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CIES PLEASE CALL:
706-688-9870**

DAILY MASS

Monday 9:00 AM
Tuesday 12:15 PM
Wednesday 12:15 PM
Thursday No Mass
Friday 9:00 AM
(Adoration every Friday
9:30 AM—3:30 PM)

VIGIL MASS

Saturday 5:00 PM

SUNDAY MASSES

9:00 AM and 12:00 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday:
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Closed Thursdays
Weekly Staff Meeting:
Tuesdays at 10:00 AM
If you need to contact us please
leave a message.

www.St-Annas.com

1401 Alcovy Street
Monroe, GA 30656
GPS: 836 Monroe Jersey Rd

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM or by appointment.

INFANT BAPTISM

Catholic parent(s) must be active, registered and participate in a Baptism class, please call the office to schedule.

MARRIAGE

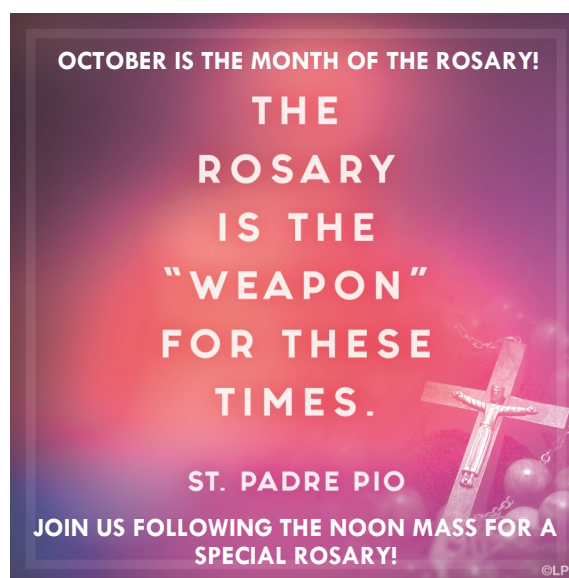
Call at least six months before proposed date. Catholics must be active and registered!

RCIA

Open to those inquiring about the Catholic Faith.

Tuesdays (Sept.-April) 7:00PM

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If you become aware of or have a reasonable suspicion of abuse you are required to report within 24 hours by Georgia law. **Reports of child abuse and neglect can be made by phone to 1-855-GA CHILD (1-855-422-4453) 24 hours/day, 7 days/week.** Archdiocesan policy **requires** a follow up letter to be sent to your local DFCS office detailing all the information provided to the intake center in order to keep records of our response to allegations of abuse. A copy of the letter also needs to be sent to the Office of Child and Youth Protection. If an allegation of abuse involves any member of the clergy, employee, or volunteer of the Archdiocese of Atlanta, you must contact the Office of the District Attorney and the Office of Child and Youth Protection in addition to DFCS within 24 hours.



October 1st, 2023 | Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time



Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM: Brianna Luti (D)
Sunday 9:00 AM: Dina Wisniewski (L)
Sunday 12:00 PM: St. Anna's Parishioners & Families
Monday 9:00 AM: No Daily Mass
Tuesday 12:15 PM: No Daily Mass
Wednesday 12:15 PM: No Daily Mass
Friday 9:00 AM: No Daily Mass

LIVE THE LITURGY *Inspiration for the week... God invites each of us to work in His vineyard, but it is our choice whether we "clock in" or stay home. Let us never fail to show up. It is the most important job we will ever have.*

Would you like to have a Mass said for a loved one? Contact the office to schedule a Mass! The graces that come with having a Mass said for a special intention are immeasurable. The Mass unites the Church Militant to the Church Triumphant. The intentions of the Mass are lifted by the Body of Christ in its entirety. These graces are especially important for the dead, as they can no longer pray for themselves.

SCHOOL OF RELIGION NEWS:

This weekend, Oct. 1st we will be teaching VIRTUS for our Third—Fifth Grade Students.

LITURGICAL LIVING:

October 1st-October 8th

Dear, St. Anna's Family: As your new DRE, I have a commitment to helping you live your faith out loud every day. As Catholics, we enjoy such a rich history of tradition. With that in mind, here's a heads up about some ways you can engage with your faith this week:

October 1st: St. Thérèse of Lisieux

St. Thérèse died of tuberculosis at age 24 and famously offered up her suffering on the day of her death for all the babies who would be baptized that day. One baby baptized that day was Giovanni Battista Montini, the future Pope Paul VI and author of *Humanae Vitae*. Visit the blog for ideas about how to celebrate this great saint and Doctor of the Church!

October 2nd: Holy Guardian Angels

The Guardian Angel Prayer: *Dear Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide.*

Visit the blog for a video about guardian angels and free printable coloring sheets!

October 6th: First Friday

The Church grants a plenary indulgence to those who attend Mass and receive Communion in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the First Friday of each month for nine consecutive months. See the blog for more information.

October 7th: Our Lady of the Rosary AND First Saturday

The Five First Saturdays Devotion is a request made by Our Lady of Fatima. See the blog for a full explanation.



OFFERTORY RECAP:

09/24/2023:

In Pew: \$3,838.50 | Online: \$8,228.79 | Total: \$12,067.29

ST. CECILIA'S CORNER:

For the month of October, I had originally intended to meditate on Mary in the liturgy. But some discussions have led me to write about the Church and the liturgy. Thus, I will give 4 little essays about the Church and the liturgy.

The Church exists to worship.

