



# SAINT MONICA PARISH

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TO SERVE AS HE SERVED, TO LIVE AS HE LIVED,  
AND TO LOVE AS HE LOVED.

IT IS EASIER FOR A CAMEL TO PASS THROUGH THE EYE OF A NEEDLE  
THAN FOR ONE WHO IS

*Rich*



TO ENTER THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 14, 2018



# SAINT MONICA PARISH



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## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday at 4:00 p.m.—English  
6:00 p.m.—Polish  
Sunday at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,  
12:00 Noon, and Polish at 1:30 p.m.

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday—Friday at 8:30 a.m.  
Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday and Friday—6:00 p.m.  
Thursday—7:00 p.m. in Polish

ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET  
Prayed weekdays before the 8:30 a.m. Mass

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Held every Thursday, beginning at 9:00 a.m. (after 8:30 am Mass); concluding Benediction at 6:45 p.m.

### PARISH STAFF

Rev. Greg Lorens	<i>Pastor</i>
Rev. Thomas Campana	<i>Associate Pastor</i>
Rev. William Holbrook	<i>Resident Priest</i>
Mr. Ed Podgorski	<i>Deacon</i>
Mr. Patrick Brenner	<i>Deacon</i>
Mr. Kamil Duda	<i>Director of Music</i>
Mr. John Baruch	<i>Operations Director</i>
Mrs. Gwenn Suvada	<i>Business Office Coordinator</i>
Mr. Timothy Hausner	<i>Maintenance</i>
Mrs. Joanna Szeptok	<i>Parish Secretary</i>

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - 9:15am to 7:30pm  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday - 9:15am to 5:15pm  
Saturday - 10:00am to 2:00pm  
Sunday—Closed

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### SACRAMENTS

#### ANONING OF THE SICK

The special grace of this Sacrament offers the Lord's healing strength, peace and courage to anyone who is seriously or chronically ill, hospitalized or about to undergo surgery. Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to have someone anointed.

#### BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated twice a month: the first and third Saturday of the month at 11:00 a.m. (some exceptions due to Holy Days and liturgical celebrations). Please call the Parish Office to register for the program and to set a date for the Baptism.

#### MARRIAGE

Archdiocese of Chicago guidelines for marriage preparation ask that a minimum of six months be set aside for preparation for marriage. No firm date for a wedding will be set until the conclusion of the couple's first meeting with the parish minister. At least one of the engaged persons (or their parents) must be a registered and active parishioner of St. Monica. No Sunday weddings are scheduled.

#### MINISTRY TO THE SICK/HOUBOUND

If you or a family member are in a local hospital or are homebound and would like to have a visit from a priest, please call the Parish Office to make arrangements. Ministers of Care are also available to bring Communion to those who are confined at home and are unable to attend Mass, either temporarily or on a continual basis. Please call the Parish Office to schedule a visit.

#### RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Monday — Friday before the morning Mass (please ask for a priest in the sacristy), Saturday from 3:00 to 3:50 p.m., and 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. (English and Polish). Individual confessions available by appointment.

## ST. MONICA ACADEMY

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Mr. Raymond Coleman	<i>School Principal</i>
Mrs. Darlene Connelly	<i>School Secretary</i>

## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*Saint Monica is a welcoming Catholic faith community.  
Proclaiming the power of the Word of God, we join together in the celebration of the  
Eucharist and all Sacraments. We aim to follow Jesus Christ —*

**TO SERVE AS HE SERVED, TO LIVE AS HE LIVED, AND TO LOVE AS HE LOVED.**

# OUR PRAYERS

## MONDAY, October 15, 2018

8:30 a.m. — • De Laurentis Family— Healing  
6:00 p.m.— † Metro & Mary Kornafel

## TUESDAY, October 16, 2018

8:30 a.m. — • People of St. Monica Parish  
6:00 p.m. — *Mass in English*

## WEDNESDAY, October 17, 2018

8:30 a.m. — † Margaret Paul  
† Michael La Porte  
6:00 p.m — *Mass in English*

## THURSDAY, October 18, 2018

8:30 a.m. — † Irene Maday - 10<sup>th</sup> Death Anniv.  
7:00 p.m.— *Mass in Polish*  
• O Boże blog. i opiekę NMP dla Marianny  
• O Boże blog. i opiekę NMP dla Krysi

