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Please contact Anita Moreno (210) 326-3218 or Maria Garcia (210) 264-4040

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ALTAR SOCIETY & THRIFT SHOP: Thrift Shop opens Wed. & Sat. 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. Edna Diaz, 598-9885.

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 & 10 a.m. (English)
 1:00 & 7:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Weekdays: 8:15 a.m. (Mon—Fri)

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

40 HOURS ADORATION: SUSPENDED for now

RECONCILIATION: Wed. 6:00 p.m. & Sat. 3:30 p.m. or by appt.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: SUSPENDED for now

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon 5/25 8:15 a.m. † Jose Carmen Covarrubias
 † Arturo Branch
 Tue 5/26 8:15 a.m. † Eugenia Cequida Miranda
 Wed 5/27 8:15 a.m. † Ruth Finch
 Thurs. 5/28 8:15 a.m. † Maria de Jesus Salas
 Fri. 5/29 8:15 a.m. † Caridad Villarreal Cardenas
 Sat. 5/30 5:30 p.m. Melissa Gallegos = B
 Michael & Jayla Diaz = B
 Sun. 5/31 7:30 a.m. Wilma Cielencki = SI
 † O.A. Cielencki
 10:00 a.m. Irma Baquero = SI
 † Ray Guerra
 † Elgin G. Schaefer
 1:00 p.m. † Juana Labrada Estrada
 † Miriana Estrada
 7:00 p.m. † Almas de purgatorio

The Masses on Sunday at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. will be live-streamed on Facebook and on church website: www.saintmonicaconverse.net and click on "Follow us".

Las Misas del domingo a las 10 a.m. y 1 p.m. serán transmitidas en vivo en Facebook y en el sitio web de la iglesia: www.saintmonicaconverse.net y haga clic en "Siguenos".

COLLECTION REPORT

May 17th: \$4,724.00

Online: \$1,120.00

St. Vincent de Paul: \$1,390.00



Collection basket will be placed at the exit doors. We appreciate your faithfulness in tithing during these difficult times.

Apreciamos sus ofertas semanales en estos momentos difíciles



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TO REPORT MISCONDUCT OF CLERGY, CHURCH STAFF OR VOLUNTEERS

Archdiocesan Misconduct Hotline: 844-709-1169



Deacon Sean has taken some personal time (a sabbatical) to take care of personal business long overdue. He intends to return to St. Monica in the fall. He misses St. Monica's community and serving at Mass. He is very excited to learn that we will soon begin conducting public Masses again. He asks that St. Monica pray for him, as he continues to pray for you. Let us wish him all the best on his sabbatical.

El diácono Sean se ha tomado un tiempo personal (un sabático) para encargarse de asuntos personales que necesitaba hacer desde hace mucho tiempo. Tiene la intención de regresar a Santa Mónica en el otoño. Él extraña a la comunidad de Santa Mónica y el servir en la misa. Está muy emocionado de saber que pronto comenzaremos a celebrar misas públicas nuevamente. Él le pide a Santa Mónica que ore por él, mientras él continúa orando por ustedes.



The altar flowers were donated by Sylvia and Howard Benavides for their special intentions and in Thanksgiving.



COVID-19 EMERGENCY CONTACTS

The city of San Antonio has set up an Emergency Housing Assistance Program. This program helps with rent, mortgage, utilities, internet access, groceries, medicine and fuel. Anyone regardless of citizenship status may apply at: www.sanantonio.gov/NHSD/Programs/FairHousing or call the Hotline 210-207-5910

You can also contact the Dept of Economic and Community Development at 210-335-3666 to help with utilities.

La ciudad de San Antonio ha establecido un Programa de Asistencia para Viviendas de Emergencia. Este programa ayuda con el alquiler, hipoteca, servicios públicos, acceso a Internet, comestibles, medicinas y la gasolina. Cualquier persona independientemente del estatus de ciudadanía puede aplicar en: www.sanantonio.gov/NHSD/Programs/FairHousing o llame a la Línea Directa 210-207-5910

También puede comunicarse con el Departamento de Desarrollo Económico y Comunitario al 210-335-3666 para ayudar con los servicios públicos.



