

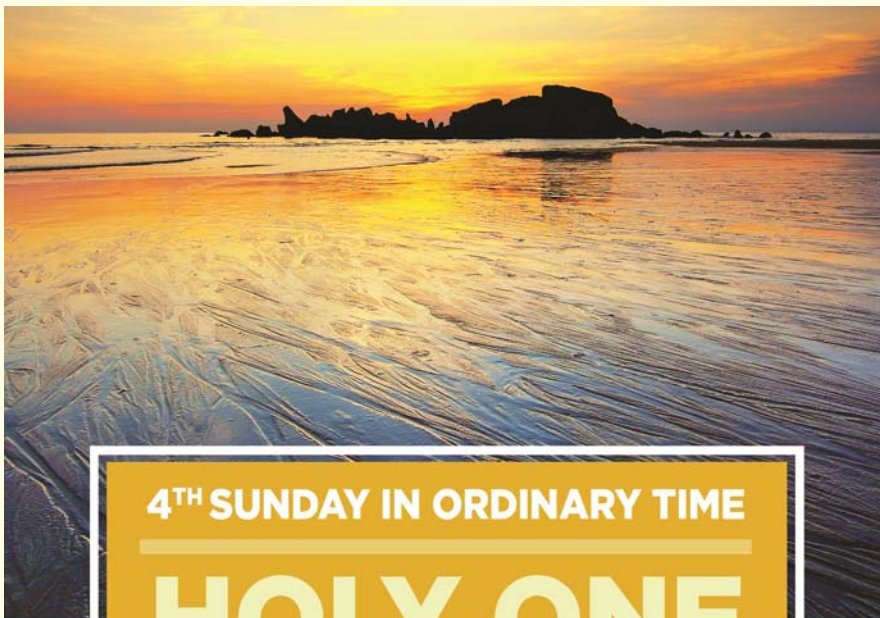
ST. MONICA CATHOLIC CHURCH

January 28

2018

Fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

HOLY ONE

He cried out, "What have you to
do with us, Jesus of Nazareth?
Have you come to destroy us?
I know who you are—the Holy
One of God!" - Mk 1:24

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus had a way of amazing the crowds. There was something very different about not only what he taught but how he taught it. He brought an authority to what he said that gave it a credibility that was not experienced elsewhere. His words were not only prophetic but rang true to the experience of the people, especially those who were poor, marginalized, victimized, lost, or forgotten. Do Jesus' words ring true to you? The Gospel message transcends time and space and has a profound relevancy in every generation. Jesus is still trying to point us toward our truth and have us see and accept who we are in God. Are you ready to hear this? We are asked to bring credibility to this same Gospel message by how we live our lives.

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday - 5 p.m. / Sunday 8 a.m.,
10:30 a.m.,* 1 p.m. (Español)*
*Nursery Available

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:

Tuesday - 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday - 5:30 p.m.
Thursday - 5:30 p.m.
Friday - 7:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - 4:15 p.m.
Saturday - 3 p.m., or by appointment

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

24 hours/7 days a week

WEDDINGS

Contact church office
six months in advance

BAPTISMS: Contact the Church Office

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday at Noon

Traditional Latin Masses

Wednesday, Jan. 31 - 7:30 a.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 6 - 7:30 a.m.

WEEKLY READINGS & OBSERVANCES

Readings for the Week of January 28, 2018

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9, [8]/I Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28
Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30--19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1a]/Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [cf. 5c]/Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/I Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd [12b]/Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [10b]/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 [12b]/Mk 6:30-34
Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/I Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

Observances for the Week of January 28, 2018

Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week
Monday: - - -
Tuesday: - - -
Wednesday: St. John Bosco, Priest
Thursday: - - -
Friday: The Presentation of the Lord; Candlemas; Groundhog Day
Saturday: St. Blaise, Bishop & Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop
Next Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Day for Consecrated Life

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 27

5 p.m. St. Monica Parish

Sunday, January 28

8 a.m. Suzanne Preston

10:30 a.m. Hunter family

1 p.m. † Miguel Valle Gonzales

Tuesday, January 30

5:30 p.m. † Shan Greer

7:30 p.m. (Spanish) † Jose Velasco (family)

