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MOSACK'S Church Goods & Religious Gifts

MY SAINT MY HERO TRUNK SHOW

FABULOUS FALL EVENTS

Oct. 21—Collectibles
Open House

Nov.1-15—My Saint My Hero Trunk Show

> Nov. 11-Fontanini Open House

Nov. 18—Victoria King Book Signing

Dec. 9—Ne'Qwa Ornament Personalization Event MOSACK'S celebrates the Fall—Holiday Shopping Season with several fun events (see inset left). Our staff is ready—come and join the fun! The My Saint My Hero Trunk Show Nov 1-15th will feature the full line of jewelry including the newest introductions for 2017. Ambassador Stephanie will be in-store on Nov 1st



to talk about My Saint My Hero and share stories of prayers answered. Each one of us has the chance to make our world a better place every single day. We do so by choosing to do what is right and good, and choosing to avoid what is wrong. God has given us an internal sensor that helps us seek good and avoid evil; it's called our conscience. He has also given us the Holy Spirit to keep our conscience strong and clear, but we still find it hard to say no to temptation and sin. The Benedictine Blessing Bracelet is an extra help in your battle to make the world a better place and follow the path to heaven. It's like a secret weapon, and it is special for two reasons: The St. Benedict medal has both the

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COLLECTIBLES OPEN HOUSE

Kick-off the Holiday Shopping Season on Saturday, October 21, 2017 with our Annual Collectibles Open House. New 2017 pieces are in stock. (See list of Collections featured on page 4) Select retired figurines will be sold at discount prices. There are Precious Moments and Willow Tree in-store purchase with purchase specials for the holiday season. Enter to Win Willow Tree "Beautiful Wishes" figurine signed by artist Susan Lordi with every Willow Tree figurine purchased in store or online. Refreshments will be served!



Jubilee Prayer of Consecration

Hail, Mother of the Lord, Virgin Mary,
Queen of the Rosary of Fatima!
Blessed among all women,
you are the image of the Church
dressed in the Paschal Light,
you are the honor of our people,
you are the triumph over the mark of
evil.

Prophecy of the merciful Love of the Father, Teacher of the Annunciation of the Good News of the Son,
Sign of the burning Fire of the Holy
Spirit, teach us, in this valley of joys and sorrows, the eternal truths that the Father reveals to the little ones.

Show us the strength of your mantle of protection. In your Immaculate Heart, be the refuge of sinners and the way that leads to God.

In unity with my brethren,
In Faith, Hope and Love,
I surrender myself to you.
In unity with my brethren, through
you, I consecrate myself to God,
O Virgin of the Rosary of Fatima.

And thus surrounded by the Light that comes from your hands,
I will give Glory to the Lord for ever and ever.

Amen



FATIMA 100th ANNIVERSARY



In 2017, the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady of Fátima will be celebrated in Fatima and throughout the world. The first apparitions of Our Lady were to the shepherd children on 13th May 1917 and they were repeated the following months, the last occurring on 13th October the same year, when a remarkable crowd witnessed the "Miracle of the Sun". Visit www.mosacks.com to find informational books, DVD's, statues, plaques, and more.

THANKSGIVING BE GRATEFUL AND GIVING!

Thanksgiving is a favorite holiday in our house. We enjoy the food, the afternoon nap, the sharing with friends and family. This is one of the few non-commercial American holidays — we don't have to buy presents, or go overboard on decorating the house. Thanksgiving is not about getting — it's about giving. We take time to stop, look around and notice the abundance, beauty and love that surrounds us. Good as the turkey dinner is — it's really about the people who fill our lives. If Thanksgiving has always been a little tough for you — or if it seems to get lost in the commercial push to Christmas, take a deep breath, focus on all the blessings in your life, fold your hands, and give thanks to God. Here are some ideas to help you center on the blessings and not the stuffing recipe:

- Prioritize Church Services: Check to see what is available and attend as a family. Reflect and be thankful – you will be inspired!
- Say A little Prayer: Grace around the table before the big dinner, or while beginning the day is a great way to focus on the positive.
- Be Charitable: give to the local food drive, invite someone who lives alone to share your dinner, give others the benefit of the doubt, forgive and ask forgiveness.

