

# METHUEN CATHOLIC

THE PARISHES OF ST. MONICA AND ST. LUCY

Oct 17  
2021



## 29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Mk 10:43-45

The rich young man went away sad (Mark 10:22). We are familiar with this account from last Sunday's Gospel. Jesus speaking to a faithful Jew of His day appealed first to the Commandments. If a Catholic of our day bumped into Our Blessed Lord and asked the same question, Jesus' response might be a little different. Jesus might say, "You know what it means to be a Roman Catholic. Go to Mass faithfully every Sunday and every Holy Day of Obligation. Go to Confession regularly. Give to your local parish; support the mission of the Church in the world. Take care of your family, your parents, and your neighbors. Participate in the life of your local community that it may be imbued with your Holy Catholic values, that the Gospel might reach the local community and the world by your good and holy works."

"Lord," said Catholic might respond, "all of these things I have been doing since my youth according to my state in life and the means I had at my disposal."

With a look of love, Our Lord's response might be, "Truly, you are anxious to know if you've done enough, if you're doing enough. Perhaps this anxiety is telling of itself. Remember that beautiful account about my friends Martha and Mary (Luke 10:38-42). Martha worried and fretted, suffered anxiety, over many things. Mary on the other hand chose first to learn My wisdom. Then all of the other things you try to do to build up the Kingdom will have My stamp on them first and foremost. If you put me first in all things, I will use you in ways you can't possibly imagine. Remember my little one, Saint Mother Theresa of Calcutta. Her consecrated daughters first spent hours each day with Me in the Most Blessed Eucharist. I can then act in their person to extend my merciful hand to those who are destitute. People need more than food and water; that only sustains the body in this life. People truly need food that sustains to Eternal Life. That's food only I can give, because I am the Bread of Life. I offer My Body and Blood to our Heavenly Father for the life of the world. While people may be "anxious" and "busy" about doing the work of the Gospel, first trust Me enough to spend time with me in the Sacraments and in prayer that is not distracted by driving or whatever. Give Me the best time of your day and I will use you to bring true peace to the world, peace found in My Kingdom on earth and eternally in Heaven. You say it in the great prayer I taught you when I was with you 2000 years ago. You say: 'Thy Kingdom come, Thy Will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven.' Do you pray it? Do you know what I taught you to ask for? And do you mean it? I want to establish My Kingdom on earth. I want the Will of My Father done on earth as it is in Heaven. That is peace only I can give. Remember what I said: 'Peace I leave you, my peace I give you' (John 14:27). Not as the world gives peace do I give it because the world and the adversary seek peace without God. There is no such thing. Remember what My Mother said at Fatima:

'You have seen hell where the souls of poor sinners go. To save them, God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart. If what I say to you is done, many souls will be saved and there will be peace. The war is going to end: but if people do not cease offending God, a worse one will break out during the Pontificate of Pius XI. When you see a night illumined by an unknown light, know that this is the great sign given you by God that he is about to punish the world for its crimes, by means of war, famine, and persecutions of the Church and of the Holy Father. To prevent this, I shall come to ask for the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Heart, and the Communion of reparation on the First Saturdays. If my requests are heeded, Russia will be converted, and there will be peace; if not, she will spread her errors throughout the world, causing wars and persecutions of the Church. The good will be martyred; the Holy Father will have much to suffer; various nations will be annihilated. In the end, my Immaculate Heart will triumph. The Holy Father will consecrate Russia to me, and she shall be converted, and a period of peace will be granted to the world.'

Notice what My Mother prophesied at Fatima has occurred with a few exceptions at the end. Those exceptions have yet to be fulfilled and they will be. Note especially that a period of peace will be granted the world, a peace yet to come. I love you. I always love you. I offer Myself to our Heavenly Father for you from the altar at Holy Mass as from the Altar of the Cross. Never fear anything but have Holy Fear (Awe) of God. Trust in Me alone!"

To which said Catholic might respond, "Yeah, but..."

The above is an hypothetical conversation meant to inspire humility in us and trust in God. A period of peace will be granted the world, only God knows when. As faithful Catholics, we can help and hasten that process by our walk with and trust in the Lord. Pray, pray, pray every day as you can the Holy Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, for the sick, the suffering, the dying, the souls in Purgatory, and the conversion of sinners in the culture. Our prayers make a difference; our sufferings that we offer with the Lord make a difference.

From the altar at Holy Catholic Mass as from the Altar of the Cross, Thy Kingdom come, Thy Will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. God bless you.