If you are going to be having surgery soon or are having health concerns, please call the church office to request The Anointing of the Sick. Fr. Thumma or our new parochial vicar, Fr. Ian Robbins, will make time to visit you either at home or the hospital (depending on hospital rules). The Anointing of the Sick is one of the 7 sacraments of our faith. It is a misconception that one has to be near death to receive this sacrament of healing. Please do not hesitate to make this appointment.

UNCION DE LOS ENFERMOS

Si esta teniendo problemas de salud o va tener una cirugía por favor llame la oficina de la parroquia para ser cita con uno de los padres para recibir la unción de los enfermos. Uno de ellos pueden ir a su casa o el hospital depende cuales son las reglas del hospital.



COUNSELING FOR COVID19 STRESS

COVID-19 has many people stressed and anxious about an uncertain future. You are not alone! Catholic Charities Counseling professionals are available virtually to offer guidance and support to those who are struggling to manage isolation, relationships, children, and households. Therapy sessions are affordable, flexible, and covered by most insurance companies. Bilingual counselors are available. To schedule an appointment, call Counseling at (210) 377-1133.

¡LA CONSEJERÍA

COVID-19 tiene a muchas personas estresadas y ansiosas por un futuro incierto. ¡No estás solo! Los profesionales de la Consejería de Caridades Católicas están disponibles virtualmente para ofrecer orientación y apoyo a aquellos que luchan por manejar el aislamiento, las relaciones, los niños y los hogares. Las sesiones de terapia son económicas, flexibles y están cubiertas por la mayoría de las compañías de seguros. Hay consejeros bilingües disponibles.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The Knights of Columbus will be have a crib in the church foyer the first two weekends in June to collect diapers, bottles, baby wipes, etc. for the young mothers at the Guadalupe Home in San Antonio. Thank you for your generosity.

Los Caballeros de Colón tendrán una cuna en el vestíbulo de la iglesia los primeros dos fines de semana de junio para recolectar pañales, biberones, toallitas húmedas, etc. para las madres jóvenes en el Hogar Guadalupe en San Antonio. Gracias por tu generosidad.



THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

The Mass schedule has changed a bit but we will still live stream 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Sunday Masses on Facebook and on the parish website: www.saintmonicaconverse.net and click on "Follow us" and Facebook to view streaming.

THE PRIEST SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

**Monday, May 25, St. Bede the Venerable
St. Gregory VII, St. Mary Magdalene**

Mass 8:15 a.m. Fr. Ian

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED FOR MEMORIAL DAY

Tuesday, May 26, St. Philip Neri

Mass 8:15 a.m. Fr. Thumma

Wednesday, May 27, St. Augustine of Canterbury

Mass 8:15 a.m. Fr. Ian

Confessions 6:00 p.m. Fr. Ian

EDGE & CCD ended for Spring 2020

Thursday, May 28

Mass 8:15 a.m. Fr. Thumma

Holy Hour (bilingual) 7:00 p.m. Fr. Ian

GLOW ended for Spring 2020

Friday, May 29, St. Paul VI

Mass 8:15 a.m. Fr. Ian

Saturday, May 30

Mass 5:30 p.m. Fr. Ian

Confessions 3:30 p.m. Fr. Ian

Sunday, May 31, Pentecost Sunday

Masses in a.m. 7:30 Fr. Ian

10:00 Fr. Thumma

Masses in p.m. 1 (Spanish) Fr. Thumma

7 (Spanish) Fr. Thumma

And all of them
were filled
with the
Holy Spirit

Acts 2:4



ESTA SEMANA EN PARROQUIA

El horario de misas a cambiado un poco todavía se transmitirán las misas de 10 a.m. y 1 p.m. el domingo en directo en Facebook y en el sitio web de la parroquia: www.saintmonicaconverse.net y haga clic en "Síguenos" y Facebook para ver la transmisión.

