



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.

July 9, 2017 **14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Catholic Volunteer Spirit



Several of the 20 parish volunteers stand under the Chelsea Avenue sign on the boardwalk Friday, June 30 while taking part in the #ACSummerofpink ribbon cutting ceremony which kicked off the summer concert series in AC. Mayor Don Guardian cut the two mile long ribbon, the longest ever used in Atlantic City. In all, several hundred people took part in the event.

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>Today</p> <p>Christmas in July</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make a kid smile • Benefits Atlantic City's children • \$5.00 tickets available after Masses Saturday & Sunday 	<p>July 13</p> <p>South Jersey Gas Company Information Session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quaremba Hall • 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM 	<p>July 18</p> <p>Vietnamese Community Picnic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Held at Estell Manor Park • 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM • All are invited
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CONTACT INFORMATION

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www.acatholic.org • 609-345-1878

Our Lady Star of the Sea School • 15 North California Avenue • 609-345-0648

Catholic Charities • 9 North Georgia Avenue • 609-345-3448

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 unite our multicultural community through the Catholic values of academic excellence, compassionate service and respect for all.”

Please note the many opportunities and many wonderful activities the students enjoyed thanks to the generosity of the friends of OLSS. Words cannot express our gratitude, but we thank everyone who helped to make this school year a fruitful learning experience spiritually, academically, and socially.

- 10 scholarships for tuition assistance
- Grades 2, 3 & 4 trip to see *Alice in Wonderland*
- Grades 6 & 7 students to CAB workshop
- Grade 4 trip to the Swedish Museum
- Grades 7 & 8 weekly architecture class
- Grade 8-weekly writing class
- Grades K-7 art classes
- Grade 6 election unit
- Several grades to Apple Store for workshop class on coding
- Art supplies
- Music supplies
- iPads for Pre K
- Playground equipment, school supplies, funds for breakfast program
- Rosary making and Peanut Butter and Jelly sandwiches service projects
- Soup and canned goods for families in need

YOU DO HAVE A CHOICE.....Registration for the full day Pre K 3 & 4 to 8th grade continues for the 2017-18 school year with financial assistance, transfer grants, and state transportation reimbursement (residing 2 miles or more from the school) available.

Transfer grants provided by the Depko Family Foundation for students transferring from a public school into 2-7th grade
\$1,500 tuition credit the first year per student
\$1,000 tuition credit the second year per student

Referral Credit: If any of our present families refer a new family to OLSS and they attend for the 2017-18 school year, their tuition account will be credited \$500.00 in February 2018. Contact Anne in the school office 609-345-0182 for further details. Please visit www.olsac.org or call (609) 345-0648 for more information and registration packet.

The school office will be closed until July 17th. Summer hours beginning July 17th are Monday through Thursday from 8:30-1:00. When the office is closed, please direct any questions or concerns to the rectory office 609-345-1878 x20 Monday through Friday 9:00-4:00. Thank you.

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Jon Thomas

Pastor

Rev. Thanh Pham

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Fernando Carmona

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Robert Matysik

Hospital Chaplain

Maria Isabel Duran

Religious Education Coordinator

Erick Duran

Facilities Manager

John Mooney

Outreach Director

Mary Ellen Maguire

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Bookkeeper

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CONTACT

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SCHOOL

609-345-0648

CONVENT

609-347-0434

WEB SITE

accatholic.org

The Faith Page •• La Fe

We attend Mass not only to witness the sacrifice of Christ but to become part of it.

"I appeal to you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God." - *Romans 12:1*

"May he [Christ] make of us an eternal offering to you [the Father], so that we may obtain an inheritance with your elect." - *Eucharistic Prayer III*

From the *Catechism* • learning the Catholic faith more deeply, a paragraph at a time

26 We begin our profession of faith by saying: "I believe" or "We believe". Before expounding the Church's faith, as confessed in the Creed, celebrated in the liturgy and lived in observance of God's commandments and in prayer, we must first ask what "to believe" means. Faith is man's response to God, who reveals himself and gives himself to man, at the same time bringing man a superabundant light as he searches for the ultimate meaning of his life. Thus we shall consider first that search (Chapter One), then the divine Revelation by which God comes to meet man (Chapter Two), and finally the response of faith (Chapter Three).

