in Training

### St. Johns the Evangelist Interlachen All are Welcome

#### Mass Schedule

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

#### Social after Sunday Mass

#### Confessions

Sunday	11:00 a.m.	Father Pablo
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#### Bible Study

Wednesday	4:30 p.m.	Father Ron
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Liturgical Committee meeting Thursday October 19th at 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

## Getting to know your Parish family



Harry & Carol Burridge met in Orlando. Harry had just finished four years in the Navy. After an eight month courtship they married in May of 69. After Disney moved in with all its fanfare they moved to quiet Palatka with two toddlers in August of 73.

Harry said "they have survived seven Pastors & 4 Bishops since their arrival at St. Monica. Michael, their son was the Church Organist in his teen years. Their daughter Michelle was married at St. Monica & Mary Kay served as an Altar Server for Father Finlay.

Harry & Carol have both served here at St. Monica in many different ministries. They became Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion under Father Walsh. They taught CCD, and were involved in Marriage Encounter. Harry gave up working in the Parish Office, but still schedules Readers for Masses. Carol is the Coordinator for the Food Panty and volunteers in Interlachen whenever she is needed. Back in the day when they did coffee & donuts, they made their own coffee and brought in treats for the Parishioners after Mass.

A few years ago they moved to Interlachen, but have remained at St. Monica where they have enjoyed being part of the Parish Community. Harry calls their place "Forest of Jewel." He even wrote a poem about it. He swims two laps a day as therapy! Harry said the lake has risen and it's a little farther to swim since the hurricane. Harry loves to work on old vehicles. Carol is his partner and they both are members of the Antique Car Club. Carol works out almost everyday so she can keep up with Harry. If you see her at the Food Pantry, she is always moving. Feeding the needy has always been her ministry. She is devoted to it. Carol also coordinates our backpack program. They spend much of their time with their grandchildren who are all athletic, with many games and competitions.

Harry thank you for your service to our country, and to our Church. When you worked here in the office, you were a great asset and we miss you. Carol you are a gift of energy and determination, and you inspire us to do more. Your parish family loves you both, and prays for your continued health & happiness. May God bless you always.

PS: Carol slow down and smell the roses!!



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World Mission Sunday is October 22, 2017. The Children will be praying the Rosary after Mass. We will have an International Lunch afterwards in the Parish Hall. Bring a dish to share from the land of your heritage. Sign-up sheets are in the back of the Church and in the Parish Hall. Come out and enjoy the day.



Camryn Gilmore is the daughter of Trey & Stephany Gilmore. Camryn was baptized at St. Monica on February 3 2011, she will be completing her First Communion this coming May. Camryn is an outstanding student who excels in all she does. She loves to sing and play dress up with her little sister Caidyn. Camryn is the oldest of three children & she loves to take care of her little brother and sister.

On weekends her favorite thing to do is spend time with her grandparents & Aunt T. She loves horses and other furry animals and has a dog named Bueller. Camryn participates in local marathons and loves to cross the finish line! She is currently in Mrs. Cathy's 2nd grade CCF Class and enjoys doing arts and crafts with Mrs. Carr.

Camryn, you have a very busy schedule! We are looking forward to your First Communion in May. Remember to keep working hard in school. You are smart! God is with you each and every day. We are glad that you love spending time with your family, always remember they are the most important part of your life. Your parish family loves you and are praying for you all the time. We are always here to support you and help in any way we can. St. Monica will be praying that you achieve your dreams with God always by your side. Keep God always in your heart.



**Kids Halloween party**  
**Sunday October 29<sup>th</sup> 4-6pm**  
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the Party!

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