



Parish of Saint Monica

Atlantic City, NJ



The Parish of Saint Monica serves all of Atlantic City. It is the union of the city's previously five Catholic parishes: St. Nicholas of Tolentine, Our Lady Star of the Sea, St. Michael, Holy Spirit, and St. Monica.

June 18, 2017 **CORPUS CHRISTI**

New Altar Servers



Last weekend, the altar servers' school started its training. Thirty new children, all of the Hispanic community, will prepare to be part of this ministry in the parish. The Hispanic Community also took part in a second event: the group of parents who pray for their children participated in a pilgrimage to the Basilica of Guadalupe in Mexico, praying for the intercession of the Virgin Mary. Parishes from all over the United States were represented on the pilgrimage.

MASS SCHEDULE

Our Lady Star of the Sea
2651 Atlantic Avenue

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

- Saturday** 4:15 PM
7 PM (Spanish)
- Sunday** 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM
10:30 AM (Spanish)
12 Noon
2:30 PM (Spanish)
6:30 PM (Vietnamese)

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

- Mon-Fri** 7 AM, 5:15 PM
- Saturday** 8 AM
- Wednesday** 7 PM (Spanish)
- Thursday** 6:30 PM (Spanish)
- Friday** 7 PM (Spanish)

Saint Nicholas of Tolentine
1409 Pacific Avenue

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

- Saturday** 4:00 PM, 5:30 PM
- Sunday** 8:45 AM (Traditional Latin)
10:30 AM
12 Noon

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

- Mon-Fri** 8:00 AM

St. Michael's
10 North Mississippi Avenue

- Sunday** 11:00 AM
June 4th through September 10th

UPCOMING EVENTS

<p>June 19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prayer for the Parish After 5:15 Mass 45 minute period of Eucharistic adoration and Rosary 	<p>June 23 & 24</p> <p>Flea Market</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sponsored by Mary Help of Christians Quaremba Hall 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM 	<p>June 25</p> <p>Pancake Breakfast</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> St. Michael's Quaremba Hall 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Adults \$10.00, children under 12 \$5.00, Take out orders \$8.00
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CONTACT INFORMATION

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- Our Lady Star of the Sea School** • 15 North California Avenue • 609-345-0648
- Catholic Charities** • 9 North Georgia Avenue • 609-345-3448
- St. Nicholas Shoppe** • 1409 Pacific Avenue • 609-344-1040

Our Lady Star of the Sea School

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Monday - Friday, 5 PM at Our Lady Star of the Sea. Saturday, 3:15 - 4 PM in both churches. Also available by appointment.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning marriage should set a date with a parish priest at least six months in advance.

INFANT BAPTISM

Preceded by a required baptismal preparation program. Speak to Fr. Pham.

WANT TO BECOME CATHOLIC?

Need to complete your initiation into the Church? Classes run September - June, Mondays at 6:30 PM. Speak to Fr. Pham.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the office when a parishioner is seriously sick so one of the priests may visit.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

September-May.
Sundays at 9:00 AM for one hour.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Wednesday evenings after the 5:15 Mass.

ROSARY

Monday - Friday, after 7 AM Mass and before 5:15 PM Mass. Saturday after 8:00 AM Mass.

PARISH CENSUS

Recommendations cannot be issued to persons not registered with the Parish. You can register in person in the Rectory.

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE

Our Lady Star of the Sea Vigil

5:15 PM English
7:00 PM Vietnamese

Holy Day

7:00 AM English
5:15 PM English
7:00 PM Spanish

St. Nicholas of Tolentine

8:00 AM English
10:00 AM Latin Mass
12 Noon English

School Principal: Mrs. Susan J. Tarrant School Staff: Sisters of Mercy and Lay Faculty

The mission of Our Lady Star of the Sea Regional School is to strengthen the integration of Catholic values through academic excellence and service and by instilling respect, encouraging justice, and demonstrating compassion to our multi-cultural community.

We remember with gratitude all fathers, grandfathers and godfathers. May they receive abundant blessings. Happy Father's Day!

We congratulate the following May Stars of the Month who received recognition for their effort in Music: Irene Scott, Valentina Davila, Zena Tonquin-Malhotra, Christian Wilson, Anna Tran, Rosa Hernandez, Bill Nguyen, Cheyenne Fredrique, Jessica Giordano, Maggie, Coleman and for their demonstration of goodness: Shayla Davila, Liam Do, Jason Dinh, Melissa Corvera, LiArian Kinlaw, Anthony Yeager, Sharon Luna, Francesca Perdomo, Melanie Torres, Cassidy Ross, Yamillet Perez.