Today's Gospel Reading • Romans 8:9, 11-13

Brothers and sisters:
You are not in the flesh;
on the contrary, you are in the spirit,
if only the Spirit of God dwells in you.
Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.
If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you,
the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also,
through his Spirit that dwells in you.
Consequently, brothers and sisters,
we are not debtors to the flesh,
to live according to the flesh.
For if you live according to the flesh, you will die,
but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body,
you will live.

Answer the appropriate question(s):

Adults: How do you live according to the Spirit?

Children: Have you learned the gifts of the Holy Spirit?

What is your favorite gift?

Lectura del Evangelio de hoy • Romanos 8:9, 11-13

Hermanos y hermanas:
No estás en la carne;
Por el contrario, estás en el espíritu,
Si sólo el Espíritu de Dios mora en ustedes.
Quien no tiene el Espíritu de Cristo no le pertenece.
Si el Espíritu del que resucitó a Jesús de entre los muertos mora en vosotros,
El que resucitó a Cristo de entre los muertos
Dará vida a tus cuerpos mortales también,
Por su Espíritu que habita en vosotros.
En consecuencia, hermanos y hermanas,
No somos deudores a la carne,
Para vivir según la carne.
Porque si vivís según la carne, moriréis,
Pero si por el Espíritu pusisteis a muerte las obras del cuerpo,
tu vivirás.

Responda a la (s) pregunta (s) apropiada (s):

Adultos: ¿Cómo vives según el Espíritu?

Niños: ¿Has aprendido los dones del Espíritu Santo?

¿Cuál es tu regalo favorito?

Catholic Culture • a little something about feast days, prayers, and other Catholic traditions

July 14 is the Feast of St. Kateri Tekakwitha (1656-1680), a member of the Mohawk tribe born in modern-day New York. She resisted attempts by her family to arrange her marriage. She left her village and converted to Catholicism at the age of 19. She said, "I have consecrated myself entirely to Jesus, son of Mary, I have chosen Him for husband and He alone will take me for wife." She took the name Kateri after St. Catherine of Sienna. Never in good health, she devoted the last few years of her life to a Jesuit mission.

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
JULY 17, 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

Padre Pio Comes to St. Monica

Each Thursday at the 5:15 PM Mass at OLSS we will be celebrating the wonder of Padre Pio! Starting at 4:45 PM we will recite Our Lady's rosary for world peace through the intercession of St. Pio...(the rosary...his favorite weapon) Thanks to some very generous people, we are blessed to have a relic available for your veneration immediately after Mass. We will also pray a favorite prayer of Padre. We are very excited about this devotion. Won't you please mark your calendar accordingly and join us for our beautiful Mass! Spreading the word to your family and friends is truly appreciated!

Visit our Website

You can read this bulletin on your tablet or smart phone! The digital version has clickable links that let you follow URL's printed here. Go to accatholic.org and pick "Bulletins" on the right side of the page.

You can also create a user account with the login form in the bottom right corner of the page. Registered users receive our e-newsletter and stay on top of what is happening in the 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!

2017-2018 STARDUST 50/50 Raffle Club WE NEED YOU!

Memberships are available for \$100/10 months
First drawing is SEPTEMBER 10, 2017
Drawings are held on the 10th of each month through
June, 2018

Please help our parish keep Our Lady Star of the Sea Regional School open, the ONLY Catholic school remaining on Absecon Island!

Applications & information regarding the club can be found in the racks at the church doors and online at accatholic.org

Christmas in July

Volunteers will be selling \$5.00 Sponsorships after all masses on 7/8 & 7/9. Add your family name to our donor board and join us in providing a Merry Christmas for area children.

Last year over 350 children and their families attended a festive musical program at Saint Nicholas Church and received a new toy and a photo with Santa. Donations of new, unwrapped toys are also being accepted.

For more information or to volunteer please contact Margaret Steadman at 609-703-9093.

BY THE NUMBERS

**DUE TO EARLY DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN
SUBMISSIONS THE JULY 1 & 2 COLLECTION
FIGURES WILL BE IN THE JULY 16 BULLETIN**

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!