## FRIDAY, October 19, 2018

8:30 a.m. — † Joseph Carpino  
6:00 p.m. — *Mass in English*

## SATURDAY, October 20, 2018

4:00 p.m. — † Gertrude McCue  
† George Slaboch  
† Eamon Joyce  
† Paraic Joyce  
• Mila Rolle - Birthday Blessings  
6:00 p.m.— *Mass in Polish*  
† Jan Kuczak  
† Rozalia & Stefan Kuczak  
† Maria & Antoni Gamulka

## SUNDAY, October 21, 2018

7:30 a.m. — † John Komornik  
9:00 a.m. — † Marion & Lottie Kuklewicz  
† Dr. William Frett  
† Martin McNeela  
† Raymond Godzicki  
10:30 a.m.— † Charles Cesario  
† Linda Caputo  
12:00 p.m.— † Charles Reinhardt  
† Mary Minerva  
† Eamon Joyce  
1:30 p.m.— *Mass in Polish*

## ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM

*Dorothy Evelin Funsch  
Ann Victoria Linker  
Vincenzo Rocco Marini*

## SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NEED

Arnott Family	Irena Dudek	Henrietta Pinkowski
Mary Allegretti	Carole Edwards	Deacon Ed Podgorski
Carole Bacarella	Mary Lu Forte	Sharon Petrozz,
Carol Batjes	Richard Gonsiorek	Bridie Regan
Alice Baxter	Gladys Garzon	Paula Riveron
Marilyn Bell	Monica Gathman	Augie Sansone
Judy Biala	Roberta Gols	Tim Sheehan
Adam Burek	Catherine Heneghan	Bernadette Schmidt
Jo Buscemi	Kerri Horan	Harriet Skiba
Sylvia Boulahanis	Michael Kelly	Steve Skubski
Paul Bowers	Timothy Kim	Denise Slaski
Cindy Cisek	Aimee Mayuga	Ida Traczyk
Grace Cleys	Ruth Miner	Ralph Volgarino
Joan Craig	Dolores Nieciecki	Laura Wysocki
Lucille Clark	Cathy O'Hara	Elizabeth Wright
Eugene Dunaj	Jose Perez	

*and all the sick and aged of our parish...*

## REMEMBER OUR MILITARY

### US Army

Eric Ambriz  
James Ambriz  
Kurt Beyer  
Tom Bobek  
Daniel Clark  
Michael G. Dobija  
Justin Elazegui  
Walter Fernandez  
Robert Gullett  
Andrew Kupinski  
Jesus O. Lebron  
Conner Mahoney  
Jack Maksymec  
Erik Malenock  
Andrew Perez  
Julio Rios  
Michael Rivera  
Andrew Thomas  
Christopher Walsh  
Michael Zadlo



### US Army Reserve

Jason Adameczyk  
Roman Gronke  
Keith Maslon  
Sean O'Grady

### US Coast Guard

Christine Ambriz

### US Air Force

Michael Brimie  
Zachary Muldoon  
Matt Olken  
Michael Rice  
Anthony Villalpando  
Laurel Walsh  
Kevin Valdez

### US Marines

Vincent Bertucci  
Gage Cygnar  
Lukas Czynczyk  
Dominic Davila  
Caitlen Ferrarell  
Benjamin Juhasz  
Mathew Lynn  
Steven Meyer  
Kevin Rasmussen  
Christopher Ryan

