

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 23, 2009

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Men's Club Annual Golf Outing



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MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday: 5:30pm
Sunday:
8:30am, 10:30am,
12:30pm 5:30pm

Holy Days of Obligation
See Bulletin for schedule

WEEKDAY MASSES
Mon. & Tues.
9:00am & 6:30pm
Wed. & Thurs.
6:30am & 9:00am
Fri.
9:00am & 12:10 pm
Sat.
9:00am

OFFICE HOURS
9:45am – 4:30pm

**Mision Catolica de
Duluth**

Father Carlos Mario
Bustamente
678-992-2516
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404-374-1714
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770-530-8509

Spanish Masses:
Friday – 8:00pm
Saturday – 7:30pm
Sunday – 2:30pm

Masses For The Week



Saturday August 22
 9:00 am Frances Andrews (SI)
By Bette Fleck
 5:30 pm Donald and Dorothy Chase (D)
By Rose and Frank Hosey

Sunday August 23
 8:30 am The Park Family (D)
By Thomas and Cecelia Park
 10:30 am The People of St. Monica
 12:30 pm Terri Froble (D)
By Paul Froble
 5:30 pm William Slobadian (D)
By The Slobadian Family

Monday August 24
 9:00 am Anna Zwick (D)
By Pete and Joan Adinaro
 6:30 pm Bill and Betty Kleoppel (D)
By Donna and Don Voss

Tuesday August 25
 9:00 am Abraham Estafen (D)
By Janine Kourieh
 6:30 pm Marie Nelson (D)
By Natacha St. Vil

Wednesday August 26
 6:30 am Michelle King (D)
By The Bruss Family
 9:00 am Fr. Pavol Brenkus (SI)
By Dennis and Nancy Andrews

Thursday August 27
 6:30 am Special Intention
 9:00 am The People of St. Monica
 6:30 pm The People of St. Monica

Friday August 28
 9:00 am Salvation of the Souls in Purgatory
By Jean Day
 12:10 pm Fr. Pavol Brenkus (SI)
By Yanick Pinchinat

Saturday August 29
 9:00 am Michelle Dimeo (SI)
By Anne Hennessy
 5:30 pm Richard Hidding (D)
By Collette Hidding

Sunday August 30
 8:30 am Martha Ferrecchia (D)
By Joanne and James Willis
 10:30 am Gerald and Joanne Harrison (SI)
By Diane Davidson
 12:30 pm The People of St. Monica
 5:30 pm Thomas McMahan (D)
By Ed and Marie Cilibrasi



Contributions from August 9, 2009

Contributions	\$35,350.04
Average Weekly Parish Needs	\$48,280.00
Envelopes Used	655
Loose Checks	128
Families using envelopes	27%
Children's envelopes- \$21.00.....	15 Envelopes

There are 2403 registered families

**2009 Archbishop's Appeal
 As of August 5, 2009**

2009 Goal	Pledged	% Goal	+/-Pledged Goal
\$156,914.00	\$136,981.00	87%	-\$19,933.00

Please Pray For

For all those in our faith community who are serving our nation overseas and their loved ones here at home. For those among us who are sick and suffering, that by our ministry and the help of the Holy Spirit, they may be healed according to God's will especially, Debbie Colehower, Drew Foley, Nancy Todd, Ivory Moon, Alan Lang, Joye Jones, Tony Maloof, Edna Lankford, Laura Riccard, and Jack Sullivan. And for friends and family who have gone before us including Paula Sydney, Jim Sharkey, Vernie Marcos, Anna Laura Fecht, Milford Bohn, Ken Marion, and Michelle Rodriguez, we pray to the Lord. Please become active in praying for those who are ill, deceased, or have special needs by joining the Prayer Chain Ministry by contacting Julie Perry at 678-473-9660 or juliaperry@charter.net. You can be notified of prayer intentions via e-mail or Calling Post.

Readings for the Week of August 23, 2009

Sunday	Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Eph 5:21-32, Jn 6:60-69
Monday	Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145; Jn 1:45-51
Tuesday	1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139; Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday	1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139; Mt 23:27-32
Thursday	1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90; Mt 24:42-51
Friday	1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday	1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 71; Mk 6:17-29
Sunday	Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

**Come Celebrate the Feast of Saint Monica!
 Thursday, August 27th**
 We will begin with Mass at 6:30pm and followed by an ice cream social and fellowship.