Congratulations to the students who received the Citizenship Award at the June 8th Awards Day. One student from each grade was chosen by their peers and affirmed by their teacher for exhibiting leadership qualities, being respectful of school policies, being a positive role model, performing random acts of kindness, being enthusiastic, maintaining a friendly rapport with peers and teachers, and working to academic potential.

Santino Stanton, Melissa Corvera, Chelsea Pham, Ethan Candelaria, Sophia Damayo, Armani Mensah, Kimberly Rodriguez, Angie Maldonado, Victoria Orenge, Daisy Tauro.

OLSS School is accepting registrations for the 2017-2018 school year for Pre K 3 to Grade 8 and for students with Individualized Service Plans. As expressed in our Mission statement, if you are seeking a quality Catholic education, individualized instruction in a small class environment where a high level of success is encouraged, let us help you make that possible. We welcome new families to witness firsthand what sets us apart in addressing the needs of our students spiritually, academically, and socially. Please call 609-345-0648 to take a tour the school and speak to our Principal, Mrs. Tarrant. Financial assistance is available.

The Depko Family Foundation

"The Depko Family Foundation helps families send their children to our school. You can support the Foundation through United Way using code 51551. You can also support it by selecting "Depko Family" in the Amazon Smile program."

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Jon Thomas

Pastor

Rev. Thanh Pham

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Fernando Carmona

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Robert Matysik

Hospital Chaplain

Maria Isabel Duran

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WEB SITE

accatholic.org

Sharing the faith

Priestly ministry in Atlantic City offers plenty of cultural adventures. In the last two weeks, I've found myself in a synagogue and a mosque. At Beth El Synagogue, I was honored to offer the invocation at the Father Thom Schiavo Brotherhood Award ceremony. Bishop Sullivan was this year's award recipient. I am so happy that many of you attended the ceremony to support our bishop. It's safe to say that our parish had the largest delegation of any local congregation. Many thanks to those who came! Many of you mentioned that you thoroughly enjoyed the event.

More recently, I attended an iftar dinner at Masjid Al-Hera, the mosque two blocks north of Star of the Sea on Atlantic Avenue. Several local non-Muslims, including Mayor Guardian and some candidates for political office, were invited to enjoy this meal which breaks the fast of Ramadan. I told them I felt guilty eating the large meal since I had not been fasting - but I explained we Catholics fasted in Lent. As some of you are aware, Judaism, Christianity, and Islam (named in historical order) are considered the three great monotheistic religions of the world and share a common spiritual ancestor in Abraham.

Although I attend many civic and interfaith events to represent the Catholic Church, I do not forget that a primary responsibility is the celebration of the sacraments for the faithful. In fact, I quite literally run between Sunday Masses - 9 AM at Star, 10:30 at St. Nicholas, noon at Star, for example. Some of you have advocated for as many Masses as possible, supposing that more Masses means more people and more money. In other words, more Masses will keep our churches open. When I talk to people who say they cannot attend Mass, I learn that they actually can attend one or two of the Masses but consider them inconvenient - so they do not attend at all. I have a theory of my own: people who do not sacrifice their time to attend Mass are not likely to sacrifice much of their money either. So additional Masses follow the law of diminishing returns. No parish in the diocese has as many Masses as we do. We have more Masses year-round than the Wildwood parish has in the summer. We have been multiplying Masses instead of evangelizing.

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I want to thank those of you who do evangelize. Some of you have told me you have invited friends to Mass. Thank you! This is what we all need to do. If you need help with spreading the word (and the Word with a capital "W"), let me know.

I want our parish to strive for excellence. After all, this is my life - I have no other job, no family of my own. So when I see things performing less than perfectly, I consider how I can make them even better. This is exactly what the most successful casinos do - if they do it to make money, we should do it all the more to honor God!

For two years I have been thinking that we could do better at the St. Nicholas Shoppe. I envision a leaner gift shop in order to create space for an historic exhibit. Many historic sites have a combination of small gift shop and small exhibit. They both generate traffic and one piggybacks off the other. This is the first project I mentioned to you in this space. Unfortunately, we have had some false starts - the historical items are collected but need to be arranged for display. If you can help with time, expertise (with exhibits themselves or small construction), or donations, please speak to me. In the meantime, we are closing the St. Nicholas Shoppe. Some slow-moving items will be at the June 23/24 flea market, other times at the Wedding of the Sea Festival. I thank Ruby Brooks, the Shoppe manager, for her dedication to St. Nicholas in the last two years. From what I have witnessed, only Msgr. Hodge himself has been a stronger advocate of St. Nicholas.

