### METHUEN CATHOLIC May 15 THE PARISHES OF ST. MONICA AND ST. LUCY

# "Love one another."

JOHN 13:34A

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2022

## FROM DIRECTOR OF PARISH LIFE

### MAY 15, 2022





We've already congratulated our first communicants from the parishes, but we wanted to congratulate our school kids, and share some photos from all three first communion celebrations and the Marian Processions which we held on May 1st. Our thanks to all those who helped with their preparation and to Bill Magro for taking video and providing the photos!

## NEWS

### MAY 15, 2022







GETHSEMANE EUCHARISTIC CHAPEL located at St. Monica Church is open from morning rush hour until 7:00pm, seven days a week. tto St. Monica and St. Lucy Parishes. We're glad you joined us!

THE CHAPEL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ST. LUCY CANDLE SHRINE

The Church & Shrine are open M-Th from 7am - 4:30pm for prayer.

# NEWS

## CALLING ALL PARISHIONERS! WE ARE LOOKING FOR NOMINATIONS MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT!

We are starting the process of choosing **two more statues** for The Chapel of the Immaculate Conception | St. Lucy Candle Shrine. We are asking you to nominate two saints that you'd like to see on the final ballot. This ballot will include the top five nominated saints. We will publish these selections at the end of the month. After that, we will have a vote for the final two saints.

Step 1: Cut out this ballot.

Step 2: Write out the name of the two saints you'd like to nominate for our shrine.

Step 3: Place your ballot in the box located on the pedestal in the shrine.

Only one ballot per person please. Do NOT nominate any of the following saints since these are already represented in the shrine: Our Lord ; Our Lady ; St. Joseph ; St. Lucy ; St. Anthony of Padua

First Nomination:

Second Nomination:

# SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE

"That our prayers may find the heart of every priest and bishop".

### Prayerful women of our Parish:

### Do you have a heart to pray for one of the priests of our parish?

"The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a holy hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest (or bishop), a 'holy wasting' (c.f. Matt 26:10) or lavishing of prayer for his deeper conformity to Christ."

**Commitment:** One hour per week on a specific day for a priest of our parish for beginning in June for one year.

Contact Jean at 978-682-8477 or jeanmagsull77@gmail.com or go to <u>https://sevensistersapostolate.org/mission-and-structure/</u> to learn more about this special ministry.

Please join us on **Saturday May 21 from 10-12** for rosary, sharing and coffee and pastries at the St. Monica Ranch House.

# NEWS

Beacon Hospice in collaboration with Holy Family Hospital Presents

#### **Pathways Through Grief**

a six-week Bereavement Group

If you are struggling with life changes after the loss of your loved one or feeling lonely, sad and uncertain of your future,

#### COME JOIN OUR BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP AND BEGIN YOUR PATH TOWARD HOPE AND HEALING Held at

Holy Family Hospital 70 East Street Methuen, MA

Dates: Thursday Evenings May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2022 June 2 and June 9, 2022 Time: 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Please call Lucille Bonanno or Jacquie Marchand, Bereavement Coordinators, Beacon Hospice at Tel. 978-837-3333 for information/registration.

#### Group is offered as a free service to the community



### **Volunteers Needed**

To count the weekly offertory. Volunteers will be assigned to a team of counters for alternating weeks. Training will be provided. To volunteer or get more details please contact Kera at 978-683-1193 ext. 26



## **ROSARY RALLY**

The Knights of Columbus will be leading a rosary rally dedicated to the intentions of all attendees, on Saturday, May 21, at 12:00pm in the St. Monica Parking lot. All are welcome.

Invite a friend and join us in Prayer to our Blessed Mother.

### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### SUNDAY, MAY 15

- St. Joseph's Men's Guild 11am-12pm St. Lucy Lower Church Hall
- Baptisms 11:30am St. Lucy Church
- AA 7pm St. Lucy Lower Church Hall

#### MONDAY, MAY 16

- Mass 9 am St. Lucy Church
- Boy Scouts 7-8:30 pm St. Lucy Lower Church Hall

#### TUESDAY, MAY 17

- Mass 9 am St. Lucy Church
- Rosary For Priests Prayer Group 6 pm Gethsemane Chapel

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

- Prayer and Study 10 am 12 pm (Zoom)
- Alanon 10-11:15 am St. Lucy Lower Church
- Peter Kreeft Study 6 pm (Zoom)
- CFC Meeting 7pm St. Lucy Lower Church
- Eucharistic Adoration 6-7pm St. Lucy Church