WHY A SECOND COLLECTION? "

About 15 times a year, the US bishops ask parishes to take a second collection for a special cause of national or international significance. For the sake of simplicity, our parish always takes a second collection. On unassigned Sundays, the second collection supports our parish in the same way as the first.

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 **\$81,174.00** of pledges from you so far, we have reached **56.6%** 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.

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, 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

St. Nicholas Shoppe

While the Shoppe is closed for renovations and the creation of a new historical exhibit, you can ask for a special visit if you are likely to purchase at least \$100 in merchandise. Simply call the office to setup the visit.

Mass cards for St. Nicholas are available at Our Lady Star of the Sea Rectory

Reading Along at Mass?

Our parish has some excellent lectors. The parish has also invested about \$50,000 in new audio systems in both of our main churches. After we finish fine tuning the new systems, I expect that the average person will be able to hear the Scriptures very well. There is a reason why we train our lectors and invest in audio systems. We could simply give everyone several minutes at the beginning of Mass to read the Scriptures on their own, but the Word of God is meant to be heard, not read, at communal worship. Nevertheless, some people have special reasons for reading along.

Because St. Nicholas Church a few years ago wisely invested in permanent hardbound hymnals (reducing a great deal of paper waste and cutting expenses), we recently took the further logical step of ending the missalette subscription (which cost the parish \$2,800/year and filled several large trash cans). If you are someone who must read along, please purchase a missalette for yourself. For only a few dollars, you can buy a one-year missalette. For as little as \$25, you can buy a missalette containing the Church's entire three-year cycle of Scripture readings. Call the office if you'd like to purchase one from the St. Nicholas Shoppe inventory.

BLACK MINISTRY NEWS

GOOD NEWS! Rev. Overton Jones is rehabilitating at St. Mary's Catholic Home, 210 St. Mary's Drive, Room 146A, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003 (856-874-5493). He is in good spirits despite having his left leg amputated above the knee. He vows to walk again. If you know of any former students of Fr. Jones please let them know. I am sure he would like to hear from you. Aloha Edwards and myself made the trek to see him. We have both known Fr. Jones since we were youngsters. Fr. Jones officiated at my marriage at St. Monica's on Pennsylvania Avenue.

The bust of Mother Emma Lewis will be permanently placed here at Our Lady Star of The Sea property soon. A plaque will be left at the Pennsylvania Avenue property dedicated to St. Monica and its Foundress.

Any news please call Alma Johnson at 609-226-0807 or email her at johnsonflaky43@aol.com News must be given before noon Monday to be published in bulletin.

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

14º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

"Porque mi yugo es fácil, y mi carga ligera." - MATEO
11:30

Cuando pensamos en ser buenos administradores, podemos pensar que Dios nos está pidiendo demasiado cuando nos llama a compartir generosamente nuestro tiempo, talento y tesoro. Sin embargo, debemos recordar que no somos "dueños" de nada, simplemente somos "administradores" de los dones que Dios nos ha dado. Todo lo que Él está pidiendo es que devolvamos una pequeña

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

14TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIMES

Stewards Give Back

"For my yoke is easy, and my burden light." - Matthew 11:30

When we think of being good **Stewards**, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent and treasure. However, we must remember that we are not "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion of what He has already given to us.

Around the Diocese

North Catholic's Norphans for Life 6th Annual Reunion

Come Celebrate North Catholic's History and Tradition
Saturday, July 29th 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Keenan's Irish Pub, North Wildwood, NJ
\$20.00 person in advance - \$25.00 at the door

Sunday morning mass 10:30 AM at Beach Amphitheater
(2nd and Ocean)

Please visit www.NORPHANS.org & www.NCFALCON-MALL.com for more details or contact
Jerry Brindisi 215-906-8496 - Michael McBride 215-588-9411 - Michael Primavera 215-239-7539

St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Parish 142nd Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Sunday, July 9 - Sunday, July 16, 2017
St. Joseph Church, 226 French Street, Hammonton, NJ
Hours Monday 4:00PM -9:00 PM
Tuesday through Friday 5:00 PM -11:00 PM
Saturday 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM - 11:00 PM Serving Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

Do You Have the Gifts to Serve Christ as a Deacon?

