St. Monica Church



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Sunday Mass 8:30 a.m. Rosary 8:00 a.m.

Weekday Mass Wed & Fri. 9:00 a.m.

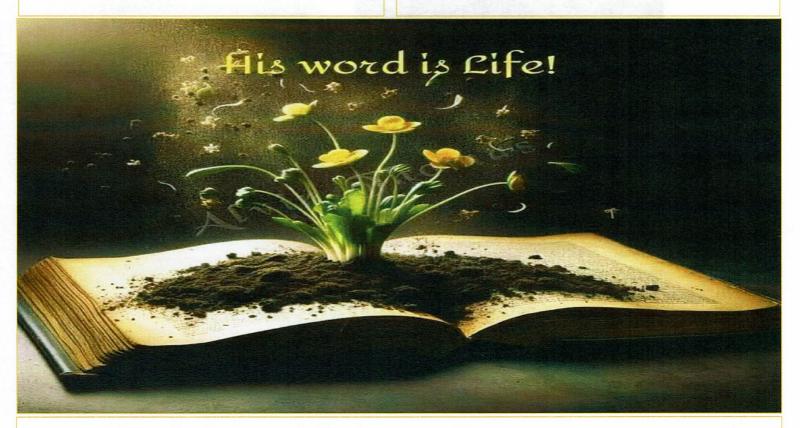
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Religious Education:



27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 5, 2025

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

The rash one has no integrity: but the just one, because of his faith, shall live. (Hb 2:4)

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)

Second Reading:

For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control. (2 Tm 1:7)

Gospel:

"If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree. 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." (Lk 17:6)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The Apostles beg Jesus for increased faith, but they don't really want faith. They want a magical feeling of certainty that requires no effort. Real faith must grow and sprout roots in fertile soil. Real faith requires attention and work. Are we willing to work?

Observances for the week of October 5, 2025

Sunday:

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time;

Respect Life Sunday

Monday:

St. Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher,

Virgin

Tuesday:

Our Lady of the Rosary

Thursday:

St. Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs;

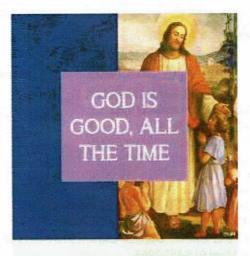
St. John Leonardi, Priest

Saturday:

St. John XXIII, Pope

Next Sunday:

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Devotions, Explained!

This popular phrase is an affirmation of God's faithfulness amidst the trials of life, a theme that is presented again and again in Scripture: come what may, God will be with us.

Prayer to Respect Life

Dear God. Help us to hear Your voice, especially when You speak on behalf of the voiceless. the overlooked, and the forgotten. Keep our ears attuned, and work through us in a way that loves, blesses, assures, supports, and strengthens LIFE. Amen.

MARK YOU CALENDAR

The Pope's Monthly Intensions October 2025

For collaboration between different religious traditions Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

Today

Sunday October 5 - 1pm

Blessing of Pets - Deacon Charles St. Monica parking lot

Tuesday October 7 - 5pm

St. Monica Parish Council Meeting

Monday - Friday October 13 - 17

Diocesan Priests' Annual Retreat at Subiaco

Tuesday October 14 5:30pm

Centennial Celebration Committee Meeting

Sat. Nov. 15th 10:30-3pm

Altar Server Spiritual Retreat St. Benedict. Broken Arrow

The North Tulsa Learning Center (NTLC)

is an innovative partnership between St. Augustine and St. Monica Catholic Parishes and Bishop Kelley High School.

Please consider volunteering an hour to assist our students as they excel in reading and math.

Volunteer times are Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:30-6pm

Contact at Jennifer at 918.720.9081 or jgallantok@yahoo.com to sign-up

Catholic Daughters

Monday - Oct. 13 4:30pm CDA Meeting Sunday - Oct. 19 CDA Sunday

Ascension St John Bedrock Initiative

BEDROCKERS

Please take part in all of the events. They are very Educational and informative.

St Monica will host the following events so please mark your calendars.

11/1/2025 | Sweet Talk:

The Truth About Diabetes and Heart Health

St. Monica Catholic Church

10 am

12/6/2025 | Check Your Temple:

Know Your Numbers. Save Your Life

St. Monica Catholic Church

10 am

Soccer Schedule

Sat. Oct. 11:

St. Augustine Hispanic Community to sell tacos

Sat. Oct. 18: Free meals by

St. Augustine/St. Monica

Sat. Oct. 25:

St. Augustine Hispanic Community to sell tacos

We need your help.

