



St. Monica Catholic Church

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.; 1:00 (Spanish), 5:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m. (Spanish)
Weekdays: 8:15 a.m.

RECONCILIATION: Sat. 4:00 p.m. & Wed. 6:00 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Every Fri. after Mass until 7:00 p.m.

EUCCHARIST FOR SICK & SHUT-INS: Contact church office.

BAPTISMS: 1st Sat. of month at 11:00 a.m. Spanish Baptisms on 2nd Sat. 11:00 a.m.

FIRST COMMUNION: 2 year program required; usually received in 2nd grade.

CONFIRMATION: Must complete a 2 year program which begins in high school.

MARRIAGE: 6 months notice required. Contact parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Director, Janice Van Slambrouck, 416-2018. Grades K-5th, Wed. 6:25-7:35 p.m. Office hours - Tue., Wed. and Thurs. 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

GLOW (4th-6th grade group) meets Thurs. in hall 6:30-8:00 p.m.

RCIA: Adult converts or those needing sacraments are invited. Classes begin in Sept. on Sun. 10:30 a.m., parish hall. Josie Rodriguez 988-3954. Spanish RCIA: Sr. Esperanza Buitron 659-4242 rcia@saintmonicaconverse.net

ST. MONICA SCHOOL: Early Childhood-8th Grade. Principal, Kristi Geyer, 658-6701. School Annex 659-5939. Inquiries to school office.

QUINCEANERA: Must be registered parishioner at least one year; attend Religious Education classes and have priest's permission.

ALTAR SOCIETY & THRIFT SHOP: Altar Society meets 1st Tues. 12:00 noon, Sept.-May. Thrift Shop Wed. & Sat. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. Edna Diaz, 598-9885.

REGISTRATION FORMS: In parish office or next to the bulletin board inside of the church.

CHOIR: 9:00 a.m., Bill Staggs, Music Minister, 274-8847. Adult Choir Rehearsal - Thurs. 6:30 p.m.; Children's Choir & Guitar Rehearsal - Tues., 6:30 p.m.; Michelle Hernandez, Music Minister, after 5 p.m. 215-0811. Spanish Choir - Mon. 7:00 p.m. Glissie Esquivel, Director, 251-2902.

SPANISH PRAYER GROUP: Fri. 6:30 p.m. Parish Hall. Martin Sanchez, 387-3469.

ACTS: Eliza Reyna, 273-8851.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Meets 2nd Tues. 7:30 p.m. Tony Canez, Grand Knight, 857-0789.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: Ruben Rosas, President, 818-1230. Meets 2nd Tues. at 12:00 noon.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS: Meets 4th Tues. 7:00 p.m. Mary Jane Garza, 843-2190.

GUADALUPANOS: Meets 2nd Mon. 5:30-6:30 p.m. parish hall, Margie Moncada, 661-7381.

LIFE TEEN (High School Youth Group): Wed. 6:25-7:35 p.m., parish hall. Timo Zepeda, 410-7647.

EDGE (Middle School Youth Group): Meets Wed. 6:15-7:45 p.m. Lyle Pearce, 913-5585.

YOUNG AT HEART GROUP: Meets 2nd Thurs., Sally Tokarski at 367-1118.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP: (Spanish) Meets Tues. 7:00 p.m., chapel.

FAMILY OF THE ROSARY (bilingual) Meet last Tues. 7:00-9:00 p.m. in church cry room. Carmenza Barrios, 724-8660.

The Mission of St. Monica is to build a welcoming community of faith, making God's love visible through service to others.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Mon 5/14 8:15 A.M. ✠ Telesfora Horstman
Tues 5/15 8:15 A.M. ✠ Catholic Life Members
Wed 5/16 8:15 A.M. Nidia Garcia = B
✠ Rafael/Maria Zuluaga
Thurs 5/17 8:15 A.M. ✠ Rose Lauer
Doug/Pamela Maziur Fam = SI
Fri 5/18 8:15 A.M. ✠ James/Linda Mollicone
Sat 5/19 5:30 P.M. Grace Van Hamont = SI
Sun 5/20 7:30 A.M. ✠ Grace Ingraham
9:00 A.M. ✠ Michael Camargo
11:00 A.M. ✠ Oswaldo G. Cruz
1:00 P.M. Virginia Cornejo = SI
5:00 P.M. ✠ Sergio Moreno
7:00 P.M. ✠ Almas de purgatorio

✠ = Deceased A = Anniv B = Birthday
SI = Special Intention L & D = Living and Deceased

SUNDAY COLLECTONS: \$12,697.00

This Sunday's second collection is for the
Society of St. Vincent de Paul



The Sanctuary Light will burn for the
special intentions of all the mothers
in our parish.



The next Holy Hour and Adoration is
scheduled for Thursday, May 17 at 7 p.m.
Please come and spend an hour with us in
prayer and praise.

WE REGRET TO INFORM YOU

Sorry to announce that the Knights of Columbus
Pancake Breakfast has been cancelled for the month of
May because of unforeseen circumstances. The breakfast
will resume in the second Sunday of August.

LAMENTAMOS INFORMARLE

Lamentamos anunciar que el Desayuno con panqueques
de los Caballeros de Colón ha sido cancelado durante el
mes de mayo debido a circunstancias imprevistas. El
desayuno se reanudará en el segundo domingo de
agosto.

DON'T MISS THIS MAJOR PARISH EVENT!