Wednesday, January 31

5:30 p.m. Gregory Brousseau

Thursday, February 1

5:30 p.m. Jose Loyo

Friday, February 2

7:30 a.m. † Lena Setter

Saturday, February 3

7:30 a.m. Rev. Salvador Marquez-Munoz

5 p.m. Erica Buel

Sunday, February 4

8 a.m. St. Monica Parish

10:30 a.m. † Janis Smith

1 p.m. † Raul Ocampo

PARISH EVENTS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

9 a.m. - Sunday Donuts - Parish Hall
9:05 a.m. - Adult Study - St. Augustine
9:15 a.m. - 1st Communion Classes-St. Anthony, Patrick
11:30 a.m. - RCIA (Spanish) -St. Michael
11:45 a.m. - RCIA/RCIC - St. Anthony, Patrick

MONDAY, JANUARY 29

9:30 a.m. - Light Weigh - St. Patrick
4:15 p.m. -1st Communion Classes - St. Anthony
7 p.m. - Knights of Columbus - Youth Rm.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

9:30 - Women's Bible Study - St. Michael
6 p.m. - Baptismal Classes - Sts. Augustine, Patrick
7 p.m. - Boy Scouts - Parish Hall

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

7:30 a.m. - Traditional Latin Mass - Chapel
5:30 p.m. - 1st Communion Classes - Sts. Anthony, Patrick
6 p.m. - St. Cecilia Youth Choir - St. Cecilia Rm.
7 p.m. - Adult Choir - Church
7 p.m. - 7th/8th Formation (RE) - Youth Rm.
7 p.m. - Confirmation I, II - Hall, Michael, Patrick, Augustine

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

10 a.m.-Catechesis/Good Shepherd-St. Anthony
10:30 a.m. - Homeschool Assoc. - Parish Hall
4 p.m. - Event in Kitchen
4 p.m. - Medjugorje Prayer Group - St. Augustine
4:15 p.m.-Catechesis/Good Shepherd-St. Anthony
6 p.m. - Cub Scouts - Hall, Sts., Aug, Michael, Patrick, YR
7 p.m. - Breaking Open the Word - St. Michael
7 p.m. - Talleres de Oracion y Vida - St. Augustine

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

6 a.m. - That Man Is You - Parish Hall, Kitchen
11 a.m.-4 p.m. - St. Monica Homeschool - Youth Rm.
7 p.m. - Familias Para Cristo - Youth Rm.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

7:30 a.m. - Event - Kitchen, Hall
8 a.m. - Band Practice - Youth Rm.
8:30 a.m. - 1st Reconciliation - Church, Confessional, Holy Innocents, Cecilia, Jude

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

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STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

January 20, 21

Sunday Offering\$11,156.47
Less Charity 10%.....\$1,115.64
Parish Offering\$10,040.83

Electronic Donations - December

\$38,185.21

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Oklahoma Catholic Women's Conference

The Oklahoma Catholic Women's Conference will be held Saturday, March 10, at the Edmond Conference Center. Registration starts at 7 a.m. and Mass begins at 8 a.m. An early registration fee is applicable through March 1. After this date the fee is \$70.

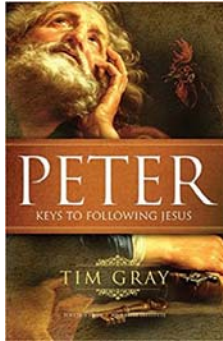


Speakers are Immaculee Ilibagiza, humanitarian and author; Donna Heckler, author and speaker, and Maria Ruiz Scaperlanda, author.

For more information and to register, visit www.ocwconference.com or the Catholic Women's Facebook page.

Spiritual Book Club

Peter: Keys to Following Jesus by Tim Gray is our discussion book for Tuesday, Feb. 13, at 7 p.m. in the St. Michael Room. "A Scripture scholar, expert on the Holy Land, and well acquainted with history and art, Tim Gray illustrates how everything in Peter's life points to the most important thing in all of life: intimacy and association with Jesus." - Curtis Martin, Founder of FOCUS.



