

# Announcements

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

February 26 and 27, 2022

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## WANT TO JOIN OUR CHURCH?

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If you have found that St. Monica's is the place for you, we would be delighted to get to know you better. Feel free to call or email Fr. Jonathan, as he would love to welcome you. Also, you can fill out our online form. Visit our website at: [www.stmonicasnaples.org](http://www.stmonicasnaples.org). Under the "I'm New" tab, you'll find the form "New Member Form."

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## SAVE THE DATES

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March 2	Ash Wednesday Services - 12pm and 6:30pm
March 26	Institution of our new Rector - 3pm
March 27	Bishop's Visit - 10am

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## SPECIAL EVENTS TEAM FORMING - JOIN IN ON THE FUN!

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Want to be a part of what makes St. Monica's special? Please try out the Special Events Team. This group will host about 7 to 8 events a year from approximately September to May, including Newcomer Brunches, Annual Meeting, churchwide picnics, Easter Vigil celebration, and any church-wide party. This is an excellent way to get to know others and to help St. Monica's be such a special and welcoming place. Please contact Joann Sarconi at [shellby8@aol.com](mailto:shellby8@aol.com) or 239.297.2408.

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## EUCCHARISTIC VISITORS

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Do you know of a parishioner who would like a visit with Holy Communion? Please contact Fr. Jonathan. We would like to renew this ministry of Eucharistic Visitors to those who are unable to come to church. Also, if you are a Eucharistic Visitor and have a communion kit, please contact our administrator, Laura Stamper.

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## WANT TO LEARN ABOUT THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH?

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Fr. Jonathan will be leading a class: "Everything you ever wanted to know about the Episcopal Church." This is for those who are new to the Episcopal Church and may consider being received into the church, confirmed, re-affirmed in the faith, or baptized. As well, this is for people who are just curious about the Episcopal tradition. We meet each Sunday at 8:30am and will end with the visit by the Bishop on **March 27th**. Please email [rector@stmonicasnaples.org](mailto:rector@stmonicasnaples.org) for more information.

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## FLOWER DEDICATIONS

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Flowers provided each week help beautify the Sanctuary of our church, and are a gift to God and those who attend our worship services. The altar flowers are funded through generous donations from parishioners. A contribution to the Flower Fund is a meaningful way to honor, remember or celebrate a loved one. It's also tax-deductible.

If you would like to be part of the Flower Guild ministry and help with preparing the flowers and beautifying the Church each week, please contact the office. No experience is required; we will show you all you will need to know.



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## THE ORDER OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

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The 5pm service this Saturday (February 26), included a brief liturgy for the St. Monica's chapter of The Daughters of the King. Therese Miller was inducted as a new Member, installed officers were Toni Strong as President, Susan Beauregard as Vice President, and Marilyn McIntyre as Secretary/Treasurer, and The Rev. Sylvia was installed as the new Chaplain. The Daughters of the King is an order for women communicants of the Episcopal Church, who, by joining the Order, commit themselves to a life of prayer, service, and evangelism, dedicated to spreading Christ's Kingdom and strengthening the spiritual life of the parish. If you are attending our Saturday service, the Daughters invite everyone to the parish hall for a "Cake and Bubbly Reception" to celebrate this important day in the life of our Chapter of DOK!

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## ST. MONICA'S CHURCH DIRECTORY

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Have you been gone for a little while, and you just can't put a name to a face or you're a new member and want to learn your parish family? Instant Church Directory is the free online app we use here at St. Monica's. Download & access this free app on any smart device by scanning the QR Code provided.

As a member, you can provide all the information you want to share with fellow members, including uploading a photo of yourself and your family. You can search for other members, view their photos, call, email & even text right from the app. If you moved or your number changed, just login & update it in an instant!

To start using this app, simply email the Parish Administrator & ask to add your email to the database if it's not already in there, and then download the app. Once your email is added to the database, the rest is in your control; be sure to follow the on-screen prompts to set up your account. Once set up, the directory will be at your fingertips anytime you need it.

We have now added a new feature called "**Groups**" which gives you a list of groups we have here at St. Monica's and who are in those groups. *For example*, Vestry, Altar Guild, Lectors, and Greeters are just a few named, and there are so many more. Check it out by using the Parish Directory.

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### BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

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<u>BIRTHDAYS</u>	2/28	Harold Williams	3/1	Corinne Potts	3/4	Bob Boyden
	3/1	Patricia Bennett	3/1	Rod Smith		
	3/1	Penny Jones	3/1	John Varsames		
<u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>	2/20	Rob and Kathy Crevier *	3/3	Kevin and Mary Fowler		
	3/1	Kenneth and Frances Marta	3/3	Donald and Dalna Montroy		

*\*We missed mentioning the Crevier's anniversary last week, so they have been added to this weeks list.*

If you have a birthday or an anniversary this week and your name does not appear, please contact us at [administrator@stmonicasnaples.org](mailto:administrator@stmonicasnaples.org) to add you. We don't want to miss out on your special day!

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### OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED ZOOM MEETINGS

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- **Contemplative Prayer**.....Wednesdays, 11 am
- **Bible Study**.....Fridays, 9:00 am
- **Daughters of the King**.....Monthly 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 1 pm

MEETING ID: 695 166 7392

PASSCODE: 7070

To join a Zoom meeting, visit: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6951667392>

or call one of these three numbers: 301.715.8592 312.626.6799 929.204.6099

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Retirement assets can be the best gift for a donor to leave.

- ◆ A tax-efficient planned gift: Qualified retirement accounts are subject to income tax when received by your heirs. If left to heirs, federal income taxes and estate taxes can erode a sizable amount of this asset. As a nonprofit organization, St. Monica's does not pay any federal income tax or estate tax on the distribution of this asset.
- ◆ Higher value assets to heirs: Leave to your heirs a wide range of other assets that are not subject to income tax.
- ◆ Simple set-up: a simple form is all you need. While no attorney needs to be involved, it is practical to touch base with your professional advisors for their counsel.
- ◆ During your lifetime, you continue to use and receive distributions from your retirement accounts.
- ◆ Flexibility: If your circumstances change, you may easily change the beneficiary designations at any time.



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