

# Announcements

If you have found that St. Monica's may be your next spiritual home, we would be delighted to get to know you better. Fill out the visitors card and return it to the offering plate, or you can simply scan the QR code. We would love to welcome you. Be sure to visit our website at: [www.stmonicasnaples.org](http://www.stmonicasnaples.org). Click on: "I'm New"



## NEW THIS WEEK

### PLANNING FOR THE NEW CHANGES AT ST. MONICA'S

We're happy for Father Jonathan and his family as they pursue their dream in Italy, though we'll miss them deeply. The Vestry is ready to guide the transition with diocesan support. Key next steps include farewell plans, interim search, and strategic goals. ~ Ed Strong *Read the full article in the eNews.*

### MISION PENIEL

Join us **Tomorrow, Friday, May 23**, to serve the farm workers of Immokalee! Meet at St. Monica's at 1pm to carpool—return by 7pm. We'll help distribute food, clothing, and essentials to over 200 people. It's a truly rewarding experience! *Read the full article in the eNews*

## PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Our summer office hours begin this week and will run May through July. The office will be open Monday through Thursday, 9am–12pm and 1pm–3pm, with a lunch closure from 12pm–1pm. We will be closed Fridays through Sundays. Hope everyone has a wonderful, blessed summer.

### LADIES LUNCHEON

We're heading to Shea's Landsdown on **Monday, June 9th at 12:30pm** and would love for you to come along! Located at 6340 Naples Blvd. It's a fun, welcoming spot—and rumor has it, happy hour kicks off at 11:00am Come for the food, stay for the laughs, and enjoy a great afternoon with friends!

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Don't miss Carl Marucci, our music director, performing at the Festival of Great Organ Music at Artis—Naples on **June 15 at 3pm**. Experience the power of the 3,604-pipe Casavant organ in Hayes Hall, with six top organists from Southwest Florida! **Tickets:** [artisnaples.org/events/organ-festival](http://artisnaples.org/events/organ-festival)

### NOTE FROM OUR SR. WARDEN - ED STRONG

Toni and I had long planned a European vacation ending with our grandson's graduation in Northern Ireland. We'll return to western PA for the summer and continue working remotely. The strategic planning committee will keep things moving. Thank you all for your support!

*Read the full article in the eNews.*

### SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Have you ever desired to deepen your spiritual life? Spiritual direction is a means to achieve that. A spiritual director or spiritual companion is a person who can help you develop your prayer life and discern major decisions. This person can help you see where God is in your life and what is God's will for you. You become spiritually accountable to your director. A good spiritual director will become a dependable spiritual friend on this wonderful spiritual journey that we are traveling. For more information contact Theresa Miller

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## MEN'S BOOK GROUP

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The Men's Book Group is continuing its journey with Brian McLaren's *Life After Doom*. We will be reading four chapters a week until we finish on June 2 with the last two chapters and a look back at our whole experience with the book. We invite any of the men of St. Monica's to join at any point. We meet at 9:30am on Mondays in the conference room.

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## STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE

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As noted by Fr. Jonathan in the eNews, we are working on a vision statement for St. Monica's that will help define our future efforts on multiple fronts. Please stay tuned as these new efforts gel. Please address questions to Ed Strong. **thank** We are making a shift in our current work to align with other initiatives that are beginning to emerge. We will be working on a vision statement for St. Monica's that will help define our future efforts on multiple fronts. Please stay tuned as these new effort gel. Please address questions to Ed Strong.

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## SIGN UP TO HOST COFFEE HOUR

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Coffee Hour sign-ups are now available online! If you forgot to sign up at church or your weekend opened last minute, you can now visit our website to learn more and choose a date to help host, bring treats, or lend a hand. We'd love to have you involved! [www.stmonicasnaples.org/coffee](http://www.stmonicasnaples.org/coffee)

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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Our music director, Carl Marucci, will perform at the Festival of Great Organ Music at Hayes Hall **on Sunday, June 15 at 3pm**. Don't miss this showcase of the 3,604-pipe Casavant organ! Get your tickets and read more in this week's eNews!

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## ORGAN UPDATE

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Our organ is outdated and nearing the end of its life. Music is central to our worship and growth, so the Vestry is exploring a new organ as part of expanding our Music Ministry. A consultant is meeting with parishioners to assess possibilities. *Read the full article in the eNews.*

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## PASTORAL

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**If you or a loved one are facing a hospital stay or health care concern, please reach out to Fr. Jonathan at 786.450.5704**

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## PRAYERS

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If you'd like to request a prayer for yourself, a friend, or family member, please visit our website.

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## HEALING MINISTRY

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We look forward to our healing ministry on the third Sunday of each month. There will be healing prayers for those who desire it, just after taking communion.

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## HELP US KEEP ATTENDANCE

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Please take a moment to find and wear your name tags, as it allows visitors and other parishioners to not only recognize you by name but allows the office to note your attendance, which is a requirement for the Diocese. As you leave the church, please leave them in the baskets at the back doors and they will be placed back on the board for pick up the following weekend.

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## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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*May 25 – 31, 2025*

5/26 John Adams  
5/30 Aden Chalick

5/28 Ava Louise Smith-Landwehr  
5/30 Keel Jones

5/28 Barrett Smith-Landwehr  
5/29 Vickie & Bob White