

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 31, 2010



celebrates

Scout Sunday

A Scout is Reverent

*February 7, 2010
12:30 pm Mass*

*You are invited to join us in celebration of Scout Sunday.
ALL Scouts of the parish are encouraged to attend this wonderful
service that recognizes the Scouts of our parish.*

*Scouts should wear their full uniforms to Mass (no caps).
Religious emblems will be awarded to those scouts who recently
completed their religious emblem requirements.*

Please join us to recognize their achievements.

*A reception for Scouts of the parish will be held in Rooms 3/6 of the
Religious Education building after the Mass.*

Scout Sunday tradition was started to make people in church aware of Scouting, and to allow Scouts to live out parts of what is pledged each week.

The Scout Law says that a "Scout is Reverent", and Scouts of all ages promise to do their "Duty to God". These values strengthen youth character in their family, community and faith.

PASTOR
Rev. Jack Durkin
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Rev. Mr. John Koppelaar
Rev. Mr. Ed Rademacher
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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

RECONCILIATION
By Appointment or
Mon. & Tues.
5:45pm-6:15pm
Sat.
3:45pm- 5:00pm
1st Fri. of month
6:30pm-7:00pm
1st Sat. of month
8:30am-8:50am
1st Sun. of month
After the 8:30am &
10:30am Masses

OFFICE HOURS
9:45am- 4:30pm

Masses For The Week	
Saturday	January 30
9:00 am	Eddie Connor (D) <i>By The McLaughlin Family</i>
5:30 pm	Delia Mendoza (SI) <i>By Martha and Alan Jones</i>
Sunday	January 31
8:30 am	The People of St. Monica
10:30 am	Charlotte Mitnick (D) <i>By New Horizons</i>
12:30 pm	Frank Smith (D) <i>By Karen and Mark Lastufka</i>
5:30 pm	Norma Askew (D) <i>By Gerard and Madeline Murphy</i>
Monday	February 1
9:00 am	Debbie Gutherie (SI) <i>By Carol Fuller</i>
6:30 pm	Agnes Hura (D) <i>By Lou Bombino</i>
Tuesday	February 2
9:00 am	Brett Swanson (SI) <i>By Richard and Rhonda Brock</i>
6:30 pm	Mass of Thanksgiving (SI) <i>By Josette Mathieu</i>
Wednesday	February 3
6:30 am	Hannah Kelley (SI) <i>By Richard and Rhonda Brock</i>
9:00 am	Jack Keefe (D) <i>By Carl and Cheri Goehmann</i>
Thursday	February 4
6:30 am	Special Intention
9:00 am	Agnes Hura (D) <i>By Marge MacPhee</i>
Friday	February 5
9:00 am	Dominick Battaglioli (D) <i>By Eleanor Battaglioli</i>
12:10 am	Linda Boyers (D) <i>By Dottie and Bill Ouimette</i>
Saturday	February 6
9:00 am	Our Parish Deacons
5:30 pm	Nell Elizabeth Pina (D) <i>By Joan Wunderle</i>
Sunday	February 7
8:30 am	Charlotte Mitnick (D) <i>By Dolores Kruzal</i>
10:30 am	The People of St. Monica
12:30 pm	Elizabeth Norton (D) <i>By The Lin Family</i>
5:30 pm	Ken Marion (D) <i>By Mary Anne Lehman</i>



Contributions from January 17, 2010

Contributions	\$35,059.85
Actual Budget Need	\$34,057.70
Children's envelopes- \$52.00	29 Envelopes

There are 2438 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, Don Strohmeyer, Jane Kerns, Ed Dahlquist, Gloria Jean Verret, Adriana Monsalve, Ronnie Blankenship, Jane Kerns, Monsignor Bill Hoffman, and Al Lepore. And for friends and family who have gone before us including Jack Sullivan, Jeri Michels, Clara Julian, Bill Foster, Robert Ambreau, Jordan Woods, and Glenda Eaton, 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 Ouellette at 770-271-2349 or at julie_ouellette@mindspring.com. You can be notified of prayer intentions via e-mail or Calling Post.

Readings for the Week of January 31, 2010

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Lk 4:21-30
Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138; 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 5:1-11



DONUTS NEXT WEEK!

Sunday, February 7th, after the 8:30 Mass, we will have donuts, coffee and fellowship! **This ministry will occur every first Sunday of the month.** Come to Lyke Hall in the RE building and join us for fellowship, a good cup of coffee and a delicious treat.



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



First Friday Adoration – Adoration for First Friday will be this Friday, February 5th after the 9:00am Mass.

Family Holy Hour is this Friday, February 5th from 4 -5pm. "There is joy that is granted to those who worship You for Your own sake, and for whom You Yourself are joy. This is the happy life, to rejoice over You, and because of You: this it is, and there is no other." -St. Augustine.