The Advent wreath is full of symbolic meaning:

<u>The Evergreen Branch</u>: Symbolizes that God's love is never ending and lasts forever. God is life and we have life by dwelling with Him.

<u>The Circle</u>: The Advent wreath is made in the circle because it shows that God is one, and shows that He loves us without stopping. Also as a circle has no beginning and no end so does God and his love for us.

<u>The Red Berries</u>: Demonstrates to us the sacrifice that Jesus makes for us on the cross.

<u>The Purple Candles:</u> The purple candles symbolize the prayer, penance, and preparatory sacrifices and goods works that we should do at this time. Purple is also a color of royalty, which a king would wear. There are normally 3 purple candles.

<u>The Pink Candle:</u> The pink candle is lit on the third Sunday of Advent.

This Sunday is called Guadete Sunday, which is Latin for Rejoice Sunday. We rejoice because the coming of Christ is near.

<u>The white candle</u>: The white candle which is normally in the center of the Advent wreath symbolizes the purity of Jesus and Mary who are without sin.



CRIB BLESSING

God of every nation and people,
from the very beginning of creation
you have made manifest your love.
When our need for a Savior was great,
you sent your Son to be born of the Virgin Mary.
To our lives he brings joy and peace,
justice, mercy and love.
Lord, bless this crib and all who look upon it.
May it remind us of the humble birth of Jesus,
and raise up our thoughts to him who is God-with-us and
Savior of all, and who lives and reigns forever and ever.
Amen.



Advent Calendars help families count the days until Jesus' Birthday.

Mini Book Calendar: For the first 24 days of December there is a mini book that relates a Bible Story, offers a special prayer, or features a familiar Christmas song. Once you read each little book, you can hang it on your Christmas Tree. The unique Advent Calendar makes celebrating Advent at school or home truly meaningful.

Chocolate Calendar: Upon opening each window of the Stable Chocolate Advent Calendar, one finds a wonderful piece of gourmet milk chocolate along with a bible text that tells a part of the Nativity story





Oplatki is an Eastern European wafer like bread, almost identical to altar bread. However rather than being round, Oplatki is shaped like a rectangle and may have the image of the Holy Family, the three wise men or a star. Normally it comes in a pack of four, three white ones and a pink one. European cultures such as the Polish

break the Oplatki at the Christmas Eve feast. After prayer, the head of the family breaks off a small piece of it and passes it down. Once everyone has a piece of the Oplatki, they eat it, then begin their feast. This is to symbolize unity of the family who are united through Christ.



Welcome St. Nicholas The true story of Santa Claus begins with the Bishop of Myra. Nicholas used his inheritance to assist the needy, the sick and the suffering. Bishop Nicholas became known throughout the land for his generosity. Dec 5th, on the eve of his feast day, children traditionally fill their shoes with pieces of carrot or bits of hay for St. Nicholas' horse or donkey. Place shoes outside the bedroom doors or on the hearth and see if a candy treat appears by morning!



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BUILDING FAMILY TRADITIONS



Annual
Open House
Sat, Nov. 11, 2017
10 - 6:00 pm
Refreshments Served

MOSACKS.COM

Enter to WIN!

5" Centennial Collection 9 piece Fontanini Nativity Set #54598 valued at \$240.00 (includes: Stable, Holy Family, Three Kings, Miriam, Elam, Sheep, four story cards)

> tickets \$1.00 each 6 for \$5.00 on sale now

Drawing Held Dec. 15, 2017





See all the NEW 2017 Figurines



SHOP Fontanini Nativity Sets Buildings Figurines Animals and Accessories

available in all sizes

Collectibles Open House

Featured Collections include:

Outdoor Joseph's Studio Nativities

Outdoor PVC Nativities

Outdoor Resin Holy Family Nativity figures

Precious Moments Christmas and Everyday

Willow Tree Nativities, Angels & complete line

Jim Shore Heartwood Creek

Foundation Angels

Seraphim Classics

Veronese Bronze Dipped Statues & Plaques

Joseph's Studio Statues & Wall Panels

Kneeling Santa

Pipka Santas of the World

Pizazz and GlowDecor Wall Art

Fontanini Heirloom Collection

(see also Fontanini Open House on Nov 11, 2017)

MOSACK'S COLLECTIBLES OPEN HOUSE











NE'QWA ART ORNAMENTS CREATE A UNIQUE HOLIDAY KEEPSAKE!