March reading: *Why I Don't Call Myself Gay*, by Daniel C. Mattson.

For more information/questions, please contact Ali Howard: 330-6618 or jtanhowards@gmail.com.

Calligraphy Handwriting

Seeking someone who is skilled in the art of calligraphy handwriting. Please contact the Parish Office at 359-2700.



ADORATION HOURS OPEN

Adoration is the willing submission of self to the Lord, an expression of love and appreciation for all He is and all He has done for us. Please consider whether you might find time to spend one hour a week with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. For questions or to sign up, please

contact Rhonda Wilkinson at 210-8073 or adoration.stmonica@gmail.com.

Baptismal Bibs

Attention ladies of St. Monica. We are in great need of volunteers who can do surging, sewing, and embroidery for the infant baptismal bibs. Please call or text Helen O'Connor at 405-306-6420.



Baptismal Class

Baptismal Classes will be held Tuesday, Jan. 30, at 6 p.m. in the St. Patrick and St. Augustine rooms. Dinner will be served, followed by the program, *Reborn*. For more information and to register, contact Carrie Harkey at 359-2700.

Prayer Vigil for Keaton Barron

All are invited to a prayer vigil for Keaton Barron on Monday, Feb. 5, at 6 p.m. in the Church.

Future dates for the prayer vigil will be the 1st and 3rd Mondays, with the next one taking place on Feb. 19.

All are invited to participate to the vigil, which will last approximately 30 minutes. Afterwards all are invited to join the Knights of Columbus to pray the Rosary.

Communion to Homebound

If you or someone you know is ill, in the hospital, homebound or not able to get to Mass because of circumstances beyond their control, call the church office at 359-2700 so a Homebound Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion may bring them Communion.

Subscribe to the St. Monica Podcast - Listen to Fr. Hamilton's homily again online and on your mobile device. Share with your friends and family. Search for "St. Monica Catholic Church" in the iTunes store or visit stmonica-edmond.org and scroll down to "Podcast" episodes.

Catholic Men's Conference

The 22nd annual Catholic Men's Conference, "In The Father's Footsteps XXII," will be Saturday, March 3, at Embassy Suites Conference Center, in Norman. For more information visit www.catholicmen.net.

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YOUTH & FAMILY - GROWING IN DISCIPLESHIP

A group of 55 parish teens and their discipleship leaders recently gathered at the Cathedral for Holy Mass followed by a pizza dinner and a presentation by Fr. Brian Buettner on developing a friendship with Jesus.



Steubenville Conference - July 13 - 16

All youth entering 9th -12th grades
 \$100 deposit with registration / \$325 per person includes: transportation, lodging, meals, T-shirts, and a trip to Silver Dollar City
Firm Registration Deadline: Wednesday, Feb. 7
 For additional information contact Kris Hunter at 359-2700 or khunter@stmonica-edmond.org

Del 13 de julio al 16 de julio
 Para todos los jóvenes que ingresan del 9 ° a 12 ° grado \$100 Depósito con registro / \$325 por persona que incluye: Transporte, alojamiento, comidas, camiseta y un viaje a Silver Dollar City con comida incluida.

Ultimo día de inscripción sin excepción **miércoles, 7 de febrero de 2018**
 Para obtener información adicional, comuníquese con Kris Hunter o David Hernandez al 359-2700 o khunter@stmonica-edmond.org

Whole Family Formation



ANNUAL SURPRISE PARTY

The 29th annual "surprise" birthday party for Father Marvin Leven will be held Sunday, Jan. 28, at 7 p.m. in the Great Hall at St. John's to celebrate Fr. Leven's 93rd birthday. Come help him celebrate his birthday and enjoy Mexican food, drinks and birthday cake.

The Oklahoma Catholic College Student Conference

The Catholic college student conference will be Friday-Sunday, Feb. 9-11, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Youth Camp for people ages 18-25. Participants do not have to be students. Cost is \$50 and includes two nights lodging, four meals and snacks. Speakers will be Andrew Laubacher, Jim Beckman, Fr. Joseph Irwin and Mass with Archbishop Coakley. Register by contacting the Youth, Young Adult and Campus Evangelization and Discipleship Office or register online. Contact (405) 721-9220 or OCCSC2018@archokc.org.

