

NOVEMBER 17, 2019



33<sup>rd</sup>

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed."

- Lk 21:16-18

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**DAILY MASS** **MON, TUE, & WED** 8:00 am St. Lucy **THURS & FRI** 8:15 am St. Monica **SAT** 8:00 am St. Monica  
**WEEKEND SAT** 4:00 pm (Vigil) both parishes **SUN** 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30 am St. Monica, 9:00 and 11:00 am St. Lucy

# Welcome

**We're glad you're here!**

New to our community? We're so happy you joined us this weekend and we'd love to have you worship with us regularly. Come discover the peace that comes from following our Lord Jesus.



## St. Monica School Christmas Fair

Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>  
9AM - 6PM

St. Monica School Hall  
212 Lawrence St., Methuen

**Games Galore**—Reindeer Races, Turducken, Children's Punchboard, Plinko, Santa's Wheel of Prizes and more!

**Incredible Raffles**—Baskets, Gift Cards

**Sweet Shoppe**—homemade treats, decorate your own gingerbread person

**Santa's Workshop**—Make a special craft and ornaments

**Country Kitchen**—Stop by for lunch and snacks all day long!

Park here for the Parade and come visit us after!

We will also have a Special Raffle with the following prizes:

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**Night Away in the White Mountains**

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### ST. LUCY BLESSED VIRGIN MARY SODALITY



The next Sodality Mass will be at 11:00 am on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> followed by our Annual Christmas Lunch in the church hall.

Yankee Swap \$10.00 Gift! Be creative!!! Please give your name by Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> if you are attending. Contact Ursula Maggio at 978-628-3419.

A Memorial Mass on behalf of the deceased members of the St. Monica Knights of Columbus will be celebrated on November 24 at the 11:30 AM Sunday Mass at St. Monica's.

### COLLABORATIVE-WIDE



## CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>

4:00 - 5:00 pm St. Monica Church

We will begin practice soon. If your child is interested in participating, please call the Parish Offices at (978) 683-1193. We are also hoping to form a combined children's choir as part of the service.

### ST. LUCY & ST. MONICA ULTREYA



Tuesday November 26, 2019

(Every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the Month)

7:00 - 8:30 PM

St. Lucy Church Hall

All St. Lucy and St. Monica parishioners are invited to take part in a monthly Ultraya. This Spanish word means "Onward!" "Persevere!" "Hang in There!" Words of encouragement to each other as we travel on life's journey. Ultraya this month will begin with Liturgy and singing and includes voluntary sharing in small, intimate, and confidential groups, and fellowship and refreshments that signify Christian hospitality. Our guest speaker this month is our dear friend Nikki Hancock. She will offer a personal witness of what life was like before Cursillo and how it is now after the Cursillo experience. Come support our dear friend!

Photos from the Veteran's Day Memorial Mass on Nov 9 at St. Lucy Parish



Saint Lucy Parish  
Annual Turkey Shoot

Sunday, 11/24/2019

1:00 - 4:00 pm  
in the parish hall

Please join us for a  
fun-filled afternoon!





**Saint Vincent de Paul  
Annual Giving Tree**

Our St. Vincent de Paul Society Giving Tree will be placed at the rear of the church at St. Monica's during Thanksgiving week. The tree helps to enable our parish's community to assist our parish's families in need and bring the light and love of Our Lord into this special time of year. Tags listing specific gift requests are placed on the tree and we encourage you, if you are able, to take one or more tags and purchase the item(s) listed. **The gifts should be returned unwrapped, or in a gift bag, with the tag attached to the gift, and placed under the tree no later than Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>.**

If you have any questions, please direct them to Pat Wilkens, Nativity Program Coordinator, at 978-686- 9573. Thank you.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society  
YES I CAN PROGRAM**

We are in need of canned beans, canned spaghetti, canned soups, cereal, peanut butter, and jelly.  
*Donations can be dropped off anytime in the baskets located at the entrances to both churches.*

**WEEKLY FAITH ENCOURAGEMENT**

From dark clouds  
we get precious water...  
From dark mines  
we get precious jewels...  
And from our darkest  
trials come our best  
Blessings from  
God.



