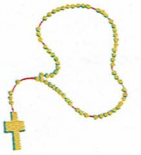
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Sunday Mass 8:30am
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Weekday Mass Wed & Fri 9am

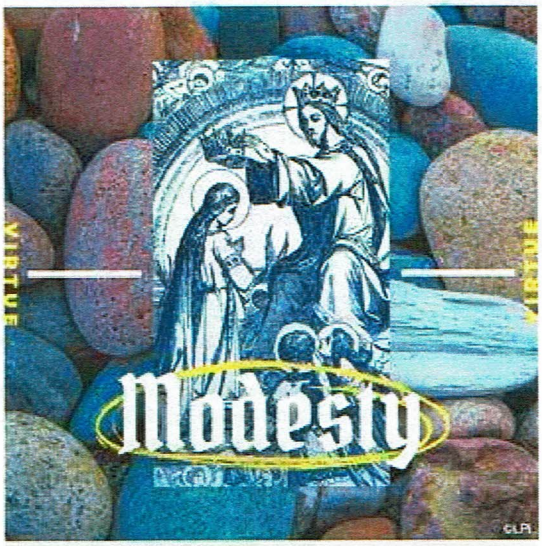
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Weekly Scripture



Virtues, *Explained!*

One of the 12 fruits of the Holy Spirit is modesty, related to the cardinal virtue of temperance, or moderation of passions. It means "refusing to unveil what should remain hidden" and in doing so "protects the intimate center of the person" (CCC 2521). This virtue is a guide for how we interact with others in a way that honors their inherent dignity.

Christ notably said that those who look upon others with lust commit adultery in their heart (Matthew 5:28), indicating that modesty is concerned not just with action but with thoughts and interior disposition. Parents are obliged to instruct their children in the ways of modesty as part of teaching respect for others.

"The forms taken by modesty vary from one culture to another," we read in the Catechism. "Everywhere, however, modesty exists as an intuition of the spiritual dignity proper to man. It is born with the awakening consciousness of being a subject" (CCC 2524).

Sunday's Readings

First Reading

"Amen. Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving,
honor, power, and might
be to our God forever and ever. Amen." (Rv 9:12)

Psalm

Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face. (Ps 24)

Second Reading

See what love the Father has bestowed on us
that we may be called the children of God. (1 Jn 3:1)

Gospel

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. (Mt 5:10)

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Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

Got a broken heart? Rejoice! An empty bank account? Rejoice! Are you undervalued, overlooked? Rejoice! In the Beatitudes, Jesus offers more than just sweet sayings. He offers a challenge, one we can only meet if he is at our side: rejoice!

Mark Your Calendar

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

Formed by Word and Sacrament, we are disciples on Mission to renew our parish and our world. We commit to strengthening family life, deepening prayer and building a community where faith becomes action

OUR VISION:

We envision a parish rooted in Christ and welcoming to all who seek Him, that draws people into deeper communion through the gospel proclaimed in word and deed, so that every person encounters the love and mercy of Christ.

BEDROCK at ST. MONICA SUNDAY:

After Mass, Bedrock will be offering blood pressure, A1C, and cholesterol checks and information/sign-ups for a free heart screening. After 8:30 mass

Dear brothers and sisters,
Thank you so much *for your prayers and gifts during the 2026 "Priests Appreciation Sunday"*
May God abundantly bless and reward you all.
Fr. C.

Month of November, every Sunday, 8am
Rosary for Deceased Choir Members

November 2, Monday Mass Schedule
Commemoration of the Faithful Departed.
9 am @ St. Augustine
5 pm @ St. Monica
7 pm @ St. Augustine (Spanish)

Starting ***Sunday November 8***
Second Sunday of Silence
We will observe a few minutes of silence and prayer after communion to increase our practice of Eucharistic Adoration. This is part of our goal to deepen our personal relationship with Jesus.

November 15, Sunday
AED and CPR training *following the 8:30 mass*
St Monica on Sunday, November 15.
I currently have 4 volunteers for the training and have room for 2-3 more people.
Please provide your name to Linda DeJear today if (1) you are serious and comfortable providing care and (2) willing to learn and stay the entire length of the training.

December 13, Sunday
Christmas Gala
St. Augustine Church Gym

THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION

November 2026

For the proper use of wealth

Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

We have second collection today to support the ministry and good work of Catholic Charities.
Please be generous. Fr. C

ST. MONICA MINISTRY SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 8, 2026

Lector: LINDA DEJEAR
Lector: KENNETH DEJEAR

STEWARSHIP OF GIVING

OCTOBER 25, 2026 $2,051.00

MASS ATTENDANCE

ADULTS: 60
YOUTH: 4

MASS INTENSIONS

1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
† **Mass in memory of Maxine Staley**

4TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
† Mass in the memory of Mr. & Mrs. CY Gibbs

ST. MONICA
IN MEMORY OF DECEASED
CHOIR MEMBERS

ST. AUGUSTINE
IN MEMORY OF DECEASED
CHOIR MEMBERS

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & SHUT-INS

Princetta Newman, Charles Towns Jr., Rachel Stake, Idella Miller, Norma Stripling, Patricia Lyons, James Jones, Billie Clark, Deacon Steve, Joselinn Furselier, Melvin Noble, Sr., Gloria Petit, Johnny Towns, Steven Bagby, D oris Minter-Littles, Paul McCurtain, Mario Holman, William Holman, Keith Thierry, Doris McKnight

PARISH NEWS

RELIGIOUS EDUCTION CLASSES
Wed 6-7:30pm CCD Building

NTLC TURORING
Tuesday and Thursday
3:30-6pm CCD Building

BIBLE STUDY
Thursday 10-11:15am
St. Monica Bradley Hall
Book of Judges

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

Senior Saints Mass
And Potluck Luncheon
Every 4th Wednesday 12 noon
Bradley Hall
See signup sheet

