

St. Monica Catholic Church, Converse, Texas



St Monica Catholic Church

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Working Hours: Mon., Tue., Thur., & Friday
9:00 am-5:00 pm
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By appointment
Tues.—Thurs. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

MINISTRIES

ACTS: Brandon Pesqueda

ALTAR SOCIETY: THRIFT STORE: Open Wednesdays & Saturdays from 9 a.m. till Noon

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY: Dcn. Sean Dooley

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS: Meet 3rd Sat. of the month 9a.m. NO MEETINGS June or July.

Contact: **Janet Swanson**

ART & ENVIRONMENT MINISTRY: Alma Castillo,

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP: (Spanish) Meet Tues. 6–7:30pm & Wed. 9 to 11am in the Parish Hall contact **Lupita Ruiz**

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP: (English) Meet every 2nd & 4th Sat. at 10am & the following Mon. at 6pm contact **Christine Warren**

EXTRAORDINARY EUCHARISTIC MINISTER, LECTOR, USHER OR ALTAR SERVER: Contact **Anita Moreno** to join any of these ministries.

FAMILY OF THE ROSARY Graciela Morgan

GUADALUPANAS: Meets 2nd Mon. 10:00 a.m. parish hall, **Martha Corrales**

HEALING HEART: Elsa Lopez

HOMEBOUD: Barbara Ward

WELCOME MINISTRY: Eliza Reyna

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Meets 2nd Tues.at 7:00 p.m. **Thomas Cantu**, Grand Knight

SPANISH PRAYER GROUP: Meet every Fri. 7:00 p.m. at parish hall: **Gustavo Munoz**

YOUNG MINISTRY: **Bernardo Castellano & Lyle Pearce** Beginning Sept.7th will meet 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:45pm in the Parish Hall

POWER POINT MINISTRY: Claudio Corrales & Gabby Olivares

VOCATIONS: Elvia Armenta

Contact the parish office for more information on any of the above ministries.

COMMITTEES

Pastoral Council President: Timo Zepeda

Finance Council President: Sandra Lyssy

Building Board President: Tony Canez

CHOIR DIRECTORS

Gil Lugo, Sat.; 5:30pm & Sun; 7:30am

Bill Staggs, 9:15 a.m.,

Michelle Hernandez, 11 a.m.,

Jorge Castellanos, Spanish 1p.m.

Britt Mitchell, 5 pm.,

Ernesto Diaz, 7pm Sunday or

Lupita Gonzalez 7pm Sunday

To join the choir, call the director of the Mass you attend.

SACRAMENTS

ANOINTING OF SICK: Contact the church office to setup an appointment with a priest.

INFANT BAPTISMS: 3rd Saturday of the month in English & 4th Saturday of the month in Spanish. Please contact the parish office to register.

MARRIAGE & QUINCEANERA: At least 6 months notice is required. Contact **Deacon David** at the parish office.

RCIA: Adult converts or those needing sacraments are invited. Please contact **Timo Zepeda** for more information.

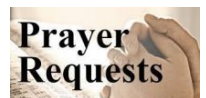
RECONCILIATION: Wed. 6:00p.m.& Sat. 4:00 p.m. or by appt.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: To include preparation for

First Communion and Confirmation Grades K– High School.

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We are here to Pray for you
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In our prayers let us ask the Lord for health
for our sisters and brothers who are ill:

En nuestras oraciones pidamos al Señor por la salud
para nuestras hermanas y nuestros hermanos enfermos:

Please
pray for
the sick

Glyssie Esquivel, Reynaldo Vela, Angel Cantu, Maria J. Ramos, Linda Duncan, Maria J., Arthur Thomas, Lisa Lee, Luis M Vega, Barbara Cantley, Suzie Littrell, Alena Quintero, Irma Mendez, Nildia Johnston, Lucy Barajas, Tim Knotts, Lisa Lee, Douglas, Bob Andrews, Tyler Acosta, Jo-Ann Case, Helen Arispe, Irma Juarez, Joanne & Sebastian, Brenda, Jennifer Sanchez, Jose Martinez, Dolores Vaquera & family, Sara Chase, Navarro, Kenia Aguilar, Ruddy Ballesteros DeLeon, John Cortez, Andrew, Debbie Garcia, Armando Aguero, Preston Trinkle, Ruben Pacheco, Angel Cantu, Barbara Garza, Evan Peseck, Laura Cynthia Peters, Bill Eastman, Velma Duran, Catarina Garza, Lola Mata, Ernesto Sosa, Connie Martinez, Adam Thomas, Melissa, Felix Davila, Christine, Jan Beland, Michael Burgos, Ruben Pacheco, Rose, Manuel M., Paul & Marie Armhein, Trini & Jackie Cantu, Jason Silk, Melissa, Emilio Fernandez, Eduardo Guevara, Ariel & Clara Casiano, Donelia Jimenez, Pawlick family, Barbara Rials, Tony Rippy, Doris Gutierrez



Having a Mass said for a specific prayer intention is a wonderful way to glorify God. You may request a Mass to be said for a living or

deceased person, or for a particular intention. Mass intentions provide opportunities for prayerful remembrance of anniversaries and birthdays, and additional prayers for a deceased loved one. A donation of \$10 is requested.

