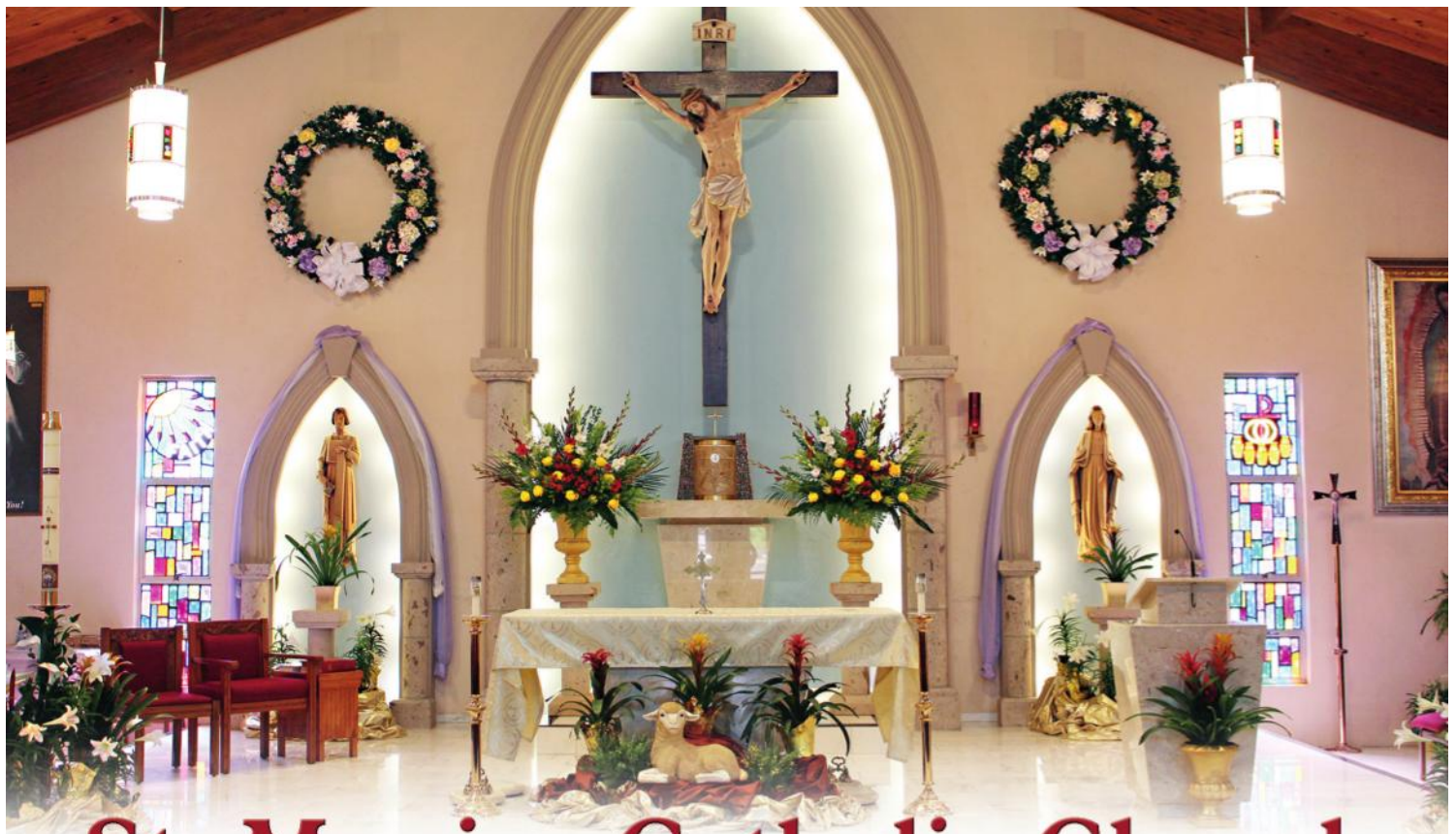




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MASS SCHEDULE

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.

HOLY HOUR: Thursday 7:00 p.m. (Bilingual)
40 HOURS: Thursday 7:00 p.m., prior to Friday of month

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.

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. Lyle Pearce, 210-913-5585.

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	9/10	8:15 A.M.	✠ Miguel Antonio Beltran
Tues	9/11	8:15 A.M.	✠ Souls in purgatory
Wed	9/12	8:15 A.M.	Dokarmo Chavez = B
Thurs	9/13	8:15 A.M.	Children with cancer = SI
Fri	9/14	8:15 A.M.	Dokarmo Chavez = B
Sat	9/15	5:30 P.M.	✠ Maria Elena Salinas ✠ Ramona Delgado
Sun	9/16	7:30 A.M.	Edi Wheeler (B) Kirby grandchildren = SI ✠ Robert Gratt ✠ Juan Soto
		9:00 A.M.	✠ Michael Camargo
		11:00 A.M.	Veronica Campos & Fam = SI Ralph Jimenez & Fam = SI
		1:00 P.M.	✠ Rafael Villa ✠ Fabiola Velasquez ✠ Eugenio Salazar ✠ Maria Ruiz
		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 Collection: \$12,281.50
Second Collection: \$1,244.00



The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in loving memory of **Ladislao Torres Hernandez**.

