



Parish of Saint Monica

Atlantic City, NJ



The Parish of Saint Monica serves all of Atlantic City. It includes the churches of Our Lady Star of the Sea, St. Nicholas of Tolentine, and St. Michael's.

April 7, 2019 **Fifth Sunday of Lent**

"2019 CONVOCATION"



Pictured are the members of our parish who attended the Convocation of Catholic Leaders in Atlantic City. The theme was "Joy of the Gospel in South Jersey"; the delegates prayed, worshiped, attended workshops, and will now share what they have learned with the rest of our congregation.

MASS SCHEDULE

Our Lady Star of the Sea
2651 ATLANTIC AVENUE

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 8:00 AM, 4:15 PM
7:00 PM (Spanish)

Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM
10:30 AM (Spanish)
12:00 Noon
2:30 PM (Spanish)
6:30 PM (Vietnamese)

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon. - Fri. 7:00 AM, 5:15 PM

Wednesday 7:00 PM (Spanish)

Thursday 6:30 PM (Spanish)

Friday 7:00 PM (Spanish)

Saint Nicholas of Tolentine
1409 PACIFIC AVENUE

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 10:30 AM
12:00 Noon

DAILY MASS

Mon. - Fri. 8:00 AM

Saint Michael's Church
10 N. MISSISSIPPI AVENUE

First Sunday of the Month
April 7, 2019 at 10:00 AM

UPCOMING EVENTS

<p>Sun, Apr. 07</p> <p>FaithFull Food Drive</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After all Masses • All Churches • Collection of food donations (canned goods) 	<p>Sun, Apr. 07</p> <p>Parishioner of the Month Brunch</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11:30 AM • Bourre Restaurant • \$35 per Ticket • Tickets on sale at Welcome Center & Parish Office 	<p>Sat, Apr. 13</p> <p>Easter Basket Distribution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM • St. Nicholas • Volunteers Needed • Contact Margaret 609-703-9093
---	--	--

CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish of Saint Monica • 2651 Atlantic Avenue • Atlantic City, NJ 08401
www.accatholic.org • phone 609-345-1878 • fax 609-348-0248

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

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

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 Kathleen Given.

WANT TO BECOME CATHOLIC?

Classes have begun. Contact Fr. Jon for time and place.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mondays

Grades 1 to 6 - 5:45 PM to 7:00 PM

Grades 6 to 12 - 7:00 PM to 8:15 PM

Adults - 7:00 PM to 8:15 PM

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Wednesday after the 5:15 Mass.

ROSARY

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

PADRE PIO MASS

Devotions to Padre Pio occur before and after the Thursday 5:15 PM Mass. They include veneration of a first-class relic.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Letters of suitability cannot be issued to persons not registered with the parish. You can register in person, in the office, or online.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Saturday and Sunday

CLOSED

Our Lady Star of the Sea School

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!"

ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST – APRIL 14th OLSS will host its second annual "All You Can Eat Breakfast" buffet on Sunday, April 14, featuring a selection of bacon, eggs, sausage, pork roll, pancakes, coffee tea, and juice. The cost of admissions is \$7 for adults and \$5 for children. Children under 3 eat free. The Breakfast is held in the school cafeteria from 8:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. and all proceeds benefit the students and programs of Our Lady Star of the Sea School. Additional parking is available that day across the street at the Police Department lot.

ATLANTIC COUNTY WOMEN'S HALL OF FAME Thank you to Atlantic County Women's Hall of Fame recipients Mary Lou Antinozzi (2002), Jill Sheff Ojserkis (2009), and Sister Patricia Prendergast (2004) for sharing your stories and insights with our 7th-grade and 8th-grade girls. A special thanks, too, to Ms. Anne Campbell, ACWHF Board member, for arranging the visit.