The Knights of Columbus will also have the annual Free Throw and Soccer Kick competitions near the field side of the Church starting at 5:00pm till Mass and then the competitions will resume after Mass during the Ice Cream Social. For additional information see the article further to the back of this bulletin.

This is a scheduled LIFE Event so come join us in celebrating our wonderful Patron Saint.



If you would like to commemorate a special event, anniversary or the memory of a loved one, by making a donation for the altar flowers, Please contact Cyndy Fugieule for more information 678-584-9947 ext 26, or cyndyf@saintmonicas.com.

Religious Education News



Events are held Saturdays after the 5:30pm Mass!
Please check the bulletin frequently for updates!

August 31 – Middle School Youth group CORE meeting.
6:30 p.m.

September 19 – Middle School Youth Group
Kickoff!! This will be one event you won't want to miss!
RSVP to Anne Hennessy by September 17.

September 26– Learn about some radical living!! Hear
what John the Baptist has to say about living out our
faith.

Looking for a way to evangelize? Love working with children?

Then consider joining the team for Christian Initiation of Children (OCIC)! OCIC helps prepare children with no previous religious education prepare for the sacraments and meets on Sundays. We are still in need of five more catechists. Families are welcomed and encouraged to participate together. Prior knowledge of the Christian Initiation process is encouraged but not required. Please contact Katherine at ext. 22 for more information.



- Would you like to get to know the Bible more but don't know where to start?
- Would you like to get the "bigger picture" before doing an in depth study on one particular book of the

Bible?

Is it hard for you to follow the storyline in the Old Testament? If you have answered "yes" to any of these questions, we have a study that is just right for you!

St. Monica's will be hosting a study this fall known as "The Great Adventure." This study will take you step by step on a journey through the Sacred Scriptures. You will be given great tools to help you get familiar with the overarching story told in the Scriptures.

Know that there is no previous Biblical experience needed! Jeff Cavins will be our guide as we embark on this *Great Adventure*. He'll provide all of the information you need to get started and he will be with us every step of the way. Jeff's captivating and informative DVD presentations will be sure to keep you coming back for more!

I look forward to seeing you there! See the bulletin articles in August for more details about the study or contact Patrick Klein at 678-584-9947 ext. 12.

Attn parents of second graders:

All Parents of children who are eligible to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist are reminded to fill out the sacramental preparation registration form. The form may be found on our web page or on the front counter of the education building and is for all eligible Catholic School, Home School, Home Study, and regular Religious Education both Fall and Spring Semester families. If you have any questions please call Katherine at 678-584-9947 ex22



Adults of all ages, do you have a love for the Lord and a desire to witness that to teens? Please contact Courtney in youth ministry if you're interested in helping on the CORE Team!



Next XLT is Tuesday September 1st! Come join other teens from around the diocese as we gather for adoration, worship, fellowship and prayer! We will depart St. Monica's at 5:45pm and stop for dinner on the way to St. John Neumann.

CONFIRMATION RETREAT IS COMING UP QUICK! ALL CURRENT 10th GRADERS SHOULD HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED THE PACKING LIST AND DETAILS FOR RETREAT. WE ARE DEPARTING ST. MONICA'S ON CHARTER BUSES AT 5 PM, FRIDAY, AUGUST 28th. PLEASE KEEP THE TEENS PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION IN YOUR PRAYERS!

REUNION FOR CONFIRMATION RETREAT IS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2nd from 6:30 – 8:30 PM at St. Monica's.

High School Youth Group is kicking off on Sunday, September 13th. Youth Group is immediately following the 5:30 PM Mass until 8:30 PM. All registrations for High School are past due!

ALL HIGH SCHOOL TEENS AND PARENT'S IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE ON THE YOUTH GROUP EMAIL LIST AND RECEIVE EMAILS ON UPCOMING YOUTH GROUP EVENTS, PLEASE EMAIL COURTNEY, THE YOUTH MINISTER AND ASK TO BE PUT ON THE LIST!

Courtney.desmond@saintmonicas.com

Active **PARENTING NOW in 3!** by parenting expert Dr. Michael Popkin. For parents of children ages 5 to 12, we're bringing this acclaimed video and discussion program directly to St. Monica's! The three-session workshop will be offered Wednesdays on Sept. 16, 23, & 30 from 4:30-6:00pm.

