

*We are not some casual or meaningless
product of evolution. Each of us is the result of
a thought of God. Each of us is willed,
each of us is loved, each of us is necessary.*

Pope Benedict XVI, homily April 24, 2005

Respect

Life

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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 & 12:10pm

Sat. 9:00am

OFFICE HOURS
9:45am- 4:30pm

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Spanish Masses

at Mission

Friday- 7:00pm
Saturday- 6:30pm

Sunday-
9:00am & 11:00am

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Masses For The Week



Saturday	October 10
9:00 am	Michelle Rodriguez (D) <i>By Helen Nathan</i>
5:30 pm	Dennis Roesler (D) <i>By The Roesler Family</i>
Sunday	October 11
8:30 am	The People of Saint Monica
10:30 am	Rochelle Bertalini (SI) <i>By Maureen Alexander</i>
12:30 pm	Our Priests & Deacons
5:30 pm	Our Priests & Deacons
Monday	October 12
9:00 am	Ruth Barry (D) <i>By Ruthann McGuinn</i>
6:30 pm	St. Monica's Knights of Columbus
Tuesday	October 13
9:00 am	Ken Marion (D) <i>By Helga Burri</i>
6:30 pm	Life in the Eucharist <i>By Maureen Alexander</i>
Wednesday	October 14
6:30 am	Irene Resnick (D) <i>By Martha Jones</i>
9:00 am	Charles MacPhee (D) <i>By Marge MacPhee</i>
Thursday	October 15
6:30 am	Special Intention
9:00 am	Linda Boyers (D) <i>By Bill and Dottie Ouimette</i>
Friday	October 16
9:00 am	Irene Resnick (D) <i>By Martha Jones</i>
12:10 pm	Mary Zuccaro (D) <i>By Gloria and Jerry Gancarz</i>
Saturday	October 17
9:00 am	Irene Resnick (D) <i>By Martha Jones</i>
5:30 pm	Beth Pina (D) <i>By Mike and Julie Stewart</i>
Sunday	October 18
8:30 am	Harry Moran (D) <i>By Ministry of the Infirm</i>
10:30 am	The People of Saint Monica
12:30 pm	Ed and Joyce Kranz (D) <i>By Goin Family</i>
5:30 pm	Florencia Castro (D) <i>By The Marrs Family</i>

Parish Office will be closed for the Columbus Day Holiday, Monday, October 12th. Office will re-open Tuesday, the 13th at 9:45am.

Readings for the Week of October 11, 2009

Sunday	Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30
Monday	Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday	Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday	Rom 2:1-11; Ps 62; Lk 11:42-46
Thursday	Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130; Lk 11:47-54
Friday	Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday	Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105; Lk 12:8-12
Sunday	Is 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45



Contributions from September 27, 2009

Contributions	\$30,709.00
Actual Budget Need	\$34,057.70
Children's envelopes- \$24.00.....	18 Envelopes
There are 2412 registered families	

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, Dan Lichtenwalner, Mark Tai, Mike Lastufka, Joe Tontillo, Barbara Boll, Erica Morse, Graham Holley, Maria Morrow, Joseph Pohrer, Rick Panele, Jake Peterson, Max Morris, Lisa Rhines, Toyah Bray, Erica Hurley, Paul Fronczak, Mary Anne Mason and Kathryn Fleming. And for friends and family who have gone before us including Joseph Shields, Pierre Schrichte, Virginia Needler, Jennifer Rich, Grace Pomar, Mary McDaniel, Tommy Bendell, George Bingaman, Shawn McClosky, Andy Waldman, and Lucille Bauman, 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 Diane Lin at 770-623-4099 or dianelin39@gmail.com. You can be notified of prayer intentions via e-mail or Calling Post.

Children's Choir begins THIS THURSDAY,

October 15! All children of the parish in grades 3-8 are invited to register for our Children's Choir. Rehearsals are on Thursdays evenings in Church from 6:00-6:50 p.m., starting this week.



