

St. Monica Church

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St. Augustine Church

ST. MONICA

Sunday Mass 8:30 a.m.
Rosary 8:00 a.m.

Weekday Mass Wed & Fri.
9:00 a.m.

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Religious Education:

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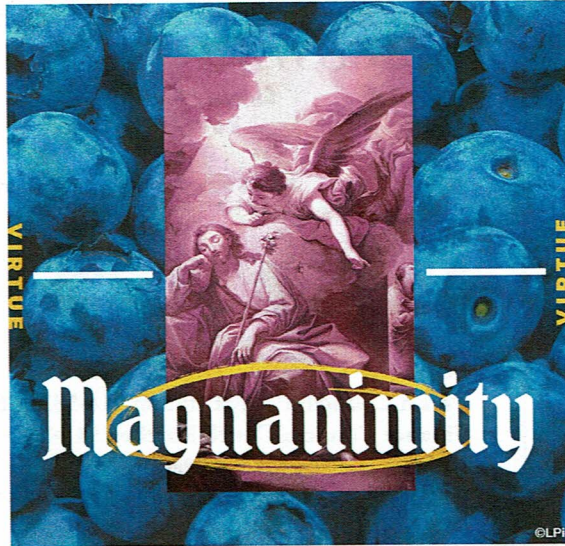
Parable of the Wicked Tenants

Matthew 21:33-44

CrossWay Christian Fellowship

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 4, 2026

Weekly Scripture



Virtues, Explained!

Magnanimity, writes St. Thomas Aquinas, describes "the stretching forth of the mind to great things." (Sum. II-II, 129, Art. 1) This virtue protects souls from the temptation to do honorable things for intentions that fall short of honorability.

Magnanimity shares much with the virtue of humility, but unlike humility, it specifically seeks what is great — but never the distinction of being called great. A magnanimous person's focus is solely on accomplishing as much good as possible, as effectively as possible.

When Joseph learned that Mary, his betrothed, was with child through the Holy Spirit, he had a chance to distinguish himself as a virtuous man. In calling for Mary's punishment, he could have condemned immorality loudly and publicly, while distancing himself from what appeared to be sin.

Instead, he did the opposite. He did what he knew to be right. He exhibited magnanimity, and the world was never the same.

Sunday's Readings

First Reading

What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I had not done?
Why, when I looked for the crop of grapes,
did it bring forth wild grapes? (Is 5:4)

Psalm

The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.
(Is 5:7a)

Second Reading

Keep on doing what you have learned and received
and heard and seen in me.
Then the God of peace will be with you. (Phil 4:9)

Gospel

"What will the owner of the vineyard do to those
tenants when he comes?"
They answered him,
"He will put those wretched men to a wretched
death
and lease his vineyard to other tenants."
(Mt 21:41)

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Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

Some build their lives on a foundation of
wealth, some on a foundation of power.
What do we choose for our cornerstone?
What supports the weight of our souls? For
the Christian life, there is only one foundation
strong enough to hold. Choose wisely.

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.

Bedrock at St. Monica Sunday:

After Mass, **Bedrock** (Ascension St. John) will be offering blood pressure, A1C, and cholesterol checks and information/sign-up for a free heart screening.
After 8:30am

BIBLE STUDY:

Begins on Thursday 10 am
Venue is St. Monica Bradley Hall.
We will be studying the book of Judges.

TODAY

October 4, Sunday
Pet Blessing 2pm St. Monica

October 10, Saturday 8am
Help needed to get the garden ready for our Centennial Celebration. If 8am is too early, Please come before 10am.

St. Monica Catholic Church - Centennial Celebration

October 17, Saturday
Centennial Banquet

October 18, Sunday
Mass and Centennial Garden Blessing and Dedication

October 31, Saturday 6-8pm
St. Monica Church Trunk or Treat
Save the date!

Sunday, December 13
Christmas Gala
Save the date!

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.

October 2026

For mental health ministry
Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

Fall Soccer League Schedule...

Game 1, Oct 3,
Free hotdogs, drinks, chips, cookies by Catholic Charities, St. Monica and St. Augustine.

Game 2, Oct. 10,
Free meals by Christ the King parish.

++++**Game 3 to be played between Oct 12 to 15++++**

Game 4. Oct. 17,
Hispanic Community to sell tacos, drinks, nachos as fundraising for the league.

Game 5. Oct. 24,
Free meals by St. Bernard parish.

Game 6 (Final) Oct 31,
Free meals by Red Cross;
free 250 to 300 new winter coats by Knights of Columbus; Entertainment by St. Augustine Hispanic dancers. Bedrock Ascension St. John will be present for Free blood pressure, temperature checks;
Award of medals and soccer scholarships to outstanding players who are aging out of our program.

Need lots of volunteers.
Please sign up at the back table.
Thank you,
Fr. C.

