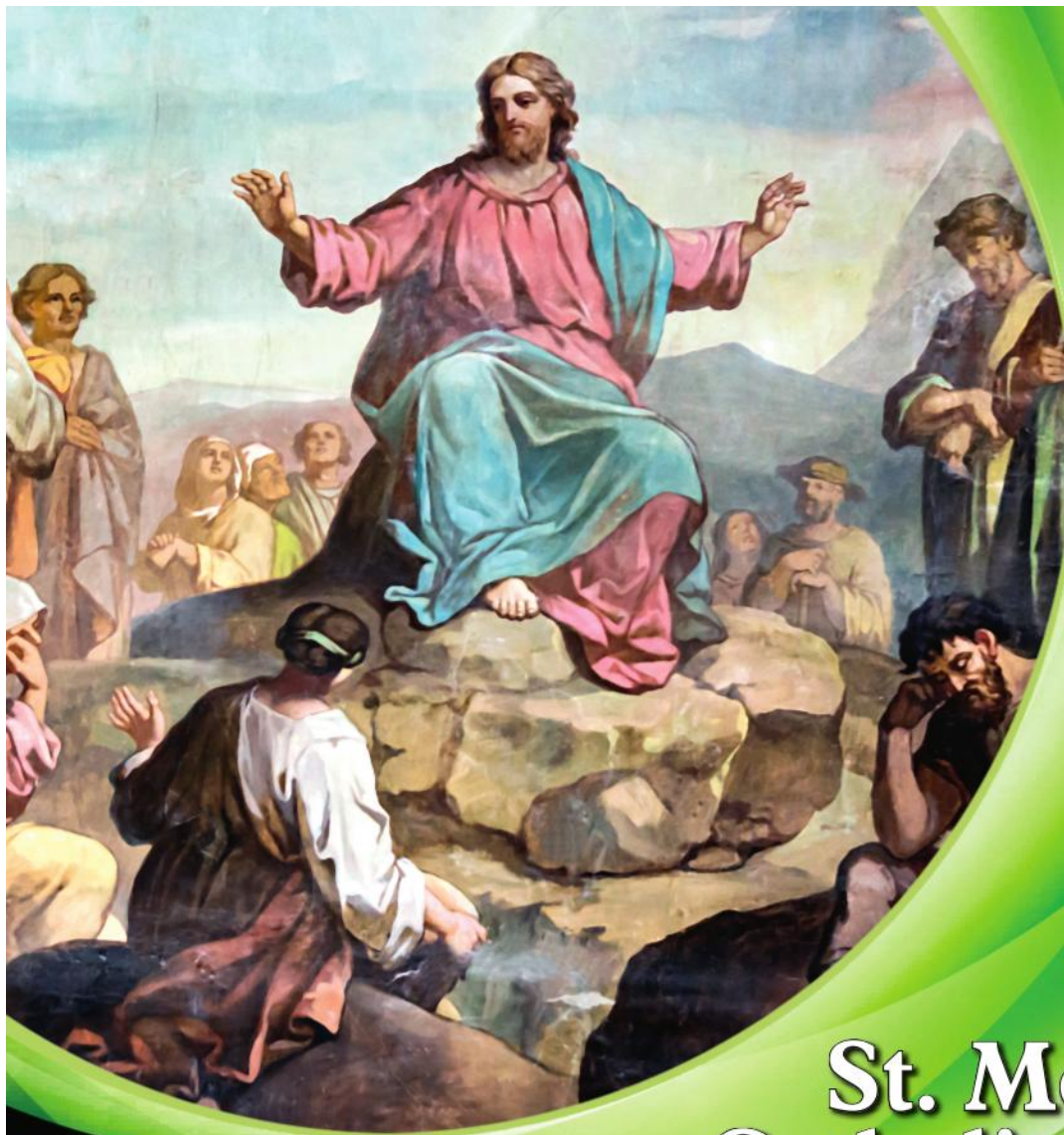




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6th Sunday *in* Ordinary Time

“Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors,
‘Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all that you vow.’”

Matthew 5:33

6^o Domingo *del* Tiempo Ordinario

Ustedes han oído lo que se dijo a sus antepasados:

“No jurarás en falso, y cumplirás lo que has jurado al Señor.”

Mateo 5, 33

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BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY: Deacon Sean 274-7085

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS:

Meets 4th Tues. 7:00 p.m. Sylvia Benavides, 656-2609.

DECORATION COMMITTEE: Alma Castillo, 659-0056

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP: (Spanish) Meets Tues. 7:00 p.m., chapel. Juan & Patricia Ortiz 376-7126

EDGE (Middle School Youth Group): Wed. 6:25-7:35 p.m. Jan Van Slambrouck, 658-7920.