The Children's Choir sings at 10:30 or 12:30 Sunday Masses, 4 p.m. Christmas

Eve Mass, LIFE events and Holy Day Masses from October through May. To register, please complete and return the bottom portion of the forms found at the Children's Choir box in the lobby of the RE building. Please call or email Helen Nathan for more information: hna-than@saintmonicas.com, or 678-584-9947 ext. 13.

This weekend, October 10th & 11th, we will be celebrating the burning of our mortgage at all the Masses. Although our mortgage is paid our growth and development will continue. **In a cost cutting measure the Stewardship letters will be available in the back of the Narthex for you to pick up for the next two weekends.**



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 Fugieue for more information 678-584-9947 ext 26, or cyndyf@saintmonicas.com.

Religious Education News

Middle School News

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

October 24- "A- Mazing we will go!" Family Event. Corn Maze and hay ride. Time 6:30pm. RSVP to middleschool@saintmonicas.com. Permission slips a must!

November 4- Middle School Planning meeting 7:15pm

November 14- "Extreme Spiritual Makeover." RSVP by November 12 to middleschool@saintmonicas.com.

November 28- No Youth Group!
Happy Thanksgiving!

December 5- Service Project- Nursing Home. RSVP by December 3rd to middleschool@saintmonicas.com.

WOW- Word of the Week for 10/11

Grade 1	Glory	Grade 5	Sacraments of Healing
Grade 2	Liturgy of the Word	Grade 6	Reconciliation
Grade 3	Matrimony	Grade 7	Torah
Grade 4	Sacraments at the service of Communion	Grade 8	Morality

Saint Monica's RE program will be hosting a Food Drive on November 8th and 9th and November 15th and 16th, after all the Masses. Look for bins to place your food bags in on those weekends.

Register! Register! Register!

Parents, please register your children for the spring session of RE, starting January 20, 2010. If you have any questions don't hesitate to call Anne Hennessy.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING INFORMATION

NIGHT! Ever wonder how NFP works or how it achieves its 99.9% effectiveness rating? Want to better understand the Catholic Church's teachings regarding marriage and family planning? Don't miss **Natural Family Planning Information Night on Monday, Oct. 19th at 7:00pm in Lyke Hall.** Certified NFP teaching couple Bryan and Kate Sell, as well as other practicing NFP couples, will share their stories - **MARRIED? ENGAGED? This event is for you!!** Free NFP resources available. Q&A time will follow talks. Refreshments provided. For more info: triplejmk@bellsouth.net.

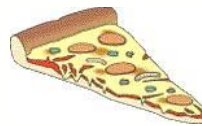


High School Youth Group is kicking off on Sunday, September 13th. Youth Group is immediately following the 5:30 PM Mass until 8:30 PM. All registrations for High School Youth Group are past due!

Upcoming Youth Nights

- Oct 11th: FUN NIGHT – Movie Night on the Lawn of St. Monica's (long weekend, movie will go to at least 9 PM)**
- Oct 18th: SEALED – A night focused on the gifts and graces of Confirmation!**
- Oct. 25th: CONSUMMED – The Eucharist, Source and Summit!**
- Nov. 1st: Life is Worth Fighting For – An Issue night on the beauty of LIFE and the issues that compromise that beauty in the lives of teens today.**

Pizza and Prayer! All grades 9 – 12, please join us every Wednesday from 6:30 – 8:30 PM. We will hang out, eat pizza, dive into the Word of God and Pray! This will continue every Wednesday throughout the fall, see



Courtney for more details.



Next XLT is Tuesday November 3rd! Come join other teens from around the diocese as we gather for adoration, worship, fellowship and prayer! We will depart St. Monica's at 5:45 PM and stop for dinner on the way to St. John Neumann.

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!

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

SAVE THE DATE FOR FALL RETREAT NOVEMBER 6th – 8th! All High School teens grades 9 – 12, you don't want to miss this weekend! Forms are available in the front of the RE building and at youth group. Sign up on or before October 11th for the early registration fee!