- Fr. Jon

How We Serve

FOOD PANTRY

At St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church
1409 Pacific Avenue

Your donation of food, money and/or time are always welcome!

Come every **third Monday of the month** between **8:00 am & 11:00 am** on Memorial Ave. (Rear of church property) Please come early.

**NEXT DISTRIBUTION IS
JUNE 19, 2017**

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Catholic Charities' case managers in Atlantic County provide a wide variety of services. Some examples are utility and rental assistance, disaster services in response to Hurricane Sandy as well as the Atlantic City casino closings, assistance to veterans who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, and financial coaching and education which includes the opportunity for clients to open matched savings accounts which can be used for them to purchase a home, start a business, or further their education. Services are available to undocumented individuals.

In 2016, the Atlantic City Office was able to provide food assistance to 1,358 individuals. Over 500 individuals, 50 of whom were homeless veterans, received rent or utility funding in order to prevent homelessness and disconnection. The office has also provided over 1000 changes of clothing, fresh hygiene products, and sandwiches to the homeless on Fridays.

The Atlantic City office, located at 9 North Georgia Ave., is open on Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM, and includes a food pantry, free baby supplies, and a thrift store.

Thrift Store Hours: 9:30-11:30 AM **Mondays:** Adult clothing **Wednesdays:** Children & housewares **Fridays** (except First Friday): Free clothing to those who provide proof of homelessness

For more information and a full list of services, please visit: <http://catholiccharitiescamden.org> or call 609-345-3448.

Our Parishioners Give

The people of the Parish of Saint Monica raised \$105,000 in 2016 in response to the Bishop's Annual Appeal to support Catholic Charities and other diocesan ministries. Some of our parishioners also volunteer in the local office. Thank you all for your participation.

JOIN US

Flea Market

Flea Market sponsored by Mary Help of Christians, Friday, June 23rd and Saturday, June 24th in Quaremba Hall, 15 N. Georgia Ave. from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Tables are available for rent: \$15 for one day and \$25 for both days. Please call Mary Paporone for table reservations and information @ [609 347-4140](tel:6093474140).

Prayer for the Parish

Monday, June 19 & 26 after the 5:15 Mass. There will be a 45 minute period of prayer and Eucharistic adoration and the rosary.

Visit our Website

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You can also create a user account with the login form in the bottom right corner of the page. Registered users receive our newsletter on top of what is happening in your parish. Make sure to get your parent's permission if you are under 18. A confirmation email will be sent to you. Join up now!

Pancake Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus, Council 405 invites you to an ALL YOU CAN EAT Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, June 25th in Quaremba Hall from 9 AM - 1 PM. Menu includes pancakes, sausage, assorted mini danish, coffee, tea, and orange juice. Adults eat for \$10.00, children under 12 years old \$5.00, and take out orders \$8.00. SEE YOU THERE!

Stardust Winners

June 10, 2017

First Prize - \$3,000.00

#232 - Rudolph Valentino - Lancaster, PA

Second Prize - \$500.00

#780 - Margaret Milner - Haddonfield, NJ

Third Prize - \$500.00

#289 - Patrick Sullivan - Absecon, NJ

Fourth Prize - \$500.00

#690 - Gina Zahaczewski

Fifth Prize - \$500.00

#49 - Jim and Julia DePre - Philadelphia, PA

Congratulations to the winners !!

BY THE NUMBERS

PARISH COLLECTION FOR JUNE 10 & 11

OFFERTORY \$16,542.00

BUDGET \$18,206.00

POOR \$131.00

MANY THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

NUMBER OF REGISTERED HOUSEHOLDS 1872

DEAR VISITOR

I always thank God for time away, whether on a European vacation or on a day trip. I know many people do not have these opportunities. Therefore, when I attend Mass, I show my gratitude with a particularly generous gift to the local church. I am grateful for your generosity to us. Also, please tip your housekeepers and other hospitality staff – they are our parishioners!

EMPLOYEE GIVING CAMPAIGN

The **House of Charity** supports the religious and charitable works of the Catholic Church in South Jersey. Our parish's 2017 goal is **\$143,000**. With **\$76,434.00** of pledges from you so far, we have reached **53.3%** of our goal. For information about pledging, e-mail jthomas@accatholic.org.

