## 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.

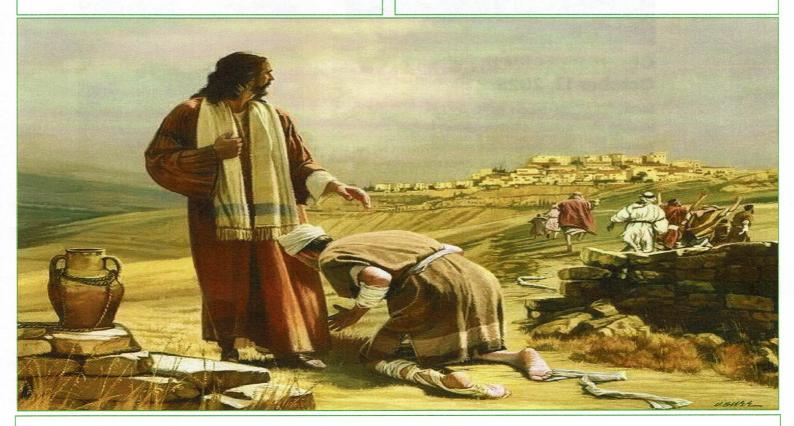
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Religious Education:



28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 12, 2025

## Weekly Prayer

#### Sunday's Readings

#### First Reading:

Naaman went down and plunged into the Jordan seven times

at the word of Elisha, the man of God. His flesh became again like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean of his leprosy. (2 Kgs 5:14)

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power. (Ps 98)

#### Second Reading:

If we have died with him we shall also live with him: if we persevere we shall also reign with him. (2 Tim 2:11-12)

Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you." (Lk 17:19)

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#### **Live The Liturgy** Inspiration of the Week

If we have faith, we call out to God and we beg him for healing. But when our faith is rewarded, what then? Do we take our miracle and run? No, we must return to the source of our healing to say, "You have changed me, Lord. Now help me change others."

### Observances for the week of October 12, 2025

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday:

Monday: Columbus Day: Indigenous Peoples' Day

Tuesday: St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Wednesday:

Church

Thursday: St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary

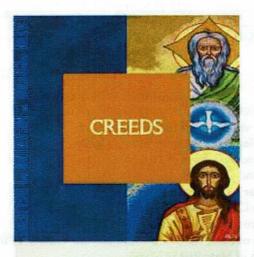
Alacoque, Virgin

Friday: St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Saturday: St. Luke, Evangelist

**Next Sunday:** 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time: World Mission

Sunday



#### Devotions, Explained!

A creed (from the Latin "credo," meaning "I believe) is a summary of the most important articles of faith agreed upon by a group of people who hold them as truth. Tradition has given us not just the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds, but many more.

## **Prayer of Gratitude**

Dear Lord.

Every day is full of blessings from Your generous hands. Thank You for waking us this morning, filling our lungs with breath. Thank you for the ways You are healing our past, working in the present, and opening possibilities for the future.

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.

Monday - Friday October 13 - 17
Diocesan Priests' Annual Retreat at Subiaco

Tuesday October 14 - 5:30pm Centennial Celebration Committee Meeting

Friday October 31 - 6-8pm Trunk or Treat St. Monica Hall

**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

#### National Vocation Awareness Week

will be celebrated in our country November 2-9, 2025. As Catholics, we believe that God has a purposeful plan for our lives! Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women. Particularly, offer a special prayer for those who are considering the priesthood or consecrated life. For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations: Tel: 918-307-4909 or

email: vocations918@dioceseoftulsa.org

## 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. 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 19, 2025

<u>LECTORS</u> <u>Denise Voseles</u> <u>Chanda Towns</u>

#### www.stmonica-tulsa.org

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING

October 5, 2025

\$2,368.00

MASS ATTENDANCE Youth 8 Adults 75

#### **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

Healing of Cancer - Mike Simmons Joe Ella Newberry

### ST. AUGUSTINE

Kenneth Hurd
Requested by the Hurd Family

#### 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 15, 2025 Closed

## NTLC TUTORING

Tues and Thurs 3:30-6pm CCD Bldg Open October 14, 2025

## 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

### <u>NAMI</u>

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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STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING

OCTOBER 5, 2025

\$1,379.01

MASS ATTENDANCE

Youth

23

**ADULTS** 

74

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PARISH GOALS / INITIATIVES

June 1, 2021- October 5, 2025

ST. MONICA

GOAL:

\$100,000 \$ 57,889

RAISED: REMAINING:

\$ 42,111

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.,

The miracle story in today's Gospel is well known. Jesus healed all ten lepers of their terrible disease that forced them into isolation, but no one came back to thank him except a Samaritan.