ST. AUGUSTINE MINISTRY SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 8, 2026

Lector: Cheryl Fuselier
Lector: Joe Randall

STEWARSHIP OF GIVING



OCTOBER 25, 2026 $2,051.00

MASS ATTENDANCE

ADULTS: 79
YOUTH: 27

SPANISH MASS
ADULTS:
YOUTH:

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS
PARISH GOALS / INITIATIVES

JUNE 1, 2021 - OCTOBER 25, 2026

ST MONICA:	
GOAL:	***$100,000***
RAISED:	***$ 60,069***
REMAINING	***$ 39,931***
ST AUGUSTINE:	
GOAL:	***$120,000***
RAISED:	***$ 86,759***
REMAINING	***$ 33,241***

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

SPANISH CLASS
ST. MONICA - Tuesday 6-7:30pm
ST. AUGUSTINE - Saturday 12-2pm

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM - Call the Parish 918-587-2965

RECONCILIATION - Sunday beore mass or any time by appointment

MARRIAGE - A minimum of six months preparation is required.
Cal the Pastor before the date is set.

VISITATION OF THE SICK - The last Friday of each month.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK - In the vent 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 interested in becoming a Priest, Deacon or Lay Minister. Contact the Pastor.

OTHER INFORMATION

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!
Sign up at the back of the Church, or ask any member of the Church.

OICA - If interested in becoming a Catholic

BULLETIN DEADLINE - Please submit two weeks prior to your scheduled event.
stmonicachurch@aol.com

FROM THE DESK OF FR. C

We tend to recognize saints by their halos. They appear in stained-glass windows, stand on pedestals in our churches, and look down upon us from holy cards. Their lives seem extraordinary, their faith unshakable, their holiness beyond our reach.

But what if we've been looking for saints in the wrong places?

What about the exhausted mother who gets up in the middle of the night to comfort her crying child? The teenager who stands up for a classmate being bullied? The grieving widow who somehow finds the strength to comfort someone else? The person who chooses forgiveness when resentment would be so much easier?

No halos. No stained-glass windows. Just ordinary people doing extraordinary things through love. They are not yet canonized saints, but they do model for us saintly lives.

In today's reading from Revelation, John sees a great multitude standing before God's throne, people from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They have endured suffering and remained faithful. Their white robes proclaim a victory that the world might never have recognized.

And perhaps that's the point. Holiness doesn't always look like victory. Sometimes it looks like perseverance.

In his First Letter, John reminds us that we are already children of God, even though what we shall become has not yet been revealed. Sainthood is not simply a reward waiting at the end of life. The seeds of holiness are planted in us through Baptism, growing whenever we respond to God's love.

Then Jesus gives us the Beatitudes, his surprising portrait of the blessed life. Blessed are the poor in spirit. Blessed are those who mourn. Blessed are the meek. Blessed are the merciful and the peacemakers.

These are not the qualities the world ordinarily celebrates. Jesus turns our expectations upside down. In God's Kingdom, greatness is measured not by power or prestige, but by compassion, humility, mercy, and love.

On this Solemnity of All Saints, we honor those who have gone before us in faith, both the celebrated saints of history and the countless holy people whose names are known to God alone. Their lives remind us that holiness is not reserved for a spiritual elite.

And perhaps, as we look around our families, parishes, schools, and communities, we may recognize glimpses of that holiness in the people beside us.

The Communion of Saints is not a distant gathering of spiritual superheroes. It is a living communion of love that reaches from heaven into our everyday lives. The saints are not only those we remember. Those around us who live in love remind us of what we are called to become.

Ken Canedo at www.ocp.com

Let Us Pray
O glorious company of Saints,
who now rejoice in the presence of God,
we honor you for your faithfulness and holiness of life.
Intercede for us before the throne of God,
that we may be strengthened in our faith
and inspired by your example to live as true disciples of Christ.
Pray for us, that we may one day join you in the eternal joy of heaven.
Amen

Worship & Observances

Prayer – For Everyday and Everybody

Blessing for All Saints

God,
Bless us as we journey in faith, a journey marked with twists and turns.
Bless us with the inspiration and friendship of those who have gone before us, the saints.
May their lives serve as guiding lights, beckoning us through the darkness to safety and rest.
Amen.

Readings for the Week of November 1, 2026

Sunday

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

Monday

Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-21/Rom 5:17-21/Mt 11:25-30

Tuesday

Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30e, 31-32Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday

Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14Lk 14:25-33

Thursday

Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7Lk 15:1-10

Friday

Phil 3:17-4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday

Phil 4:10-19/Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a and 9/Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday

Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13



Observances for the Week of November 1, 2026

Sunday

All Saints; *Daylight Saving Time Ends;* National Vocation Awareness Week

Monday

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

Tuesday

St. Martin de Porres, Religious; *Election Day*

Wednesday

St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Next Sunday

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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IN REMEMBRANCE

Sister Phyllis Vaske
Gwen Monteith Hammons
Samuel West
Mary Rogers
Robert Musgrove
Mary Dawson
James & Colleen Brooks
James & Espize Thierry Brooks
Leo Sayles
James & Ruth Sayles
Gary Randolph Davis
Don Terry Davis
Carmel & J.C. Thompson
Carmel Dennard
Marilyn Kay Troupe
Willie & Dorothy Wilson
Calvin 'Butch' Burton
Danta Wilson
Geraldine Jones
Ray Craven
Nelson Wallace Jr.
Shamika Figures
Maxine Jeffers-Holman
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