

# ST. MONICA

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

### Goals of Adult Faith Formation

- 1) **Invite and Enable Ongoing Conversion to Jesus in Holiness of Life**
- 2) **Promote and Support Active Membership in the Christian Community.**
- 3) **Call and Prepare Adults to Act as Disciples in Mission to the World.**

### Education

#### Bible Studies

##### Little Rock Scripture Study

*Passion & Resurrection Narratives*

Thursday evenings, Jan 28-March 18  
Registration after Masses, Jan 16 & 17  
and Jan 23 & 24

Contact: Joe LeClair, 299-8538

##### Sunday Scripture Series

*Papal Encyclicals*

Sunday nights, 7:15 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
St. Augustine Room  
Contact: Bob Beyke at 299-5278

- Jan. 17 Papal Writings - Fr. Jeremy  
Jan. 24 Encyclicals on the Rosary - John O'Sullivan  
Jan. 31 Lord and Giver of Life (John Paul II) - Jessie Dias  
Feb. 14 God is Love (Benedict) - Fr. Todd  
Feb. 21 Saved by Hope (Benedict) - Tony Schommer  
Feb. 28 Capital and Labor (John Paul II) - Natalie Hofer  
Mar. 7 Love and Truth (Benedict) - Sem. Dave Proctor  
Mar. 14 Eucharist (John Paul II) - Bob Beyke  
Mar. 21 Brilliant Light of St. Benedict (Pius XII) - Jerry Swineheart

##### Spanish Bible Study

10:45 a.m. Sundays  
Contact Carmen Rosa Hurtado  
253-8173

**Religious Education for Parents**  
with Percy Consigliero in Spanish.  
Sunday mornings at 10:45 a.m.

**Year of the Priest's Lecture Series**  
with Fr. Jeremy Gries, Associate Pastor  
Dec. 7 - Priests and Mary  
Jan. 11 - Priesthood and Sexuality  
Feb. 8 - Priest as Healer  
Mar. 1 - Priests and Pastoral Life  
Apr. 5 - Stump the Priest  
May 3 - Priest Formation  
June 7 - Symbol and the Ordination Rite for Priests  
In Music Room of the School  
7:00-8:30 p.m. No registration  
necessary: contact Anne Corcoran,  
253-2193x5

### Fellowship

#### Mens Club

Annual Lenten Fish Fry  
Fridays during Lent beginning Feb. 19  
5 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
Emmaus Center

#### Moms Club

Play and Prayer for Moms and kids,  
10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Fridays in the nursery.  
Contact Kathy Van Gheem at 873-9979.

#### Young At Heart

Monthly Meetings at 12:30 p.m. in St. Augustine Room.  
Includes pitch-in dinner.  
Contact: Jessica Welch 872-1163.

### Spiritual Life

#### Adoration

Tuesday nights from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Daily Chapel.

#### CMCC, Christian Men Committed to Change

is a fourteen week program designed to support men who want to make changes in their lives.  
Wednesday evenings, 7:00-9:00pm  
Jan 13- April 14, Parish Meeting Center  
Contact: Ed Mitchell, 965-8098

**Lenten Small Faith Sharing Groups**  
Grow in your faith during Lent. Find out more about joining a small faith sharing group that meets evenings or weekends – once per week during Lent.  
Registration after Masses January 23 & 24 and January 30 & 31  
For more information, contact: Anne Corcoran, 253-23193x5

### Service / Outreach

#### New Life in Christ

Ministry at Caravelle Commons (16th and Broadway). Tutors are needed on Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Special need for African American males. Long-term commitment not required. Contact: Steve Martin at 875-9817.

#### The Lord's Pantry

Tuesday mornings 9 a.m. -11:30 a.m  
Meet at Witherspoon Presbyterian Church, 5136 N. Michigan Rd.  
Contact: Dyan Huey at 297-9798.