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**October 29th**  
Saint Lucy's Parking Lot  
6:30-8:00

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Join us for a SPOOKTACULAR TIME!

**What is Trunk or Treat?**  
It's like trick-or-treat without a house. Families decorate their vehicle's trunks and fill them with candy. Children walk around and receive treats from each trunk. It's a safe, family friendly event.

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RAIN DATE is October 30th but will be at SAINT MONICA'S PARKING LOT from 6:30pm-8:00pm

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Please send in payment by sending in the slip below with your payment by October 27th.

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TRUNK OR TREAT

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# of Children:

Total amount enclosed:



With the passage of the ROE Act (Remove Obstacles and Expand Abortion) last December, Massachusetts is now among the most pro-death states in the country having **removed** the existing state law mandating lifesaving medical care to be administered to a child who survives an abortion. Fellow Catholics are working to gather signatures to place a question on the 2022 ballot **ensuring** life saving medical care for babies born alive after a botched abortion.

If you believe that every newborn in MA deserves this common sense life-saving protection, **please sign the petition on October 23rd and 24th after Mass. If you can volunteer, please contact Monica Silvey at 978-853-8248.**

*Thank you very much for helping to protect the most vulnerable among us.*

**Massachusetts  
Newborns  
Protection  
Coalition**



**They need our help.**



If you are an adult interested in learning more about receiving the sacraments or becoming a Catholic please contact

Kevin @ 978-683-1193 or  
Bonnie at 978-609-7307

## **Scripture classes on the Book of Revelation begin:**

**Saturday, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday, Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>.**

Classes will begin at 2:00 PM on Saturday's in the School House & will be repeated on Wednesdays at 2:00 PM.

\*Masks are not required for vaccinated people and social distancing will be observed.

\*Bibles will be available for your use, or you may bring your own copy.

To register, email [rachelvoiland@comcast.net](mailto:rachelvoiland@comcast.net) or call 978-683-8138.

## **SAVE THE DATE!**

ALL ADULT PARISHIONERS IN MINISTRY are invited to a morning of reflection and appreciation on **Saturday, October 30th from 9:00-11:00am at St. Lucy Church.**

The event will include Mass, refreshments, and a guest speaker.

Whether you're a member of the Knights of Columbus, Sodality, St. Vincent de Paul, Lector/Acolyte, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion or any other ministry or small group.

**You're invited. We look forward to seeing you there!**

## **The Creed**

### **Presented by Bishop Robert Barron**

In ***The Creed***, a new film series blending both documentary footage and dynamic talks, Bishop Robert Barron guides viewers into the depths of the Nicene Creed, a fourth-century statement of faith that has profoundly influenced both Eastern and Western spirituality, theology, and liturgy.

**This course will be offered on Thursday evenings beginning on 11/4 at 6pm via Zoom. There is no charge and no class on Thanksgiving.** Email me or text message if you are interested in joining the group. I will need an email address from participants so I can send out the zoom link and the pdf copy of the study guide. My contact information is: **Bonnie Doherty, 978-270-3366 or [bonnieocds@gmail.com](mailto:bonnieocds@gmail.com).**

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St. Monica School is hosting



**MUSICAL BINGO**

Adults! Please bring your friends and join us for a fun night for CASH PRIZES!  
 The event will be hosted by ETL Event Entertainment  
 on Friday, November 5th from 7-10PM  
 Methuen VFW, 26 River St., Methuen  
 Cost is \$30.00 per person.  
 This is a 21+ event.

Tickets are available in the School Office, 212 Lawrence Street, Methuen from 7AM to 3PM. If you need to make other arrangements, please call Sharon Tully at 978-686-1801.

## ROSES FOR LIFE FOR THIS WEEK

Theresa A. Rickley

## BULLETIN DEADLINE

Mondays @ 10 am. Please email all bulletin notices to parishoffice.stlm@gmail.com.