CIVIC SAFARI Rainforest Café is hosting Civic Safari benefitting Our Lady Star of the Sea School on Tuesday, April 30. 10% of all sales (food and merchandise) that day will come directly to our school. The Rainforest Café is located on the Boardwalk in Atlantic City next to Caesars. To participate, customers must present a voucher which can be downloaded from the school website at www.olssac.org. Join us on Tuesday, April 30, and enjoy a WILD time in the Rainforest!

MOMMY & ME The first gathering of the spring Mommy & Me is just around the corner. Join us on Thursday, April Join the Fun! The Spring Session of Mommy & Me begins April 11. A fun, educational program for children 6 months to 3 years old and their adult, each class is 1 hour long and includes music and movement, story time, arts and crafts, and bubble time! Come join us as we dance, sing songs, read stories and have lots of fun with our little ones! Snacks are provided. To register or for more information, contact Sister Kathy Nace at 609-345- 2111 or email her at nace.kathy@olssac.org. To register online follow the link on the school website www.olssac.org

WELCOME WEDNESDAY The next Welcome Wednesday is April 10! Welcome Wednesday is a great opportunity to visit Our Lady Star of the Sea School and experience first-hand the innovative student-centered, learner-driven curriculum for yourself. Come, learn about blended-learning and student inquiry projects. Meet the teachers and see for yourself why the students at Star of the Sea are always smiling. Register for Welcome Wednesday on the school website at www.olssac.org and then drop in anytime between 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. With registration now open for the 2019-2020 school year, Welcome Wednesday is your opportunity to learn why OLSS has been the choice in Catholic education for over 110 years. With several tuition payment plans and tuition assistance available, OLSS is a choice you can't afford NOT to make. Have questions or want to schedule a tour at another time? Call Sister Kathy Nace at 609-345-2111.

10th ANNUAL SISTER SHAMUS WALK – JUNE 1st Mark your calendar now! The 10th Annual Sister Shamus Walk will be held on Saturday, June 1, 2019. The Walk is an essential fundraiser for the school and all monies raised directly benefit the students and programs at OLSS. To register for the Walk or become a sponsor for the Walk, follow the link on the school website www.olssac.org. Questions about how you can participate or become a sponsor? Call Sister Kathy in the Development Office at 609-345-2111 to find out more. Registration for the event will go live on April 1 and details about how to register (online or in person) will follow in future bulletins and on the school website.

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Jon P. Thomas
Pastor

Rev. Andrew T. Pham
Parochial Vicar

Rev. Cesar A. Rebolledo
Parochial Vicar

Rev. Robert Matysik
Hospital Chaplain

Joan Parker
Business Manager

Erick Duran
Facilities Manager

Maria Isabel Duran
Religious Education Coordinator

Laura Bello
Pastoral Associate

Kathleen Given
Pastoral Associate

Maria Isabel Espinoza
Secretary and Safe Environment Coordinator

CONTACT

PARISH OFFICE
609-345-1878

RELIGIOUS ED
609-345-1878 Ext-24

SCHOOL
609-345-0648

SCHOOL CONVENT
609-347-0434

ST. MICHAEL'S CONVENT
609-343-1545

WEB SITE
accatholic.org

The Faith Page

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*

PHIL 3:8-14

Brothers and sisters:

I consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having any righteousness of my own based on the law but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God, depending on faith to know him and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by being conformed to his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

It is not that I have already taken hold of it or have already attained perfect maturity, but I continue my pursuit in hope that I may possess it, since I have indeed been taken possession of by Christ Jesus.

Brothers and sisters, I for my part do not consider myself to have taken possession. Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead, I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus.

Adults: Is gaining righteousness before God one of your pursuits? If hearts are made right, God does not condemn one's past but instead looks at what "lies ahead".

Children: What should a person do if he wants to reach a goal? Is becoming close to Jesus one of your goals?

