



July 29, 2018

17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. MONICA PARISH ST. LUCY PARISH

RENEW, REBUILD, AND REACH OUT: DISCIPLES IN HEARTFELT COMMUNION WITH JESUS CHRIST

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Welcome!

We're glad you could join us this weekend.

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. Contact us at the parish offices so we can get to know each other better. (978) 683-1193 or (978) 686-3311.

"YES I CAN" PROGRAM

WE CAN USE... canned fruits, Hamburger Helper, rice sides, canned spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, mashed potatoes, and cereal.

Donations can be dropped off anytime in the baskets located at the entrances to both churches.

Join us as *Fr. Darin Colarusso* is installed as pastor of **St. Lucy and St. Monica Parishes**

Saturday, August 4

Installation Mass at 4:00 pm
St. Monica Church

followed by refreshments in the school hall

Sunday, August 5

Installation Mass at 11:00 am
St. Lucy Church

followed by refreshments in the lower hall



The **St. Padre Pio Prayer Group** will meet on Tuesday, August 7th from 6:30-8:30pm in the chapel of St. Monica's Church. In addition to the recitation of the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet, the evening's topic of discussion will be "Continuing to explore what the Catholic Church Teaches Us". A St. Padre Pio relic is available for veneration. Visitors are always welcome.

Program for Adults desiring to receive the Sacraments

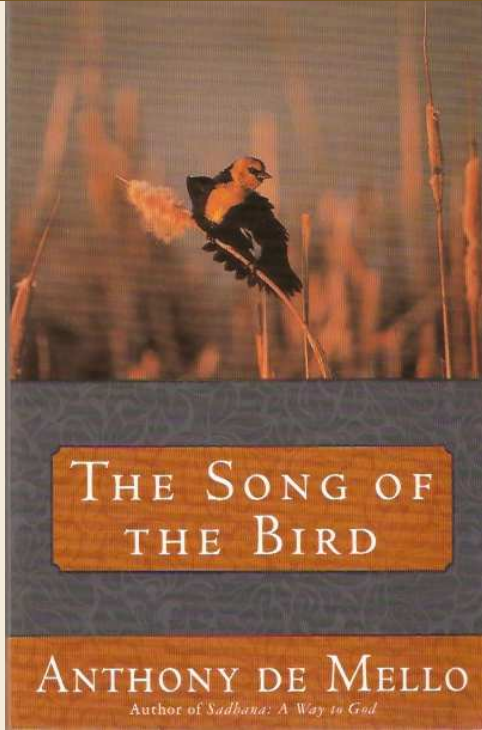
Sessions will be offered for any adults interested in our Catholic faith and in becoming a member of the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation, a program commonly known as RCIA.

Sessions will begin in the Fall at the St. Lucy Parish Schoolhouse. Any questions please contact Kevin Fitzgerald, at 978-686-3311 or Bonnie Bonanno at 978-609-7307.

The Parish Office will be closing at 12:30 on Fridays for the remainder of the summer.

BOOK RECOMMENDATION FOR THE WEEK

A dialogue between a recent convert and an unbelieving friend: "So you have been converted to Christ?" "Yes." "Then you must know a great deal about him. Tell me: What country was he born in?" "I don't know."



"What was his age when he died?" "I don't know." "How many sermons did he preach?" "I don't know." "You certainly know very little for a man who claims to be converted to Christ!" "You are right. I am ashamed at how little I know about him. But this much I do know: Three years ago I was a drunkard. I was in debt. My family was falling to pieces. My wife and children would dread my return home each evening. But now I have given up drink; we are out of debt; ours is now a happy home. All this Christ has done for me. This much I know of him!" To really know. That is, to be transformed by what one knows. - Anthony De Mello, pg. 112, an excerpt from The Song of the Bird (Publisher: Image Books, Doubleday).

This book can be purchased at <https://smile.amazon.com> If you purchase the book from this link and choose St. Monica School as the organization to support, 0.5% of your purchase will go to our school.



Our Pilgrimage to THE HOLY LAND

November 1st to November 13th, 2018

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SATURDAYS 7:30-8:30AM



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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Join the Knights in enjoying an evening watching America's favorite pastime.