In the Vatican 2 document on the Church, the document professes that the Church is at its best when it is at worship. The Church exists to give praise to God and to be sanctified by God to do the work of evangelizing and caring for its members on this earth. We say that what the Church prays, it believes. In doing so, we say the Eucharist is the summit of our common life together and the source from which all our life flows. Mass is NOT some fun gathering where we rub our bellies and see our best friends. It is entrance into the holy, the very seat of God's place in our lives. We go to Mass because we desire to praise God. Praising God is a communal business, not an individual affair. We do not do it with our feelings. We do it with our hearts, our minds, our very being. Paul says "you shall give of yourselves as a living sacrifice..." not a sacrifice of dead animals, but a sacrifice of praise, living and true.

In making this sacrifice of praise, the emphasis is on God, not ourselves. We "lift up our hearts" to the Lord, as it says in the Preface dialogue. Things that are of the world are not sufficient for the sacrifice. But our hearts, attuned to God, make the sacrifice sufficient. The Church gives us music, art, poetry and prose to make that praise. Should those efforts be less than our best? Absolutely not, because then we cheapen ourselves in our praise. We offer the beautiful and the true. And because of it, God sanctifies us to do what we are called to do.

So why do you go to Mass? Because the Church obligates us to make that praise, knowing full well that we need to do it. Holy Mother Church, out of love and a desire for us to be holy, commands us to be at Sunday Mass. Not to go is a sin, pure and simple.

NEXT WEEK: An examination of the statement, "We are our rites".

CHOIR SCHEDULE:

Girls Choir: Mondays, 4:00-5:15PM

Adult Choir: Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30PM

Boys Choir: Wednesdays, 4:00-5:15PM

Girls Choir will sing at the 9:00AM Mass on October 15th.



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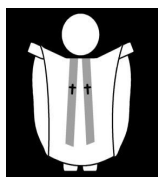
NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

2023 EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL:

In the midst of the roaring waves of today's times, Jesus Christ invites us to return to the Source and Summit of our faith—His REAL PRESENCE in the Holy Eucharist.

The Eucharistic Revival is a national movement to renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. FORMED is proud to accompany the USCCB as we reinvigorate the Church in her understanding of and love for Our Lord in the Sacrament. Learn what the Church teaches about this precious gift and why it is pivotal to your spiritual journey through these resources on FORMED. We would also like to invite the entire parish to our 7 week video series. **We will have our first session on Wednesday, October 4th at 6:30PM.** Please plan to meet in the parish hall and depending on the size of our gathering we may move to room 107/8 for the video presentations.

For more information on the Eucharistic Revival visit:
www.eucharisticrevival.org



PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY: Will be held the weekend of October 28-29. This is a wonderful way to honor and show appreciation for Father Randy and Deacon John. More information to come! Come and let us CELEBRATE them!

2023 Walton County Life Chain: We will have our annual Life Chain at the Historic Courthouse on October 22nd at 2:00PM. Please join us for an hour of prayer for life! Signs will be provided.

Red Cross Blood Drive: October 17th from 1:00-6:00PM. Please be sure to sign up for an appointment online!

WEEKLY MEETINGS OCTOBER 1ST—7TH:

Sunday:

Mass—9:00AM & 12:00PM
School of Religion 10:30-11:30AM
BBQ Pick Up—1-6PM^(PH)

Monday:

Mass—9:00AM
Girls Choir—4:00PM
Centering Prayer—7:30PM
(ZOOM/RM 106)

Tuesday:

Staff Meeting—10:00AM
Mass—12:15PM
RCIA—7:00PM^(PH)
Adult Choir—7:00PM

Wednesday:

Mass—12:15PM
Boys Choir—4:00PM^(Choir RM)
Jesus & Eucharist 6:30PM
Youth Group—6:30PM^(PH)

Thursday:

OFFICE CLOSED
Friends of the Heart—6:30PM

Friday:

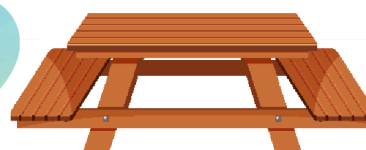
Mass—9:00AM
Adoration 9:30AM-3:30PM

Saturday:

Reconciliation—3:30PM
Vigil Mass—5:00PM



JOIN US FOR THE PARISH PICNIC FOLLOWING THE NOON MASS!



We are so excited to have our 2023 Parish Picnic. Come enjoy food, fun and fellowship! This is a fantastic way to get to know other parishioners and families. We will process into the parish hall following the noon Mass. We look forward to seeing you there! We will also have a table set up to have your family photos taken for our upcoming directory. Please be sure to stop by!



FRIENDS OF THE HEART: Ladies of St. Anna's, please join us for dinner! Friends of the Heart will gather on Thursday, October 5th at 6:30PM in the parish hall. Please bring a dish to share!

The month of October is the month of the Rosary. We will be offering a Rosary, 30 minutes before each Mass all month long. This is a vital part of our faith in action. We will be praying for the intentions of the unborn. Please join us!



IMPORTANT UPCOMING SAVE THE DATES:

Jesus & the Eucharist Series: 10/4 at 6:30PM
All Saints Trunk or Treat: 10/28 at 6:00PM
Priesthood Weekend: 10/28-29 after each Mass.
KoC Flag Retirement: 11/10 at 6:00PM
Veterans Breakfast: 11/12 at 10:00AM

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 1ST, 2023

Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9, (6a)/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32
Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mt 18:1-5, 10
Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37/Lk 10:17-24
Next Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 (Isaiah 5:7a)/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

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