St. Monica's homeschooling group will meet the first Friday of the month to pray, build community and work on a small service project. Gatherings will begin in the church at 11 a.m. to recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet in honor of the Sacred Heart. The chaplet will be followed by a sack lunch and project in the youth building. For any questions please email stmonicahomeschool@gmail.com.

Pope's Monthly Prayer Intentions

Evangelization: Religious Minorities in Asia. That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.

Praying for ...

Otto Nieman at the death of his mother, Olga Nieman.

Sick and Suffering: Jim Dan, Melani Roewe, Andy Cobb, Robert O'Connor, Jennifer Zapata, Greg Hammill, Ashley Oglesby, Tom Scherm, Doris Veal, Capri Faulk, David Coody, Nicole Owens, Fayelene O'Connell, Mechelle Hohnke, Doug Dailey, Kathleen Arledge, Bob Stracke, Rita McGill, John Wilson, Dorothy Brandt, Keaton Barrón, Cameron Farley, Margaret Warren, Dorothy Spezze, Pat Tomljanovich, Chuck Coody, Charles Tomljanovich, Maureen Murphy, Patti Sue Mehaffey, Deacon Jerry Rakosky, Sara Dukeman, Jessi Kyle, Edith Samaniego, Rick Barnhouse, Stephen Kuper, Jim Coody, Scott Greer, Doris Coleman, Leland Sample, Gene Swick, Maggie Phillips, Maria del Carmen Gonzalez, Carl Coody, John Harrelson, Christy Farley, Adrian Purvis, Ralph Setter, Ethan Jagosh, Bill Miller, Dana Parsons, Melissa Medina, Kimali Howard, Derrick Miracle, Bobbie Filippo, Lisa McLaughlin, Doug & Marla Robinson.

St. Monica Seminarians: Jerome Krug, Chad Thurman.

Military Overseas: Miles Compton, Daniel Broda, Jacob Seibold, Jeremy Easley.

Women's retreat a great success

A huge thank you to Jenny Carney, Cece Dan, and Kelly Beagles for their gifts of time and talent in creating an inviting atmosphere and extending hospitality.



Rose Day

The annual Rose Day Pro-Life Rally, will be held Wednesday, Feb. 7, at the Oklahoma State Capitol. The day will include several presenters, including Tulsa Bishop David Konderla. For more information contact Catholic Charities at (800) 375-8514 or visit ww.bgco.org/roseday.

Confesión y Misa en español

De manera regular todos los martes nuestra iglesia de St. Mónica ofrece una hora de Confesiones y Misa en español. Confesiones: 6:30p.m y Misa: 7:30 p.m.

Conferencia Anual para Hombres Católicos

La conferencia anual para hombres Católicos se llevara a cabo el día Sábado 3 de Marzo en el Embassy Suites Conference Center, en Norman.

Para mayor información visite la página web www.catholicmen.net

Familias Para Cristo: El grupo de Familias para Cristo se reúne en el salón de la Parroquia los días viernes a las 7 p.m. Para mayor información por favor contacte a la Sra. Máyela Páez

Clase pre-bautismal: la clase pre-bautismal se llevara a cabo el martes 30 de Enero en el Salón San Agustín, a las 6:00 p.m. comenzaremos con la cena seguida de la clase. para mayor información y registro favor de comunicarse a la oficina de la parroquia (405)359-2700

Formación de familias en la Fe:

El pasado domingo 21 de Enero tuvimos nuestra reunión mensual familiar, donde los padres junto con sus hijos desarrollaron una muy bonita actividad con el tema "Yo soy el camino, la verdad y la vida", y fue muy grato para todos poder convivir como la gran familia que somos, La Familia de St. Monica!

Los invitamos a seguir asistiendo a las juntas mensuales para padres y a las actividades familiares, revise su calendario o llame a la oficina para más información o duda al respecto.