Thank you, Fr. C

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

kindly remember to support our North Tulsa (St. Augustine/St. Monica) Soccer League by buying our raffle ticket. For just \$10.00, you have the chance to win a 65" Smart, flat screen tv, or a Nutri-blender or Comforter set. You do not need to be present to win. Tickets will be on sale until the final draw on October 25 during our last soccer games. We have provided good quality, affordable, and enriching soccer experience to 1480+kids. Your support will help us in continuing to run the program.

Thank you and God bless. Fr. C

ST. MONICA MINISTRY SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 12, 2025

<u>LECTORS</u> <u>Dejah Page</u> <u>Patsy Clark</u>

www.stmonica-tulsa.org Stmonicachurch@aol.com

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING

September 28, 2025

\$2,971.02

MASS ATTENDANCE Youth Adults

MASS INTENTIONS

1st SUNDAY OF THE MONTH MASS, IN MEMORY OF MAXINE STALEY

4th SUNDAY OF THE MONTH MASS, IN MEMORY OF MR. & MRS. C. Y. GIBBS

ST. MONICA
Gary and Don Davis
Requested by Sadonna Davis & Phyllis Norwood

ST. AUGUSTINE

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & SHUT-INS

St. Monica & St. Augustine

Princetta Newman, Charles Towns Jr., Rachel Stake, Idella Miller, Norma Stripling, Ivory J. Parker, Willard Thierry, Patricia Lyons, James Jones, Billie Clark, Deacon Steve, Joselinn Fuselier, Orsbon Hawkins, Melvin Noble, Sr., Gloria Petit, Johnny Towns, David Towns, Steven Bagby, Doris Minter-Littles, Michael Turrentine, Pam Towns

***** PARISH NEWS *****

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Wed 6-7:30pm CCD Bldg

Snacks & Drinks
Oct 8, 2025
Group 5

NTLC TUTORING

Tues and Thurs 3:30-6pm CCD Bldg Closed next Tues & Thurs October 7th & 9th

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL)

ST. AUGUSTINE PARISH
CATHOLIC MASS EVERY SUNDAY 10:30AM
PLEASE KINDLY HELP US TO SPREAD THE NEWS

SPANISH MASS

St. Augustine Parish Sundays at 12:30

Bible study

Thursdays 10:00 - 11:15am St. Monica Bradley Hall Deuteronomy

NAMI

National Alliance of Mental Illness St. Augustine Parish - CCD 4th Monday 6 - 7:30pm

Senior Saints Mass And Potluck Luncheon

Every 4th Wednesday 12 noon Bradley Hall

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OCTOBER 12, 2025

LECTORS

The Hurd Family

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STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING

September 28, 2025

\$1,824.00

MASS ATTENDANCE YOUTH ADULTS

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PARISH GOALS / INITIATIVES

June 1, 2021- September 28, 2025

ST. MONICA

GOAL: \$100,000 RAISED: \$57,679 REMAINING: \$42,321

ST. AUGUSTINE

GOAL: \$120,000 RAISED: \$84,834 REMAINING: \$35,166

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Wed 6 - 7:30pm St. Monica in person/ Zoom

SPANISH CLASS - Summer

St. Monica - Tuesday 6-7:30pm St. Augustine - Saturday 12-2pm

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM - Call the Parish at 587-2965

FIRST EUCHARIST & CONFIRMATIOIN— Celebrated once a year. Call the Parish

RECONCILIATION – Sunday before Mass or anytime by appointment.

MARRIAGE – A minimum of six months preparation is required. Call the Pastor before the date is set.

VISITATION OF THE SICK - The last Friday of each month

COMMUNION TO THE SICK – In the event of illness, please contact the Pastor. Eucharist is brought to shut-ins weekly. Please call the Pastor if you know of someone unable to attend Mass.

VOCATIONS – Anyone interest in becoming a Priest, Deacon or Lay Minister. Contact the Pastor

OTHER INFORMATION

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. If interested in becoming Catholic, contact the Parish

NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME! Please register in the Church by contacting an usher

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – Every Wednesday from 6:00 p.m.–7:30p.m. from September to May @ St. Augustine.

BULLETIN DEADLINE – Please submit bulletin announcements to the office before noon on Tuesdays at least two weeks prior to your scheduled event.

Send electronically to stmonicachurch@aol.com

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From the Desk of Fr. C.,

Over the past several Sundays, we heard Jesus' teaching on how to be a disciple. Today, Jesus points out what is of true value for those who follow him.

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'be uprooted and planted in the seas,' and it would obey you."