August 25

Lowell Spinners vs Vermont Lake Monsters

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Password: methuen

Save the Date!

60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF

St. Lucy Parish

Saturday, October 20, 2018

5:30 PM Social Hour | 6:30 PM Dinner

Michael's Function Hall, 12 Alpha St., Haverhill, MA

Full Course Family Style Dinner
Donation: \$50 | Music and Dancing to follow

The committee is seeking any pictures or memorabilia from past years. Please call (978) 771 - 2150

Tables of 10 are available! For tickets, please call 978-771-2150 or 978-794-4856

HOLY MASS with Bishop Hennessey

October 20 at 4:00 p.m. in the church

Next week's second collection is for Catholic Relief Services. This collection supports emergency relief, human development, and peace initiatives in countries around the world. The funds from this Collection provide food to the hungry, services for victims of human trafficking, support to displaced refugees, and show Christ's love and respect to all people. The collection funds the ministries of six Catholic Church organizations: Catholic Relief Services (CRS), Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC), Migration and Refugee Services (MRS), the Department of Justice, Peace, and Human Development, the Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church, and the Holy Father's Relief Fund. For more information, please visit www.usccb.org/crscollection.

Observances for the Week of July 29, 2018

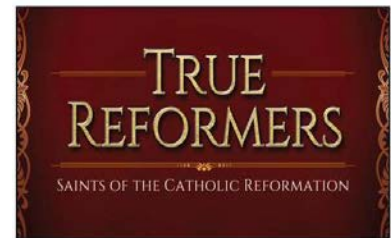
- Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
- Tuesday: St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
- Wednesday: St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
- Thursday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest
- Saturday: St. John Vianney, Priest

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

True Reformers: St. Ignatius of Loyola

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In this episode of the True Reformers series, meet St. Ignatius of Loyola, a soldier in Spain whose conversion led him to find the Jesuit order and offer the Church a new spirituality of devoted service to Christ.



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If you have any questions, please contact Bonnie Doherty at (978) 270 - 3366 or bonnieocds@gmail.com.

To quickly register for Formed please go to methuencatholic.formed.org. We encourage you to extend an invitation to family and friends.

Access Code for our parishes: 9772VM



Please pray for **Paul Ruggiero** and **Irene Naylor** whose Funeral Masses were recently celebrated at our parishes. May their soul and the souls of all our faithful departed rest in peace.

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5th ANNUAL SAINT BASIL'S ANNUAL FESTIVAL
مهرجان عيد الرب (التجلي)
Feast of the Transfiguration
Saturday & Sunday August 4 & 5, 2018

Rain or Shine !!! Come and Enjoy the Tremendous Day with Us.

FESTIVAL
Saturday: 4:00pm - Midnight
Sunday: Noon - Midnight
Sunday Mass: 11:00 am

Ayad Atallah Saturday
Andre Keedy Sunday

Entertainment

Meal Options

Mashawy Hamburgers Hotdogs Chicken Kabab Hummus Tabouleh
Shawarma Watermelon Pastry Soft Drinks American & Turkish Coffee

Mass INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 28

8:00 am (multiple intentions)
Michael Mulligan

4:00 pm Joan Gallo

Sunday, July 29

7:30 am John F. Houlihan

9:30 am (multiple intentions)
Virginia Jackson
John K. Foster Jr.
Kayla Bertolami
Joseph Belluardo
Scott Latulippe
Michael Chesna

11:30 am John Manning

Thursday, August 2

7:00 am Christine Ferguson

Friday, August 3

7:00 am

Saturday, August 4

8:00 am First Saturday
Marie Longo Baxter

4:00 pm Living and deceased
members of the Frappier and
Plourde Families

Sunday, August 5

7:30 am Parishioners of St. Lucy and
St. Monica Parishes

9:30 am (multiple intentions)
Eulalia Aguiar
Norma Ouellette
Irene M. Naylor
Virginia and Andrew Sullivan
Beverly Ann Burke

11:30 am Rita Chiara

ROSES FOR LIFE

Roses for Life have been donated in loving memory of

Theresa A. Rickley
Mrs. Audrey B. Cormier
Cecile and Peter Checovich
John K. Foster Jr.
Maria Arasi

If you would like to honor a loved one and support our activities, for a donation of \$10, we'll purchase a rose and place it in the vase before the statue of the Blessed Mother for a week. Please contact the parish office at (978)

OFFERTORY

July 15, 2018:

Regular Sunday Offering: \$ 10,463.00

There is only one collection this weekend, our regular Sunday offering. The second collection next weekend is for Catholic Relief Services. Thank you for your generous contribution to the mission of our parish.