#### <u>THURSDAY, MAY 19</u>

- Mass 9 am St. Lucy Church
- School Mass 1pm St. Monica Church
- Rosary for Peace 6pm (Zoom)
- AA 6:30 pm St. Lucy Lower Church Hall

#### FRIDAY, MAY 20

- Mass 9 am St. Lucy Church
- School Mass 1pm St. Monica Church
- Eucharistic Adoration 2-5 pm Gethsemane Chapel
- Confessions 4-5 pm Gethsemane Chapel

#### SATURDAY, MAY 21

- Faith to Fitt 8 am St Lucy Lower Church Hall
- Seven Sisters Meeting 10am-12pm St. Monica House
- Rosary Rally 12pm St. Monica Parking Lot
- Bettor's Anonymous 2 pm St. Monica SVDP Hut
- Confessions 3-3:45 pm Gethsemane Chapel and St. Lucy Church

"True civilization is easily tested by its attitude towards motherhood. There can be no real refinement of human feeling where man's heart is not full of delicacies for the dignity of motherhood. Therefore there can be no true civilization where motherhood is either shunned or degraded. "If there is anything that belongs to the health of the nations that dwell upon the earth, it is a loving reverence for the burdens of human motherhood...."

-Dom Anscar Vonier, O.S.B.

Weekly Offertory needed to sustain parish operations: St. Monica - \$10,000 | St. Lucy - \$6,000 Thank you for your continued generous contribution to the mission of our parishes.



Yes, I CAN...We are in need of soups, canned spaghetti, canned pork & beans, jelly, canned fruit, pancake mix, syrup, and peanut butter. Donations can be dropped off anytime at the entrances to St. Lucy and the side door of Gethsemane Chapel at St. Monica Church.

#### **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Mondavs @ 10 am. Please email all bulletin notices to faithformation.stlm@gmail.com.

#### **TEMPORARY OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Thursday | 11:30am-4:30pm Fridays | 9:00am-12:00pm

BAPTISMS 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at 1:00pm St. Monica's | 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 11:30am at St. Lucy's

MARRIAGES Please call the Parish Offices at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date and before booking a reception hall.

MASS SCHEDULE

SAT 4 pm (VIGIL) both parishes SUN 9 am & 11 am St. Monica | 10 am St. Lucy 3 - 3:45 pm both parishes Sat MON/TUES/THURS/FRI 9:00 am St. Lucy FIRST SATURDAY 9 am St. Monica

#### CONFESSIONS

- 4 5pm Gethsemane Chapel
- 6 7pm St. Lucy Church

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

2 - 5 pm Friday Gethsemane Chapel 6:00 - 7:00 pm Wednesday St. Lucy Church

# METHUEN CATHOLIC

THE PARISHES OF ST. MONICA AND ST. LUCY

#### PARISH OFFICES

254 Merrimack Street, Methuen, MA 01844 (978) 683 - 1193 or (978) 686 - 3311 www.methuencatholic.org Temporary Hours Mon-Thurs, 11:30am-4:30pm Friday 9:00am-2:00pm



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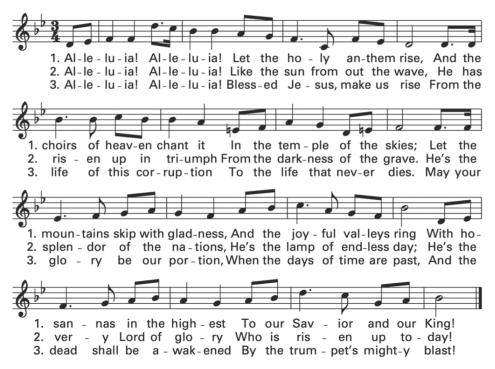
#### **INTROIT**

Cf. Ps 98 (97): 1-2

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

#### **PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let The Holy Anthem Rise



#### **PENITENTIAL ACT - GLORIA**

#### FIRST READING

Refer to Pew Card

Acts 14: 21-27

After Paul and Barnabas had proclaimed the good news to that city and made a considerable number of disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch. They strengthened the spirits of the disciples and exhorted them to persevere in the faith, saying, "It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God." They appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, commended them to the Lord in whom they had put their faith. Then they traveled through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. After proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia. From there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now accomplished. And when they arrived, they called the church together and reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Cf. Ps* 145 (144): 1; ℣ 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 · *L* 



The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness. The LORD is good to all and compassionate toward all his works.

Let all your works give you thanks, O LORD, and let your faithful ones bless you. Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might.

Let them make known your might to the children of Adam, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. Your kingdom is a kingdom for all ages, and your dominion endures through all generations.