One-of-a-kind Ne'Qwa Art revives the centuries-old dicipline of painting richly detailed art in reverse on the inside of delicate glass. A short video running instore demonstrates this fascinating technique. Artists paint the inside of the ornament with a specially designed brush. Every Ne'Qwa Ornament purchase either in-store or online qualifies for entry into a drawing for a free ornament. Drawing to be held Dec. 15th.

Our MOSACK'S Staff will personalize all Ne'Qwa Art items pre-sold in advance and purchased on the day of the event for FREE on Saturday, Dec. 9, 2017. Shop early either online or in—store, to select your favorite ornament. This is a wonderful chance to have "Merry Christmas", Baby's Name for First Christmas", or "Our First Christmas" written on a Ne'Qwa Art ornament. It's a personal touch that will make each Ne'Qwa Art piece not just a decoration but also a memory to put on your tree for years to come. Each Ne'Qwa Art Ornament is hand-painted and presented in satin-lined velour box with a certificate of authenticity. Make this a Christmas tradition!

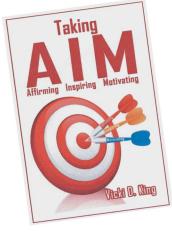


Sat, Dec. 9, 2017 11:00 - 5:00 pm

FREE PERSONALIZATION EVENT Two Staff Members will be on hand to Personalize your Ne'Qwa Ornament with name, date, or special message.



Meet Author, Victoria King





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Book Signing Sat. Nov. 18, 2017 11- 3:00 pm

The collection of over 200 religious stories in the book *Taking AIM: Affirming, Inspiring, and Motivating* can be enjoyed in several ways. Stories can be read individually, the book can be read from cover to cover, and its contents can also be used as a daily devotional.

PRAYER FOR MY PET

O God, in your infinite wisdom, you created the universe and blessed us with all living creatures. We especially thank you for giving us our pets who bring joy to our lives. Their unconditional love and presence helps us to get through trying times.



Through the intercession of St. Francis of Assisi, kindly bless my pet. May my pet continue to give me joy, enliven my days, and remind me of your power.

May we realize that as our pets trust us to take care of them, so we should trust you to take care of us. In taking care of them we share your love for all your creatures. Enlighten our minds to preserve all endangered species so that we may continue to appreciate all of your creations. Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

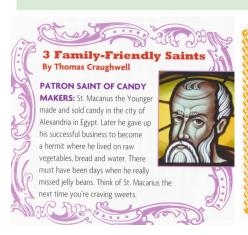
ALLL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS THE FAMILY OF GOD

All Saints day (Nov1) and All Souls Day (Nov 2) are feasts in the church that celebrate our belief in the Communion of Saints. The Church teaches that every member of the Body of Christ is eternally connected and cannot be separated by time or space, or even death. What a relief! Our belief in the Communion of Saints, the Family of God, means that we never have to truly say goodbye to our loved ones who have passed away, because they are still a part of the Church family. These feast days are times of remembrance, celebration and prayer.

All Saints is a time to honor all of the great saints who have graced the earth – from St. Francis to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton – and everyone in between, known and unknown. All Soul's day is a special day where we offer intercessory prayers on behalf of the faithful departed. "We believe in the communion of all the faithful of Christ, those who are pilgrims on earth, the dead who are being purified, and the blessed in heaven, all together forming one Church; and we believe that in this communion, the merciful love of God and his saints is always attentive to our prayers." (Apostolic Letter by Pope Paul VI, Credo of the people of God, no. 30)

- What makes a saint special in God's Family?
- Who are some saints that you would like to know more about?
- What makes you special in God's Family?

FAMILY ACTIVITY: Talk about your relatives living and deceased. Make a "saint" collage using family pictures, holy cards, etc. Glue the pictures on construction paper and hang on the fridge to celebrate the Family of God!

