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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. Sylvia Benavides, 656-2609.

GUADALUPANOS: Meets 2nd Mon. 10:00 a.m. parish hall, Margie Moncada, 661-7381.

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

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.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m. 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.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Every Fri. after Mass until 7:00 p.m. **EUCHARIST 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.

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 7/30 8:15 A.M. Enrique Antillon/Rebeca Diaz
Tues 7/31 8:15 A.M. Familia Zulaka Richard = SI

Wed 8/1 8:15 A.M.♥ Souls in purgatory

Thurs 8/2 8:15 A.M. Teens of St. Monica's = SI

Fri 8/3 8:15 A.M. & Guadalupe Rodriguez

Sat 8/4 9:30 A.M. & Souls in purgatory

5:30 P.M. & Scott Case

Sun 8/5 7:30 A.M. World Leaders = SI

9:00 A.M. L&D Adolph/Mary Schumann Scheel Family

🕈 Ella Tillman

11:00 A.M. Seminarians = SI

1:00 P.M 🗗 Juan Chavez

₱ Joaquin Mondragon

♦ Sergio Delgado Tiffany G. Lopez y Fam = SI

5:00 P.M St. Monica Parishioners = SI

7:00 P.M. & Almas de purgatorio

† = Deceased A = Anniv B = Birthday

SI = Special Intention L & D = Living and Deceased



Sunday Collections: July 22nd: 10,727.00

FINANCIAL REPORT

Total income for Fiscal Year 2018 \$1,098,142.90 Total expenses for Fiscal Year 2018 \$ 818,271.36 Income minus expense totals \$ 279,871.54

TRAINING FOR LAY MINISTERS

Are you feeling the call to serve? St. Monica will be providing training (in English) for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Ministers of the Word (Lectors) on August 1, 2018 beginning at 6:30 P.M. Every Mass is in need of these very important ministries. You must have the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and, if married, you must be married in the Catholic Church.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Wednesday, August 15th the church office will be closed for the Feast of the Assumption.



40 HOURS OF ADORATION

Thursday, August 2nd at 7 p.m. we will begin the 40 Hours of Adoration. Please sign up to watch one hour with Our Lord and Savior. We have security for the night hours. The 40 Hours

conclude with the First Saturday Mass August 4th at 9:30 a.m.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS

There will be a First Friday Mass (bilingual) *August* 3^{rd} at 7 p.m. The bilingual Mass will take the place of the Latin Mass. We will no longer offer the Latin Mass.



RETREAT FOR ENGAGED COUPLES

Transformed in Love: Building Your Catholic Marriage A Marriage Preparation Retreat for Engaged

Couples will be held on September 15–16, 2018 Sat. + Sun., 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at St. Pius X Catholic Church, 3907 Harry Wurzbach Rd. San Antonio; 78209 The cost is \$225.00 per couple. Materials and lunch are provided. Information: Audrey Ahern 210-734-1663 audrey.ahern@archsa.org Registration: www.ArchSA.org/TransformedInLove This retreat will be presented in English only. | Este retiro será presentado solo en Inglés.

UN RETIRO PARA PAREJAS COMPROMETIDAS

Transformados en amor: Construyendo su Matrimonio Católico, Un retiro de preparación matrimonial para parejas comprometidas se llevará a cabo del 15 al 16 de septiembre del 2018, sábado Y domingo, de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. en la Iglesia Católica St. Pius X, 3907 Harry Wurzbach Rd. San Antonio; 78209. El costo es de \$225.00 por pareja. Materiales y almuerzo serán provistos. Información: Audrey Ahern 210-734-1663 audrey.ahern@archsa.org Inscripciones: www.ArchSA.org/TransformedInLove Este retiro será presentado solo en inglés.

SUBSCRIBERS OF MAGNIFICATS

The Magnificats will be distributed after all Masses this weekend.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



FOOD FOR YOUR SOUL!

There will be an ACTS Retreat for women on August 16-19, 2018. The place will be St. Anthony's Convent, 100 Peter Baque Rd. in San Antonio; 78209. The cost is \$180. You may pick up a registration form by the bulletin board in church. A \$90 deposit is due at the time the registration form is turned into office.

Hurry, as space is limited. Call Nancy Zepeda, Director, at 210-410-7648 or Delia Finch, Co-Director, 210-573-6664 or Joan Petru, Co-Director, 210-643-1048 with any questions. So, leave your worries and obligations behind for this weekend and enjoy meeting new friends and getting pampered!

¡ESCUCHEN DAMAS, ESTO ES PARA SU ALMA! Habrá un retiro de ACTS para mujeres del 16 al 19 de agosto de 2018. El lugar será el convento de San Antonio de Padua, 100 Peter Baque Rd. en San Antonio; 78209. El costo es \$180. Usted puede recoger un formulario de inscripción cerca del tablón de anuncios de la iglesia. Un depósito de \$90 se debe pagar al entregar el formulario de registro en oficina. Dese prisa, ya que el espacio es limitado. Llame a Nancy Zepeda, Directora, al 210-410-7648, a Delia Finch, Codirectora, 210-573-6664 o a Joan Petru, Codirectora, 210-643-1048 si tiene alguna pregunta. ¡Así que deje sus preocupaciones y obligaciones detrás ese fin de semana y disfrute conociendo nuevas amigas y siendo mimada!

RCIA - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION Enrollment is going on now for classes. Are you an adult (18+ yrs) who would like to join the Catholic Church then RCIA might be for you? RCIA is for:

- Unbaptized adults seeking to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist (Holy Communion).
- Baptized adults from another Christian tradition (Baptists, Evangelical, Methodist etc.) who wish to become members of the Catholic Church.
- Adults baptized in the Catholic Church as infants and who now wish to receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

Please call Josie Rodriguez at (210) 988-3954 or email her at rcia@saintmonicaconverse.net please leave your name, phone number and email address.Classes will begin Sept. 9th, 2018 at 10:00am in the Baumann Room



ASSUMPTION THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

This is a holy day of obligation in the Catholic Church. It is considered to be the most important of the Marian celebrations because it commemorates the passing of our Blessed Mother into eternal life. We will have a vigil Mass on Tuesday, August 14 at 7 p.m. in English and Masses on the feast day Wednesday, August 15 at 8:15 a.m., 12 p.m. (both in English) and 7 p.m. a Spanish Mass.

ASUNCIÓN DE LA SANTA VIRGEN MARÍA Este es un día sagrado de obligación en la Iglesia Católica. Se considera ser la celebración más importante de las celebraciones marianas porque conmemora el fallecimiento de nuestra Santísima Madre y su paso a la vida eterna. Tendremos una misa de vigilia el martes 14 de agosto a las 7 p.m. en inglés y Misas en el día festivo el miércoles, 15 de agosto a las 8:15 a.m., 12 p.m. (ambas en inglés) y una misa en español a las 7 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS Are you are a baptized, practicing Catholic, 18 years of age or over, have received 1st Eucharist, and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation Dec. 1st? If so, please contact Josie Rodriguez as soon as possible at rcia@saintmonicaconverse.net, (210) 988-3954, or (719) 660-2169. Classes will begin Oct. 7th at 3:00pm in the Baumann Room. Please bring a copy of your baptismal certificate, have a Confirmed Catholic sponsor chosen and please begin to think about a Saints name.

THE YOUTH NEED OUR GUIDANCE!

We need volunteers to help with Religious Education on Wednesday nights. If you enjoy being around children and equally like sharing the wonderful truths about our faith, contact Jan Van Slambrouck, D.R.E., # 210-416-2018 or jan@saintmonicaconverse.net

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