Schedule for the Week

Sunday	October 11		
Liturgy Committee	2:00pm		15
SFO	2:00pm		3/6
Communion & Liberation	3:00pm		12/13
Youth Group	after 5:30 Mass		
Monday	October 12		
PARISH OFFICES CLOSED			
Tuesday	October 13		
RE Classes	4:30pm & 6:30pm		
Great Adventures Facil.	7:00pm		10
FPU	7:00pm		12/13
YAM	7:00pm	Lyke Hall	
Holy Hour	after 6:30pm Mass	Church	
Wednesday	October 14		
Men's Rosary	6:00am	Church	
Seeker	9:30am	Lyke Hall	
RE Classes	4:30pm & 6:30pm		
8th Grade RE Class	6:30pm	Lyke Hall	
Pizza & Prayer	6:30pm	Narthex	
Thursday	October 15		
Little Rock Bible Study	10:00am		3/6
55+	6:00pm	Narthex	
Children's Choir	6:00pm	Church	
Great Adventures	7:00pm	Lyke Hall, 4, 7, 11, 14, 15	
High School Retreat Planning	7:00pm		8
BSFC	7:00pm		1
Men's Spirituality	7:00pm		2
Adult Choir	7:30pm	Church, 10	
Friday	October 16		
Great Adventures	10:00am	Lyke Hall, 14, 12/13	
OCIC Movie Night	6:00pm	Lyke Hall	
Saturday	October 17		
Marriage Information Workshop	10:00am	Lyke Hall	
Date Your Spouse	7:00pm	Lyke Hall	

55 Plus The Oct. meeting will be October 15th, in the Narthex. For our program Bob Barry and Maureen Alexander will speak to the group about Adoration.

Table set up will begin at 4:30 for those who can assist. Social will be from 6:00 to 6:30. Business Meeting will be from 6:30 to 6:45. Dinner will be from 6:45 to 7:30. The program will be from 7:30 to 8:30. Our facility clean-up will begin at 8:30. All who can help are appreciated. Please contact Carol Carter, carter.carol@att.net or 770-682-5837 for questions.

The October meeting of the Menuettes will take place at Barrington Subdivision Clubhouse on Thursday October 29th at 11:30 a.m.

The theme will be Octoberfest.

Our Hostesses will provide Bratwurst and Knockwurst and ask that those attending take either appetizers, side dishes or dessert.

Our Hostesses will be Gloria Gancarz, Judy Andrews and Eileen DeVille.

Please call Gloria at 770-614-6142 gloria346@charter.net or Judy Andrews at 770-338-2301 or Eileen DeVille at 770-962-3379 for reservations and directions.

SSAT PREPARATION WORKSHOP will be offered for middle school students at several church locations throughout the fall and winter. All students applying to a Catholic high school next fall must take this test as part of the admissions process. Upcoming session locations include All Saints Church, St. Brigid Church, St. Peter Chanel Church, Notre Dame Academy, and Peachtree Presbyterian Church. Please visit: www.prepatlanta.com for complete dates and times, or call Lori Crunk, 770 396-3330 for registration.

Holy Spirit Prep College Lecture Series welcomes Father Thomas D. Williams, LC THD, analyst for Vatican affairs for CBS news, professor of theology and ethics and author of numerous books. Father Thomas will discuss his most recent work "Can God Be Trusted?: Finding Faith in Troubled Times" on Tuesday, October 13 at 7:30 p.m. Holy Spirit Preparatory School will host this event at the lower school campus located at 4820 Long Island Drive, Atlanta. All are welcome and invited to attend. To learn more about Father Thomas Williams, please visit his website at www.thomasdwilliams.com

WEDS NEWS! If you have been to a marriage encounter and want to continue that wonderful experience with your spouse, come visit the Saint Monica's WEDS group. Our next meeting will be on Saturday, October 17th, 7:00pm, at the home of Victor & Alessandra Alcoreza.

The Knights of Columbus Car Raffle

The **Knights of Columbus** have joined forces with Chick-Fil-A, Gwinnett Place Ford and Jeff Francoeur in a **raffle** to benefit the Knights of Columbus' charities. **Gwinnett Place Ford** donated a 2010 Mustang LX and each \$10.⁰⁰ ticket has \$10.⁰⁰ in Chick-Fil-A coupons effectively making it a **free ticket**. See the Knights of Columbus after all Masses to get your raffle tickets today.



