

# PAROISSE ST. JEAN BAPTISTE PARISH

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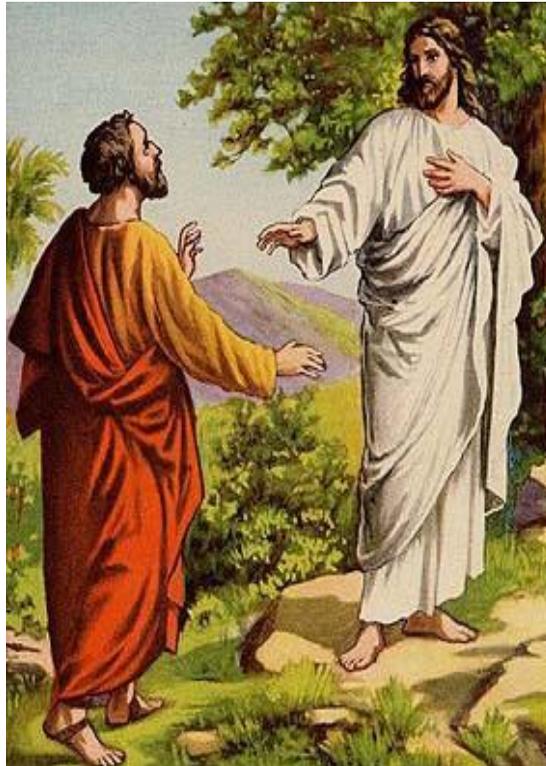
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President

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**August 29 , 2020**  
**22<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**



## **Welcoming New Parishioners:**

We warmly welcome all new members to our parish family. We would like to get to know and serve you. In order to do so please fill out a registration form available in the church foyer or contact the parish office.

## **Sunday Masses:**

Sat. 5:00 pm English

Sun. 9:00 am English

11:00 am Bilingual

## **Weekday Liturgies:**

Please refer to a recent bulletin for updates for the current week.

## **Sacrament of**

### **Reconciliation:**

Sat. 4:30 - 4:50 pm

Sun. 8:30 - 8:50 am

10:30 - 10:50 am

or upon appointment

## **Baptism:**

Call the parish office for more info and registration.

## **Marriage/Wedding:**

Please call the parish office At least SIX months in advance of your chosen date and before any other arrangement is made.

## **Sacrament of the Sick:**

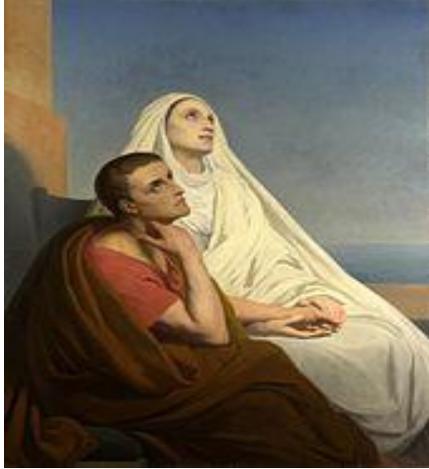
Please contact the Parish Office After Hours for

## **Emergencies Only**

780-645-9749.

## Saint Monica's Story

The circumstances of Saint Monica's life could have made her a nagging wife, a bitter daughter-in-law, and a despairing parent, yet she did not give way to any of these temptations. Although she was a Christian, her parents gave her in marriage to a pagan, Patricius, who lived in her hometown of Tagaste in North Africa. Patricius had some redeeming features, but he had a violent temper and was licentious. Monica also had to bear with a cantankerous mother-in-law who lived in her home. Patricius criticized his wife because of her charity and piety, but always respected her.



Monica's prayers and example finally won her husband and mother-in-law to Christianity. Her husband died in 371, one year after his baptism.

Monica had at least three children who survived infancy. The oldest, Augustine, is the most famous. At the time of his father's death, Augustine was 17 and a rhetoric student in Carthage. Monica was distressed to learn that her son had accepted the Manichean heresy—"all flesh is evil"—and was living an immoral life. For a while, she refused to let him eat or sleep in her house. Then one night she had a vision that assured her Augustine would return to the faith. From that time on, she stayed close to her son, praying and fasting for him. In fact she often stayed much closer than Augustine wanted.

When he was 29, Augustine decided to go to Rome to teach rhetoric. Monica was determined to go along. One night he told his mother that he was going to the dock to say goodbye to a friend. Instead he set sail for Rome. Monica was heartbroken when she learned of Augustine's trick, but she still followed him. She arrived in Rome only to find that he had left for Milan. Although travel was difficult, Monica pursued him to Milan.

In Milan, Augustine came under the influence of the bishop, Saint Ambrose, who also became Monica's spiritual director. She accepted his advice in everything and had the humility to give up some practices that had become second nature to her. Monica became a leader of the devout women in Milan as she had been in Tagaste.

She continued her prayers for Augustine during his years of instruction. At Easter 387, Saint Ambrose baptized Augustine and several of his friends. Soon after, his party left for Africa. Although no one else was aware of it, Monica knew her life was near the end. She told Augustine, "Son, nothing in this world now affords me delight. I do not know what there is now left for me to do or why I am still here, all my hopes in this world being now fulfilled." She became ill shortly after and suffered severely for nine days before her death.

Almost all we know about St. Monica is in the writings of Saint Augustine, especially his *Confessions*.



# MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Day	Time	Mass Intention	Feast
Aug 29 Saturday	5:00 pm	RIP Rebecca Champagne - Lorette	22 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time
Aug 30 Sunday	9:00 am	RIP August Kieser & Denis Bachand – Celina & Sharon	
	11:00 am	For Parishioners	
Sept 1 Tuesday	8:30 am	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Sept 2 Wed	6:00 pm	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Sept 3 Thursday	6:00 pm	RIP Roger Blackburn – Don Streeter	
Sept 4 Friday	8:30 am	RIP Keith Brown – Paul & Family	

**PLEASE PRAY FOR...** Emilienne Dostie, Braden Rowland, Colette Klein. All those who are sick or struggling and who are going through any medical procedures and treatments.

## World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

In 2015, Pope Francis declared September 1 as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. Coinciding with a celebration instituted by the Orthodox Church, it is also a day of ecumenical prayer and unity.

The Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace (which is in the process of merging with the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development) has some proposed celebrations on their website.

## First Friday Adoration

On the **First Friday of September** we will have a day of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The church will be open between 9:00 am to **11:00 am** and everyone will be able to come for longer or shorter period of time to spend with Eucharistic Jesus. We begin with Mass at 8:30 am, then the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration and prayer. There is a sign up sheet at the back of the church so that at least 2 people sign for each hour to make sure there is always someone present in the church with Blessed Sacrament exposed.

**We invite everyone** to come during a day to spend some time with our Lord.

COLLECTIONS – QUÊTES

August 23<sup>rd</sup> \$ 3660.00

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