FAMILY OF THE ROSARY (bilingual) Meets first Sat. 9:00 a.m. in church. Graciela Morgan, 445-5933.

GUADALUPANAS: Meets 2nd Mon. 10:00 a.m. parish hall, Edna Gonzalez, 287-5761.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY: Barbara Ward 995-3989

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

LIFE TEEN (High School Youth Group): Sun. 3:00-4:30 p.m., parish hall. Lyle Pearce, 210-913-5585.

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

WELCOME MINISTRY: Eliza Reyna, 210-273-8851

CHOIR: Sat. ; 5:30 pm & Sun; 7:30 am **Gill Lugo**, Director, 601-9146. 9:00 a.m., **Bill Staggs**, Director, 274-8847. 11 a.m., **Michelle Hernandez**, Director, 215-0811 Spanish Choir 1p.m. **Glissie Esquivel**, Director, 251-2902 and 5 pm., **Britt Mitchell**, Director, 414-1094. **If you wish to join the choir, call the director of the Mass you attend.**



Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m. (English)

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. and 5 p.m. (English)
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Weekdays: 8:15 a.m. (Mon—Fri)

HOLY HOUR : Thursday 7:00 p.m. (Bilingual)

40 HOURS ADORATION: Thursday 7:00 p.m., prior to First Friday of month thru First Saturday Mass at 9:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION: Wed. 6:00 p.m. & Sat. 4:00 p.m. or by appt.

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

EUCCHARIST FOR HOMEBOUND / ANOINTING OF SICK:
Contact church office.

BAPTISMS: Saturdays & Sundays. Please contact parish office.

FIRST COMMUNION: 2 year program required; usually received in 2nd grade. Contact Religious Education office.

CONFIRMATION: Must complete a 2 year program which begins in high school. Contact Religious Education office.

GLOW (4th-6th grade group) meets Thurs. in hall 6:30-8:00 p.m. Annette Winfield, 210-885-0861

MARRIAGE: 6 months notice required. Contact parish office.

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Director, Janice Van Slambrouck, 658-7920 Grades K-5th, Wed. 6:25-7:35 p.m. Office hours: Mon, Tue, Wed & Thurs. 9:00 a.m.-5:00 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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: Paulette Richards, 210-658-8791. By appointment only Tues-Wed and Thurs; 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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

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

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



Mon	2/17	8:15 a.m.	† Souls in purgatory
Tue	2/18	8:15 a.m.	† Daniel Lueb
Wed	2/19	8:15 a.m.	† Frances Smith † Consuelo Espinoza
Thurs	2/20	8:15 a.m.	† Jose Salinas, Jr.
Fri	2/21	8:15 a.m.	Homeless families = SI
Sat	2/22	5:30 p.m.	† Scott Case
Sun	2/23	7:30 a.m.	Married couples = SI
		9:00 a.m.	† Souls in purgatory
		11:00 a.m.	† Juan Martinez † Elvira Aguilar † Armando Hernandez, Sr. Mercedes Bautista = SI
		1:00 p.m.	† Arnulfo Torres Julian Camps = B † Guadalupe Tello Ma.de Jesus Hernandez = SI
		5:00 p.m.	Foster children = SI
		7:00 p.m.	Caregivers = SI

† = Deceased SI = Special Intention
B = Birthday



February 9th: \$12,226.00
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SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

There will be a Live Training session on Monday, February 17th in the parish hall in the morning at 10 a.m. to 12 Noon in SPANISH. There will be one offered later on this day in ENGLISH at 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. This training will include the following sessions: Code of Conduct, Sexual Harassment, Protecting God's Children, and Vulnerable Adult Training. This is for anyone who does not have access to a computer, or would prefer to attend a live training session. Plan on 2-3 hours to complete your necessary sessions. If you have completed your training on www.Virtusonline.org, you do not need to attend this session.

REMEMBER: EVERYONE WHO VOLUNTEERS IN ANY MINISTRY, must complete this Safe Environment training.

Any questions, please contact Jan Van Slambrouck:
Jan@saintmonicaconverse.net 210-658-3816 X243

ENTRENAMIENTO DE AMBIENTE SEGURO

Habr  un taller de entrenamiento en vivo el lunes 17 de febrero en  SPANOL en el salon parroquial a las 10 a.m.—12 p.m. y de nuevo en la tarde en  NGLES a las 6:30—8:30 p.m. Esta capacitaci n incluir  las siguientes sesiones: C digo de conducta, acoso sexual, protecci n de los hijos de Dios y capacitaci n de adultos vulnerables. Esto es para cualquier persona que no tenga acceso a una computadora, o prefiera asistir a una sesi n de capacitaci n en vivo. Planee en 2-3 horas para completar sus sesiones necesarias. Si ha completado su capacitaci n en www.Virtusonline.org, no necesita asistir a esta sesi n.