The Nursery is open after the 8:30 and 10:30 Masses each Sunday. This is open for anyone to use on a co-op basis. Please consider volunteering your time for this wonderful ministry. Contact Anne at the parish office.

Religious Education News

Middle School News

On site events are held on Saturday nights after the 5:30 pm Mass. Service projects & socials are also held on Saturday nights. Please check the Bulletin for proper times and Dates. Have a blessed Christmas!!

February 6 – Journey with Joseph! LIFE event credit offered.

February 24 – Planning meeting for parents and core 7:15 pm in the RE building

February 27- Service Project– Super Service Saturday, time, TBD

March 6– Learn about St. Peter– live life on the Rock!

March 16***NET (National Evangelization Team) Retreat Lyke Hall. This is a special event where a team of young adults come from all over the country to give this retreat. 5:00pm– 9:00pm. Cost: \$20.00 per participant.

WOW– Word of the Week

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| Grade 1 | Son of God | Grade 5 | Attributes of God |
| Grade 2 | Jesus Christ | Grade 6 | Salvation |
| Grade 3 | Paschal Mystery | Grade 7 | Dogma of Faith |
| Grade 4 | Original Sin | Grade 8 | Liturgy |

SAVE THE DATE:

April 24th– Catechist and Family Appreciation Dinner– dinner, dancing and music! Begins at 6:30pm

RAINBOWS, a weekly support group for children who have experienced a significant loss or change in their lives such as death, divorce, or remarriage, will start February 9th at 7:00pm at Saint Monica’s. This is a 12 week program occurring each Tuesday night. For more information, contact Anne Hennessy at 678-584-9947 ext 16.

KIDS– Spend five minutes thinking about Jesus’ love for you! He loves you!

Volunteers are needed for our upcoming LIFE Event– Lenten Traditions on Saturday, Feb. 13th (This is an Open House format from 10am-1pm)
 We are in need of many volunteers at the following times: 9:30am-11:30am or 11:30am-1:30pm.
 You may volunteer at both times if you wish. **Please let me know which time(s) you prefer. Contact Carol at Carol@saintmonicas.com.**



Sunday night Youth Groups are immediately following the 5:30pm Mass until 8:30pm.

Upcoming Life Nights

- Jan. 31st: Vita Nox: Love the Lord with all your heart, and love your neighbor as yourself!
- Feb. 7th: **SUPER BOWL SUNDAY PARTY!** Come hang out as we watch the Super Bowl and have other Games as well!
- Feb. 14th: Valentines Day Dance! Bring friends, it’s going to be a blast!
- Feb. 21st: JASON EVERT, Internationally known speaker talking on *Romance without Regret!*
- Feb. 21st: PARENT SESSION w/ JASON EVERT @ 3pm! *Raising Chaste Teens*



Pizza and Prayer is every Wednesday from 6:30-8:30pm! Join us this spring for pizza, fellowship and prayer as we strive for holiness and address the 7 Capital Sins: how they impact our lives and world and what we can do to overcome them to be saints!

GUYS and GALS RETREAT

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR MEN’S AND WOMEN’S RETREATS! Start raising now ! We are going to COVECREST and the dates are February 26th – 28th (Guys) and March 26th – 28th (Gals)! Forms are available in the lobby of the RE Building.

Save the Date! Jason Evert, internationally known chastity speaker, is coming to St. Monica’s Youth Group on Sunday, February 21st! Parents are strongly encouraged to attend!

CALLING ALL PARENTS, who are the primary catechists of their children; Jason Evert wants to speak to YOU at 3 PM on Sunday, Feb. 21st! Come to St. Monica’s for a parent session on “Raising Chaste Teens” with Jason. He will be available for any questions you may have!

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 Parents: 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

Summer Schedules for youth group trips are already out for teens and spots are going to fill up quick. Secure your spot with a down payment and see Courtney for more details about Steubenville Atlanta, CoveCrest Summer Camp and more!