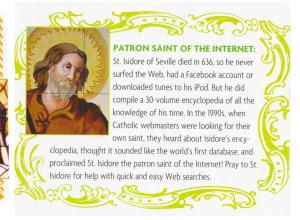


PATRON SAINT FOR KEEPING YOUR ROOM
CLEAN: So you hate to clean your room? Imagine having to clean a whole palace — for 48 years. And not just clean, but cook, watch the children and put up with your boss' temper tantrums. Whenever St. Zita felt like she could not possibly wash one more window or dust one more piece of furniture, she imagined she was doing her work for God, and suddenly the housework wasn't so boring any

more. Pray to St. Zita for the

chores

energy and patience to help with



CELEBRATE LIFE!

"I came so that you might have life and have it more abundantly." (Jn10:10). As Christians we believe that all human life is sacred – from conception to natural death. We value human beings because we are created in God's image; there is a reflection of the divine in each of us. October is dedicated to respect for life. What are some ways your family could celebrate this month?

- Visit an elderly facility; listen and share stories with some of the residents. Young people will enjoy hearing about their grandma's school days, grandpa's participation in sports, and what they did for entertainment. Grandparents will love catching up with the latest social media and youthful enthusiasm.
- Help a family with a new baby in your church or neighborhood by bringing meals, babysitting, shopping, yard clean-up etc.
- Pray for all human life to be respected regardless of race or religion, for every person to receive the basic necessities of life, for abortions to end in our country and around the world.

MY SAINT MY HERO (continued from page 1)

image of St. Benedict and the Benedictine Cross. The Benedictine Cross is one of the Church's most powerful symbols of divine protection. It was created in the mid 600's as a symbol of the spiritual truths that enabled St. Benedict and his many followers to resist evil and do good. "The Holy Cross be my Light," is written in Latin on the front of the cross, which is used all over the world to help spread Christ's Kingdom of love and light. The images of the St. Benedict medal are rich in symbolism with each detail carrying a specific meaning. If you research and learn, you can discover the meaning of all of the signs and letters on the medal; let them teach and inspire you. Wear this ancient symbol to help protect your soul, your loved ones and your home from anything contrary to God's goodness. Father John Bartunek, LC ThD



MY SAINT MY HERO MISSION STATEMENT

My Saint My Hero was founded on the belief that *God is real, prayer works and love heals*.

Our pieces are wearable blessings that remind us we are loved.

We want My Saint My Hero to be more than a Company, but *a community*, inspired by God to help transform lives and make the world a better place. Crafted in love and prayer, our wearable blessings empower women through meaningful work. Our prayer is that these pieces help awaken souls to live in the presence of God and know:

I AM true, I AM good, I AM beautiful...
I AM BLESSED.

CLERGY APPRECIATION MONTH

October is Clergy Appreciation Month. Take time to pray for and support your priest, deacon, or church minister. They work tirelessly to meet your needs throughout the year. Show that you care! Send a card, or write a personal note of thanks. Use an October calendar to schedule volunteers for a month-long schedule of surprise treats. Each day of the month, the pastor will receive a surprise token of appreciation from a church member, committee or group. The tributes can vary widely. Some ideas include: Letters from school children, an apple pie, or a gift certificate. After a whole month of pleasant surprises, won't your pastor feel appreciated?

Prayer for Church Leaders:

Almighty God, you give your Church holy leaders filled with charity, goodness and prayer – good shepherds like your Son, Jesus. Through the prompting of your grace may they always realize that they are your chosen ones, called by name. Comfort them more dearly when they are discouraged, lonely or greatly beset by temptation. Be with them in their troubles; with you they can do all things. Let them know the warmth and support of their congregations and fill them daily with your blessings.

2018 PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Another fresh new year is here...
Another year to live!
To banish worry, doubt, and fear,
To love and laugh and give!

This bright new year is given me
To live each day with zest...
To daily grow and try to be
My highest and my best!

I have the opportunity
Once more to right some wrongs,
To pray for peace, to plant a tree,
And sing more joyful songs!

William Arthur Ward (1921-1994)





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