"THROUGH THIS HOLY ANOINTING ..."

At our Masses this weekend, we highlight a beautiful sign of the Lord's healing power: the sacrament of the anointing of the sick. Here at St. Monica's, we have a significant number of seniors and other homebound individuals who are ministered to by their fellow parishioners. Many of them have made a special effort to be here this weekend, and we are pleased to welcome them. They belong to us and are tremendous intercessors on behalf of the many needs of the parish. We ask them to keep praying for all of us, and know that we carry them in our prayers as well.

We are also grateful for the many **pastoral home care volunteers** who share so generously of their time and compassion. They bring comfort and friendship, prayer and the Lord's presence in the Eucharist to literally hundreds of people, whether at home or in institutional care. We are grateful for the witness they offer and the solidarity they offer. I especially thank our new pastoral home care coordinator, Anne Robertson, as well as Audrey Booth, Evelyn Raphael, Sr. Beverley, and Deacon Dennis, for their ongoing mentoring and support to our volunteers. If you feel called to become involved in this outreach ministry, please let one of the team know!

NEXT WEEKEND WE WELCOME SISTERS OF SAINT ELISABETH CONVENT FROM MINSK, BELARUS

The sisters of Saint Elisabeth Convent render spiritual, social and financial help to the sick and the suffering who stay at care centers in Minsk, Belarus (the National Psychiatric Clinic and Municipal Hospital as well as boarding homes for children and adults with special needs, a TB clinic and a home care facility for mentally challenged children).

Since its establishment, the convent has been patronizing 200 orphanage children with psychophysical deficiencies. The assistance goes from purchasing diapers for the bedridden children to the implementation of different activities on rehabilitation and socialization of these kids. Overwhelming love, the word of God and the Holy Communion that the Sisters bring enlightens their desperate and suffering souls. The Convent also runs a rehabilitation center for drug or alcohol addicts and ex-prisoners. People who lost their home, families and hope find shelter here and discover God's love.

To maintain this work of care, workshops and studios were established on the premises of the Convent. Many of these sick people become involved and together with the sisters with love and prayer produce beautiful articles: icons, crucifixes, wooden and alabaster crosses, vestments, church goods and other religious items and handcrafted souvenirs. Please, take an opportunity to support sisters' charity by visiting a display that will take place at our parish next weekend <u>October 11-12, 2014.</u>

ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT UPCOMING EVENTS

God's Beloved - Anointed for Mission: Our Call in Baptism and Confirmation

When Jesus was baptized, he was confirmed in his identity as God's Beloved Son and anointed for his public mission. What about our baptism, our confirmation? Were these merely "rituals" we went through, or was God's Spirit at work gifting each of us with an identity and a mission? On **Wednesday, October 8 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.,** in the parish hall, **Msgr. Francis Coyle** will help us discover how our identity as baptized and confirmed Christians empowers us to live out our mission each day – right here, right now! Free babysitting is available upon request at registration. Please register by **October 6.**

The Joy of the Gospel: How Our Encounter with Jesus Changes Us and the World

In his book, "The Joy of the Gospel", Pope Francis reflects on our life with Jesus and how our relationship with Him influences our way of being in the world. Over six weekly sessions, **Sr. Marie Azzarello, CND**, will be our guide as we take time to ponder, integrate, and be challenged by Pope Francis' prophetic message. Join us on **Tuesday afternoons**, **October 21 to November 25 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.** in the parish rectory. The book, "The Joy of the Gospel", will be available to purchase for \$10. Please register by **October 17.**

Please refer to our website and the posters at the Church entrances for additional information. If registration is required, kindly use the appropriate sign-up sheets at the main church entrance or contact Anna at the office.

MASS INTENTIONS OCTOBER 4 TO 12, 2014

Saturday, October 4: St. Francis of Assisi

4:00 In Loving Memory: Mike Kilbertus, Deceased members of the Charles McDonald Family, Ignazio Ciampini, Aniello D'Addio, Danny Dupont, Alessandro Palladini, Lucille Wong, Deceased members of the DiFazio & Iacovone Families.