**Advent Tree of Light**

Once again St. Lucy Parish will partner with Lazarus House in assisting families over the Christmas Holiday. The Advent Tree of Light will be located at the main entrance of St. Lucy Church from **November 25<sup>th</sup> to December 9<sup>th</sup>**. Tags will be placed on the tree for specific requests. If you are able, please make another family's Christmas brighter by taking a tag and purchasing the item requested. **Please do not wrap the gifts.** Place the gift in a gift bag and place the tag on the outside of the bag. Leave the gift bags in the rear of the Church. **All gifts must be returned by December 11.** Gifts received after December 11<sup>th</sup> will be held for next year.

Please call Annette Autiello at 978-683-5159 or 508-783-1544 with any questions. Thank you.

St. Monica and St. Lucy Parishes would like to welcome you to our  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Christmas Eve Social**

Tuesday, December 24, 2019  
immediately following the 4 p.m. Mass  
(around 5:15 – 7pm) in St. Monica's School Hall

**Pot Luck** – Bring an appetizer, entrée or dessert to share (If it's a dish best served warm, please bring your crock pot or hot plate – no Sternos) Water and punch will be provided.

**Yankee Swap** – Bring a wrapped gift to exchange (optional). The gift should be worth approximately \$10. Something you have at home that you think someone might like – this is just for fun!

**Christmas Caroling** – as time allows until 7pm

Santa's helpers to set up and/or tidy up would be greatly appreciated!  
No need to rsvp – just come if you can – we'd love to have you join us! All are welcome.  
Any questions, email [debralori338@gmail.com](mailto:debralori338@gmail.com)

**ST. MONICA PARISH**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16**

**8:00 am** Joseph O'Neil  
**4:00 pm** Mario Forzese

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17**

**7:30 am** Joan Coulon  
**9:30 am** John Adam Pynn  
 Paul Frechette  
 Hannagan Family  
 Brian Moschetto  
**11:30 am** Deborah D'Iorio and deceased  
 members of the D'Iorio, Leone,  
 and Savina Families

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21**

**8:15 am** Dick Doherty

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22**

**8:15 am** Rita Doherty

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23**

**8:00 am** Yvette Moran and Don Lavigne  
 Joan Coulon  
**4:00 pm** Anthony J. Vittorioso

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

**7:30 am** People of St. Monica and  
 St. Lucy Parishes  
**9:30 am** Richard and Margaret McCarron  
 Nancy Tardif  
 Georgette Gagnon  
 Noreen Rourke  
 James Goodwin  
 Jeffrey T. Middlemiss  
 Joseph H. Petelle  
**11:30 am** Deceased members of the St. Monica  
 Knights of Columbus

**ST. LUCY PARISH**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16**

**4:00 pm** Perry, Clara, Steven, and Beverly Autiello

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17**

**9:00 am** People of St. Lucy and St. Monica Parishes  
**11:00 am** Domenic and Giuseppe Rotonelli  
 Walter Cheltowski and Stella Daly  
 Vincent and Mary McCarthy  
 Stephanie Abraham  
 John Raineri and Raymond Latulippe Jr.  
 James Brady  
 Joseph and Virginia Hajjar  
 Maria Grazia and Giuseppe Consoli

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18**

**8:00 am** Peter and Lucy Maciariello  
 Gerald and Carmela Rapa

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19**

**8:00 am** Joseph and Mary Augeri

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20**

**8:00 am** Salomea Rembisz

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23**

**4:00 pm** Al and Margaret DeLuca  
 Sandra DeLuca  
 Carmen DeLuca

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

**9:00 am** Helene Giordano  
**11:00 am** Fr. Charles Squeglia, Antonio and Milly Ferraro,  
 Antonio and Philomena Squeglia  
 William Hitchmoth  
 Real Taschereau and Gerard Taschereau  
 Joseph Lambert  
 Joseph Rigoli  
 Anne Angelari  
 Maria Arasi  
 Gisele Hebert  
 Nick and Linda Ciambella

**Observances for the week of November 17, 2019**

Monday: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter  
 and Paul, Apostles;  
 St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin  
 Thursday: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
 Friday: St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr  
 Saturday: St. Clement I, Pope & Martyr;  
 St. Columban, Abbot; Bl. Miguel Agustín  
 Pro, Priest & Martyr  
 Next Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

*“You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives,  
 and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will  
 be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your  
 head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you  
 will secure your lives.” — LK 21:16-19*

**GIVE**

**ST. MONICA PARISH**

11/10/19 regular offertory: \$8,642.00

There is only one collection this weekend, our regular  
 Sunday offering. The second collection next weekend is  
 for our retired religious sisters.