### US Navy

Jeremy Bloom  
Justin Chovanec  
Zachary Corrado  
Daniel Jarosz  
Clay Presny  
Riley Schoen  
Steven Stancy  
Richard Whitman  
Nick Whitman

*Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.  
Protect them as the protect us.  
We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen*



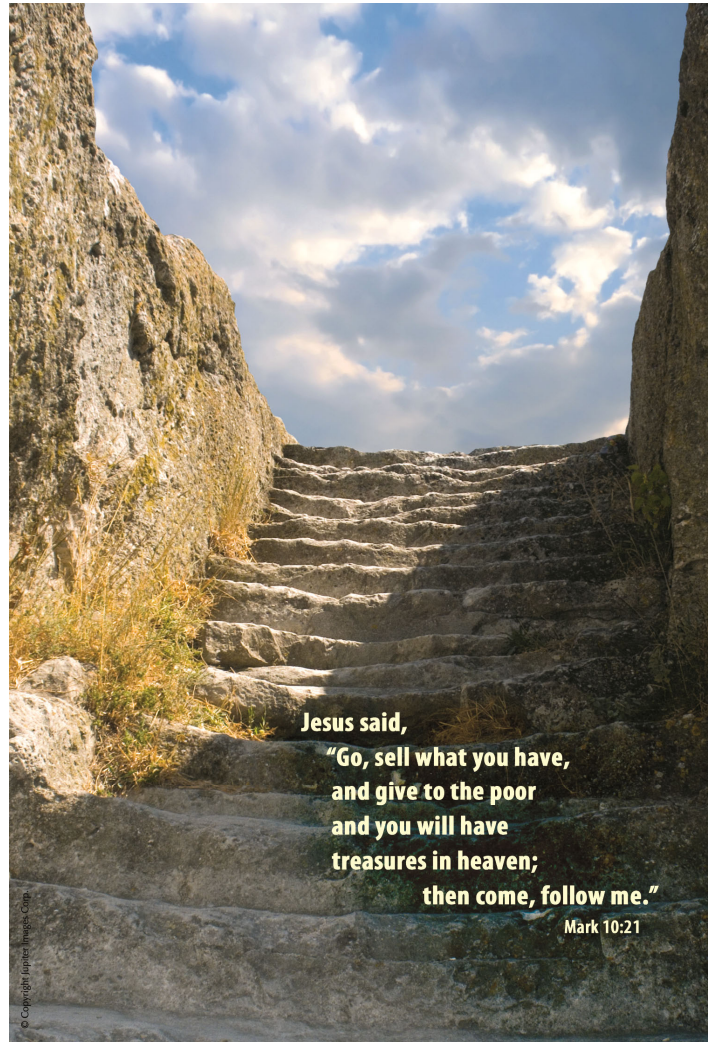
# ST. MONICA PARISH

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

They say that it is not so much that Columbus discovered America, but rather that after he arrived, the new world "stayed discovered." The sponsorship of Ferdinand and Isabella assured that the news would flash around Europe with an air of authority that other "discoverers" lacked. One of the oft-mentioned early visitors is Saint Brendan the Navigator, a sixth-century Irish monk who had trouble staying at home. He is said to have sailed to "the Isle of the Blessed" in a leather-bound boat, and to have been away from his monastery for seven years. Upon his return, the stories of adventures to a new land attracted pilgrims to his monastery in the Blasket Islands, off the west coast of Ireland. Columbus is said to have referred to The Voyage of Saint Brendan, a very popular adventure in those days. Only after his American journey is Brendan said to have gone to tamer lands to the east, England and Scotland.

In 1976, Tim Severin set out on a two-year voyage to America from Ireland in a leather-bound boat, traveling in summer and hopscotching from the Faroes to Iceland to Newfoundland, and encountering along the way exactly what Saint Brendan describes: icebergs, whales, and porpoises. Scholars warn not to dismiss this too quickly: just as the ancient Egyptian monks sought to live in the desert, for the Celtic monks exile in a boat was the Irish equivalent. Five centuries after Brendan, other Irish monks may have visited here as a refuge from Viking terror.