Sunday, October 5: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 Vincenzo & Sante La Posta
Luigi & Sterina Monte

11:00 Joseph Onesi (15th Annv.)
Giuseppe Fiori

By Concetta La Posta
By Sylvia & Toni Supino
By Ida& Children
By Wife & Family

Monday, October 6: St. Bruno

8:00 George Brabant By the Brabant Family Marcello Bevilacqua By the Zilli Family

Tuesday, October 7: Our Lady of the Rosary

8:00 Special Intention By Orla Delany

Wednesday, October 8: Weekday Mass

8:00 Linus Doyle By Marion & Family Felice Evangelista By wife Maria

Thursday, October 9: St. Denis & Companions, St. John Leonardi

8:00 Antonio Cavallaro By the Family

Dorothy Rice By the Rice & Walder Family

Friday, October 10: Weekday Mass

8:00 Ilario Maiolo By the Family Congetto Catorera & Antonio Zangrillo By Romana

Anthony Nico By Mariana Silvestre

Saturday, October 11: Our Lady's Saturday

4:00 Antonio Bei
Louis Collins
Pietro Di Meglio

By wife Gabriella Bei
By Monique Collins
By the Family

Sunday, October 12: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 In Loving Memory: Aline Liautaud, Natalina Donati Ceccucci, Salvati Family, Deceased members of the Cullen Family, Bill Agnew.

11:00 Vincenzo Saluzzi Maddalena Saluzzi & Family

Special Intentions of Maria & Alfredo By the Family

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Your Generosity...

Thank you for your on-going support of our parish...Collection for the weekend of September 27/28, 2014 totalled \$3,271.50.



NEW St. Monica's Youth Group

Who: Youth in grades 7-10.

When: Friday nights from 7:30-9:15 p.m.

Where: The Church Basement. Register at: www.surveymonkey.com/s/St Monica Youth Group

Youth Group Launch Party
Friday, October 10, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.
Pizza--Games--Dessert!

Youth Group We are looking for adult leaders and youth leaders (18-25) to volunteer to make this group possible. For further information. email stmonicasyouth@gmail.com or call Claire at 514-482-7493 (evenings).

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD DRIVE

The St. Monica Food Pantry Food Drive began Sunday, Sept. 28th, & runs to Thursday, Oct. 9th. Non-perishable food items listed are as follows: Boxes of cereal, pasta, pasta sauce, canned vegetables, soup, canned tuna or salmon, jam or peanut butter, canned fruit, Kraft Dinner. Also, needed are disposal baby diapers. Please donate what you can and place your donations in the Food Drive baskets located in the sanctuary. Thank you for supporting this parish outreach project.

FAITH & JUSTICE BAZAAR OCTOBER 25

We are in need of **bakers** and **workers** for our bazaar. There are sign-up sheets on the tables at the back of the church.

We also encourage you to come and support us and to enjoy a delicious lunch which will be served on Saturday & Sunday. All proceeds go to projects in our twin parish of Zamoran.

Saturday is opened for the public from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Sunday is opened for the parish only from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

DONATIONS NEEDED

Please, No donation of clothes or books

OCTOBER ROSARY PRAYED





Our Lady has asked us to pray the Rosary for peace and for conversions. During the month of October, the Rosary will be prayed every Saturday at 3:30 p.m. in the church. Come and answer Mary's call to pray the Rosary for peace.

"Sow Much Love" Development & Peace Fall Campaign

The goal of this year's campaign is to bring awareness to the causes of hunger which affects one billion of the world's population. Small family farmers are threatened by soil depletion due to pollution and climate change. Privatization of seeds is a danger to the right of farmers to use and save their own seeds. To better inform yourselves, please read the materials inserted in the bulletin.

SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR "MAINTENANCE"