

# St. Monica Church



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**Rosary** 8:00 a.m.

**Weekday Mass** Wed & Fri.  
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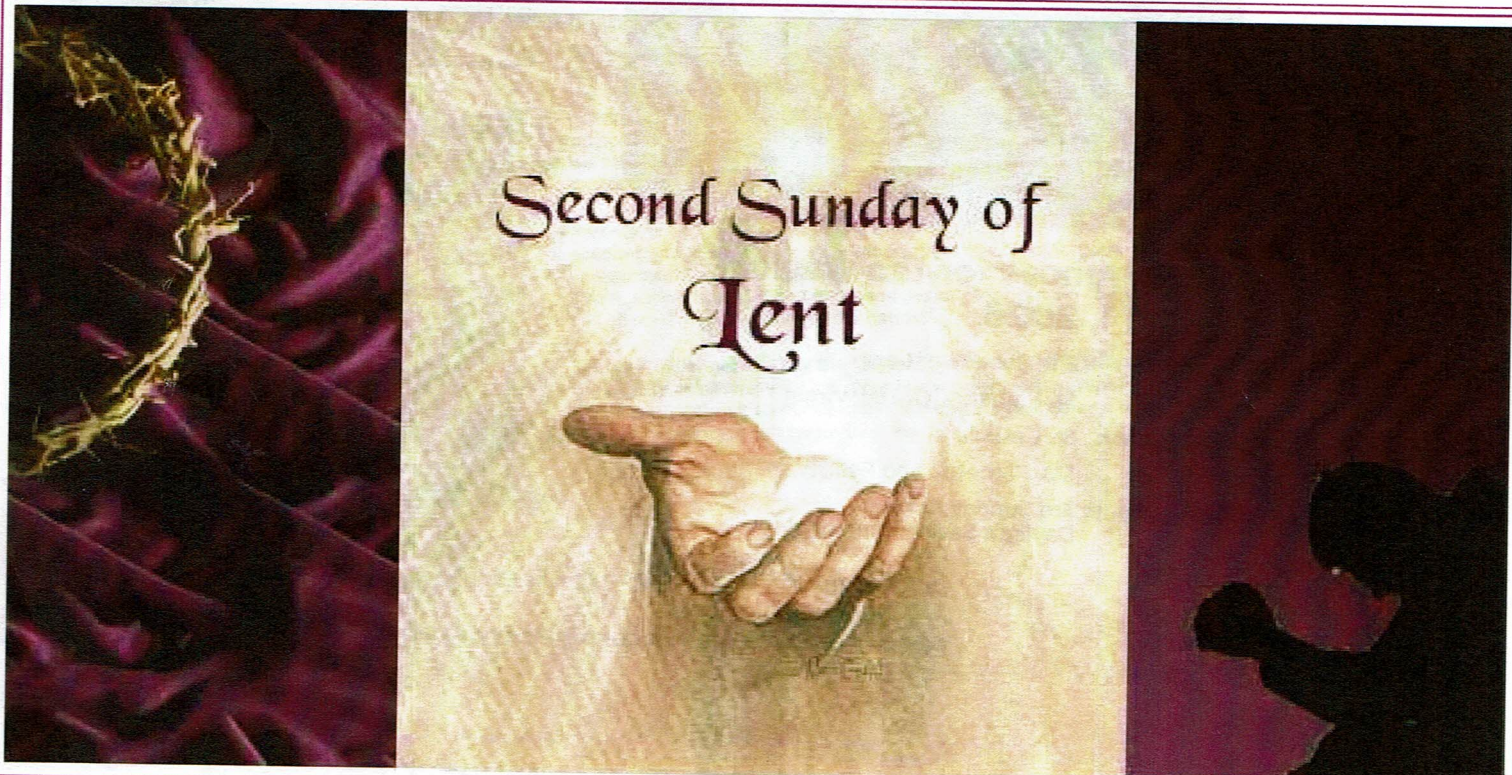
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Religious Education:

## ST. AUGUSTINE

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**2ND SUNDAY OF LENT**    **MARCH 1, 2026**

# Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

I will make of you a great nation,  
and I will bless you;  
I will make your name great,  
so that you will be a blessing. (Gn 12:2)

### Psalm:

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. (Ps 33)

