

## **The Men's Club of the Catholic Church of Saint Monica**

The Men's Club is an organization open to all men of the Saint Monica parish community, ages 18 and older. The club exists primarily as a service and fundraising organization for the parish and the community. Of course, fostering fellowship and the spiritual growth of its members are also priorities.

### **OUR MISSION**

We, the men of the Catholic Church of Saint Monica, propelled by the discipleship of the gospel values, commit ourselves to service through fellowship for the benefit of our parishioners and the community. We shall drive our spiritual growth through the pursuit of various projects and social interaction.

### **WHAT DO WE DO?**

#### Community Life

The Men's Club also participates in Community Life events such as the co-sponsorship of the Lenten Fish Fry and participation in the Fall Festival and parish L.I.F.E Events.

#### Fellowship

The club provides opportunities throughout the year for social functions, such as outings to events like Gwinnett Gladiators Hockey. At least one meeting each summer is combined with a cookout. Working together on committees and service projects also provides many fellowship opportunities.

#### Fundraising

The major fundraising events that are organized and run by the Men's Club are:

- ▶ The annual Christmas Tree Lot at the corner of McGinnis Ferry Rd. & Peachtree Industrial Blvd. (Publix parking lot)
- ▶ The annual Golf Tournament held in August at Sugar Hill Country Club

#### Men's Club Scholarship

This program rewards high-achieving high school seniors in the parish with \$1,000 college scholarships. Four such scholarships were awarded in 2007. All winners are recognized with pictures on a plaque in the RE building.

#### Service

The Men's Club actively seeks to serve the parish and the local community through volunteering of our time and talent. This service has included manpower for the Fall Festival, planting trees on the church grounds, assisting parish ministries, and providing assistance to parish families in their time of need.

#### Spiritual

We seek to encourage the spiritual growth of our members through a Men's Spirituality Program held regularly in the RE building. Many Men's Club members are also active in various liturgical ministries.

### **WHEN AND WHERE DO WE MEET?**

- ▶ The Men's Club meets on the second Thursday of every month.

- ▶ Meetings begin at 7 PM with a half-hour of social time with food and drink, followed by the meeting at 7:30 PM.
- ▶ Meetings are usually held in the Religious Education building. Meetings may occasionally be held in locations off of the church grounds, such as at a local restaurant or outdoors at a local subdivision pavilion.
- ▶ In addition to regular business meetings, we occasionally invite guest speakers from the parish or other local community groups.

*Be sure to watch the bulletin each month for announcements of meeting locations and times.*