Ofrecer una Misa para una intención específica de oración es una manera maravillosa de glorificar a Dios. Usted puede solicitar una misa para una persona viva o fallecida, o para una intención particular. Las intenciones de Misa brindan oportunidades para el recuerdo en oración de aniversarios y cumpleaños, y oraciones adicionales por un ser querido fallecido. Se solicita una donación de \$10 cuando se pide una intención.

Please call the office to add the name in the bulletin. Por favor llamar a la oficina para agregar nombres al boletín.

MASS SCHEDULE:

The 9:15 a.m. & 1 p.m. Sunday Masses & Mon—Sat daily Masses are live-streamed on Facebook.

HORARIO DE MISA: Las misas de 9:15 a.m. y 1 p.m. el domingo en directo en Facebook.

**THE PRIEST SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE
EL HORARIO SACERDOTE SUJETO A CAMBIO**

Monday/Lunes, May 22

St. Rita of Cascia, Religious / Santa Rita de Casia, religiosa
Mass/ Misa 8:15 a.m. Fr. Alejandro O.

Tuesday/Martes, May 23

Mass/Misa 8:15 a.m. Fr. Alejandro O.

Wednesday/Miércoles, May 24

Mass/Misa 8:15 a.m. Fr. Alejandro O.
Confessions/Confesiones 6:00 p.m.

Thurs./Jueves May 25

St. Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor of the Church
San Beda el Venerable, presbitero y doctor de la Iglesia
St. Gregory VII, Pope / San Gregoria VII, Papa
St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, virgen
Santa María Magdalena de Pazzi, virgen
Mass/Misa 8:15 a.m. Fr. Fonseca

Friday/Viernes, May 26

St. Peter Neri, Priest / San Felipe Neri, presbitero
Mass/Misa 8:15 a.m. Fr. Alejandro

Saturday/Sábado, May 27

St. Augustine of Canterbury Bishop /
San Agustin de Canterbury, obispo
Rosary/Rosario 9:00 a.m.
Mass/Misa 9:30 a.m. Fr. Alejandro O.
Confessions/Confesiones 4:00 p.m.
Mass/Misa 5:30 p.m. Fr. Charles Ugo

***Pentecost Sunday
Domingo de Pentecostés***

Sunday/Domingo, May 28

Masses in a.m. 7:30 a.m. Fr. Charles Ugo
Misas de la mañana 9:15 a.m. Fr. Charles Ugo
11:00 a.m. Fr. Alejandro O.
Masses in p.m. 1 p.m. (Español) Fr. Alejandro O.
Misas de la tarde 5 p.m. (English) Fr. Alejandro O.
7 p.m. (Español) Fr. Alejandro O.



**Mark your Calendar for:
Vacation Bible School**

July 17th—21st 5—8:30 pm

For Children entering 1st grade through 5th grade
A light dinner will be provided

Volunteers Needed Teens & Adults

Meeting on Wednesday June 1st in Parish Hall

Marquen sus almanaques:

Escuela Bíblica de Vacación Julio 17-21 5-8:30 pm

Para los niños entrando al 1er año hasta 5o año
Se servirá una comida ligera

Se necesitan voluntarios adolescentes y adultos.

**Junta el Miércoles 1o. de Junio en el
Salón de la Parroquia**



Mon 5/22	8:15a.m.	(B) Bridget Banta (A) Elvia & Ed Armenta
Tue 5/23	8:15 a.m.	(SI) Holy Souls in Purgatory (SI) Kenny Redecek
Wed 5/24	8:15 a.m.	(SI) Conversion Sinners
Thurs 5/25	8:15 a.m.	(SI) Madres Hinojosa † Arturo Galileo Branch † Victoria Eugenia Hernandez -Bertrand
Fri. 5/26	8:15 a.m.	(A) Laura & Ricardo Cortez † Holy Souls in Purgatory † Peter A. Armenta
Sat. 5/27	9:30a.m.	(B) Luis Cavala (B) Hector Armando Cavala
Sat. 5/27	5:30 p.m.	(SI) Janet Swanson † Daris Bacak
Sun. 5/28	7:30 a.m.	(SI) Edi Wheeler † Josephine Cisneros † Virgenmina Castro † Modesta Nunez
	9:15 a.m.	(SI) Kenny Redecek (SI) Janet Swanson † Ruben Lujan † Richard Chambers
	11:00 a.m.	(B) Jo Ann Armenta (SI) Rosario Kaku (SI) Martha Garza (SI) Catalina Tellado † Reynold & Alicia Gonzalez † Juanita Holguin
	1:00 p.m.	(SI) Luisa Contreras (SI) Elsa Perez (SI) Guadalupe Manriquez (SI) Thelma Maria Torrez † Bruno Rios † ThelmaRodriguez Landeros
	5:00 p.m.	(SI) Conversion of Sinners
	7:00 p.m.	(A) Ricardo & Laura Cortez † Alfredo Nunez Martinez † Alan Pague