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## THE WEEK AHEAD

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17

- SVdP Bundle up Weekend St. Monica's
- St. Joseph's Men's Guild 11am St Lucy's Lower Church
- Baptisms 12 pm St Lucy's
- Faith Formation K-8 St Lucy's Church 12:45 - 2:45
- AA 7pm St. Lucy Lower Church Hall

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 18

- Mass 9 am St. Lucy Church followed by Rosary

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19

- Mass 9 am St. Lucy Church followed by Rosary
- Rosary For Priests Prayer Group 6 pm Gethsemane Chapel
- Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe 7:00pm St. Monica Church

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

- Prayer and Study 10am - 12 pm St. Monica Ranch House
- Scripture Study on Book of Revelation Repeated 2pm St Lucy School House
- Adoration 5:30 pm St. Lucy Church
- Collaborative Finance Council Meeting 6:30 pm St Lucy School House

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

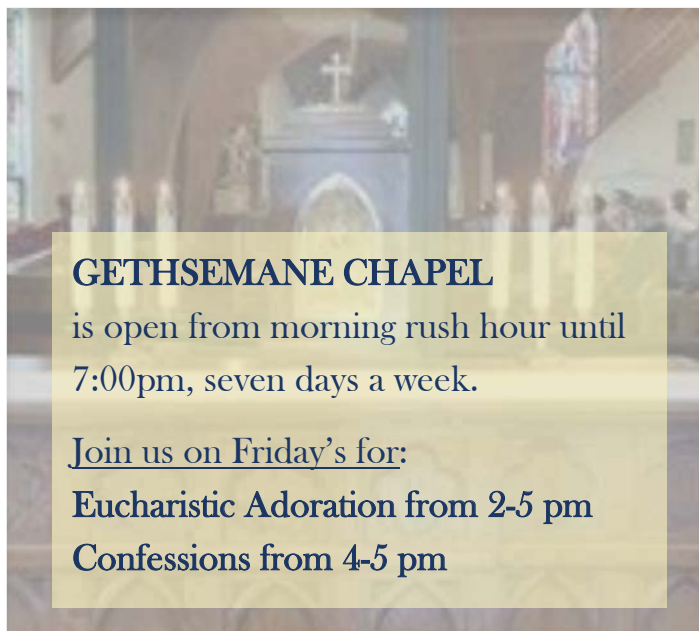
- Walk for Education St Monica's School
- Mass 9 am St. Lucy Church followed by Rosary
- AA 6:30pm St. Lucy Lower Church Hall

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

- Mass 9 am St. Lucy Church followed by Rosary
- Eucharistic Adoration 2 - 5 pm Gethsemane Chapel
- Confessions 4 - 5 pm Gethsemane Chapel

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

- Faith to Fitt 8 am St Lucy Schoolhouse
- Bettor's Anonymous 2pm St. Monica SVDP Hut
- Scripture Study on Book of Revelation 2 pm St Lucy School House
- Confessions 3-3:45pm Gethsemane Chapel and St. Lucy Church



## GETHSEMANE CHAPEL

is open from morning rush hour until 7:00pm, seven days a week.

Join us on Friday's for:

**Eucharistic Adoration from 2-5 pm**

**Confessions from 4-5 pm**



## THE CHAPEL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ST. LUCY CANDLE SHRINE

Our chapel & shrine is open weekday mornings as well as weekends during Mass times.

Join Us For Adoration in the Church:

**Wednesday's at 5:30 pm**

**Confessions Available**

**BAPTISMS** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at 1:00pm St. Monica's | 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 12:00pm 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

MON/TUES/THURS/FRI 9:00 am St. Lucy

FIRST SATURDAY 9 am St. Monica

### CONFESSIONS

3 - 3:45 pm both parishes Sat

4 - 5pm Gethsemane Chapel

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

2 - 5 pm Friday Gethsemane Chapel

5:30 - 6:30 pm Wednesday St. Lucy Church

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**INTROIT***Psalm 17: 6, 8*

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words.

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN***Holy, Holy, Holy*


1. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord — God Al - might - y!  
 2. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
 3. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Though the dark-ness hide thee,  
 4. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord — God Al - might - y!

1. Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:  
 2. Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 3. Though the eye made blind by sin thy glo - ry may not see,  
 4. All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

1. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,  
 2. Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
 3. On - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
 4. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

1. God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.  
 2. Who was, and is, and ev - er - more shall be.  
 3. Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty.  
 4. God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

**PENITENTIAL ACT — GLORIA***Refer to Pew Card***FIRST READING***Isaiah 53:10-11*

The LORD was pleased to crush him in infirmity. If he gives his life as an offering for sin, he shall see his descendants in a long life, and the will of the LORD shall be accomplished through him. Because of his affliction he shall see the light in fullness of days; through his suffering, my servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM***Psalm 33: 4-5.18-19, 20, 22*


R. Lord, let your mer - cy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

1. Upright is the word of the LORD, and all his works are trustworthy. He loves justice and right; of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full.

2. See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him, upon those who look for his kindness, to deliver them from death and preserve them in spite of famine.

3. Our soul waits for the LORD, who is our help and our shield. May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us who have put our hope in you.