On the nights of Tuesday, May 29th and Wednesday,
May 30th, we will have Healing Masses presided by Fr.
Claudio Barbut. Fr. Claudio has traveled the world
bringing his message of healing to the people of God.
This is an exciting event happening at our parish please
invite your friends and family. More information in
upcoming bulletins.

¡NO TE PIERDAS ESTE GRAN EVENTO PARROQUIAL!

En las noches de martes, 29 de mayo y miércoles, 30 de
mayo, tendremos Misas de sanación presididas por el
Padre Claudio Barbut. Padre Claudio ha viajado por el
mundo llevando su mensaje de sanación al pueblo de
Dios. Este es un evento emocionante que ocurre en
nuestra parroquia. Por favor invite a sus amigos y
familiares.



SUMMER FUN CAMP REGISTRATION

St Monica's School is offering their
Summer Fun Camp for children
grades pre-k through 8th grade. You
can call for more information at
210-658-6701 or visit the website at
www.saintmonica.net. Bring in this bulletin and receive
\$10 off the summer supply fee.

REGISTRO DEL CAMPAMENTO DE DIVERSIÓN DE VERANO

La escuela Santa Mónica ofrece su "Summer Fun
Camp" para niños desde preescolar al octavo grado.
Para obtener más información puede llamar al 210-658-
6701 o visitar el sitio web en www.saintmonica.net.
Traiga este boletín y reciba un descuento de \$10 de la
tarifa de suministros de verano.



IS IT HIS VOICE YOU HEAR CALLING?!

Come find out if the priesthood or the life
of a religious is suited for you! There will
be a day of discernment this summer on
Saturday, June 9th for the women and Saturday, June 16th
for the men. Call 210-735-0553 for more information or
go on website www.ArchSA.org/vocations.

THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

DESCUBRA SI LO QUE ESTÁ OYENDO ES SU VOZ

Algunos de ustedes probablemente han sentido curiosidad acerca del sacerdocio o la vida religiosa. Bueno, usted merece ir y averiguar si esta vocación es su verdadera vocación. Pase un día de discernimiento el sábado, 16 de junio para los hombres y para las mujeres el sábado, 9 de junio. Llame al 210-734-0553 o visite www.ArchSA.org/vocations para obtener más información.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Registration for Religious Education Classes is now taking place. Forms can be found under the bulletin board in back of church. Classes for Kindergarten through 8th grade will continue to be held on Wednesday nights from 6:25 thru 7:35 p.m. For HIGH SCHOOL, there is Life Teen which begins in September and will be held on Sundays. FINAL REGISTRATION is **Monday, August 6, 2018** to begin in fall 2018 thru spring 2019. For more information, call Jan Van Slambrouck, D.R.E. at (210) 416-2018

A RETREAT FOR THE MEN OF ST. MONICA'S

Retreat in **Spanish** on May 31- Jun 3, 2018 at St. Anthony de Padua Retreat Center in San Antonio. The cost of the retreat is \$180, but financial assistance is available. Call Juan Ortiz (210) 376-7126, Ángel Ayala (210) 463-0157, Julián Apolinar: (210) 316-6988, or John Yelverton (210) 883-8058 for more information. Registration forms available at www.saintmonicaconverse.net/acts.

RETIRO PARA LOS HOMBRES DE SANTA MÓNICA

El ministerio ACTS de Santa Mónica invita a los hombres de nuestra comunidad el fin de semana este 31 de mayo a 3 de junio en el St. Anthony de Padua en San Antonio. El costo es de \$180, pero hay asistencia financiera disponible. Llame a Juan Ortiz: (210) 376-7126, Ángel Ayala: (210) 463-0157, Julián Apolinar: (210) 316-6988, or John Yelverton (210) 883-8058 para obtener más información. Se adjunta un formulario de registro y también está disponible en www.saintmonicaconverse.net/acts.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL THE MOTHERS OF OUR PARISH. MAY GOD BLESS YOU WITH HEALTH, WISDOM, PEACE AND JOY!



PERFECT GIFT FOR MOMS

Saturday, May 19th the ACTS Ministry will host a Wine and Painting Night in the parish hall from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The cost is \$35 per person in advance or \$40 per person at the door. There will be light snacks and drinks provided. An experienced artist will help you create your own masterpiece! Proceeds benefit future ACTS retreats. Tickets on sale this weekend at all Masses. Call Eliza Reyna for more information 210-273-8851.

REGALO PERFECTO PARA MAMÁS

El sábado 19 de mayo, el Ministerio de ACT organizará una Noche de Vino y Pintura en la sala parroquial de 5:30 a 8 p.m. El costo es \$35 por persona por adelantado o \$40 por persona en la puerta. Habrá aperitivos ligeros y bebidas. ¡Un artista experimentado le ayudará a crear su propia obra maestra! Los ingresos benefician futuros retiros de ACTS. Boletos en venta este fin de semana en todas las misas.



WE APPRECIATE YOU!

A lot of work goes into preparing the special liturgies like First Communion. The flowers, the music, the readings, the ministers and sacristans that will serve.

You can't know because you just see the finish product. The priest prepares a homily that fits the occasion and he still must deliver it so that those in attendance can take something and apply it to their lives. So let us recognize Padre Alejandro del Bosque, Fr. Mauricio Lopez, Jan Van Slambrouck, Director of Religious Education for 22 years, and her volunteers who teach Religious Education to the children. Sonja Cook for the beautiful flower arrangements, Lilli Soto, Michelle Hernandez and Glissie Esquivel and their choirs for the uplifting music and the Altar Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers and Sacristans who do their part in the Masses. May God bless each of you for your dedication, time and most of all your passion for doing God's work!



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