



St. Monica Catholic Church

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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, 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.

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. Annette Winfield, 210-885-0861

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, Ms. Abby Salazar, 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 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 8/27 8:15 A.M. Scott/Annette Winfield = 35A
✠ Loren/Leon Krug
- Tues 8/28 8:15 A.M. Catholic Church Leaders = SI
- Wed 8/29 8:15 A.M. Victims of abuse = SI
- Thurs 8/30 8:15 A.M. ✠ Edilio Cantu
- Fri 8/31 8:15 A.M. ✠ Enrique Antillon/Rebeca Diaz
✠ Matt Naziur
- Sat 9/1 9:30 A.M. ✠ Souls in purgatory
5:30 P.M. ✠ Onufry Cielencki
- Sun 9/2 7:30 A.M. ✠ Shirley Gratt
9:00 A.M. L&D Adolph and Mary
Schumann Scheel Family
✠ Ella Tillman
11:00 A.M. Terminally ill parishioners = SI
✠ Dominga Villasenor
✠ Hector Segura
1:00 P.M Miguel Angel Pacheco, Jr. = B
5:00 P.M Catholic Church Leaders = SI
7:00 P.M. ✠ Almas de purgatorio

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



Sunday Collections: \$10,777.00
Assumption Masses: \$1,125.00

FIRST DAY OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES (1st thru 8th grade) is Wednesday, **September 19** at 6:25 p.m. **Life Teen** is Sunday, **September 9** at 3 to 4:30 p.m. then Mass at 5 p.m.

TEEN CONFIRMATION PREPARATION NEWS:
Are you in High School and ready to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation? Come join us for a meeting that will explain the requirements for the preparation of this sacrament. Parents are encouraged to join. The meeting will be held in the Parish Hall, Sunday, September 9 at 2 p.m. After the meeting, High School Teens can continue the fun at the Life Teen Kick-off! The fun begins at 3 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

LA OFICINA PARROQUIAL ESTARA CERRADA
La oficina parroquial estara cerrada el primero de Septiembre para reconocer el dia del trabajo

WHO AM I TO JUDGE STUDY PROGRAM

There will be an eight part study program that is based on Dr. Edward Sri's book. It will be offered in the parish hall on Tuesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. beginning September 11 thru October 30. Class will be led by Annette Winfield. This study will discuss how Catholic morality is all about love and why making a judgement is not judging a person's soul. Topics included are:

- Real Freedom, Real Love
- Sharing truth with compassion
- Why "I disagree" doesn't mean "I hate you"

PROGRAMA DE ESTUDIO ¿QUIÉN SOY YO PARA JUZGAR?

Habrà un programa de estudio de ocho partes basado en el libro del Dr. Edward Sri. Se ofrecerà en el salón parroquial los martes de 9:30 a.m. a 11:30 a.m. comenzando el 11 de septiembre hasta el 30 de octubre. La clase será dirigida por Annette Winfield. Este estudio discutirá cómo la moral católica tiene que ver con el amor y por qué hacer un juicio no es juzgar el alma de una persona. Los temas incluidos son:

- Libertad Real, Amor Real
- Compartiendo la verdad con compasión
- Por qué "No estoy de acuerdo" no significa "Te odio"



G.L.O.W. (God lights our world)

The tween youth group is back in session Thursday, September 13th. Come join the excitement if you are in grades 4th thru 6th. The time they meet on Thursdays is 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the parish hall. Contact Annette Winfield (210) 885-0861 for more information.

G.L.O.W. (Dios ilumina nuestro mundo)

El grupo juvenil intermedio volverà a estar en sesión el jueves 13 de septiembre. Ven y únete a la emoción si estás en grados 4to a 6to. Los jóvenes se reúnen los jueves a las 6:30 p.m. a 8 p.m. en el salón parroquial. Póngase en contacto con Annette Winfield (210) 885-0861 para obtener más información.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Monday, September 3rd, the Parish Office will be closed for Labor Day Holiday.

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



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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

RICA EN ESPANOL

Si te falta recibir el bautismo, la confirmacion o la primera comunión, tienes mas de 18 años y deseas prepararte en Español, llena la ficha de inscripción, comunicate con la hermana Esperanza Buitron, 210-659-4242, y ven a prepararte. Iniciamos el 9 de Septiembre después de misa de 1 p.m. (de 2:15 p.m. a 4:15 p.m.) en el salón parroquial atrás del templo. INSCRIPCIONES a partir de hoy. Se cierran el 9 de Septiembre. Toma LA FICHA DE INSCRIPCION de la mesita que esta a la izquierda al entrar al templo o pídelas en la oficina de la parroquia. Entregala a la Hna. Esperanza o en la oficina.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Doing service work puts the needs of others ahead of your own, which benefits the people you're helping as well as yourself. Donating your time to a special cause quickly enhances your sense of well-being, especially if you're drawing on your unique talents or skills. Why not show off those special skills in the Religious Education program! Anyone interested in helping this wonderful group, please attend the In-Service meeting on Wednesday, August 29th at 6:30 PM in the parish hall. Any questions, contact Janice Van Slambrouck at 210-416-2018 or Jan@saintmonicaconverse.net

VOLUNTARIOS NECESITADOS

Es fácil caer en el hábito de dar nuestras bendiciones por hecho, por lo que es importante el dar un paso atrás de vez en cuando y evaluar cuán profundamente estamos conectados. Para ayudar a lograr esto, se recomienda incorporar algún tipo de trabajo de servicio en su rutina semanal o mensual. ¡Por qué no ser voluntario en el Programa de Educación Religiosa! ¡Todo lo que se necesita es paciencia, dedicación y el deseo de compartir la palabra de Dios con los niños! Nuestras clases se llevan a cabo los miércoles por la noche y siempre hay oportunidad de ayudar durante la semana. Si le interesa unirse a este maravilloso grupo, puede asistir a la junta que tenemos la fecha de 29 de agosto a las 6:30 p.m. en el salón parroquial o póngase en contacto con Janice Van Slambrouck 210-416-2018 o Jan@saintmonicaconverse.net

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS

Are you 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.

HOLY HOUR AND ADORATION

Thursday, August 30th at 7 p.m. Please join your parish community in songs of praise, meditation and prayer. This is Holy Hour is bilingual

FIRST SATURDAY MASS

The First Saturday Mass in September is September 1st at 9:30 a.m. Rosary recited at 9 a.m.



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