

St. Monica Catholic Church, Converse, Texas



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Sea que al arrancar la cizaña, arranquen también el trigo.

St Monica Catholic Church

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Working Hours: Mon., Tue., Thur., & Friday
9:00 am-5:00 pm & Wed. 9 am-7pm

For an emergency: Call the office and
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St. Vincent de Paul: (210) 658-8791

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, **Joe Luera**

HEALING HEART: Elsa Lopez

HOMEBOUD: Barbara Ward

WELCOME MINISTRY: Eliza Reyna

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Meets 2nd Tues.at 7:00 p.m. **Steve Steel**, 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.



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.

MESSAGE FROM

Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller, MSpS

I am still here in San Luis Potosi at home with my father. Please continue to keep my father, me, and the family in your prayers.

MENSAJE DE Arzobispo Gustavo García-Siller, MSpS. Todavía estoy aquí en casa en San Luis Potosi con mi padre. Por favor sigan manteniendo mi padre, a mi y mi familia en sus oraciones.



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.

Lilli Soto, 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. Email: RE@saintmonicaconverse.net 210-658-3816

**We are here to Pray for you
Estamos aquí para orar por ti**



*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, 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, Joanne & Sebastian, Brenda, Jennifer Sanchez, Jose Martinez, John Cortez, Andrew, Velma Duran, Manuel M., Kenia Aguilar, Dolores Vaquera & family, Sara Chase, Navarro, Bill Eastman, Emilio Fernandez, Ruddy Ballesteros DeLeon, Debbie Garcia, Armando Aguero, Preston Trinkle, Ruben Pacheco, Angel Cantu, Barbara Garza, Evan Pesek, Laura Cynthia Peters, Catarina Garza, Lola Mata, Ernesto Sosa, Christine, Connie Martinez, Robert, Adam Thomas, Melissa, Felix Davila, Jan Beland, Michael Burgos, Ruben Pacheco, Rose, Christine, Pawlick family, Barbara Rials, Trini & Jackie Cantú, Jason Silk, Tony Rippy, Eduardo Guevara, Rhonda Hogan, Pablo Martinez, Donny Krueger, Ariel & Clara Casiano, Donelia Jimenez, Jeannie & Paul, Lucy Zamora



**Please call the office to add the name in the bulletin.
Por favor hablen 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 son transmitidos en vivo en Facebook.

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

Monday/Lunes, July 24

St. Sharbel Makhluf, Priest / San Sharbel Makhluf, Sacerdote
Mass/ Misa 8:15 a.m. Fr. Thumma

Tuesday/Martes, July 25

St. James, Apostle / San Jaime, Apóstol
Mass/Misa 8:15 a.m. Fr. Thumma

Wednesday/Miércoles, July 26

Ss. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the BVM / Padres de la BVM
Mass/Misa 8:15 a.m. Fr. Thumma
Confessions/Confesiones 6:00 p.m.

Thurs./Jueves July 27

Mass/Misa 8:15 a.m. Fr. Thumma

Friday/Viernes, July 28

Mass/Misa 8:15 a.m. Fr. Thumma

Saturday/Sábado, July 29

Ss. Martha, Mary & Lazarus / Sta. Marta, María y Lázaro
Rosary/Rosario 9:00 a.m.
Mass/Misa 9:30 a.m. Fr. Thumma
Confessions/Confesiones 4:00 p.m.
Mass/Misa 5:30 p.m. Fr. Thumma