Help us through United way using code 445 or through PECC using code 9025. If you aren't asked for a code, write "House of Charity, 631 Market St, Camden NJ 08102" Ask to be acknowledged so your gift will count toward our parish's goal.

BLACK CATHOLIC MINISTRY NEWS

The Ladies Auxilliary hosted an "Appreciation Luncheon" at the Golden Corral on Sunday, June 11th for the Volunteers who helped make "The Mother Emma Lewis Annual Dinner/Dance" a success.

Sadly we announce the death of George Collins, former Bereavement Minister at St. Monica's. He had been ill for some time. George was also an Educator. He will be missed by all of us.

If anyone is interested in becoming a Lector or Eucharistic Minister please contact the office or let me know I will pass it long. Send it to johnsonflaky43@aol.com

Member Margherita Whittington is home recuperating after hip surgery. Her daughter said she is mending well for a young "95". Her husband was the late John Whittington who was a Trustee at the old St. Monica Church on Pennsylvania Ave.

Fr. Yvans celebrated his 10th Anniversary as a priest.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Discovery House Texas BBQ

Saturday, June 24, 2017 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Relax and Dine in a special setting surrounded by the newly completed & beautiful Discovery Faith Walk and Garden

Adults: \$50.00 - Children: \$15.00

Discovery House
330 Richards Ave
Mullica Twp., NJ

To RSVP, for Info or to Volunteer Call: Brenda Hager
(856)383-5249 or email bclairrose@gmail.com

Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage!

Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Are you constantly fighting or do you simply shut down?

Have you thought about separation or divorce? Retrouvaille may be the LIFELINE that you need! It is *not* just a social gathering or series of seminars, but rather away to rediscover and rekindle the loving relationship in your marriage. Tens of thousands of couples have successfully saved their marriages by attending a

Retrouvaille weekend and the six post sessions that follow it. **The next program begins, the weekend of August 11-13 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA.** For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our website at: www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

DUCKTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD

Ducktown Neighborhood Association Meeting

Wednesday June 21, 2017 at 6:00 PM

Noyes Arts Garage

Corner of Fairmount & Mississippi Avenues

Guest Speakers:

Ralph Hunter - Founder African American Heritage Museum

Evan Sanchez - Co-Founder, This is AC

Stephanie Segal Miller - Artist and member, Atlantic City Tourism Advisory Commission

This will be the last meeting until the Fall! Enjoy your summer!

Comunidad Hispana

Horarios de Atención Oficina Hispana

Martes, Miércoles y Jueves 10am - 2pm

Viernes 11am - 2pm

Secretaria Laura Esparza

609-345-1878 ext.19

LITURGIA DEL DOMINGO

SACRATÍSIMO CUERPO Y SANGRE DE CRISTO

"Porque hay un solo pan, nosotros que somos muchos somos un solo cuerpo, porque todos participamos del único pan". 1 CORINTIOS 10:17

Como discípulos de Jesús, estamos llamados a llevar vidas santas e invitar a otros a unirse a nosotros. Vivir un estilo de vida de corresponsabilidad, ser agradecidos y generosos con nuestros dones, cumple un doble propósito. Uno, ayuda a construir el reino de Dios, es una hoja de ruta hacia el cielo. ¡Ayudémonos unos a otros a llegar allá!

Palabra de Vida

Considere la relectura John 6:51-58 y luego reflexionar sobre la pregunta correspondiente más abajo.

Reflexión para adultos: Que a veces llamamos la Eucaristía es «el Santísimo Sacramento.» ¿Por qué crees que Jesús hizo comer el más importante ritual cristiano?

Reflexión para niños: La mayoría de nosotros esperamos a comer, especialmente nuestros alimentos favoritos o postres. ¿Cómo puede usted esperar el alimento espiritual que nos da Jesús en la Misa?

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Registration for Religious Education for 2017-2018 will be held on the following dates in the Star of the Sea cafeteria. The registration fee is \$85.00.

Monday, June 26 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Tuesday, June 27 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Wednesday, June 28 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Monday, July 10 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Tuesday, July 11 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Wednesday, July 12 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Monday, July 17 12:00 Noon - 2:00 PM

Tuesday, July 18 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

CLASES DE BAUTISMO

Las clases de bautismo en español se darán todos los primeros y terceros jueves de cada mes, empezando con la misa a las 6:30 pm y luego con la plática a las 7:30 pm. Por favor de traer el Acta de Nacimiento del su hijo (a).