**SECOND READING***Hebrews 4:14-16*

Brothers and sisters: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help.

**ALLELUIA***Mark 10:45*

✠ The Son of Man came to serve and give his life as a ransom for many.

**GOSPEL***Mark 10:35-45*

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." He replied, "What do you wish me to do for you?" They answered him, "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" They said to him, "We can." Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they became indignant at James and John. Jesus summoned them and said to them, "You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."

**PROFESSION OF FAITH***Refer to Pew Card***SANCTUS - MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION - AGNUS DEI***Refer to Pew Card***COMMUNION ANTIPHON***Psalms 33:18-19*

Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love.

**COMMUNION HYMN***Ave Verum Corpus - W.A. Mozart*

Ave verum corpus  
natum de Maria Virgine,  
Vere passum, immolatum  
in cruce pro homine.  
Cujus latus perforatum  
unda fluxit et sanguine;  
Esto nobis praegustatum  
In mortis examine

*Hail, true Body,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
who having truly suffered, was sacrificed  
on the cross for mankind,  
whose pierced side  
flowed with water and blood:  
May it be for us a foretaste of the Heavenly banquet  
in the trial of death.*

**RECESSIONAL HYMN***Holy God We Praise Thy Name*


1. Ho - ly God, we praise thy name; Lord of  
 2. Hark! the loud ce - les - tial hymn An - gel  
 3. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly

1. all, we bow be - fore thee! All on earth thy  
 2. choirs a - bove are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and  
 3. Spir - it, Three we name thee; While in es - sence

1. scep - ter claim, All in heav'n a - bove a - dore thee;  
 2. Ser - a - phim, In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing;  
 3. on - ly One, Un - di - vid - ed God we claim thee;

1. In - fi - nite, thy vast do - main, Ev - er -  
 2. Fill the heav'ns with sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly,  
 3. And a - dor - ing, bend the knee, While we

1. last - ing is thy reign. In - fi - nite, thy  
 2. ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!" Fill the heav'ns with  
 3. own the mys - ter - y. And a - dor - ing,

1. vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is thy reign.  
 2. sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"  
 3. bend the knee, While we own the mys - ter - y.

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**PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL**

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of

## ST. MONICA PARISH

### Saturday, October 16

4:00pm Dick Doherty

### Sunday, October 17

9:00am Don Lavigne  
Yvette Moran  
Normand Jutras  
Robert Higgins  
Shirley Rosatone  
Richard Ferguson

11:00 AM Donald Stewart

### Saturday, October 23

4:00pm Anthony Dellicolli

### Sunday, October 24

9:00am Nancy Tardif  
Manuel & Fernanda Cordeiro  
Mario Cavallaro  
Elisabeth Perreault Hooper  
Amy Augustonovich



## PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

DAY	DATE	PRIEST	SEMINAR.
Sunday	10/17/2021	Fr. James Barry	Hien Vu
Monday	10/18/2021	Fr. Robert Carr	Barry Mongeon
Tuesday	10/19/2021	Fr. Joseph Fagan	Stephen Baruffi
Wednesday	10/20/2021	All Passionists	John Tanyi
Thursday	10/21/2021	Fr. William Pearsall	Deacon Patrick O'Connor
Friday	10/22/2021	Fr. John Graham	Deacon Francis Trewin
Saturday	10/23/2021	Fr. John Ronaghan	Deacon Nathaniel Sanders

## ST. LUCY PARISH

### Saturday, October 16

4:00pm Nina Coco Robie & Russell Robie

### Sunday, October 17

10:00am Pasquale Petralia  
Bertrand LeBlanc  
Real Taschereau  
Michael Dailey, Sr.  
Mary Dailey  
Brother Frank Waywood, OFM  
Bruce Beverley  
Joanne Anderson

### Monday, October 18

9:00am Josephine B. Huntress

### Tuesday, October 19

9:00am Mark Nichols

### Thursday, October 21

9:00am Helen Fredette

### Friday, October 22

9:00am Ernest Naylor, Jr.

### Saturday, October 23

4:00pm John Mugavero

### Sunday, October 24

10:00am Josephine & Anthony J. Corelli  
Josephine and John Piazza  
Alfia Bellia  
James Mahoney

## PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for **Nicole C., Susan F., Agnes B., Delores R., Nick K., Jayleen R., Stacy B., and John P. D., USN**

Please pray for Stacia Sledz whose Funeral Mass was recently celebrated at our parishes. May her soul and the souls of all our faithful departed rest in peace.

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