#### St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry and Distribution Warehouse

More people are going to need help over the next few months. Next work dates for St. Monica:  
Food Pantry - January 30  
Distribution Center - January 9 and February 20  
Contact: Bill Glennon 875-7387

### Social Justice

#### Healthcare Information Session

What does the Church teach about the right to health care?  
Sunday, December 6th  
4:30 p.m. -5:45 p.m.  
Emmaus Center  
For more info, Contact Stephanie Anderson, sanderson@archindy.org or 236-1536

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### Outside of St. Monica

Visit websites for details and costs.

#### **Fatima Retreat House**

<http://www.archindy.org/Fatima/calendar/full.html>

#### **December 4 - 6**

*"Grief: From Darkness to Light"*

#### **December 15**

*"Christmas Dinner and Concert with Tony Avellana"*, 6:30 p.m. \$35

#### **December 16**

*"Come Away and Rest Awhile"*

A silent non-guided reflection day. Relax in your own private room, read a book, walk the grounds, pray the labyrinth or the stations of the cross. The day is yours for reflection and time with God.

\$25 per person, includes continental breakfast from 8:00-9:00 am, lunch at 12:00 noon, a room to use for the day as well as a book to use for reflection and to keep. The day concludes at 4:00 pm.

#### **December 31 - January 1**

*"Questions from Jesus: A New Year's Eve Retreat"* Fr. Jim Farrell, Director of Fatima Retreat House, and Fr. John McCaslin, Pastor of St. Anthony Parish and Administrator of Holy Trinity Parish, will lift your spirits and engage your hearts by focusing on five of the many questions Jesus asks in the Gospels.

#### **January 7**

*"Come Away and Rest Awhile"*

#### **February 3**

*"Morning for Moms with Rita Simpson-Barnes"*

#### **February 5**

*"Come Away and Rest Awhile"*

#### **February 19 - 21**

*"A Weekend Lenten Retreat with Fr. Charlie Smiech, OFM"*

### **Benedict Inn - Beech Grove**

<http://www.benedictinn.org/benedictinn.org/>  
[All Upcoming Events.html](#)

#### **December 5**

Shop INNspired at the Benedict Inn gift shop, filled with divine gifts and books. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

#### **December 4 - 6**

*Advent Silent Retreat*

#### **December 10**

*"Advent: Waiting with Joyful Hope"* with Sr. Antoinette Purcell

In the midst of our own winter darkness, we long for something more than what we see or know. This evening of prayer and reflection is an invitation to step away from life's distractions and allow God to renew us in joyful hope during this season of Advent & Christmas.

Join the Sisters for Evening Prayer at 5:15 p.m. if you choose, then dinner at 6 PM, followed by the presentation and discussion.

### **Oldenburg Franciscan Center**

<http://oldenburgfranciscans.org/index.html>

Christmas Tours  
Sunday, December 27, 2009  
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

### **Kordes Center, Ferdinand**

<http://www.thedome.org/SeekGodWithUs/sml/programs.html>

#### **January 16**

*Forgiving What We Cannot Forget*

Forgiving another may be good for my soul, but sometimes only God can make forgiving possible. This program will focus on the value of forgiveness and the need to turn over to God situations difficult to forget. Discover when to forgive and when to put the situation in God's hands.

#### **February 15**

*Compassionate Healing*

Learn to be a compassionate presence in a world that pulls us in many directions. Topics will include healing in Scripture and in the Benedictine tradition, tracing the heritage of healing, and practicing compassionate healing.

#### **February 20**

*Dance of Universal Peace*

### **St. Meinrad Archabbey**

<http://www.saintmeinrad.edu/programs/program.aspx?prog=retreats&sub=retreats>

#### **December 18-20**

*The Lord is with You: The First and Best Christmas Gift*

#### **January 15-17**

*Reflections on the Book of Exodus*

#### **February 12-14**

*Be My Valentine: A Married Couples Retreat*

#### **February 26 - 28**

*Pray your Way to Happiness*

### Resources

**Living Your Strengths - Discover Your God-Given Talents and Inspire Your Community**

<http://www.amazon.com/Living-Your-Strengths-God-Given-Community/dp/1595620028>