#### SECOND READING

#### Rev 21: 1-5a

Then I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. I also saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away." The One who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new."

#### ALLELUIA



lat . I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you.

#### **GOSPEL**

When Judas had left them, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and God will glorify him at once. My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

#### **COMMUNION HYMN**



Behold The Lamb of God

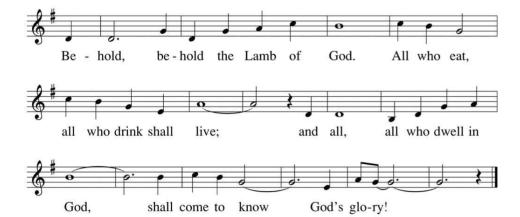
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In 21: 1-19

Cf. In 15: 1, 5

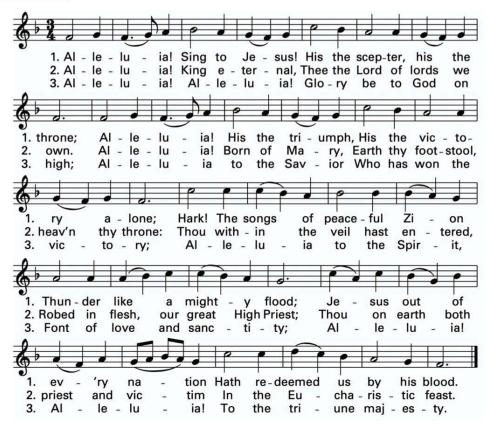
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### SONGS & READINGS



**RECESSIONAL HYMN** 

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!



#### PRAYER FOR PASTORAL PLANNING

Almighty Father, give us the grace to follow where your Son leads. Make our priests holy and effective ministers of the Gospel. Make our staff and parishioners dedicated and enthusiastic disciples. May we all be docile to the Holy Spirit and obedient to your will. Help us make our parishes a light for those seeking you And a safe harbor for those who hope in you. We entrust ourselves to the Blessed Virgin Mary as we pray: Hail Mary, full of grace...

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# MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

## ST. MONICA PARISH

#### Saturday, May 14

4:00pm Henry Ronald Berthold

#### Sunday, May 15

9:00am Multiple Intentions Robert Higgins Richard Ferland Manuel & Fernanda Cordeiro Evelyn & Jose Freitas Joseph O'Neil Robert Roche Grace Medina Claire Waterworth

11:00 am Ann & Thomas Thornton

#### Saturday, May 21

4:00pm Joseph & Sally Seria

#### Sunday, May 22

9:00am Brian Sheehan

11:00 am Joseph Lavigne Yvette Moran Michael Milnes

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### PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

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DAT	DATE	PRIEST	SEMINAR.
Sunday	05/15/22	Fr. Paul Aveni	Deacon Maxwell Chukwudiebere
Mon	05/16/22	Fr. James McCarthy	Deacon Joseph Ferme
Tues	05/17/22	Fr. Kevin Sepe	Deacon Bertrand Proulx
Wed	05/18/22	Fr. Mark Riley	Deacon Steven Restrepo
Thurs	05/19/22	Msgr. William Fay	Deacon Na- thaniel Sanders
Friday	05/20/22	Bishop Robert Hennessey	Deacon Nicholas Stano
Sat	05/21/22	Class of 2022 Ordinandi	Those being ordained to the Priesthood

# **ST. LUCY PARISH**

Saturday, May 14 4:00pm William G. Klier

Sunday, May 15 10:00am *Multiple Intentions* Francis R. Covey, Jr. Jamie Legere Karen Hovanasian Emily DiMaggio Raymond Cummings Lisa Tiberio-MacLean

#### Monday, May 16 9:00am Mary T. Klufts

**Tuesday, May 17** 9:00am Claire Waterworth

#### **Thursday, May 19** 9:00am *Living*

*Living Intentions* Geraldine Shea Patrice Kobrenski Janet Boush Marilyn, Elizabeth, & Joseph Mugavero

#### Friday, May 20

9:00am Catherine & Carl Olson

#### Saturday, May 21

4:00pm Vincent & Mary Rizzo

#### Sunday, May 22

10:00am *Multiple Intentions* Antonio & Evelina Mollica Jamie Legere Claire Linton Lisa Badolato John Calobrisi Theresa DiCenzo



### PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for Patrice K., Mary E., Joseph V., Tom V., Nick K., Anthony, & Shaindy W.

Please pray for Maria Finochiaro, Richard Coughlin, Eleanor Karcz, & Mary Palermo whose funerals we recently celebrated. May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.



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