COLLECTIONS

Sunday May 14th \$ 13,000.00
Online \$ 2,116.00

Collection for St. Vincent de Paul Society \$ 5,568.00

Online Collection for St. Vincent de Paul Society \$ 434.00

Online Collection for St. Monica School \$ 70.00

***May 28th Second Collection
St. Monica Catholic School***



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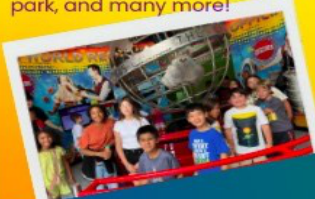
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JUNE 5-30

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Para mas información llame al 210-658-6701

THRIFT STORE NEWS

We are open for your shopping pleasure:

***Wednesday & Saturday* 9am to 12 Noon**

Donations are accepted every day from 8am - 5pm. We don't want anything left outside due to people coming and taking what is visible. There are homeless people who come around at night. We have had a person try to start a fire with the clothing left outside. We also have had someone get inside the donation box and take what they wanted and spread out the donations throughout the parking lot. Your cooperation is appreciated.



NOTICIA DE TIENDA DE SEGUNDA

Estamos abierto para su placer de compras:

***Miércoles & Sábado* 9am a 12 medio día**

Aceptamos donaciones todos los días de 8am - 5pm. Pedimos que no dejen su donación afuera porque otras personas se llevan lo que esta visible. Hay personas sin hogar que llegan en la noche. Hemos tenido una persona que ha tratado de comenzar un incendio con la ropa dejada afuera. También hay una persona que se metió dentro la caja de donación. Se llevo lo que quiera y tiro las donaciones en el estacionamiento. Su cooperación es agradecido.

On behalf of Fr. Thumma, Fr. Alejandro, our Deacons and staff, a heartfelt **THANK YOU** to all our amazing Catechist and wonderful volunteers for giving up their Wednesday evenings to share their faith and enriching the faith of the children who attended Religious Education class on Wednesday evenings. On Saturday May 6th 92 children received the Holy Eucharist for the first time. Thank you Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller for celebrating our Confirmation mass on Monday May 15 th with 86 of our parishioners receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. Especially for your inspiring homily. A special thank you to the choirs, ushers, lectors, sacristans and Eucharistic Ministers for assisting and making these masses flow effortlessly. Most of to Mrs. Toni Espinoza, Director of Religious Education, for all your leadership and hard work.



A nombre del Padre Thumma, Padre Alejandro, nuestros Diáconos y empleados, **GRACIAS** a todos nuestros increíbles Catequistas y maravillosos voluntarios por dar sus noches de los Miércoles para compartir su fe y enriquecer la fe de los niños que atienden las clases de Educación Religiosa los Miércoles en la noche. El Sábado 6 de Mayo niños recibieron la Santa Eucaristía por primera vez. Gracias al Arzobispo Gustavo García-Siller por celebrar nuestra Misa de Confirmación el Lunes 15 de Mayo con 86 de nuestros parroquianos recibiendo el Sacramento de la Confirmación. Especialmente por su inspiradora homilia. De manera especial, muchas gracias a los coros, acomodadores, lectores, sacristanes y Ministros de la Eucaristía por ayudar y hacer estas Misas fluir sin esfuerzo. Más que nada, a Ms. Toni Espinoza, Directora de la Educación Religiosa, por su liderazgo y trabajo, GRACIAS.



We look forward to next year!
May God Bless all of you and your families.

Esperando con ganas el siguiente año!
Que Dios los bendiga a todos y a sus



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RCIA Adapted for Children

Families of children who have reached the age of seven (7 yrs) between seventeen (17yrs) and have not been baptized are invited into the process of Christian initiation based on the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA.) This process will prepare young people and their families for the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

For more information go to parish website or contact Timo Zepeda, at rcia@saintmonicaconverse.net, 210-410-7647.