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

17º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Sunday/Domingo, July 30

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

COLLECTIONS

Sunday July 16th \$ 11,958.00

Online \$ 2,022.50

Collection for Servants of the Poor Congregation of India
\$ 8,387.00

Online Collection for Priests Pension \$ 20.00

Online Collection for St. Vincent de Paul Society \$ 349.00

**THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon	7/24	8:15 a.m.	(SI) Horacio Bernal Jr. (SI) Juan A. Cantú Muñoz (SI) Ranulfo Mano Villa
Tue	7/25	8:15 a.m.	(B) Jean Pollock (B) Norma Cordaway † Holy Souls in Purgatory † Victoria E. Hernandez Bertrand
Wed	7/26	8:15 a.m.	(B) Carmen Ibáñez (B) Ana María Martínez (B) Herminio Pérez Ruiz (B) Ana María Ruiz (SI) Family of Roa - Casas (SI) Conversion of Sinners † Gad Namán Garibay
Thurs	7/27	8:15 a.m.	† Emma Cordaway
Fri	7/28	8:15 a.m.	(B) Jada Silk † Holy Souls in Purgatory † Alan Pague
Sat.	7/29	9:30 a.m.	(B) Jaime Pérez Miranda
Sat.	7/29	5:30 p.m.	(SI) James H. Lovering † Tommy and Louie Samaniego † Martin and Elvira Samaniego
Sun.	7/30	7:30 a.m.	(SI) Janelle Rohner (SI) Roxanne Mojica † Patrick and Hannah O'Meara
		9:15 a.m.	(SI) Tina † Joe Ignacio Moreno
		11:00 a.m.	(A) Evelyn & Orlando Martínez † Reynold & Alicia González † Bob Hovis † Alberto Hurtado † Elisa De Leon
		1:00 p.m.	(B) Ana Bertha Carbajal (SI) José Joaquín Galdaviz † Miguel Ángel Fuentes
		5:00 p.m.	(SI) Conversion of Sinners
		7:00 p.m.	(B) Cecilia Nuno (SI) Héctor Loera (SI) Ezequiel Rodríguez † Juan Carlos Aguirre † Miguel Ángel Fuentes † Rebecca Diaz

This week altar flowers are for a
Special Intention:

Anonymous Intercession of
San Judas Tadeo



Dear St. Monica Parishioners,

Many may be aware of a potential UPS strike. This may affect the delivery of our bulletin and other deliveries. Join St. Monica myParish app to stay connected. It is now available to download for iPhone and Android smart phones. Stay connected with our parish throughout the week. Go ahead and join

eva.us/stmcc or text to join STMC to 55321



Queridos Feligreses de Sta. Mónica, Muchos pueden estar al tanto de una posible huelga de UPS. Esto puede afectar la entrega de nuestro boletín y otras entregas. Únase a Sta. Mónica con la aplicación myParish, para mantenerse conectado. Ya esta disponible para descargar en sus teléfonos iPhone y Android. Manténgase conectado entre semana con nuestra parroquia. Animase y únase en **eva.us/stmcc o mande el texto STMC a 55321.**

"2023 Archbishop's Appeal for Ministries,"

in receiving the Eucharist, we are called to serve," is now halfway from the goal. Thank you! With your effort and generosity, we are making possible vital ministries for the present and future of our overarching mission: to spread God's Word and Love.

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.

As we pointed out before, if each of our parishioners would provide 20 cents a day, that's \$5 a month or \$60 a year. We as a parish would send \$90,000 to the appeal, which will help to ensure those services are provided to those who need financial, spiritual and physical help they need. Again, we're asking for each family to provide \$60 for the year...if that is too much for your family, provide what you can, for those for whom \$60 for the year is not hard...we also ask you to provide what you can. It is important to note that any amount we provide over our goal of \$50,000 comes back to us and could be used to help with the building our rectory. We are at 75% to reaching our goal, THANK YOU to everyone who has supported the Appeal.



"Campaña de Petición para Ministerios del Arzobispo 2023"

al recibir la Eucaristía, somos llamados a servir," va a la mitad de su objetivo. Gracias! Con su esfuerzo y generosidad, hacemos posible ministerios vitales para el presente y futuro de nuestra misión global: difundir la Palabra y el Amor de Dios.

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 grande.