The Office of the Diaconate is hosting "Information Meetings" throughout the Diocese. If think you are being called to serve Christ as a Deacon, and are between the ages of 30 and 55, please consider attending an information meeting. The schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, July 11th 7:00 pm Our Lady of Peace, 32 Carroll Avenue, Williamstown

Wednesday July 12th 7:00 pm Diaconate Center, 15 N. East Avenue, Vineland

Wednesday July 19th 7:00 pm Saint Joseph the Worker, 901 Hopkins Road Haddon Township

Thursday July 20th 7:00 pm Diaconate Center, 15 N. East Avenue, Vineland

Thursday August 10th 7:00 pm Our Lady of the Angels, 35 E. Mechanic Street, Cape May CH

Wednesday August 23rd 7:00 pm Church of the Holy Family, 226 Hurffville Road, Sewell

For more information, please call the Office of the Diaconate at 856-583-2858 or email: michael.carter@camdendiocese.org

Mass Intentions for the Week - July 9, 2017

OLSS Church

Day	Date	Time	Intention
Saturday	July 8	4:15	Emma Mancini/Family
		7:00	Mariquta y Alfredo Contardi/ofrece su hija Julio Dante Quaranta/ofrece
Sunday	July 9	7:30	Mass for the People
		9:00	Joseph Franco/Michael & Beth Deighan
		10:30	Edith Galindo Sarmiento/familia Galindo
		12:00	Gualberto & Cristina Veloria/Arsenia Asuncion
		2:30	Juana Melo/ofrece su familia
		6:30	Tạ Ôn/ Joseph Nguyễn xin
Monday	July 10	7:00	Sis & Joe Liddy/Liddy Family
		5:15	John & Mary Ferreira & Deceased Members of Ferreira Family/Charles Mendonca
Tuesday	July 11	7:00	Dave Muller (L)/Friend
		5:15	Florence Sutley/The Collins Family
Wednesday	July 12	7:00	Mathew Madonna/Friend
		5:15	Pax L.M. Poson & Ines L. Madronal/Paz Poson
		7:00	Jesus Tejada/ofrece su familia
Thursday	July 13	7:00	Harry Kutcher (L)/Friend
		5:15	Cecilia Tierney & Helen Marie Tierney/Downey Family
		7:00	Joaquin Zapata Arias/ofrece su familia
Friday	July 14	7:00	John Price (L)/Friend
		5:15	Edna Lehmann/Jack & Marcie McAvaddy
		7:00	Oscar Perez/ofrece su familia
Saturday	July 15	8:00	Erick Ericksen/G.L. Warrington
		4:15	John Raymond Gormley, III/Family
		7:00	Maribel Martinez/ofrece su familia

OLSS Church

Sunday	July 16	7:30	Ronnell Moore/Mia Fiola, Jay P. Curry & Family
		9:00	Mass for the People
Sunday	July 16	10:30	Edith Galindo Sarmiento/familia Galindo
		12:00	Philip & Benedetta Paparone/Family
		2:30	Juan Hernandez/ofrece su familia
		6:30	Bay Le

St. Nicholas Church

Day	Date	Time	Intention
Saturday	July 8	4:00	Pinchot Family (L & D) Dr. Joseph Michael Formica (L)
		5:30	Rosa C. Reyes/Yolanda Macal
Sunday	July 9	8:45	Ed Gerhardt (Healing)/Tracye McArdle Holy Souls in Purgatory
		10:30	Madeline Hooper & Family Formica & Cesario Families (L & D)
		12:00	Gina Mawhinney/Tom & Roseanne Grace Slick/Margie Nigel
Monday	July 10	8:00	Holy Souls in Purgatory Joseph Scott Bochniak
Tuesday	July 11	8:00	Holys Souls in Purgatory Madeline Hopper & Family
Wednesday	July 12	8:00	Holys Souls in Purgatory William Thomas Taylor
Thursday	July 13	8:00	Holy Souls in Purgatory Madeline Hopper & Family
Friday	July 14	8:00	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	July 15	4:00	Pinchot Family (L & D) Holy Souls in Purgatory
		5:30	Mass for the People

St. Michael's Church

Day	Date	Time	Intention
Sunday	July 9	11:00	Rosa and Rosario Toscano/Emily Shaw Rev. Michael D'Amico/Rosemarie Green Sebastian Cutaia/Rosa Catalioti & Family