Keep in mind that the mulberry tree is very large with an extensive root system. It would be difficult to not only uproot this tree but also to grow it in deep water. The point is that genuine faith, as tiny as a mustard seed, can bring about unexpected things.

Jesus then tells a parable about servants and their master. Luke inserts this parable here as a way of instructing the leaders of his Christian community that they are not worth anything in themselves or in their work for the Lord. The fact that disciples have done their duty does not empower them to lay a claim upon God or that they are worthy of God's graciousness. That graciousness is and remains God's gift.

In the Second Reading, from Saint Paul's second Letter to Timothy, the apostle proclaims:

God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control. . . Take as your norm the sound words that you heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard this rich trust with the help of the Holy Spirit that dwells within us.

Faith is God's gracious gift, unmerited by anything that we can say or do. We are merely servants, empowered by faith, to serve God and serve others. Faith will see us through any hardship or calamity, no matter how bleak. When we ask the Lord to increase our faith, he replies that if we truly believe, all we need is faith the size of a tiny mustard seed. Are we ready to do impossible and incredible things for God?

Ken Canedo at www.ocp.com

Dear God,

In moments of uncertainty, I ask You to steady my heart and mind.
Help me to hold fast to my faith, even when the path ahead is unclear.
Let my trust in You be unwavering, like a rock that cannot be moved by storms.
Strengthen my belief in Your goodness and Your plan for my life.
Guide me through every trial with confidence that You are by my side.
Thank You for being my constant refuge and strength.
Amen

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of October 5, 2025

Sunday:

Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/ 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

Jon 1:1-2:2, 11/Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8/Lk 10:25-37

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8/ Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday:

Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday:

Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/ Lk 11:5-13

JI 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9/ Lk 11:15-26

Saturday:

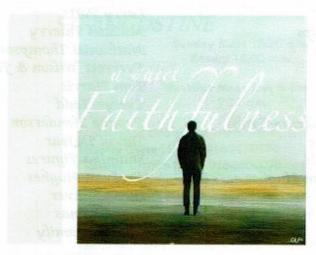
JI 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Lk 11:27-28

Next Sunday:

2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/ 2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19



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Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A priest friend of mine received a call from a family whose elderly mother was dying. Within thirty minutes, he was at her bedside, offering the consolation of the sacraments, anointing her with the oil of the sick, and commending her soul to God. She passed not long after, and for months. her family spoke of their deep gratitude for his presence. When I phoned him to commend his faithful ministry, he simply said, "I was just doing my job."

His words brought to mind Jesus' teaching this week in Luke 17:10: "So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty." In a world that often seeks recognition and applause, the Lord invites us into a different mindset - one of humble service. The priest did not see his response as extraordinary; he saw it as a grace to fulfill his vocation.

How tempting it is to seek affirmation for doing what I ought to do! Yet Jesus reminds us that true discipleship is not about grandstanding but about quiet faithfulness. It is enough to have served. It is enough to have loved. It is enough to be grateful that we were given the chance to do our duty in the first place. Whether in priesthood, parenthood, or any vocation, what peace-soaked freedom there is in simply doing what is asked of us. No more, no less. Jesus, that is how you quietly love us.

Father John Muir

IN REMEMBRANCE

Sister Phyllis Vaske Robert Musgrove Geraldine Jones Carmel & JC Thompson Madison & Ezipse Thierry Brooks Lester & Joan Fuselier Lemond Harris Rita Fuselier Lodis Dodd-Phillips Helen Thompson LaQuita Thierry Juanita Thierry Glen Vann Nora Faye Henderson-Evans Loly & Ruth Page Nelson Wallace Jr. Rita & Wellington Hughes Dirk Ricard Cheryl Pyles Norton Family

Gwen Monteilh Hammons Donald Williams Gary Randolph Davis Carmel Dennard James & Ruth Sayles Willie & Dorothy Wilson Roy Stake Larry Potts Michael Thierry Nathaniel Thompson Everrett Wilson & Family Tom Harris Evelyn Todd Evonne Henderson David De Jear Shamika Figures Fr. Ivan Hughes Olena Shaver Tom Thomas Nickles Family

Mary Rogers Samuel West Don Terry Davis Mayo & Colleen Brooks Leo Sayles Calvin "Butch" Burton Kennard Fuselier Connie & Lola Thierry Maziah Brown & Family Theodore Thompson Lawrence Thierry Michael Lee Ecilua & Elnora Henderson Marshall & Irene DeJear Delores Page Chaney James & Ella Bertrand Shirley Perkins Deborah Green Sadie Thurman Mary Dawson



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