Schedule for the Week

Sunday		January 31	
Nursery	8:30am & 10:30am		
PreK-K	8:30am & 10:30am		
Inquiry	8:30am		7
OCIC	8:30am		12/13
Catechumen	8:30am	Lyke Hall	
Special Needs	9:30am		11
Children's Inquiry	11:45am		12/13,11
Confirmation	3:00pm	Lyke Hall	
Youth Group	after 5:30 Mass		
Monday		February 1	
Cub Scout Dens	6:00pm	1,2,4,5,7,8,10	
Career Network Center	6:30pm	Lyke Hall	
BSA	7:00pm		3/6, 11
Tuesday		February 2	
Total Consecration	6:30pm		15
Great Adventures Facil.	7:00pm		10
Holy Hour	7:15pm	Church	
Wednesday		February 3	
Seekers	10:00am	Lyke Hall	
RE CLASSES	4:30pm & 6:30pm		
Pizza & Prayer	6:30pm	Narthex/Church	
Thursday		February 4	
RESCUE	10:00am		8
Children's Choir	6:00pm	Church	
Great Adventures	7:00pm	Narthex	
SVdP	7:00pm		1
Adult Choir	7:30pm	Church, Lyke Hall	
Friday		February 5	
Great Adventures	10:00am	Lyke Hall	
Saturday		February 6	
First Confessions	10:00am-12:00pm	Church	
WEDS Dinner/Dance	after 5:30 Mass	Narthex	
MSYG	6:30pm	Lyke Hall	

**SCOUT SUNDAY MASS -
FEBRUARY 7, 2010 - 12:30pm Mass**

All Scouts of St. Monica (Cub & Boy Scouts, Brownies & Girl Scouts, American Heritage Girls, ...) are invited to attend and participate in this special Mass that recognizes the Scouts of our parish. Scouts should wear full uniforms to Mass (**no caps**). If interested in participating, please contact Karen Adams at gta-dams@att.net or (770) 831-7727. A Scout Reception will follow after Mass in **Room 3/6**.

St. Monica's Career Network group will hold their first meeting of 2010 at 6:30pm on Monday, February 1st in Lyke Hall. The ministry is in need of new volunteers who are willing to give a small amount of their time to serve as Job Search Coaches. Attendance at the bi-monthly meetings is not required to serve as a Job Search Coach. If you are feeling called to serve others in our parish and want to celebrate the blessing of your own employment, please consider joining this important ministry. Anyone interested can get more information and sign up with Paige Barry in the Narthex after Mass.

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.



COME celebrate your love at ST. MONICA'S annual Valentine Dance/Catered Dinner & Vow Renewal on Saturday evening, February 6th. Tickets are \$25 per person and will be on sale after Masses— look for our table in the Narthex. The event is sponsored by St. Monica's WEDS group.

Are you getting the maximum enjoyment from your Greatest Gift: your Spouse??

For "Take-Home Lessons" join us for a romantic Weekend Retreat February 19 - 21 or April 23-25 at the Marriott Norcross.

You can register or learn other dates at www.wmearlanta.org or call Bob & Joy Lambie at 770-587-1506.

We also offer Spanish speaking weekends. Call Esteban & Gloria Nolasco at 770-425-1328 for those dates.

World Wide Marriage Encounter -
Making Good Marriages Great



CAN YOU SPARE ONE DAY

out of your year for the children of our parish? If so, consider volunteering as a catechist for our pre-k and kindergarten children. While the classes are every Sunday, the total commitment time equals approximately one day out of your year, and the rewards are eternal! We are in desperate need of catechists for our 10:30am classes. Please contact Katherine Milby at 678-584-9947 ext. 22 for more details.

MAGNIFICAT PRAYER BREAKFAST for all Catholic women will be held Saturday, February 20, 2010, 9:30-12:30 at Killian Hall, 908 Killian Hill Rd., Lilburn, GA 30047. In this Year for Priests, our speaker will be Father Timothy Gallagher, parochial vicar at St. Pius X in Conyers, who was ordained in June 2009. Father Timothy will speak about how Mary's intercession and guidance was decisive for him in embracing the mystery of the Church, hearing the call to Christ's priesthood and saying yes to his priestly vocation. **Reservations are \$10. Please mail check, payable to Magnificat, by Feb. 10 to: Lynda Cupell, 2140 Briarwillow Dr., Atlanta, GA 30345. No ticket will be sent back. Your name will be on a sign-in reservation list at the door. Advance reservations are required. Please carpool if possible. For information call Lynda Cupell 404-634-8303.**

LIFE Events Reminder:

All students in grades 1st-8th are required to attend 8 LIFE Events each school year to receive credit for Religious Education at our parish.

"LIFE Events are the way we learn together, pray together, get to know one another, and celebrate!"

Please find the Schedule and Attendance Record on the counter under "LIFE Events" in the Religious Education Building.

Parents maintain their child's LIFE Event Attendance Record which should be completed and submitted by May 31, 2010.

Please contact Carol - carol@saintmonicas.com - with any questions.

Upcoming LIFE Events:

Feb. 5th, 4pm - Family Holy Hour, First Friday Adoration

Feb. 13th, 10am-1pm (Open House format) - Lenten Traditions- Note: There is no sign-up for Lenten Traditions this year.

Interested in Joining the Festival Committee

Our 2010 Festival date is April 17. We are ready to begin planning for this year's event.

If you have ideas that you'd like to work with us on, to help the continued growth of this "Family Day", please contact Doug Schwendy at schwendyd@bellsouth.net or 770 831-0437.