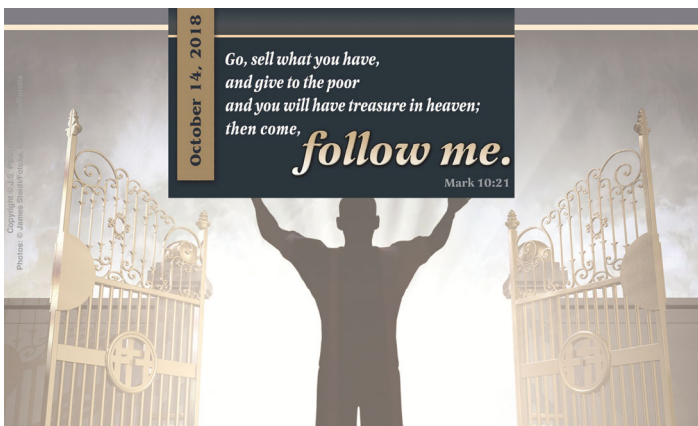
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## WORDS OF WISDOM

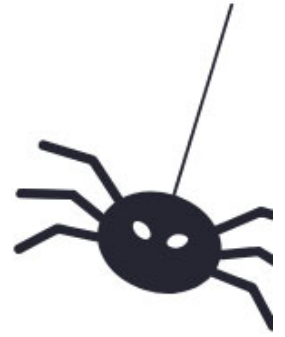
The spirit of wisdom, as we discover in today's first reading, comes to those who pray for her. Wisdom, like the word of God, carries a message of consolation as well as of great challenge. The Letter to the Hebrews tells us that the word of God, infused with the wisdom of God, is "sharper than any two-edged sword." We cannot shrink from the wisdom of God, or from the word that has the power to penetrate our hearts and minds. Jesus, the living word of God, the embodiment of wisdom, has strong, deeply penetrating words for the rich young man who comes to him seeking answers to his most profound questions. Just when the young man thought he had done enough to fulfill God's commands, more was asked of him. This is no less true for us.

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ST. MONICA ACADEMY



# **St. Monica Academy welcomes you!**

## **Early Childhood Fall Open House**

**OCT. 27TH 11AM - NOON**

Prospective families! Current families! Friends!  
EVERYONE is invited to our  
Early Childhood Education Open House!  
Visit the teachers and have fun in our award-winning  
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**You are also invited to stay for the "trunk or treat" hosted  
by the SMA Youth Group starting at noon!**



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Learn about "Mini Mustangs" parent-tot group, happening now!  
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# THE ANIMAL BLESSING 2018



# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

## DEAR PARISHIONERS

In the month of November, on All Souls Day, the Catholic Church remembers all who have passed away.

If you had a loved one who passed away during the past year and would like to honor the person, please bring a framed 4x6 photo to the Parish Office no later than October 25<sup>th</sup>.

Photos will be returned by the end of November.

If you have any question, please contact the parish secretary.



## FOOD DRIVE

Next Sunday the St. Vincent DePaul Society will be conducting the monthly parish food drive. Donations may be brought during all the masses. If you should be unable to donate food items at this time, you may want to consider making a cash donation in the St. Vincent DePaul poor box. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

## TRUNK -N- TREAT!

OCTOBER 27, 2018

Sponsored by:  
The St. Monica Youth  
Ministry Group



The St. Monica Youth Ministry Group is sponsoring a **Trunk -n- Treat** on October 27, 2018 from 12:00pm to 2:00pm. Cars, trucks and vans trunks will be decorated and passing out candy in the Academy parking lot. All treats, no tricks!  
If you would like to purchase a spot for \$25.00, or would like more information, please contact Julie Brenner at 773-415-8983 or [fandisney@comcast.net](mailto:fandisney@comcast.net).