Learn effective ways to...

- discipline, communicate with your children, teach responsibility, stimulate independence,
- defuse power struggles, and encourage your children to be their very best!

Space is limited so register today by contacting carol@saintmonicas.com, or call Carol: 678-584-9947 x.23 to sign up!

Free childcare will be available in our Parish Nursery on a first-come basis.

Schedule for the Week

Sunday	August 23		
Nursery	8:30 & 10:30		
Baptismal Prep	12:30pm		3/6
Home Study Meeting	2:00pm	Lyke Hall	
Young Apostles	7:00pm		3/6
Monday	August 24		
Cub Scout Dens	6:00pm & 7:00pm	1,2,4,5,7,8,10	
American Heritage Girls	6:30pm		12/13
BSA	7:00pm		3/6, 11
Adult Confirmation	7:00pm		14
K of C	7:30pm	Lyke Hall	
Tuesday	August 25		
Holy Scrapper	10:00am		1
RE Classes	4:30pm & 6:30pm		
Parent Orientation	4:30pm & 6:30pm	Lyke Hall	
Great Adventures Facil.	7:00pm		10
FPU Information Night	7:00pm		12/13
Holy Hour	after 6:30pm Mass	Church	
Wednesday	August 26		
Men's Rosary	6:00am	Church	
RE Classes	4:30pm & 6:30pm		
Parent Orientation	4:30pm & 6:30pm		12/13
8th Grade RE Class	6:30pm	Lyke Hall	
Retreat Planning	6:30pm	Narthex	
Thursday	August 27		
Retreat Planning	6:00pm		3/6
FEAST OF ST.MONICA	6:30pm	Church	
SOUL	7:00pm		5
Hope for Haiti	7:30pm		2
Friday	August 28		
Saturday	August 29		

Seekers: New Series Starting Soon!

Would you like to become a more prayerful person? You don't have to go far in order to find wonderful models of prayerful living. In our new 6 week series entitled, Becoming a Praying Person, we will take a look at six people from the Sacred Scriptures who exemplify what it means to be a prayerful person. Taking them as our models, we will learn to deepen our own prayer life. **All adult women of the parish are invited to join our new session which will meet Wednesdays in Lyke Hall from 9:45-11:45AM starting September 9th.** Call Patrick Klein (678-584-9947 ext. 12) by August 27th so that he can order you a book.

We have childcare available for participants. If you have children and would like to take advantage of such a service let us know as space will be limited. Contact Kim Johnston at 770-513-3409 (kimmerjohns@charter.net) or Michelle Dickerson at 770-757-5270 (mpdcge@bellsouth.net).

Calling all Middle School Artists! Catholic Charities Atlanta is sponsoring a T-shirt design contest for kids in grades 6-8. We want to feature YOUR design on our 8th Annual Scott's Run T-shirt. Additional details can be found on our web site at www.catholiccharitiesatlanta.org. Entries must be received by September 4th to C. Fuss, Catholic Charities, 680 W. Peachtree St, NW, Atlanta GA 30308.

We have NEW DAY for the 55 Plus meet-

ing. It will be on the **third Thursday** of the month. The first meeting will be September 17th, in the Narthex.

Please be reminded this is our first meeting of the new year and the annual membership dues are payable at this meeting. Dues are \$10 per person for the year. Our dinner fees are \$12 per person. Our dinner menu will be Beef Stroganoff, Salad Bar, Veggie and Apple Pie.

Table set up will begin at 4:30, anyone who would like to help please let me know. Social: 6:00, Business Meeting: 6:30; Dinner: 6:45; the program: 7:30. Bring your thinking caps for Trivia to entertain us. The table who answers the most questions correctly will win the prize. Our facility clean-up will begin at 8:30. All who can help are appreciated. Please contact Carol Carter, carter.carol@att.net or 770.331.3456 for questions.



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I look forward to seeing you there! There are two options for the Bible Study. We have one on Thursday evenings from 7-9pm. The other is on Friday mornings from 10-Noon. The starting dates for the series are Sept 3rd (for the Thursday series) and Sept. 4th (for the Friday series). The series includes 24 sessions and will run through the month of May. The cost of the program is \$45.00. Call Patrick Klein (678-584-9947 ext. 12) to register today!