RECUERDE: TODOS LOS VOLUNTARIOS EN CUALQUIER MINISTERIO, deben completar esta capacitaci n sobre Ambiente Seguro.

Cualquier pregunta, comun quese con Jan Van Slambrouck: Jan@saintmonicaconverse.net o 210-658-3816 X243



TEEN ACTS RETREAT

Are you a High School student interested in renewing or strengthening your relationship with God? Please consider attending St. Monica's Catholic based Teen ACTS retreat: March 12 – 15, 2020, at Slumber Falls retreat center in New Braunfels. Cost is \$150 and includes all transportation, food, and housing. Registration forms are located at the back of the church or can be obtained from any team member. Hurry! Because there are only 36 slots available. If you have any questions, please contact Bernardo Castellanos (210) 454-5927 or Lyle Pearce (210) 913-5585.

HELP A TEEN WITH EXPENSE OF RETREAT

We would also like to open the opportunity for our parish family to sponsor a retreatant with any amount you can kindly offer. You can sponsor a specific teen, help purchase Bibles, donate anonymously or just commit to pray for this very fruitful ministry. For any questions or registrations, please contact Director Bernardo Castellanos 210-454-5927 or Lyle Pearce Co-Director 210-913-5585.

RETIRO DE ACTS DE ADOLESCENTES

¿Eres un estudiante de secundaria interesado en renovar o fortalecer tu relación con Dios?

Por favor considera asistir a nuestro retiro con base católica ACTS para adolescentes: del 12 al 15 de marzo de 2020, en el centro de retiro Slumber Falls en New Braunfels. El costo es de \$150 e incluye todo el transporte, comida y vivienda. Los formularios de inscripción se encuentran en la parte posterior de la iglesia o se pueden obtener de cualquier miembro del equipo. ¡Apúrate porque solo hay 36 espacios disponibles! Si tienes alguna pregunta, comunícate con Bernardo Castellanos (210) 454-5927 o Lyle Pearce (210) 913-5585.

AYUDA A UN ADOLESCENTE CON GASTO DE RETIRO

También nos gustaría invitar a nuestra familia parroquial a patrocinar a un joven que va al retiro con cualquier cantidad que pueda ofrecer amablemente. Usted puede patrocinar a un niño específico, ayudar a comprar Biblias, donar de forma anónima o simplemente comprometerse a orar por este ministerio tan fructífero. Para cualquier pregunta o registro, comuníquese con el Director Bernardo Castellanos 210-454-5927 o Lyle Pearce Co-Director 210-913-5585.



There will be NO Spanish Bible Study on Wednesday, February 19th & 26th. Class will resume on Wednesday, March 4th in Room 103 at the School from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

No habrá estudio de biblia en Español el miércoles 19 y 26 de febrero. La clase se reanudará el miércoles 4 de marzo en la sala 103 de la escuela de 6:30 pm a 8:30 pm.

WE APPRECIATE YOU, SR. ESPERANZA

On Sunday, February 23 at the 1 pm Mass, we will have the opportunity to see Sr. Esperanza again and express our gratitude for all the service she offered to our parish community for the past 15 years. She prepared many of our parishioners to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist and Marriage, through RICA and personalized classes. She also counseled hundreds of individuals, helping them have hope and healing in their lives. Our prayers and best wishes will be always with her, as she is now back in Uruapan, Michoacan, Mexico, serving the Lord in her Salesian congregation. May God grant her health and an eternal reward for her selfless and dedicated service to our St. Monica community!

TE AGRADECEMOS HERMANA ESPERANZA

El domingo 23 de febrero durante la Misa de la 1pm, tendremos la oportunidad de ver de nuevo a la Hna. Esperanza y expresarle nuestra gratitud por todo el servicio que ofreció a nuestra comunidad parroquial por los últimos 15 años. Ella preparó a muchos parroquianos para recibir los sacramentos de Bautismo, Confirmación, Eucaristía y Matrimonio, a través de RICA y clases personales. También ofreció consejería a cientos de individuos, ayudándoles a tener esperanza y sanación en sus vidas. Nuestras oraciones y mejores deseos estarán siempre con ella, ahora que se encuentra de regreso en Uruapan, Michoacán, México, sirviendo al Señor en su Congregación Salesiana. ¡Que Dios le conceda salud y una recompensa eterna por todo su servicio desinteresado y dedicado a nuestra comunidad de Sta. Mónica!

**THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH**

Monday, February 17, The Seven Holy Founders
Servite Order

Mass 8:15 a.m. Fr. Mauricio
Virtus Training in hall
 10 a.m.—12 p.m. (Spanish) /6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m. (English)

Tuesday, February 18

Mass 8:15 a.m. Fr. Thumma
Divine Mercy Group in church 7 p.m.
Catholicism Class in hall 9:30 a.m. —11:30 a.m.
ACTS Core meeting in Goertz hall 6:30—8:30 p.m.
Knights of Columbus in big hall 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Wednesday, February 19

Mass 8:15 a.m. Fr. Mauricio
 Confessions 6:00 p.m. Fr. Mauricio
EDGE (middle school youth) in hall 6:25—7:35 p.m.
CCD (1st thru 8th) 6:25 thru 7:35 p.m. in school
Young Adult Ministry in hall at 8 p.m.

Thursday, February 20

Mass 8:15 a.m. Fr. Mauricio
 Holy Hour 7:00 p.m. Fr. Mauricio
(9 a.m. Mass Choir Practice in hall 6:30 p.m.)
Children's Catechumen at school 6pm—8 pm
GLOW (grades 4th thru 6th) in parish hall 6:30 p.m.

Friday, February 21, St. Peter Damian

Mass 8:15 a.m. Fr. Thumma
Spanish Prayer Group in hall at 7 p.m.

Saturday, February 22, The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

Youth Serve in big hall 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
 Confessions 4:00 p.m. Fr. Thumma
 Vigil Mass 5:30 p.m. Fr. Thumma

Sunday, February 23

Masses in a.m. 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 Fr. Thumma
 Masses in p.m. 1 (Spanish) Fr. Mauricio
 5 Fr. Mauricio
 7 (Spanish) Fr. Mauricio
RCIA in English in hall from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Adult Confirmation in Spanish in hall 2:30-4pm
Children's Catechumen in hall 8:30 a.m.—10:30 a.m.
Life Teen in parish hall 3—4:30 p.m.

ESTA SEMANA EN LA PARROQUIA

Lunes, 17 de febrero, Los siete santos Fundadores
de la Orden de los Siervos

Misa 8:15 a.m. Padre Mauricio
Entrenamiento de Virtus en salon
Espanol 10 a—12 p y en Inglés 6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Martes, 18 de febrero

Misa 8:15 a.m. Padre Thumma
Grupo de la Divina Misericordia en la iglesia; 7:00 p.m.
Clase de Catecismo en el salon 9:30 a.m. —11:30 a.m.
ACTS en salon Goertz por la tarde 6:30—8:30 p.m.
Caballeros de Colon en el salon grande 5 p.m—9 p.m.

Miercoles, 19 de febrero

Misa 8:15 a.m. Padre Mauricio
 Confessions 6:00 p.m. Padre Mauricio
EDGE (jovenes de secundaria) en el salon 6:25 p.m.
CCD (clases de religion nivel 1 – 8) en la escuelita
6:25 p.m.- 7:35 p.m.
Ministro de adultos jóvenes el el salon a las 8 p.m.

Jueves, 20 de febrero

Misa 8:15 a.m. Padre Mauricio
 Holy Hour 7:00 p.m. Padre Mauricio
Practica con el coro de misa de 9 a.m. en salon 6:30 p.m.
Clases de catecúmeno para niños en la escuela 6 –8pm
GLOW (jóvenes en grados escolar 4th-6th) salón 6:30 pm

Viernes, 21 de febrero, San Pedro Damián

Misa 8:15 a.m. Padre Thumma
Grupo de Oración en Espanol en el salón a las 7 p.m.

Sabado, 22 de Febrero, Cátedra de san pedro

El grupo de jóvenes en el salon grande 8 a.m.—5:30 p.m.
 Confesiones 4:00 p.m. Padre Thumma
 Misa de vigilia 5:30 p.m. Padre Thumma

Sunday, 23 de Febrero

Misas de mañana 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 Padre Thumma
 Misas de la tarde 1 (Espanol) Padre Mauricio
 5 Padre Mauricio
 7 (Espanol) Padre Mauricio
RICA en Ingles 10 a.m.—12 p.m. en el salón
Confirmación para adultos Espanol 2:30—4 p.m.
Catecúmen de los niños en el salon 8:30 a.m—10:30 a.m.
Life Teen en el salon parroquial 3—4:30 p.m.



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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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The St. Monica's men's soccer team will have their first away soccer game on

Sunday, February 23 at

3 pm against San Fernando Cathedral at the soccer fields by the Quarry Shopping Center (Basse Rd. and McCullough, off Hwy 281). We invite you to wear red, take your lawn chairs and cheer the team. We hope to see you there!

**ES TIEMPO DE JUGAR!**

El equipo varonil de Sta. Mónica tendrá su primer partido de visitante el **Domingo, 23 de Febrero a las 3 pm**, contra la Catedral de San

Fernando, en las canchas junto al centro comercial del Quarry (Basse Rd. y McCullough, abajo del 281). Los invitamos a vestirse de rojo, llevar sus sillas y apoyar al equipo. ¡Esperamos verlos allí!



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