### Second Reading:

Bear your share of hardship for the gospel  
with the strength that comes from God.  
He saved us and called us to a holy life. (2 Tm 1:8-9)

### Gospel:

Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother,  
and led them up a high mountain by themselves.  
And he was transfigured before them;  
his face shone like the sun. (Mt 17:1-2)

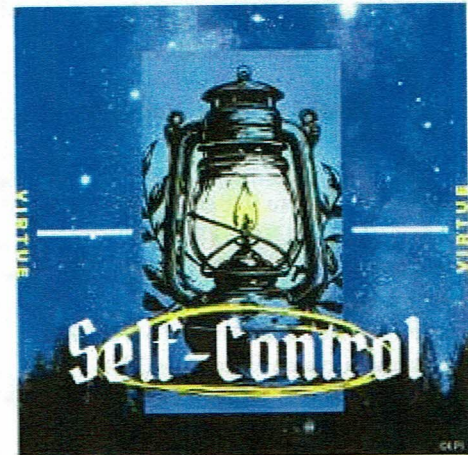
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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"Go forth," God told Abram. We hear that message again in the Transformation; go forth. We cannot always remain where we are comfortable. We cannot always remain where things are simple. We must go forth.

## Observances for the week of March 1, 2026

- Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Lent  
**Tuesday:** St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin  
**Wednesday:** St. Casimir  
**Saturday:** Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs  
**Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Lent;  
Daylight Saving Time begins



## Virtues, Explained!

Self-control flows from the cardinal virtue of temperance, and it's really all about boundaries. Through self-control, a gift of the Holy Spirit, we avoid surrendering too much of ourselves to our passions.

## Blessing of Hope

In Your goodness Lord, bless us.  
Help us to know Your abundance  
and Your gifts.  
Help us to hear Your voice and  
know Your assurance.  
Help us remember what You have  
done,  
and look forward to what You will  
do.  
Amen.

# MARK YOU CALENDAR

## **Black History Month Programs:**

St. Monica Hall after 8:30 mass

### **March 1:**

Joyce Williams Black History Speaker.

### **Bedrock at St. Augustine Sunday:**

After Mass, **Bedrock** (Ascension St. John) will be offering blood pressure checks and information/sign-ups for a free heart screening.

After 10:30 Mass

After 12:30 Mass

All are welcome.

### **Bedrock at St. Monica**

#### **2nd Sunday of the month until March 8, 2026**

Will be in Bradley hall to take blood pressure

### **Spring Soccer Schedule..**

1. **March 20:** Bag 200 soccer gears inside the gym @ 4:30pm
2. **March 21:** Soccer equipment Distribution and clinic: 10am to noon
3. **March 28:** 1st Games: St. M/St. A/CC - provide free meals
4. **April 4:** 2nd Game: Hispanic Community - sell tacos
5. **April 11:** 3rd Game: St. M/St. A/CC - provide free meals
6. **April 18:** 4th Game: Hispanic Community - sell tacos
7. **April 25:** Christ the King Parish - provide free meals
8. **May 2:** 6th last Game: Hispanic Community - sell tacos

### **FOLLOW OUR FACEBOOK PAGE**

<https://www.facebook.com/northtulsasoccerleague> to stay up to date with any changes.

Thank you. Fr.

### **Donation for Easter Lilies**

There are flower envelopes available if you would like to purchase a lily in memory of your loved ones for a \$10.00 donation.

See envelopes at back of the church

### **St. Monica - Dessert Sign up**

Parish Life is asking for help with providing a dessert for parish repast dinners. If enough people sign up, your time should not come around often.

Please see sign up sheets at the back of the church.

### **Bible Study starts Thursday, March 5**

**St. Monica Hall at 10am**

## **The Pope's Monthly Intentions March 2026**

### **For disarmament and peace**

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

### **Stations of the Cross**

Every Friday of Lent at St. Augustine

5:30 pm in English

6:30pm in Spanish

### **2026 Lenten Revival:**

March 8 to 9 @ 6pm / Rev. Mike Jenkins

Fellowship after each session

St. Monica Hall

### **Sunday, March 15**

African Mass - St. Monica

### **Parish Lenten Revival**

March 16 to 18 / Fr. Juan Grajeda

Begins at 6 pm daily (Spanish)

St. Augustine

### **Sunday, March 22 at St. Monica**

Love Offering to Support Our Two Students' Trip to Rome. Please plan on it.