Monastery of the Holy Spirit

COME VISIT THE MONASTERY ON
OCTOBER 18!

Our parish has been invited to come to the Monastery on Sunday, October 18 for "St Monica's Day," starting at 3:00 p.m. This is an opportunity for families to come and let the children see a monastery and meet a monk. We will begin with a brief tour followed by refreshments and you can experience this spiritual oasis that is not far from Atlanta. Vespers begin at 5:30 on Sunday, so guests are welcome to stay for this service to pray with the monks. For additional information on the Open House please call Lauren at 404-525-4821 or visit the website for directions to the monastery. www.trappist.net.



The St Monica's Men of the Rosary will be offering rosary prayer on Wednesdays at 6:00am. All are invited to join in pray.

ANNULMENT QUESTIONS/ANSWERS

Prince of Peace Catholic Church is sponsoring a presentation on Marriage Annulments by the Metropolitan Tribunal of Atlanta on Thursday, October 22, 7:30 PM. The program will cover who and why someone may need an annulment in the Catholic Church, how to begin the process and what to expect once your case is submitted and more. Questions are encouraged. All persons interested are welcome to attend. Space is limited. Please contact Bonnie Noble (770) 967-3306 or Jan Nichols (770) 965-7362 as soon as possible.



All parishioners, adults and children, are invited to be a special part of this LIFE Event by participating in our "**Parade of Saints!**"

To represent your favorite Saint, please:

- Choose a saint and **sign up by October 18th** under LIFE Events on the counter of the R.E. Building
- Complete and turn in a short biography about that saint **by October 21st**
- Create an appropriate saint costume and walk in our parade
- Arrive one hour early (6:00) for pizza and rehearsal **on Oct. 29th**

You will receive a phone call by **Oct. 22nd** to verify your participation in the program.

To receive LIFE Event credit, students in grades 1st-8th may participate in Parade of Saints, or be part of the assembly to learn and grow in our faith!

GRACE Scholars, Inc., a Student Scholarship Organization formed between the Archdiocese of Atlanta and Diocese of Savannah in 2008, enables children with need to attend Catholic school through tuition assistance. Individuals and "C" Corporations who pay income tax to the State of Georgia can support GRACE and **receive a 100% dollar-for-dollar tax credit**. Unlike a typical charitable deduction, a tax credit reduces your Georgia tax liability by 100% of the amount you donate. Simply put, your tax dollars are going out the door – either to the state or to the GRACE Scholarship program. Why not give a child the gift of a faith-filled, academically challenging Catholic education?

For more information on how to make a donation to GRACE and obtain a 100% tax credit, please visit www.gracescholars.com or contact us at 404-885-7410.

READERS' TRAINING SESSION

NOVEMBER 7TH 2009



A readers' training session for new readers and those already serving who would like to attend will be held on Saturday, November 7th in the church at 10:00am.

EXTRA Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion re-commissioning SESSION
NOVEMBER 7TH 2009

A re-commissioning session for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion whose commissions have expired after three years will be held on November 7th at 10:00 in the church.



To make reservations or to obtain more information, please call Marty and Marie Rouch at 770-781-5285 or email rouchm@bellsouth.net it is important that we know how many persons will be attending.

"CHANGE YOUR WORLD" ~ Baby Bottle Campaign ~



Pick up your BABY BOTTLE after Mass and spend Respect Life Month (October) putting your change into the bottle – when it is full simply bring it back to church. Your extra change can save an unborn child's life, educate a teen so they can choose to respect their bodies by living the virtue of chastity, help a single mother in need, provide free pro-life education materials for our

parish and community, support those caring for terminally ill babies, host events which educate adults and teens on the dignity of all life, and work towards building a

CULTURE OF LIFE!

Join St. Monica's Knight of Columbus and Respect Life Ministry as we seek to CHANGE OUR WORLD, one life at a time!! **Pick up your BABY BOTTLE after Mass at the Respect Life table in the Narthex the first two weekends in October.**



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