**TWENTY SPOTS AVAILABLE, SO GET YOURS SOON!**

SAVE THE DATE FOR  
SAINT MONICA ACADEMY'S  
**FALL CRAFT  
& VENDOR FAIR**  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2018  
10AM-3PM

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## SKUTECZNOŚĆ BOŻEGO SŁOWA

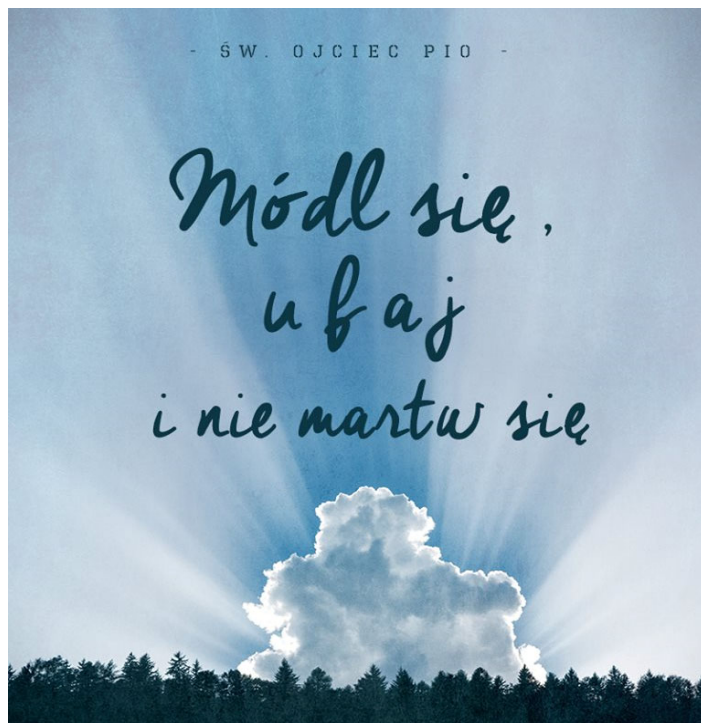
Słowo Boga jest skuteczniejsze i ostrzejsze od najbardziej nowoczesnego laserowego noża. Przenika aż do rozdzielenia duszy i ducha, a więc osiąga to, co dla nas jest niezwykle trudne, wciąż jeszcze w pełni niemożliwe. Nie umiemy oddzielić życia od ducha, nie potrafimy osądzić pragnień i myśli serca.

To słowo stworzyło jednak ludzkie wolne serce, i mimo iż je przenika i zna, idealnie do samego dna, nie ingeruje w nie i nie przestawia nic, by nie naruszyć jego wolności. Szanuje ten skarb, bo on decyduje o osobowości człowieka i czyni zeń partnera Boga zdolnego do spotkania z Nim na płaszczyźnie przyjaźni.

Dobrze to widać w spotkaniu Jezusa z bogatym człowiekiem, który wypełniony był pragnieniem osiągnięcia życia wiecznego. Jego życie moralne było na wysokim poziomie. Ta szlachetność zachowana „od młodości” spotkała się z radosnym przyjęciem przez Jezusa. Rzadko Ewangelisti notują, iż Jezus „spojrzał z miłością”. Marek podkreśla to mówiąc właśnie o tym spotkaniu. Ta miłość Chrystusa pozwala, a nawet każe postawić wysokie wymagania: „Idź, sprzedaj wszystko, co masz... Potem przyjdź i chodź za Mną!”.

Piękne serce wezwane do przyjaźni z Jezusem musiało dokonać wyboru. Przyjaźń za cenę rezygnacji ze wszystkiego, a mówiąc ściślej, za cenę zamiany dóbr tego świata na dobra wieczne. Bogaty człowiek stanął ze swą wolnością na rozdrożu. Bóg objawił mu perspektywę nowego, innego życia. Szanował jego wolność, nie wywarł żadnej presji, choć wiedział, że droga, którą wybiera, będzie drogą jego życiowej klęski. Szacunek dla wolności, jaką Bóg obdarzył część stworzonych przez siebie istot, stanowi jedyną granicę dla wszechmocy Bożego słowa, dodajmy granicę przez Niego samego ustanowioną.