St. Monica's Career Network Ministry – Little Flower Job Search Assistance

If you, a friend or family member is unemployed or under-employed please join St. Monica's Career Network ministry. This year we will offer a structured curriculum based on 50-250-1000. To learn more about this new job search methodology, please join us at 6:30pm in Lyke Hall on Monday, February 1st. Prior to the meeting you can get access to job leads and current job search news and articles on LinkedIn – our group is called Little Flower Job Search Assistance. All are welcome.

This ministry is also seeking volunteers to serve as Job Search Coaches. You can be a Job Search Coach with just a small donation of your time. You do not need to be available to attend the bi-monthly meetings to be a Job Search Coach. For any information regarding this ministry please contact Paige Barry at paigebarry@yahoo.com or 678-327-1707.

ATTENTION QUILTERS!!!!!!

Do you have an interest in quilting?

Any level: Beginners, Intermediate or Advanced. Please contact Eileen De Ville @ (770) 962-3379 or email:eiquilt@earthlink.net.

We are in need of nursery volunteers at the 8:30 and 10:30 Masses. If you or someone you know would like to volunteer contact Anne Hennessy for more details. Teens are welcome as well!

The Rosary is prayed before Masses:

8:30am Monday through Saturday

6:00pm Monday and Tuesday

6:00am Wednesday

Please come join us in prayer.



We will be collecting last year's palms until February 14th. We will burn the palms and use the ashes for Ash Wednesday. Please bring in your palms and leave them in the baskets in the Narthex.

Atlanta Regional Divine Mercy Conference

There will be a special Divine Mercy Conference at St. Philip Benizi's Catholic Church in Jonesboro on February 15th from 9am to 6pm. The speakers include Divine Mercy expert Fr. Seraphim Michalenko, MIC from the National Shrine of Divine Mercy and Fr. Pablo Straub, CSSR who is also frequently seen on EWTN Catholic TV. The \$50 registration fee includes a light breakfast, lunch, and a chance to win a life-sized framed Divine Mercy image. Register before February 12th at www.MercySunday.com or call 1-888-732-0722. Priests will be admitted for free in honor of the "Year for Priests".

MASS OF THE TINY INNOCENTS – FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2010

For all those who have suffered a pregnancy or newborn loss for any reason, a Mass of the Tiny Innocents will be celebrated at St. John Neumann in Lilburn on Friday, February 5th at 7:00 p.m. This Mass will be said in loving memory of those who have died due to miscarriage, abortion, stillbirth or neonatal death. The liturgy commits its tiny children to the re-birth and eternal happiness of their Father while respecting the privacy of the family. For those who would like their baby's name(s) included in the program, please contact Debbie Milewski at saintdebbie@bellsouth.net or call (404) 888-7821 by Monday, February 1. If a baby has not been named or if discretion is desired, "Baby _____" is perfectly appropriate.

St. John Neumann Regional Catholic School – If you missed our Open House, please contact the school for a tour or more information – crusader@sjnracs.org or 770-381-0557. Applications are available now for the 2010-2011 school year.

The Italian-American Club, La Societa' Italiana, will be selling raffle tickets to benefit Our Lady of Perpetual Cancer Home after Mass this weekend, January 30th and January 31st. First Prize is 6 Business Class Domestic Round Trip Tickets on Air Tran and Second Prize is 4. All proceeds goes to OLPH so please be generous.

Severe Weather closing information, if Gwinnett County Schools are closed- all activities at the church are cancelled for that day and evening. This is done for the safety of our parishioners. If the Gwinnett County authorities deem that the road conditions are not safe to travel we abide by their decisions. Safety of the children and the adults is our primary reason for having this policy.

CANCELLATION INFORMATION WILL BE POSTED ON 11ALIVE TV AND ON 11ALIVE.COM INTERNET SITE.

**Pine Straw Fundraiser
Boy Scouts of America, Troop 827
Catholic Church of St. Monica
\$4.25 per bale, 10 bale minimum for
Free Curbside Delivery**

Thursday March 4th-Saturday March 6th

Orders Due by February 20th, 2010 to Troop 827

Return completed order form with payment to a

Troop 827 scout or return to Boy Scout Mail Box located in the Volunteer Room:

Check Payable to BSA Troop 827

Questions: Contact Steve Hilscher 678-542-9737

Troop 827 at Catholic Church of St. Monica

1700 Buford Hwy.

Duluth, GA 30097

All proceeds will support the activities of the scouts of BSA Troop 827

Thank you for your support of Scouting!!!

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ **Zip Code**_____

Phone Number_____

Subdivision_____

Directions_____

bales ordered_____ **@ \$4.25/bale Enclosed total**_____

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