Thank you, Fr. C

### **Save the Date**

#### **Christ Care Day - Saturday April 11**

We will gather at Christ the King to begin Mass at 8:00 a.m. followed by a light breakfast. Following breakfast, we will head out to assist local homeowners with yard work, serving until early afternoon. This is a wonderful opportunity to lend a helping hand and support our neighbors who need extra care.

### **Called by Name – Diocesan Event**

The diocese wants parishioners to nominate young men of the parishes to consider the priesthood.

Submit names to Fr. C, or Deacon Charles

### **Tulsa Responds - Free Tax Service**

2174 S Sheridan Rd

[tulsaresponds.org](http://tulsaresponds.org)

## ST. MONICA MINISTRY SCHEDULE

MARCH 8, 2026

### LECTORS

Chanda Towns  
Gloria Wallace

[www.stmonica-tulsa.org](http://www.stmonica-tulsa.org)  
[Stmonicachurch@aol.com](mailto:Stmonicachurch@aol.com)

### *STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING*

February 22, 2026      \$1,353.00

### MASS ATTENDANCE

Youth  
Adults

## **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**

*Elmira Oliphant*

*Requested by*

*The Legion of Mary and The Legacy Committee*

## **ST. AUGUSTINE**

### **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 Fuselier,  
Melvin Noble, Sr., Gloria Petit, Johnny Towns, David  
Towns, Steven Bagby, Doris Minter-Littles, Pam  
Towns

\*\*\*\*\* **PARISH NEWS** \*\*\*\*\*

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**

Wed 6-7:30pm CCD Bldg

**Snacks & Drinks**

Group 9

## **NTLC TUTORING**

Tues and Thurs  
3:30-6pm CCD Bldg

## **SPANISH MASS**

**ST. AUGUSTINE PARISH**  
Sundays at 12:30

## **Bible study**

Thursdays 10:00 - 11:15am  
St. Monica Bradley Hall  
March 5, 2025  
The Book of Joshua

## **NAMI**

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

## ST. AUGUSTINE MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**MARCH 8, 2026**

### **LECTORS**

*Marcia Bruno-Todd  
Reggie Hurd*

**www.staugustine-tulsa.org**

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### *STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING*

FEBRUARY 22, 2026                      \$ 964.00

MASS ATTENDANCE

YOUTH  
ADULTS

SPANISH MASS

YOUTH  
ADULTS

## ***CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PARISH GOALS / INITIATIVES***

***JUNE 1, 2021- FEBRUARY 22, 2026***

### ***St. MONICA***

**GOAL:**                      \$100,000  
**RAISED:**                    \$ 58,504  
**REMAINING:**                \$ 41,496

### ***St. AUGUSTINE***

**GOAL:**                      \$120,000  
**RAISED:**                    \$ 86,134  
**REMAINING:**                \$ 33,866

## **RCIA**

*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  
February 24 - May 9, 2026*

## **SACRAMENTS**

**BAPTISM** – Call the Parish at 587-2965

**FIRST EUCHARIST & CONFIRMATION**– 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](mailto:stmonicachurch@aol.com)

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From the desk of Fr. C.,

What does the word transfiguration really mean? The dictionary defines it as “a striking change in appearance or character or circumstances.” But have you ever actually used that word in everyday conversation? If you said your friend or spouse was “transfigured” when stepping out of the hair salon, would that sound like a compliment – or just confusing?

In ordinary usage, transfiguration is a word we almost never use. In fact, we usually apply it to only one person: Jesus Christ.

The Second Sunday of Lent focuses on the Transfiguration of Jesus – when human nature meets God, when the temporal meets the eternal. For the disciples, this experience strengthened their faith and prepared them for the suffering and death their Master would soon endure. For us, it serves as a glimpse of the resurrection glory that awaits us at the end of our own life’s journey. Let’s look briefly at today’s readings.

In the First Reading from Genesis, God says to Abram:

Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father’s house to a land that I will show you... All the communities of the earth shall find blessing in you.

God calls Abram out of what is familiar and comfortable and into an unknown future, promising blessing and greatness. Faith begins with trust.

In the Second Letter to Timothy, we hear:

He saved us and called us to a holy life... through Christ Jesus, who destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

God calls us not because of our merits, but because of his grace – and with the promise of life beyond death.