ST. MONICA MINISTRY SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 11, 2026

LECTORS

Ethelyn Harbin

Gloria Wallace

www.stmonica-tulsa.org

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING

September 27, 2026 \$2,059.00

MASS ATTENDANCE

Adults	59
Youth	3

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

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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,
Steven Bagby, Doris Minter-Littles, Paul McCurtain,
Mario Holman, William Holman, Keith Thierry, Doris
McKnight

******* PARISH NEWS *******

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Wed 6-7:30pm CCD Bldg
Resume Oct 7

NTLC TUTORING

Tues and Thurs
3:30-6pm CCD Bldg
Class Closed October 6
Resume Oct 8

SPANISH MASS

ST. AUGUSTINE PARISH
Sundays at 12:30

Bible study

Thursdays 10:00 - 11:15am
St. Monica Bradley Hall
Book of Judges

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
See sign up sheet

ST. AUGUSTINE MINISTRY SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 11, 2026

LECTORS

Jeff Gallant

Earlene Stevenson

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STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING

SEPTEMBER 27, 2026 \$1,360.00

MASS ATTENDANCE

ADULTS 80

YOUTH 22

SPANISH MASS

ADULTS 325

YOUTH 215

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS **PARISH GOALS / INITIATIVES**

JUNE 1, 2021 – SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

ST. MONICA

GOAL: \$100,000

RAISED: \$ 59,544

REMAINING: \$ 40,456

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 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

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From the desk of Fr. C.,

God plants a vineyard.
He chooses fertile ground.
He clears away the stones.
He plants the finest vines.
He builds a watchtower and digs a winepress.
Then he waits for the fruit.

Isaiah's beautiful image becomes unsettling when the vineyard yields only wild grapes. And Jesus makes the image more disturbing still. The tenants forget that the vineyard was entrusted to them. They seize it as their own. They reject the servants. Finally, they kill the landowner's son.

It is a difficult parable, especially because Christians have sometimes heard its conclusion as a rejection of the Jewish people. But Jesus himself was Jewish. So were his disciples. So was Matthew and the community for whom he wrote. This is a family argument born from a painful time of division, not permission for Christians to condemn the people of Israel.

Perhaps the sharper question is not: Who lost the vineyard?
The question is: **What are we doing with the vineyard entrusted to us?**

Faith is not something we possess.
Grace is not something we own.
The Kingdom is gift.
And gifts are meant to bear fruit.

Saint Paul names some of that fruit: whatever is true, honorable, just, pure, lovely, gracious, excellent, and worthy of praise.

God has planted much within us.
God has tended us with patience.
God has given us Christ, the stone rejected by the builders who has become the cornerstone.

Now God looks to the vineyard.
What fruit will he find?

Ken Canedo at www.ocp.com

Let Us Pray

Heavenly Father,
I come before You with a humble heart,
desiring to bear fruit in my life.
I know that apart from You,
I can do nothing,
and I need Your guidance
and empowerment
to produce fruit that brings glory
to Your name
Amen

Worship & Observances

Blessing for Life

What wonder You have gifted us,
Lord, in the blessing of life! May Your
name be praised with every
movement, every heartbeat, every
breath. Protect life in every stage,
race, age, ability, creed, and
capacity. Pour Your mercy upon us
this day, helping us to live deeply
and love well.
Amen.

Readings for the Week of October 4, 2026

Sunday

Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9 and 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20/Phil 4:6-9/
Mt 21:33-43

Monday

Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday

Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday

Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday

Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 11:5-13

Friday

Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 11:15-26

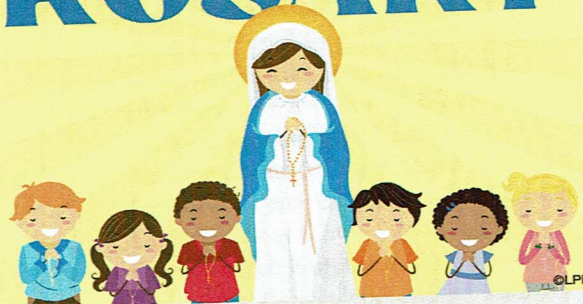
Saturday

Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 11:27-28

Next Sunday

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/
Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

OCTOBER MONTH OF THE ROSARY



Observances for the Week of October 4, 2026

Sunday

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Respect Life Sunday

Monday

Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

Tuesday

St. Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin

Wednesday

Our Lady of the Rosary

Friday

St. Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs;
St. John Leonardi, Priest

Next Sunday

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

IN REMEMBRANCE

Sister Phyllis Vaske
Mary Rogers
James & Colleen Brooks
James & Ruth Sayles
Carmel & J.C. Thompson
Willie & Dorothy Wilson
Geraldine Jones
Shamika Figures

Gwen Monteilh Hammons
Robert Musgrove
James Madison & Espize Thierry Brooks
Gary Randolph Davis
Carmel Dennard
Calvin 'Butch' Burton
Ray Craven
Maxine Jeffers-Holman

Samuel West
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Leo Sayles
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Marilyn Kay Troupe
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