Jesus said, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

Recall that in Jesus' day, the people of Samaria were ignored and marginalized by the majority. And yet, consistently in the Gospels, these unwelcome outsiders are received positively by Jesus. He holds them up as shining examples of discipleship in his parables and miracles.

See how the Samaritan expressed his gratitude: He gave glory to God in a loud voice and fell at Jesus' feet to thank him. This attitude of praise lies at the heart of every disciple of Christ. Jesus tells the grateful man to GO! Go out and proclaim God's praise! Why? Because he his faith has saved him.

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

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead. . . Such is my gospel, for which I am suffering, even to the point of chains. But the Word of God is not chained. . .

The Word of God is not chained! Not by ignorance, not by hatred, not by prejudice. Today, Jesus challenges us to ask ourselves as individuals and community: Whom do we openly or silently marginalize as outsiders? Perhaps their very presence among us might be an opportunity to learn something about God's welcoming embrace. Let us be grateful and go into our world to proclaim with all our brothers and sisters the generous love of God. Ken Canedo at <a href="https://www.ocp.com">www.ocp.com</a>

### Prayer of thanksgiving to God.

We give you sincere thanks for the rest of the past night and for the gift of a new day, with its opportunities for pleasing you.

Grant that we may pass its hours in the perfect freedom of your service, that at evening, we may again give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## Worship & Meditation

#### Readings for the week of October 12, 2025

#### Sunday:

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

#### Monday:

Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Lk 11:29-32

#### Tuesday:

Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 11:37-41

#### Wednesday:

Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9/Lk 11:42-46

#### Thursday:

Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/ Lk 11:47-54

#### Friday:

Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11/Lk 12:1-7

#### Saturday:

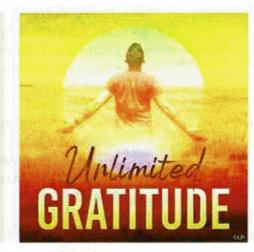
2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/ Lk 10:1-9

#### **Next Sunday:**

Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (see 2)/2 Tm 3:14-4:2/Lk 18:1-8



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## Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Dorothy Day, the great Catholic activist, doubted God's existence. At least in her early adult years. But something changed when after giving birth to her daughter, she experienced an overwhelming gratitude. She later described how, as she held her daughter, the only appropriate response was a kind of unlimited gratitude. She had done nothing to deserve such a gift — this tiny, miraculous life — but there she was, flooded with gratitude, completely undone by the love of such a Giver.

Something similar occurs in Luke 17:19 when Jesus tells a healed leper, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you." This man had already received physical healing through his faith. But the moment of an even deeper transformation came when he turned back, fell at Jesus' feet, and gave thanks. Like Dorothy, this man's gratitude led him to encounter the Giver.

Isn't that what we want, too? Gratitude to God has the power to break our chains of sadness, bitterness, and disenchantment. It empowers us to step out of the prison of self-pity and into the reality of God's abundant love. It shifts our focus from what we last to what we have received, from what wounds us to what heals us.

Where do we learn this? The Mass. The priest prays: "It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks." Always. Everywhere. Not just when life is easy. Not just when prayers are answered as we expect. Gratitude is not a passive feeling; it is an act of faith. In the eucharist, we remember that Christ himself has given everything for us. And in this act of gratitude, we are healed.

- 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 Ir. Rita & Wellington Hughes Dirk Ricard Cheryl Pyles Norton Family

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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 See Ecilua & Elnora Henderson Marshall & Irene DeJear Delores Page Chaney James & Ella Bertrand Shirley Perkins Deborah Green Sadie Thurman Mary Dawson



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