PLEASE MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT ☺

Fr. Thumma is available for appointments in the office during the week from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. except for Mondays. Please call the office and speak to Mary Kirby or Sofia Flores to schedule.



Saint Monica's Catholic Daughters is having their Fall Arts and Craft Show on Saturday, October 20, 2018. For interested vendors, call Herlinda Garcia at 210-658-0062. Please leave contact info for reserved space.

BUSCANDO VENDEDORES

Las Hijas Católicas de Santa Mónica tendrán su Show de Artesanías y Obras Manuales el 20 de octubre de 2018. Para los vendedores interesados, llame a Herlinda Garcia al 210-658-0062. Por favor, deje la información de contacto para el reservar su espacio.

If you haven't tried the Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast, do come to the parish hall this Sunday from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. They will be serving up delectable pancakes, sausage and scrambled eggs. The cost is only \$4.50 or \$2.50 for the kids, and includes coffee, juice, and fruit cocktail.



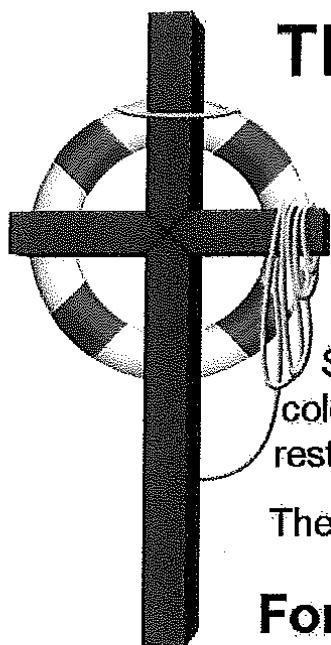
Los Caballeros te invitan a desayunar en el salón parroquial, este domingo entre las horas de 7:30 hasta las 10:30 a.m. Venga a obtener panqueques, salchichas y huevos revueltos. El costo es de sólo \$ 4.50 o \$ 2.50 para los niños, e incluye café, zumo y cóctel de frutas.

BOOK FAIR

St. Monica's School is having a Book Fair on Friday, September 14th. Parents and grandparents are invited to come by the school after the 8:15 a.m. Mass to view the different books on sale for their parents.

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CALENDAR of Events

EVENTOS ESTA SEMANA EN LA PARROQUIA

Lunes, 10 de septiembre

Misa 8:15 a.m. Padre Marcin
Guadalupanas junta a las 10 a.m. en el salón

Martes, 11 de septiembre

Misa 8:15 a.m. Padre Marcin
Programa de estudio con Annette en el salón 9:30 a.m.
Grupo de San Vincente en salón 12 p.m.
Grupo de la Divina Misericordia en la iglesia; 7 p.m.
Práctica de coro de Misa de las 11 en el salón parroquial 6:30 p.m.

Miércoles, 12 de septiembre

Misa 8:15 a.m. Padre Thumma
Confesiones 6:00 p.m. Padre Marcin
EDGE (jóvenes de secundaria) en salón 6:15 p.m.

Jueves, 13 de septiembre

Misa 8:15 a.m. Padre Thumma
Hora Santa 7:00 p.m. Padre Marcin
Young at Heart in hall 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
GLOW (jóvenes en grados escolar 4th-6th) salón 6:30 pm

Viernes, 14 de septiembre

Misa 8:15 a.m. Padre Thumma
Adoración 9 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Grupo de Oración en Español en el salón 7:00 p.m.

Sábado, 15 de septiembre

Confesiones 4:00 p.m. Padre Marcin
Misa 5:30 p.m. Padre Marcin
Reuniones de ACTS en Espanol para mujeres en el salón parroquial de 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.
Platicas bautismales en salon 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Dn. Sean (son en Inglés)

Domingo, 16 de septiembre

Misas de mañana 7:30, 9 y 11 Padre Marcin
Misas de la tarde 1y 7 (Espanol), 5 Padre Thumma
Clase para RICA y Life Teen, ambos en el salón parroquial. RICA después de misa de 1. Life Teen a las 3 p.m.
Estudio de Biblia en español en el salón parroquial a las 11 a.m.

EVENTS THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, September 10

Mass 8:15 a.m. Fr. Marcin
Guadalupanas meeting in hall 10 a.m.

Tuesday, September 11

Mass 8:15 a.m. Fr. Marcin
Adult study with Annette in hall 9:30 a.m.
St. Vincent de Paul meets in hall 12 p.m.
Divine Mercy Group in church 7:00 p.m.
11 Choir practice in hall 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 12

Mass 8:15 a.m. Fr. Thumma
Confessions 6:00 p.m. Fr. Marcin
EDGE (middle school youth) in hall 6:15 p.m.