Finally, in the Gospel from Matthew, Jesus takes Peter, James, and John up the mountain. They encounter Moses and Elijah, and God speaks:

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

Overwhelmed, the disciples fall to the ground in fear. But Jesus touches them and says, “Rise, and do not be afraid.”

Lent is our invitation to climb the mountain to face challenge, fear, and self-examination – and to discover who Jesus truly is. We may feel unworthy or afraid in God’s presence, but Jesus meets us in our humanity, touches us, and invites us to rise.

This Lent, let us allow ourselves to be transformed by Christ. How? God gives us the answer in three simple words: “Listen to him.” Ken Canedo at [www.ocp.com](http://www.ocp.com)

### **Let us Pray.**

Lord Jesus, I come to You with hands that want to hold too tightly to my own plans.

Teach me the sacred art of surrender.

As You prayed in Gethsemane, “Not My will, but Yours be done,” I echo that prayer today.

Help me trust Your goodness even when I cannot see the path ahead,

for You have promised to work all things together for good.

In Jesus’ name,

Amen.

## Worship & Meditation

### Readings for the week of March 1, 2026

#### Sunday:

Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22/  
2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

#### Monday:

Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/  
Lk 6:36-38

#### Tuesday:

Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and  
23/Mt 23:1-12

#### Wednesday:

Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/  
Mt 20:17-28

#### Thursday:

Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

#### Friday:

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17,  
18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

#### Saturday:

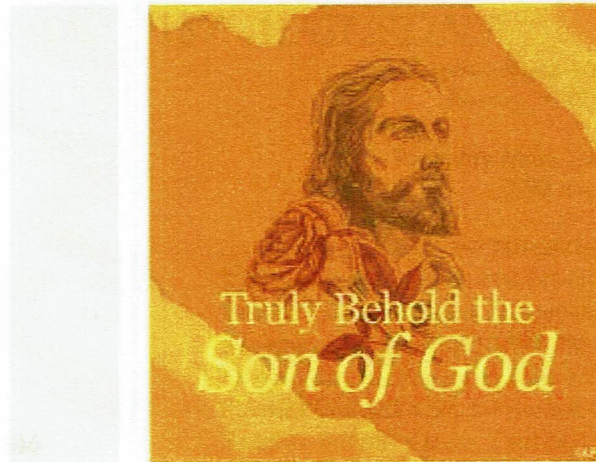
Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10,  
11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

#### Next Sunday:

Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2,  
5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a,  
40-42



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### Gospel Meditation

#### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When I sit down to answer emails or write a Gospel reflection or return a phone call, I sometimes wonder: Does any of this humdrum work matter? Maybe you ask the same thing about your daily labor. Today's Gospel, the Transfiguration, offers a surprising answer.

Jesus leads Peter, James, and John up a mountain. There, **"his face shone like the sun face and his clothes become white as light" (Matthew 17:2)**. That detail regarding his clothes is worth considering.

We know Jesus' body is inseparably united to the divine nature. But his clothing? That's something made by human hands. It's an artifact. And yet it shines with the same uncreated light. What does this detail mean? The early Church noted that Adam and Eve's first act after the Fall was to make clothing. This clothing symbolizes all human labor that supports our dignity. In Jesus' glorified garments, we see not just the redemption of our body, but of human effort to protect and uplift human dignity.

Parents, your family is your work. Baristas, plumbers, nurses, accountants — your labor, your emails, your phone calls, your spreadsheets — can all become radiant when offered to God in love. The question isn't just do I believe in Jesus' glory, but do I believe he can share it with the work of my hands?

**Lenten Challenge:** Identify the "artifact" you are making to uplift the dignity of others: your job, your home, your relationships. Consciously bring it to the Lord this Sunday at Mass. Offer it to share in His glory. It will begin to shine.

— *Father John Muir*

## IN REMEMBRANCE

*Sister Phyllis Vaske  
Mary Rogers  
James & Colleen Brooks  
James & Ruth Sayles  
Carmel & J.C. Thompson  
Willie & Dorothy Wilson*

*Gwen Monteilh Hammons  
Robert Musgrove  
James Madison & Espize Thierry Brooks  
Gary Randolph Davis  
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Skip Shelton, Owner

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