



# "Take Up and Read"

St. Augustine and St. Monica Catholic Church

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## Mass Schedule

MONDAY, JANUARY 11  
A PILGRIM'S WAY 6:30 P.M.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12  
MEN'S FAITH SHARING 7:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13  
FEAST OF ST. HILARY  
COMMUNION SERVICE 9:00 A.M.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16  
MASS 9:00 A.M.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17  
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
ROSARY 9:30 A.M.  
MASS 10:00 A.M.



## Welcome Visitors



Join us for Coffee after Mass

St. Augustine & St. Monica parish would like to welcome any visitors that joined us for mass this morning. We hope you enjoyed our service and that you come visit whenever you are able. Please join us today for refreshments and fellowship See you in the social hall.

## SACRAMENTS

**Baptisms** See Fr. Dan Trapp for scheduling one month in advance.

**Marriages** See Fr. Dan Trapp at least six (6) months before you would like to be married.

**Reconciliation** From 9:15 until 9:45 each Second and Fourth Sunday or call for an appointment.

**Anointing of the Sick** Schedule before major surgeries. If there is an emergency call the parish number, 921-4107 or 883-8540.

## WHY DID JESUS ASK TO BE BAPTIZED?

Neither John nor Jesus invented baptism. It had been practiced for centuries among the Jews as a ritual equivalent of Confession. Until the fall of the Temple in 72 A.D. it was common for Jewish people to make a spiritual cleansing in a special pool called a MIKVEH—literally a “collection of water”. This was said to remove spiritual impurity and sin. Men did this weekly on the eve of the Sabbath. Women did it monthly. Converts were also expected to do it before entering Judaism. Orthodox Jews still retain the rite



John preached that such a bath was a necessary preparation for the cataclysm that would be wrought by the coming Messiah. Jesus transformed this continual ritual into the one single, definitive act by which we begin our faith. In effect he fused his divine essence with the water and the ceremony.

## Baptism and Life

“Whoever is moved by love begins to perceive what “life” really is. He begins to perceive the meaning of the word of hope that we encountered in the Baptismal Rite: from faith I await “eternal life” - the true life which, whole and unthreatened, in all its fullness, is simply life. Jesus, who said that he had come so that we might have life and have it in its fullness, in abundance (cf. Jn 10:10), has also explained to us what “life” means: “this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent” (Jn 17:3). Life in its true sense is not something we have exclusively in or from ourselves: it is a relationship. And life in its totality is a relationship with him who is the source of life. If we are in relation with him who does not die, who is Life itself and Love itself, then we are in life. Then we “live” – Pope Benedict XVI, *Encyclical on Hope*, November 30, 2007.



Like Jesus, you are called God's beloved. Renew your baptismal commitment and pray for those discerning a call to the priesthood or religious life (Luke 3:15–16, 21–22). Is God calling you to live out your baptismal call to holiness as a priest? Contact Fr. Tim Birney, Director of Priestly Vocations at 313-237-5839 or visit [www.vocationsdetroit.org](http://www.vocationsdetroit.org).

## Mass for Life

All are welcome to attend the annual Mass for Life on Sunday, Jan. 17 at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral. The Mass is especially for those parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, siblings, friends, neighbors and all those affected by the loss of the unborn through abortion.

The Mass is at 11 a.m. Light refreshments will be provided following the liturgy. The Cathedral is located at 9844 Woodward Ave. in Detroit. For more information, call 313-237-5905.

Religious Education and  
Sacramental Prep  
Saturday, January 23, 2009  
10:00 am - 1:00 pm



**Please Pray for the  
Sick and Homebound**



Lois Barnett  
Evelyn Bishop  
Mary Coleman  
Joseph Gabriel  
Eloise Gaskin  
Norma Jean Hayden  
Lynn Jones  
Claudia Lawrence  
Frances Myler

Benjamin Noel  
Tyrone Mack  
Mary Mitchell  
Georgia Pickett  
Susie Ransom  
Deidre Todd  
Lois Warren  
Elizabeth Williams  
Bernadette Wyre

Anne Ross-Brown (Sister of June Ross)  
Wendell Golson (Son of Bernadette Wyre)  
Brandan Marshall (Son of Robert Marshall)  
Linda Miller-Harris (Daughter of Magnolia Miller)  
Addie Lee Johnson (Mother of LaVern Embry)

If there are members of the Parish who are homebound and are unable to come to Mass, need transportation, or would like to receive the Eucharist in their home, please call the Parish Office at (313) 921-4107

Sunday January 3, 2010

Offertory . . . . . \$2,285.38  
Fuel . . . . . \$291.00

Men's Faith Sharing  
Tuesday, January 12, 2010  
7:00 p.m.

**Parish Council Members 2010**

**Dan Alter, Chairperson**  
**Deidre Todd, Secretary**  
Matt Allen      Bonita Gibson  
Trish Hubbell    Nicole MetCafe  
Robert Midgett    Dorothy Payne  
Kathleen Trice    Ken Vaughn  
Judy Vickerman    Valeon Waller

**LAY MINISTER**

**FOR THE SUNDAY EUCHARIST**  
**Ministers of Service**  
Lester Payne  
**Altar Server Coordinator**  
Herman Jones

**LECTORS**

Lois Gibson  
Judy Vickerman



**USHERS**

Dan Alter      William Dawsey  
Linda Jackson    Tyrone Morton  
William Philpot

Next week's readings ———  
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
(JANUARY 17)

Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7  
Acts 10:34-38  
Luke 3:15, 21-22

**Widowed Friends**

*Widowed Friends* offers grief support for men and women of all ages, geared toward healing, spiritual enrichment, and a new sense of purpose. For information and an application, call Rose at 586-726-0844, Justine at 734-455-6939, or visit us online at [www.widowedfriends.org](http://www.widowedfriends.org).

Monday, January 11, 2010

**A Pilgrim's Way**