EL HORARIO SACERDOTE SUJETO A CAMBIO

Lunes, 25 de Mayo, San Beda el Venerable

San Gregorio VII

Santa Maria Magdalena

Misa 8:15 a.m. Padre Ian

OFICINA PARROQUIAL ESTARA CERRADA

Martes, 26 de Mayo, San Felipe neri

Misa 8:15 a.m. Padre Thumma

Miercoles, 27 de Mayo, San Agustin de Canterbury

Misa 8:15 a.m. Padre Ian

Confesiones 6:00 p.m. Padre Ian

EDGE y LA DOCTRINA se acabo por la primavera 2020

Jueves, 28 de Mayo

Misa 8:15 a.m. Padre Thumma

Hora Santa (bilingüe) 7:00 p.m. Padre Ian

GLOW se acabo por la primavera 2020

Viernes, 29 de Mayo, San Pablo VI

Misa 8:15 a.m. Padre Ian

Sabado, 30 de Mayo

Misa 5:30 p.m. Padre Ian

Confesiones 3:30 p.m. Padre Ian

Sunday, 31 de Mayo, Domingo de Pentecostes

Misas de mañana 7:30 Padre Ian

10:00 Padre Thumma

Misas de la tarde 1 (Español) Padre Thumma

7 (Español) Padre Thumma





In honor of Our Blessed Mother during the month of May, we invite you to join us in the recitation of the Rosary (bilingual) after the daily Mass at 8:15 a.m. and Saturday at 4:30 p.m.

En honor a Nuestra Santísima Madre durante el mes de mayo, los invitamos a unirse a nosotros en el recitamiento del Rosario (bilingüe) después de la misa diaria a las 8:15 a.m. y también el sábado en la tarde 4:30 p.m.



Our 2020 Appeal parish goal is \$ 36,741.00. Total pledged \$ 28,259.00. Total cash received \$ 19,083.99. You can make a pledge with installments or offer a one-time gift. Please ensure our parish receives credit for your gift. Thank you for your prayers and generosity. May God bless you! Gifts can be given:

1. Using the parish Appeal envelope
2. Online at www.archsa.org/archbishops-appeal
3. Calling 210-734- 1604.

Nuestra meta parroquial para la Campaña Anual del Arzobispo 2020 es de \$ 36,741.00. Total prometido \$ 28,259.00. Total de efectivo recibido \$ 19,083.99. Los donativos pueden darse:

1. Utilizando el sobre de la parroquia de la Campaña Anual .
2. En línea, en www.archsa.org/archbishops-appeal
3. Llamando al 210-734-1604 Que Dios les bendiga por su disposición a Acompañar.



Even though we are unable to celebrate Mass together on the weekends in our church, our operating expenses continue. We are grateful to those who have continued to give since we depend on our parishioners weekly contributions. We kindly ask that you continue to contribute either by:

- Dropping off your donation at the church office during office hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Mailing it to the church office: 501 North Street, Converse; 78109.
- Giving online, you can do so by going to <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stmcc>. It will explain how to set up your ParishSOFT Giving Account.



SE PUEDE DONAR EN LINEA!

Aunque no podemos celebrar la Misa juntos los fines de semana en nuestra iglesia, nuestros gastos operativos continúan. Agradecemos a aquellos que han continuado dando ya que dependemos de las contribuciones semanales de nuestros feligreses. Le pedimos amablemente que continúe contribuyendo:

- Dejando su donación en la oficina de la iglesia durante el horario de oficina de 9 a.m. a 5 p.m.
- Enviándolo por correo a la oficina de la iglesia: 501 North Street, Converse; 78109.
- Donando en línea, puede hacerlo yendo a <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stmcc>. Se le explicará cómo configurar su Cuenta de Donación ParishSOFT.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD



Given the ongoing high demand for food, diapers, and face masks, Catholic Charities is hosting a **SECOND Food from the Heart** event to assist the community recover from the effects of the pandemic. Along with Univision, Catholic Charities will provide basic necessities to the community encouraging online pre-registration prior to arrival to ease distribution. For more information about the next Food from the Heart, visit our info@ccaosa.org or call (210) 226-6178.

Dada la alta demanda actual de alimentos, pañales y máscaras faciales, Caridades Católicas está organizando un **SEGUNDO** evento Alimento del Corazón (Food from the Heart) para ayudar a la comunidad a recuperarse de los efectos de la pandemia. Junto con Univisión, Caridades Católicas proporcionará las necesidades básicas a la comunidad alentando la preinscripción en línea antes de la llegada para facilitar la distribución. Para obtener más información sobre el próximo Alimento del Corazón, visite nuestra página en línea al info@ccaosa.org o llame al (210) 226-6178.



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