Jak niesamowitą wartością jest zatem nasza wolność, skoro to Słowo, które stwarza zdumiewająco wielki kosmos, puka jedynie do drzwi naszego serca i w progu przekazuje nam wiadomość o możliwości jego ubogacenia. Mimo iż doskonale wie, co w tym naszym sercu jest, nie wchodzi do niego, lecz czeka, aż zaprosi je do jego wnętrza. Gdybyśmy znali tajemnicę naszej wolności, którą szanuje sam Bóg, odkrylibyśmy wielkość naszej godności.



Wolność nasza nie zwalnia nas jednak z odpowiedzialności za przyjęcie lub odrzucenie słowa Bożego. Zamknąć przed Bogiem drzwi swego serca może tylko głupiec.

Wolność winna bardzo uważnie śledzić konsekwencje swoich decyzji, bo tylko ich dobra znajomość umożliwi trafność dokonanego wyboru.

Słowo Boga jest wszechmocne, a człowiek może je odrzucić, nie na zasadzie swojej wszechmocy, lecz na zasadzie wolności. Jest to niezwykle głęboka tajemnica, do której trzeba nam wracać, i to często, jeśli chcemy wykorzystać w pełni zarówno wolność, jak i łaskę wszechmocnego Boga.

Pod murem klauzurowego klasztoru ludzie marginesu społecznego urządzili sobie melinę. Dwa światy sąsiadujące ze sobą bardzo blisko. Grube mury, małe zakratowane okna dzielią dwie wspólnoty. W jednej spotykają się siostry zakonne, które odpowiedziały na łaskę Bożą, w drugiej mężczyźni i kobiety sięgające po grzech. O przynależności do jednego czy drugiego świata zadecydowała wola. Słowo Boga było skierowane do każdego. Jedni powiedzieli swoje „tak”, drudzy nie chcieli zrezygnować z karmienia swego ciała. Kochający Bóg delikatnie wspiera tych, którzy wybrali świat łaski. Cierpliwie czeka ze swym przebaczeniem na tych, którzy poszli swoimi drogami. Wolność opowiedzenia się po stronie Boga czy grzechu to jedna z najgłębszych tajemnic. Chwała każdemu, kto umie powiedzieć Bogu „tak”.



## XXVIII NIEDZIELA ZWYKŁA

**Boże, zmiłuj się nad nami,**

pobłogosław, udziel łaski,  
Niechaj znowu oglądamy,  
Twe Oblicze pełne blasku.

*Niechaj sławią Cię narody,  
Niechaj sławią Cię narody wszystkie.*

Ziemia płony już wydała,  
Bóg dał swe błogosławieństwo  
Niech rozbrzmiewa Jego chwała  
w każdym czasie w każdym miejscu.

**PSALM:**

„Nasyć nas, Panie,  
Twoim miłosierdziem.”

**Wszystko Tobie oddać pragnę**

i dla Ciebie tylko żyć!  
Chcę Cię Jezu kochać wiernie  
dzieckiem Twoim zawsze być!

*Ref.:*

*Serce moje weź, niech Twą śpiewa cześć,  
serce moje, duszę moją, Panie Jezu weź!*

Wszystko Tobie oddać pragnę  
od najmłodszych moich lat.  
Pomóż Jezu by mnie nie zwiódł  
pokusami swymi świat.

Wszystko Tobie oddać pragnę,  
w duszy czuję święty żar.  
To Ty dajesz dziecku swemu  
Twojej łaski Boży dar.