Filipenses 3, 8-14

Hermanos y hermanas:

Pero cuantas cosas eran para mí ganancia, las he estimado como pérdida por amor de Cristo. Y ciertamente, aun estimo todas las cosas como pérdida por la excelencia del conocimiento de Cristo Jesús, mi Señor, por amor del cual lo he perdido todo, y lo tengo por basura, para ganar a Cristo, y ser hallado en él, no teniendo mi propia justicia, que es por la ley, sino la que es por la fe de Cristo, la justicia que es de Dios por la fe; a fin de conocerle, y el poder de su resurrección, y la participación de sus padecimientos, llegando a ser semejante a él en su muerte, si en alguna manera llegase a la resurrección de entre los muertos.

No que lo haya alcanzado ya, ni que ya sea perfecto; sino que prosigo, por ver si logro asir aquello para lo cual fui también asido por Cristo Jesús.

Hermanos, yo mismo no pretendo haberlo ya alcanzado; pero una cosa hago: olvidando ciertamente lo que queda atrás, y extendiéndome a lo que está delante, prosigo a la meta, al premio del supremo llamamiento de Dios en Cristo Jesús.

Adultos: Obtener justicia ante Dios es uno de tu busqueda? Si los corazones son hechos correctos, Dios no los condena por el pasado en cambio mira las mentiras en el futuro.

Ninos: Que una persona haria si quisiera alcanzar sus metas? Acercarse a Dios es una de tus metas?

How We Serve

FOOD PANTRY

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
APRIL 15, 2019**

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

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.

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.

PARISHIONER OF THE MONTH

PLEASE JOIN US IN

CONGRATULATING

TOM AND PEGGY SYKES

WE ARE THANKFUL FOR ALL THAT
YOU DO!

Join Us

Easter Basket Volunteers!

When: April 10 - 11, 2019

Time: 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Where: St. Nicholas Rectory

"Need help preparing baskets for children"

"Healing Mass & Anointing of the Sick"

When: Thursday, April 11, 2019

Time: 6:00 PM Confessions & 6:30 PM Mass

Where: Our Lady of Sorrows Church
724 Maple Ave., Linwood, NJ

Contact: Maria Noack @ 215-490-5709

All-You-Can-Eat Fundraiser

When: April 14, 2019

Time: 8:00 AM - 1:30 AM

Where: School Cafeteria

Contact: 609-345-0648 for more information

Holy Cross Cemetery and Chapel Mausoleum "Memorial Day Mass"

When: Monday, April 15, 2019

Time: 10:00 AM

Where: 5061 Harding Highway, Mays Landing, NJ

Contact: Mary Ellen Henry @ 609-625-2133

Fresh Market Fruit & Vegetable Give Away

When: Thursday, April 18, 2019

Time: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Where: Oscar McClinton Waterfront Park
N. New Hampshire Ave, Atlantic City, NJ

Contact: Vinnie Kirkland @ 609-572-8506

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

When: Sunday, June 16, 2019

Time: 3:00 PM

Where: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

591 New Jersey Ave., Absecon, NJ 08201

Requirement: Fill out a form at your Parish Office

BY THE NUMBERS

PARISH COLLECTION FOR MAR. 30 - MAR. 30

OFFERTORY	\$13,287.00
BUDGET	\$15,609.00
POOR BOX	\$174.00

MANY THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

NUMBER OF REGISTERED HOUSEHOLDS 2280

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.

GIFT SHOPPE / MASS INTENTION

The Gift Shoppe at St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church is open thirty minutes before and after each weekend Mass. The shoppe can accommodate your Mass Intention Requests.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 11:00am - 3:00pm

Contact

Maria Isabel Duran, Director

mduran@accatholic.org

609-345-1878 ext. 24

"Prayers"

"Thank you God for giving my family and I another day to live. Please help those in need and help my parents to be able to buy a new house soon please." - Teresa Guadalupe Cabrera Andraele

"Pray for my mom so she can get better." - Marlene Santiago-Lopez

"God bless my family." - Michelle

BLACK CATHOLIC MINISTRY

Daniel Rudd: A Pioneering leader in black Catholic journalism. Rudd was the founder of the national black newspaper; the American Catholic Tribune, and he was also the founder of what is today the National Black Catholic Congress. Rudd was born to Catholic slave parents in 1845. In 1885 he began his first newspaper, the Ohio Tribune. Later that year, he expanded its mission and changed the name to the American Catholic Tribune, the first national Catholic newspaper opened and operated by an African American.

FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF THE RENEWAL

"Heart to Heart" Monthly Gathering for Teenagers

When: Sunday, April 14, 2019

Time: 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Where: St. Michael's Church

Includes: Pizza at Quaremba Hall then Adoration at the Church

Contact: Sr. Ann Kateri, CFR @ 609-343-1545

STEWARDSHIP

April 7, 2019

5th Sunday of Lent

"For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ..." (PHILIPPIANS 3:8)

The first commandment says that we should not put other gods before the Lord. Stewardship is sharing all of our gifts, our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to support Church needs. Stewardship helps us from putting other gods before God. It helps us to use our gifts for the glory of God and not for our own honor.

Ministerio Hispano

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. La celebración del sacramento será los Domingos en la misa de las 2:30 PM.

Requisitos para bautismo

- 1- Llenar formulario e inscribirse en la oficina
- 2- Traer copia del certificado de nacimiento
- 3- Tomar la clase pre-bautismal

Presentación de niños

Se realizarán solo los Domingos en la misa de las 2:30 PM

Confesiones

- 1- Miércoles, Jueves, Viernes y Sábados serán antes de misa
- 2- Domingo antes de la misa de las 2:30 PM
- 3- En hora de oficina con cita solamente

RENOVACION CARISMATICA CATOLICA

Siervos De Cristo - Grupo de Oración

2nd y 3rd Miércoles del mes después de la Misa a las 7 PM en Nuestra Señora Estrella del Mar

"Y todos quedaron llenos del Espíritu Santo, y comenzaron a hablar en otras lenguas, según el Espíritu hacia que hablarán" – Hechos 2,4

Semana Nacional por los Derechos de Víctimas de Crimen

- Cuando:** Viernes Abril 12, 2019
Hora: 8:00 PM
Donde: Cafetería
Contactar: Luis Rodríguez @ 609-334-2563

Misa Diocesana de Aniversario de Bodas

- Cuando:** Domingo 16 de Junio del 2019
Hora: 3:00 PM
Donde: Parroquia St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
591 New Jersey Ave., Absecon, NJ 08201
Requisito: Llenar un formulario en su Parroquia

EDUCACION RELIGIOSA

Horas de Oficina

Lunes - Jueves 11:00am - 3:00pm

Contactar

María Isabel Durán, Directora
mduran@accatholic.org
609-345-1878 ext. 24

"Oraciones"

"Dios te doy gracias por que hoy mi hermana Jacqueline y yo recibiremos el bautismo. Te pido que nos del bien. Amen" - Alexander Cacotla -Valladolid

CORRESPONSABILIDAD

7 de Abril del 2019

5° Domingo de Cuaresma

"Por su causa, he aceptado la pérdida de todas las cosas y las considero basura, para poder ganar a Cristo ..."
(FILIPENSES 3: 8)

El primer mandamiento dice que no debemos poner a otros dioses delante del Señor. Compartir todos nuestros dones, nuestro tiempo de oración, nuestro talento en obras de caridad y nuestro tesoro para apoyar las necesidades de la Iglesia nos ayuda a mantener a Dios primero en todo. Nos ayuda a evitar poner a otros dioses delante de Dios. Nos ayuda a usar nuestros dones para la gloria de Dios y no para nuestro propio honor.

Que mantengamos a Dios primero en todo y no pongamos a otros dioses delante de Dios.