Attention all married couples. Are you feeling over scheduled and under connected in your marriage? Attend a one day Marriage Enrichment Program at Saint Andrew's Parish, Roswell, on Saturday, Sept 12, 2009, 8:45am to 4pm and learn how to find time and make the most of it while you travel at the speed of life. For more information and to register please contact Jack & Angel LaBate at jackandangel@bellsouth.net or at 678-513-2832 no later than 9/7. Cost \$15/couple. Baby sitting will be available.

Attention Married & Engaged Couples

Natural Family Planning Classes will be held at St. Monica's parish in Duluth this fall. The series has three classes – Sundays: September 13, October 18 and November 15 from 10am to 12:30pm in the parish RE building. Classes will give all the resources necessary to easily, simply and successfully practice NFP in your marriage. The classes are great for both married and engaged couples who are seeking to bring their relationship in accord with Church teaching, as well as those seeking to leading a more natural, healthy lifestyle. NFP is perfect for those couples having problems achieving pregnancy and also for those who wish to postpone pregnancy. Class materials include everything necessary to successfully practice NFP for a lifetime. **You must register by August 31.** For more information or to register, call Kate Sell at 678.943.3673 or email at kasell2@gmail.com

Financial Peace University

Would you like to get control of your finances so that your finances no longer seem to be controlling you?

Dave Ramsey's *Financial Peace University* can give you the tools to help you eliminate debt and build wealth. Sign-ups will be held on August 22/23 after each of the Masses. A free DVD preview of the materials will occur on August 25th at 7pm. Classes will begin in September and will be held on Tuesday evenings from 7pm-9pm. The cost for the program is \$99. For more information or to sign-up please contact Patrick Klein at 678-584-9947 ext. 12! I (Patrick Klein) participated in the program and eliminated ~\$70,000 in debt! Now, I am debt free!

Hope for Haiti Gala

The time is quickly approaching for our annual Hope for Haiti Gala on September 18th. This night of dinner and dancing includes the auction of new items and services for the support of our brothers and sisters in Hinche, Haiti. Your donations of new products, handmade items and services are needed to make the auction a success. If you are interested in supporting the auction this year, please contact Peg DeMaine at pegmark@charter.net or call Peg at 678-641-8614.

Parents of RE children, there is a Mandatory **parent meeting on August 25 and August 26** at 4:30pm and 6:30pm. We will meet in Lyke Hall while your kids are in class. There will be a talk on the importance on Family Catechesis as well as a review of the Curriculum that we currently use. Please come!

If you have a special needs child who needs to prepare for a sacrament, please contact Anne Hennessy at the parish office. New classes are forming now!
Anne.hennessy@saintmonicas.com.

Attention Home Study Families:

The mandatory parent meeting for home study will held on **Sunday, Aug. 23**, in Lyke Hall. Materials will be distributed and procedures will be discussed.

ALL families -2:00-3:00

What is home study? The home study program uses the same materials used by the catechists in the R.E. program only it is taught by the student's parents.

Is it right for my family? It may be for your family if: You are looking for an opportunity to share your faith more closely with your child, you see it as a chance to get to know your child better, or perhaps you just have scheduling conflicts.

If you think home study is right for your family come to the meeting on **Aug. 23, 2009.**

Knights of Columbus**St. Monica Council #12883****SOCCER & FREE THROW****COMPETITION**

St. Monica's Knights of Columbus will hold their annual Soccer & Free Throw Competition on **Thursday August 27th** during our Parish Celebration of the Feast of St. Monica.

This is the local competition with the winner going on to District and State Finals.

The competition is broken into several age groups.

ALL children ages 10 to 14 are invited to participate.

The completion will begin at 5:00pm and resume after Mass during the Ice Cream Social.



The 3rd Annual HOPE FOR HAITI Gala, benefiting the needs of our brothers and sisters in Haiti, will be held at the Gwinnett Place Marriott.

An Unforgettable Night!

- *Friday, September 18, 2009*
- *6:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.*
- ***Dancing to The Rupert's Orchestra***
- *Cocktail Reception with Hors D'oeuvres*
- *Open Bar Serving Wine, Beer & Soft Drinks*
 - *Cash Bar Serving Liquor*
 - *Three-Course Dinner*
 - *Silent and Live Auction*
 - *Black-Tie Optional*

Tickets

\$100 per Individual · \$1,000 per Table of Ten

Sponsorship Opportunities Available

Tickets available online during August at
www.saintmonicasinhaiti.com.