**Jezu miłości Twej,**

Ukryty w Hostyi tej, Wielbimy cud:  
Żeś się pokarmem stał,  
Żeś nam Swe Ciało dał,  
Żeś skarby łaski zlał  
Na wierny lud.

Dla biednych stworzeń Twych,  
Co ostrzem grzechów swych Zraniły Cię,  
Włóczyń, co w boku tkwi,  
Otwierasz Serca drzwi,  
By w Twojej Boskiej Krwi  
Obmyły się.

I w Boskiem Sercu tam  
Schronienie dajesz nam, O Jezu mój!  
By nas już żądłem swem  
Wróg nasz nie dotknął w Niem,  
By się przed piekła złem  
Lud ukrył Twój.

Twe Serce tronem łask  
I miłosierdzia blask W Niem świeci się.  
Panie! Ty widzisz sam,  
Jak bardzo ciężko nam.  
Więc grzesznym pozwól tam  
Przytulić się.

**Królowej Anielskiej śpiewajmy,**

różami uwieńczmy Jej skroń!  
Jej serca w ofierze składajmy,  
ze łzami wołajmy doń:

***O Maryjo, bądź nam pozdrowiona,  
bądź Ty zawsze Matką nam!***

Przez Ciebie, o Matko miłości,  
łask wszelkich udziela nam Bóg!  
A my Ci hołd dajem wdzięczności,  
udpadłszy do Twoich nóg!

***O lilijo, jakżeś Ty wspaniała:  
Wszelkich cnót rozlewasz woń!***

# STEWARDSHIP & SCHEDULES



## OCTOBER 7<sup>TH</sup>

SUNDAY MASSES		
ENVELOPES (Registered Parishioners)	\$	6,576.00
LOOSE (Visiting/ Unregistered Parishioners)	\$	2,122.00
<b>SUNDAY MASSES TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,698.00</b>
<b>E-Giving</b>		
E-Giving	\$	N/A
Mailed Envelopes	\$	801.00
Children's Envelopes	\$	102.00
<b>Grand Total This Week</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>9,601.00</b>
St. Monica Academy	\$	27.00
Facility Maintenance Fund	\$	2,557.39
Thanksgiving	\$	61.00
Seminary Education	\$	7.00
Weekly Difference ( \$9,500.00 Budgeted)	\$	- 99.00
Year-to-Date Difference	\$	- 15,075.24
Actual Weekly Collection-to-Date	\$	130,424.76
Year-to-Date Goal	\$	145,500.00



## MONTHLY COLLECTIONS SCHEDULE

DATE	REGULAR SUNDAY COLLECTION	OTHER COLLECTIONS
SEPTEMBER	September, 2	Facility Maintenance
	September, 9	School Development
	September, 16	None
	September, 23	Seminarian Education
	September, 30	None
	OCTOBER	October, 7
October, 14		School Development
October, 21		World Mission Sunday
October, 28		None

*Your support is greatly appreciated. God Bless You!*

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE


DATE	TIME	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS		LECTOR	ALTAR SERVERS
October 20	4:00 pm	T. Lach M. Paul	R. Wade	M. Cahill	C. Frawley A. Maher F. Oliveri
October 21	7:30 am	H. Bass	S. Bass	H. Bass	F. & L. Bannon J. Szyalnik
	9:00 am	B. Bajek D. Bajek A. Bruno	M. S. Kuehl A. Reisel	K. Wyszowski	J. Bober S. Smith P. Walewender
	10:30 am	J. Campanaro M. Caringella	R. Rosenbusch	M. Cahill	D. Douvalakis N. Fry P. Mahon
	12:00 pm	R. Catalano D. SanBuenaventura	M. Reinhardt	M. Enriquez	J. DeMarco J. DeRosas A. Makowski

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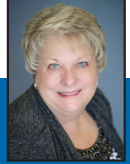
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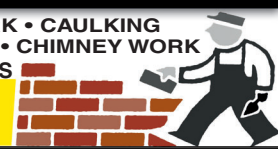
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