Spanish Baptismal classes are held the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7:30 pm in the sacristy. The classes will follow the 6:30 am Mass. Please bring the child's Birth Certificate to the class.

STEWARDSHIP

MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Stewardship Generosity

"Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread." 1 CORINTHIANS 10:17

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to lead holy lives and invite others to join us. Living a **Stewardship** lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, serves a twofold purpose. One, it helps build God's kingdom here on earth. Two, it is a road map to Heaven. Let's help each other get there!

Word Of Life

Consider rereading John 6:51-58 and then reflect upon the appropriate question below.

Reflection for Adults: We sometimes call the Eucharist is "the most blessed sacrament." Why do you think Jesus made eating the most important Christian ritual?

Reflection for Children: Most of us look forward to eating, especially our favorite foods or desserts. How can you look forward to the spiritual food that Jesus gives us at Mass?

SANCTUARY LAMP

For the week of June 19, 2017

at St. Nicholas Church

For all of the Poulson Brothers

by Mr. & Mrs. James Poulson



Mass Intentions for the Week - June 18, 2017

OLSS Church

Day	Date	Time	Intention
Saturday	June 17	4:15	Irma Gormley/Family
		7:00	Diacuno Ramon Rodriquez/ ofrece su familia
Sunday	June 18	7:30	Robert Tracy/Cathy Cardani
		9:00	Al Bigler/Bigler Family
		10:30	Edith Galindo Sarmiento/fa- milia Galindo
		12:00	Guy Curcione, Christopher Coyne & Francis Perry/Carrieri Family
		2:30	Mass for the People
Monday	June 19	6:30	Bổn Mạng cầu cho các thành viên/ Ban TTVTT xin
		7:00	Edna Diggs/Rosa Baldwin
Tuesday	June 20	5:15	Marilyn Kirkland (Healing)/ Mary Help of Christians
		7:00	Florence & Dan Fritz/Dan, Trisha & Peggy
Wednesday	June 21	5:15	Anthony McGettigan/Jack & Marcie McAvaddy
		7:00	Danilo Dungca/David Morgan
		5:15	Angela Colanzi/Ed & Kay Colanzi
Thursday	June 22	7:00	Maria Felix Lopez/ofrece su hijo
		7:00	Jimmy McKeough/James McLean
		5:15	Jack Matthews/Family
Friday	June 23	7:00	Guadalupe Cazalez/ofrece su familia
		7:00	Summer Solstice
		5:15	Robert M. Tracy, Sr./Jack & Marcie McAvaddy
Saturday	June 24	7:00	Maria Mejia/ofrece su hermana
		8:00	Joseph Franco/Family Cahall & Goldsteine
		4:15	Virginia & John McAvaddy/ Family
Sunday	June 25	7:00	Matilde Jauregui/ofrece Rita
		7:30	Erma Melora/The Ruffolo Family
		9:00	Merlin Gonzales & Godofredo Borja/Borja Family

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10:30	Edith Galindo Sarmiento/fa- milia Galindo
12:00	Alfred Emmons/Steve Jones & Family
2:30	Mass for the People
6:30	Tạ Ôn/ một gia đình xin

St. Nicholas Church

Day	Date	Time	Intention
Saturday	June 17	4:00	Pinchot Family (L & D) Victor Gregor /Michael & Susan Megella
Sunday	June 18	8:45	James Patrick & Mary Teresa Burke
		10:30	Fidel S. Montemayor John Imfeld
Monday	June 19	12:00	Willaim Nolan Nicholas & Carolyn Roberto (L)
		8:00	Joseph Scott Bochniak Madeline Hopper & Family
Tuesday	June 20	8:00	Dr. James Patrick Burke (L) Abraham, Andrea & Santiago Ermino
Wednesday	June 21	8:00	Louis S. Filardi Madeline Hopper & Family
Thursday	June 22	8:00	Burke & Cox Families (L & D)
Friday	June 23	8:00	Madeline Hopper & Family Dr. Joseph Michael Formica (L)
Saturday	June 24	4:00	Pinchot Family (L & D) Marquerite Oldfield
		5:30	Madeline Hopper & Family

St. Michael's Church

Day	Date	Time	Intention
Sunday	June 18	11:00	Cono Cataliotti/Wife Rosa & Family
			Joseph Readeau /Family
			Josephine Kilpatrick Nanfara/ Elena & Family