Mass Intentions for the Week - April 07, 2019

Our Lady Star of the Sea

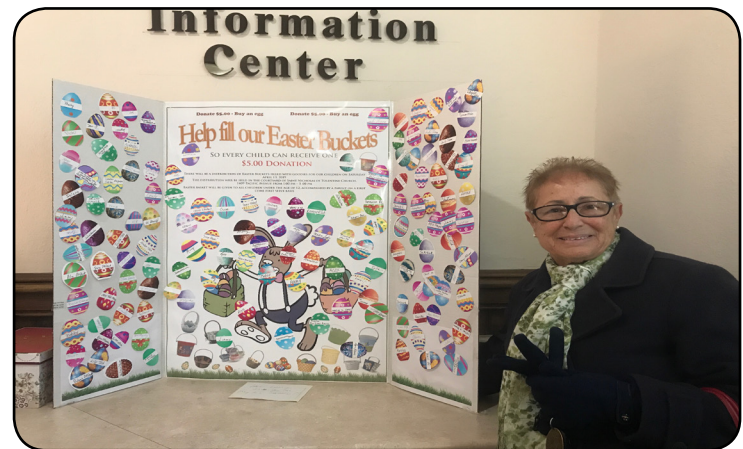
Day	Date	Time	Intention
Saturday	Apr.06	8:00	Irma & Raymond Gormley / Family
		4:15 7:00	Evelyn Dounton / Danny Fritz
Sunday	Apr.07	7:30	Elizabeth Freund / Mary, Mike, Chilastris & Family
		9:00	Mass for the People
		10:30	
		12:00	Oliver Magalong (L) / Cecilia Magalong
		2:30 6:30	Anthony Do-Van-Nguyen / Ray & Barbara Sands
Monday	Apr.08	7:00	Raymond Gormley / Family
Tuesday	Apr.09	7:00	
		5:15	Remedios & Leonard Magalong (D) / Cecilia Magalong
Wednesday	Apr.10	7:00	
		5:15	Claudia Thomas Billings / Ginger O'Neill & Family
Thursday	Apr.11	7:00	
		5:15	Diego Quintana & Elena Villar / Pedro Sierra Jr.
Friday	Apr.12	6:30	
		7:00 5:15 7:00	Emma Mancini / The Family
Saturday	Apr.13	8:00	Adam Soja (D) / Ann Soja
		4:15	Florence & Dan Fritz / Trisha, Peggy & Danny
Sunday	Apr.14	7:00	
		7:30	Mass for the People
		9:00	Claudia Thomas Billings / Bozzi Family
		10:30	
		12:00	Phyllis Juliano (H)(L) / Joe Formica
		2:30	
		6:30	Giu-se Huy Đỗ (D) / Lan Phạm

St. Nicholas Church

Day	Date	Time	Intention
Saturday	Apr.06	4:00	Magdalena Arroyo / Paul & Lorraine Flynn
Sunday	Apr.07	10:30	*Holy Souls in Purgatory *Living & Deceased Members of the Formica & Cesario Families *Geletei Family
		12:00	Helen Snyder (D) / Sam & Sue Borowski
Monday	Apr.08	8:00	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday	Apr.09	8:00	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday	Apr.10	8:00	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Thursday	Apr.11	8:00	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Friday	Apr.12	8:00	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	Apr.13	4:00	*Holy Souls in Purgatory *Dave Crawford / Daniel Daliey
		10:30	*Medeline Hopper & Family *Living & Deceased Members of the Burke & Cox Families
Sunday	Apr.14	12:00	

St. Michael's Church

Day	Date	Time	Intention
Sunday	Apr.07	10:00	Luigi & Maria Calderon / Maria Bongiovanni & Family
Sunday	May.05	10:00	Mary DiGiovanni / Mary Help of Christians



Marianne Christinziano shows off the Easter egg donation board after the 7:30 am Mass at Parish of Saint Monica. Support from everyone was great, especially our Vietnamese community. The display was also at Saint Nick's and Saint Michael's with equal support. We had a very successful two weeks. Easter baskets for the children will be distributed on April 13th at Saint Nick's from 1 - 3 PM.