Thursday, September 13

Mass 8:15 a.m. Fr. Thumma
Holy Hour 7:00 p.m. Fr. Marcin
Grupo de jubilados en el salon 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
GLOW (grades 4th-6th) meets in hall at 6:30 p.m.

Friday, September 14

Mass 8:15 a.m. Fr. Thumma
Adoration 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Spanish Prayer Group meets in hall at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 15

Confessions 4:00 p.m. Fr. Marcin
Mass 5:30 p.m. Fr. Marcin
Spanish ACTS meeting for women in hall 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.
Baptism class in English in hall 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Dn. Sean

Sunday, September 16

Masses in a.m. 7:30, 9:00 and 11 Fr. Marcin
Masses in p.m. 1 & 7 (Spanish), 5 Fr. Thumma
Class for RICA 10 a.m./RICA despues de misa de 1 in the hall (salon parroquial)
Life Teen 3 p.m. in the parish hall
Spanish Bible Study in hall at 11 a.m.

MASS CELEBRANT SUBJECT TO CHANGE

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

COME ANSWER THE CALL OF THE SPIRIT

Assembly 2018 will be held Saturday, November 3rd at St. Mary's University from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. This is a day in which we celebrate our Catholic identity and rejoice in fellowship and communion. This event is designed for adults and young adults. All presentations and workshops are intended for adult audiences. The theme for the Assembly is "*Building a Catholic Culture of Encounter*" as Disciples and Missionaries of Jesus Christ. Keynote speaker David Bisonó will encourage us to become a "*Church of Encounter*", Mass celebrated by Archbishop Gustavo, a series of FED* talks at noon will prepare the way to group discussions by deaneries. The event will close with a plenary session in which Archbishop Gustavo and Bishop Mike will hear a call to action from participants on how to be a "*Church on the Move*".

*FED = Faith, Evangelization, and Discipleship
Fee is \$25 per person. For more information and to register: www.AssemblySA.org,
TheAssembly@ArchSA.org or 210-734-1911

La Asamblea 2018 va ser sábado, 3 de Noviembre desde las 8 a.m. hasta 3:30 p.m. en St. Mary's University. Es un día en el que celebramos nuestra identidad católica y nos regocijamos en fraternidad y comunión con los hermanos y hermanas. El tema de la Asamblea es "*Construyendo una Cultura Católica de Encuentro*" como Discípulos y Misioneros de Jesucristo. El orador principal David Bisonó nos animará a convertirnos en una "*Iglesia de Encuentro*"; la Misa celebrada por el Arzobispo Gustavo; una serie de pláticas FED* durante el mediodía nos prepararán para discusiones grupales organizadas por decanatos. El evento terminará con una sesión plenaria en la cual el Arzobispo Gustavo y Obispo Mike escucharán "llamados a la acción" de parte de los participantes sobre cómo convertirnos en una "*Iglesia en salida*".

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GODPARENTS AND PARENTS FOR BAPTISM
Baptism class Saturday, September 15 in the parish hall; 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Offered in English by Deacon Sean Dooley. No cost for class.



LINE UP A BABYSITTER, VEGAS IS COMING
St. Monica's ACTS and the Knights of Columbus invite everyone to an exciting Casino Night on Saturday, Oct 13, 2018. Enjoy an evening of casino games in the Parish Hall, along with food, drinks, and prize raffles. Come dressed in your best Día de Los Muertos attire! The cost is \$35 per person presale or \$40 at the door. Ticket includes a fajita dinner, a drink ticket, and \$1,000 in chips. Tickets for this event are on sale now. Contact Tony Canez at 210-857-0789 or Eliza Reyna 210-273-8851. Details can be found at www.saintmonicaconverse.net/casino.

¡LE VAMOS A TRAER A VEGAS A USTED!
ACTS de Santa Mónica y los Caballeros de Colón invitan a todos a una divertida Noche de Casino el 13 de octubre de 2018. Disfrute de una noche de juegos de casino en el Salón Parroquial, junto con comida, bebidas y rifas con premios. ¡Venga vestido con su mejor atuendo del Día de Los Muertos! El costo es \$35 por persona con preventa o \$40 en la puerta. El boleto incluye una cena de fajitas, un boleto de bebida y \$ 1,000 en fichas. Las entradas para este evento ya están a la venta. Póngase en contacto con Tony Canez al 210-857-0789 o Eliza Reyna 210-273-8851. Los detalles se pueden encontrar en www.saintmonicaconverse.net/casino.

WHAT A JOY IT WAS TO CELEBRATE TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY!

On behalf of the Liturgy Committee, we would like to extend our gratitude to all who attended the St. Monica Feast Day Celebration on Saturday, August 25th. We are especially thankful to the volunteers and organizations who helped make this celebration a success. Your time, food and monetary donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you, Fr. Thumma and Fr. Marcin for celebrating your first St. Monica Feast Day with us.



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