RICA Adaptada para Menores

Familias de niños de la edad siete (7) a diecisiete (17) que no han sido bautizados, están invitados a el proceso de iniciación Cristiana basado en el Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos (RICA). Este proceso prepara a los jóvenes y sus familias para la celebración de los Sacramentos de Iniciación: Bautizo, Confirmación y Eucaristía.

Para más información vaya al sitio web de la parroquia o comuníquese con Timo Zepeda, a: rcia@saintmonicaconverse.net, 210-410-7647.

YOUR SUPPORT IS APPRECIATED!

We are grateful to those who have continued to give. Since we depend on you for 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. Mon., Tues., Thur., Fri. Wed. hours 9 a.m. to 7 p.m..
- Mailing it to the church office: 501 North St., Converse; 78109
- Giving online, Visit <https://saintmonicaconverse.net> and slide "Give" in the upper menu for the online giving link.

It will explain how to set up your ParishSOFT Giving Account.

Thank you for your continual support and prayers.



Online Giving

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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.
- dele en "Give" en la parte alta del menú para el link de dar. Ahí se explicará cómo empezar la cuenta para el ParishSoft.

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Mass Schedule

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

Sunday: 7:30 & 9:15, 11 am & 5 pm
 (English)

1:00 & 7:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday Masses Live Streamed Masses
 9:15 am & 1 pm

St. Monica's Facebook or Website



Weekdays: 8:15 a.m. (Mon—Fri)

**Saturday: 9 am Holy Rosary &
 Mass at 9:30 a.m.** Bilingual/bilingüe

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

1st FRIDAY MASS: 8:15 am English & 7 pm Spanish

PERPETUAL ADORATION

In the Chapel Hours for adoration:

Sunday at 8 pm to Saturday at 5:15pm

Please come by the office to get your entry code.

**CONFESSIONS: WEDNESDAY 6PM
 & SATURDAY 4 PM**

Need Baptismal Preparation Class?

Parents & Godparents must attend a baptism preparation class in order to baptize a child. English class will be held the first Saturday of the month and Spanish class on the second Saturday of the month.
Please call the office to sign up.



Necesita la clase de preparación bautismal ?

Padres y padrinos deben asistir a una clase de preparación para el bautizo de su niño. La clase de inglés se llevará a cabo el primer sábado del mes y la clase de español el segundo sábado del mes.
Por favor llame a la oficina para inscribirse.

The Mission & Purpose

With support from all faithful, the Archbishop's Appeal for Ministries provides the material, faith formation, and spiritual needs of God's people across the 19 counties that make up the Archdiocese of San Antonio. The Archbishop's Appeal for Ministries enables all faithful to support essential resources that help the Church learn and share the Good News while also loving and serving those trusted to our care.

Thank you to those who have sent in their donation and for your generosity to the Archbishop Ministry Appeal. It is not too late to still participate. Feel free to use the URL code to send in your donation.

No amount is too small or too large.



La Misión y el Propósito

Con el apoyo de los feligreses, la Campaña de Petición del Arzobispo para los Ministerios provee el material, formación de la fe y necesidades espirituales de el pueblo de Dios en todos los 19 condados que forman la arquidiócesis de San Antonio. Esta Campaña permite al feligrés apoyar recursos esenciales que ayudan a la Iglesia a aprender y compartir las Buenas Nuevas y al mismo tiempo amando y sirviendo a esos que han sido confiados a nuestro cuidado.

Gracias a los que han mandado su donación a esta Campaña de Petición del Arzobispo. No es muy tarde para participar. Use con confianza el código URL para mandar su donación.

No hay cantidad muy pequeña o muy

St. Monica's has multiple opportunities for you to be a part of the Holy Mass on Sunday. It is a wonderful opportunity to grow your relationship with God. Any of you who just received your First Communion can now join Father at the altar and assist him during Mass. Must be in good standing in the Catholic Faith and you will have to have a background check. Come to any of the upcoming trainings:

Tuesday May 23rd EM training in English
 Wednesday May 24th Lector training Spanish
 Tuesday May 30th Altar Servers
 Wednesday May 31 EM Training Spanish
 Wednesday June 7th Lector training in English



Sta. Monica's tiene múltiples oportunidades para que usted sea parte de la Santa Misa el Domingo. Es una maravillosa oportunidad para crecer su relación con Dios. Si usted recibió su Primera Comunión recientemente, puede unirse con el Padre en la altar y asistirlo durante la misa.

Bienvenidos a cualquiera de nuestros entrenamientos:

Martes, 23 de Mayo: EM en Ingles
 Miércoles, 24 de Mayo: Lectores en Español
 Martes, 30 de Mayo: Monaguillos Miércoles,
 31 de Mayo: EM en Español Miércoles,
 7 de Junio: Lectores en Ingles