Reflexión

Jesús inicia su predicación anunciando la llegada del Reino. Interpela al mundo con la necesidad de la conversión. Recluta a sus primeros seguidores... Reino, conversión y llamada, son realidades inseparables que desde entonces vivimos en la Iglesia.

Desde que Cristo nace, se ha cumplido el tiempo. Dios interviene en la historia del hombre fundando su Reino en el corazón de cada discípulo. Y desde entonces hasta hoy, el mensaje, no ha sido otro sino la preparación para le llegada definitiva del Reino de Dios. Para ello, se ha querido valer de tantas almas consagradas a su servicio. Los sacerdotes, los diáconos, obispos y papas, las religiosas y religiosos dedicados a la vida contemplativa o al apostolado, a la educación o a las misiones en tierras lejanas... Todos ellos han sido la prolongación de las obras de Nuestro Señor.

Pero la hora aún no ha llegado, ni parece venir pronto. Es obvio que no conoceremos el día ni la hora del final de los tiempos. Y por eso mismo, es necesario vivir preparados. Debemos entender, que cuando Cristo proclama el Reino, como un tiempo cumplido, se trata igualmente del tiempo concedido a cada uno de nosotros.

El tiempo de nuestra vida, en la que debemos obrar siempre el bien. Pero no un bien ideal. El bien que tiene el rostro de cuantos nos rodean: hermanos, amigos, hijos, esposo, empleados y compañeros de trabajo; pobres y enfermos... Darse a sí mismo para procurar el bien de los demás. De ésto se nos pedirán cuentas al final de nuestra vida.

El evangelio nos muestra a Cristo como el Maestro poderoso. Y no sólo porque enseña en la sinagoga, como lo hacían en sus tiempos tantos otros judíos piadosos, sino porque va a obrar uno de tantos prodigios: expulsar un demonio. Así, el simple maestro Galileo, se presenta como el profeta poderoso. No en vano decía la gente que enseñaba con autoridad, y no como los escribas y fariseos, que sólo cargaban al pueblo con los preceptos de la ley. Cristo es el hombre más impactante que haya conocido la humanidad en toda su historia.

De Él se ha escrito, muchísimo más que de cualquier otro tema. Su vida y sus milagros han sido admirados o negados, creídos o refutados, durante los veinte siglos que le han seguido. Y su persona se plantea como el máximo representante de cuantos han sabido remar contra corriente.

Cristo sigue interpelando al hombre de todos los tiempos, para que se coloque con él, o contra él. Desafortunadamente no hay más posiciones. Y siempre tendremos que decidir: Cristo o nuestro egoísmo. Cristo o nuestra sensualidad. Jesús mismo hablaba de que no se puede servir a dos señores. Es imposible encender una vela a Dios y otra al diablo... Vemos que no es fácil mantenerse fiel a las enseñanzas del Maestro, y que por más buenas intenciones que tenemos en hacer el bien y ayudar a los demás, no siempre conquistamos nuestras metas. Sin embargo, no tenemos que amilanarnos. Hay que confiar y pedir a Cristo la fuerza para dar la cara por Él y por su Reino, del mismo modo que Él dio la vida por nosotros...

Dar la cara es no dejarse confundir por las sectas, ni dejar que otros se dejen. Dar la cara es estudiar la propia fe, para dar respuestas convincentes, a cuantos atacan al Papa, al Magisterio y la moral cristiana, sabiendo que sólo en Cristo está la Verdad. Y que sólo Cristo salva...

Propósito

Ante el dolor y situaciones difíciles, identificarme con Cristo al vivirlas con serenidad y confianza.

Diálogo con Cristo

Gracias, Señor, por enseñarme que lo fundamental en mi vida es la caridad. Ayúdame a amar a mi prójimo con el mismo amor con que te amo a Ti. Dame la gracia de descubrirte y servirte en los demás, porque eso es la verdadera fe cristiana. El milagro de la curación del hombre poseído por un espíritu inmundo me recuerda que quieres hacer conmigo el mayor de los milagros: mi santidad.