The Sanctuary Candle for the month of **August** is given in loving memory
Richard Curtis.

For a donation of \$15, we will place the Sanctuary Candle in loving memory of your loved one. Please contact the parish office



**Mass
INTENTIONS**

Saturday, July 28

4:00 pm Jim Casey

Sunday, July 29

9:00 am Parishioners of St. Lucy and St. Monica Parishes

11:00 am Warren Finnis
Patrick Joyce
Lorraine Piccirillo
Al Duval
Gerry Sanford
Maria Parrino
Vito & Giuseppina Cunsolo
Maria Arasi
Jean-Guy Sirois
Helen Kalil
Rosemary Malowitz

Monday, July 30

8:00 am Judy Ferraro

Tuesday, July 31

8:00 am Brian and Michael McCafferty **(Living)**

Wednesday, August 1

8:00 am Charles Piro

Saturday, August 4

4:00 pm Deceased members of the Cafiso Family, Grelle Family, Maggio Family, and the Gagnon Family

Sunday, August 5

9:00 am Gaetana Polizzotti
11:00 am William Irving
Joan Constantine
Marie St. Pierre
Helen Fredette **(Living)**
Tony Waters
Phil and Jen Gangi
Rose Salafia
Mike and Libby Alaimo
Mark and Carol Gallagher
Dr. Frank Salafia

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY SODALITY



Special Meeting August 12 at 10:00 am

Craft Fair Meeting after the 9:00 A.M. Mass to discuss details of this year's Sodality Craft Fair. Please mark your calendar and try to make every effort to attend.

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Per order of the police and fire department, we ask that you please not park on the main road nor in designated "no parking" areas. This is for everyone's safety. Thank you for your understanding.

Please remember the poor when leaving Mass today. Donation boxes are located at the entrances to the church. Thank you for your



Save The Date!

Saturday, August 25, 2018

Scrub & Grub Event!

**Texas Road House
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**Car Wash will be from 12-3PM and
Dine Out will be from 11:30AM-6:00PM**

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BULLETIN DEADLINE: Mondays at 10 a.m. Please email all bulletin notices to methuencatholicnews@gmail.com

MARRIAGES. Please call the parish office at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date and before booking a reception hall. 9

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St. Lucy Parish

Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday through Wednesday 8:00 am

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:00pm (for Sunday)
Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:00 am

Holy Days of Obligation:

8:00 am, 12:30 pm, and 7:00 pm

St. Monica Parish

Daily Mass Schedule:

Thursday and Friday 7:00 am, Saturday 8:00 am

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:00 pm (for Sunday)
Sunday: 7:30 am/9:30 am/11:30 am

Holy Days of Obligation:

4:00pm (prior eve)/7:00 am and 10:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Monica Parish

Friday 6:30-7:30 pm
Saturday 3:00-3:45 pm

St. Lucy Parish

Tuesday 4:30-5:30 pm
Saturday 3:00-3:45 pm

and any time by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesdays: 1:30 - 4:30 pm St. Lucy Church
Fridays: 7:30 am - 7:30 pm St. Monica Chapel

For more information on Adoration at St. Monica's, please contact Bonnie Doherty at bonnieocds@gmail.com or (978) 270 - 3366
For St. Lucy's, please contact Ellen Wholley at (978) 682 - 8459. If school is cancelled due to weather, Adoration is also cancelled.

BAPTISMS. Please call the parish office.
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St. Lucy Parish: 3rd Saturday of the Month 12:30pm

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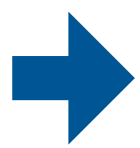
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