**ST. LUCY PARISH**

11/10/19 regular offertory: \$7,054.00

There is only one collection this weekend, our regular  
 Sunday offering. The second collection next weekend is  
 for our retired religious sisters.

Thank you for your generous contribution to the mission of our parishes.

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

- **Men's Guild Meeting** 9:00 am St. Lucy Church Hall
- **Faith Formation at St. Monica's**
- **Alpha** 10:30 AM St. Monica School Hall
- **RCIA Class** 10:00 am St. Lucy School House
- **Confirmation 2 Meeting** 12:45 pm St. Monica School Hall
- **Baptisms** 1:00 pm St. Lucy Church
- **Confirmation 1 Meeting** 2:30 pm St. Monica School Hall

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

- **Commission to Aid our Brothers and Sisters in Need Meeting** 9:30 am St. Monica House
- **Tea and Treasure** 11:30am St. Monica House
- **Advent Penance Service** 12:30pm St. Monica Church
- **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Faith Formation** 4pm St. Monica House
- **Rosary Prayer Group** 6:00 pm St. Monica Church

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

- **Alpha Night Session** 6:15 pm St. Lucy Church Hall

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

- **Prayer and Study** - Join us in reading "A Story of a Soul, Autobiography of St. Therese of Lisieux" 10am St. Monica House
- **Friendship Club** 1:00 pm St. Monica House
- **Knights of Columbus Meeting** 6:30pm St. Monica School Hall

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21

- **Holy Hour: Adoration, Confessions, and Evening Prayer** 6:00 - 7:00pm St. Lucy Church
- **Finance Council** 7:15 pm St. Lucy School House

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

- **Adoration** after the 8:15 am Mass until 5:30pm St. Monica Church
- **Confessions** 4:30 - 5:30 pm St. Monica Church

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

- **Faith2fitt** 8 am St. Lucy School House
- **Christmas Fair** 9:00 am - 6:00 pm St. Monica Parking Lot
- **Choir Rehearsal** 2:30 pm St. Monica Church
- **Confessions** 3- 3:45pm St. Monica Church & St. Lucy Church
- **Choir Rehearsal** 3:15 pm St. Lucy Church

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

- **Faith Formation at St. Lucy's**
- **Confirmation 2 Meeting** 12:45 pm St. Monica School Hall
- **Turkey Shoot** 1:00 - 4:00pm St. Lucy Church Hall

## PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for **Shirley H., Noreen, Gerry, Kay, Jeff, Pat, Sabrina B., Nicolas, Ellen B., Nina B., Chloe, Kari N., Sylvia H., Kathleen L., Justin N., and John W.**

Please pray for **Noreen Rourke, Rose M. D'Agati, Joseph Menihane, Ralph D. Thibault, Carole Thompson, and Stephen Getchell Sr.** whose Funeral Masses were recently celebrated at our parishes. May their soul and the souls of all our faithful departed rest in peace.

## IN LOVING MEMORY

**Roses for Life for this week**

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**Every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month**

6:00 - 7:00 pm in St. Lucy Church

**Fridays** beginning after the 8:15 am Mass until 5:30 pm in St. Monica Chapel

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month**

6:00 - 7:00 pm in St. Lucy Church

**Fridays** 4:30 - 5:30 pm St. Monica Chapel

**Saturdays** 3:00 - 3:45 pm

St. Monica Chapel & St. Lucy Church



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Choir Director/Lead Cantor - St. Lucy  
Weekend Organist - St. Lucy  
Facilities Manager (St. Lucy) & RCIA Coordinator

**BAPTISMS** Please call the parish office. St. Monica: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. of the month @ 1pm | St. Lucy: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. of the Month @ 1pm

**MARRIAGES** Please call the Parish Offices at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date and before booking a reception hall.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE** Mondays @ 10 am. Please email all bulletin notices to [methuencatholicnews@gmail.com](mailto:methuencatholicnews@gmail.com)

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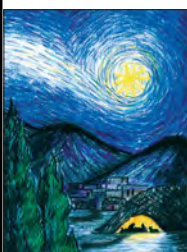
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