Como mencionamos anteriormente, si cada uno de nuestros feligreses proporciona 20 centavos al día, sería \$5 al mes o \$60 al año. Como parroquia, enviaríamos \$90,000 a la Campaña de Petición, que ayudara asegurar los servicios que son proporcionados a ellos que necesitan ayuda financiera, espiritual y físico. Una vez mas, pedimos que cada familia

proporcione \$60 al año...si es mucho para su familia, done lo que pueda, para los que \$60 al año no es difícil...también pedimos que donen lo que puedan. Es importante anotar que cualquier cantidad que proporcionamos de mas de nuestra meta de \$50,000, se regresara a nosotros y se puede utilizar para ayudar con la construcción de la rectoría.



Revival's in the Air AN EXCITING JOURNEY AHEAD

Our world is hurting. We all need healing, yet many of us are separated from the very source of our strength. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

Why Now?

BECAUSE THE CHURCH NEEDS HEALING. AND THE WORLD NEEDS THE CHURCH.

Scandal, division, disease, doubt. The Church has withstood each of these throughout our very human history. But today we confront all of them, all at once. Our response in this moment is pivotal. In the midst of these roaring waves, Jesus is present, reminding us that he is more powerful than the storm. He desires to heal, renew, and unify the Church and the world.

How will he do it? By uniting us once again around the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is the joyful, expectant, grassroots response of the entire Catholic Church in the U.S. to this divine invitation.



Avivamiento esta en el Aire

UNA EMOCIONANTE JORNADA POR DELANTE

Nuestro mundo está herido. Todos necesitamos curación y, sin embargo, muchos de nosotros estamos separados de la fuente misma de nuestra fuerza. Jesucristo nos invita a volver a la fuente y cumbre de nuestra fe en la celebración de la Eucaristía. El Avivamiento Eucarístico Nacional es un movimiento para restaurar la comprensión y la devoción a este gran misterio aquí en los Estados Unidos, ayudándonos a renovar nuestra adoración a Jesucristo en la Eucaristía.

¿Por qué ahora?

PORQUE LA IGLESIA NECESITA SANACIÓN. Y EL MUNDO NECESITA A LA IGLESIA.

Escándalo, división, enfermedad, duda. La Iglesia ha resistido a cada uno de ellos a lo largo de nuestra propia historia humana. Pero hoy nos enfrentamos a todos ellos, todos a la vez. Nuestra respuesta en este momento es crucial.

En medio de estas olas rugientes, Jesús está presente, recordándonos que Él es más poderoso que la tormenta. Él desea sanar, renovar y unificar a la Iglesia y al mundo.

¿Cómo lo hará? Uniéndonos de nuevo en torno a la fuente y cumbre de nuestra fe en la celebración de la Eucaristía. La Eucaristía Nacional Avivamiento es la respuesta alegre, expectante y popular de toda la Iglesia católica de Estados Unidos a esta invitación divina.

OBTEN TU
CERTIFICACION

ENTRENAMIENTO PARA
INSTRUCTORES DE
PLANIFICACION NATURAL
DE LAS AMERICAS

Familia
de las  **Américas**

JULIO 28-30



**IGLESIA DE SANTA
MONICA**

501 North St,
Converse, TX 78109

Viernes 28, 6:30pm a 9pm
Sábado 29, 9am a 5pm
Domingo 30, 9am a 4:30pm

Objetivo

Aprender el método de ovulación
Los participantes obtendrán su certificación
como instructores de planificación natural
de las Américas

Dinámica

Durante los tres días se impartirán los temas
por maestros ya certificados
El costo de \$100 por persona \$120 por pareja
incluye material y lunch

Mateo 9, 37 y 38

«La cosecha es abundante, pero los
trabajadores son pocos.
Rueguen al dueño de los sembrados que
envíe trabajadores para la cosecha.

INFORMACION

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**Training for Instructors of
Natural Family Planning of America**

July 28-30

ST. MONICA CHURCH

Friday, Jul 28 6:30 pm - 9 pm
Saturday, Jul 29 9 am - 5pm
Sunday, Jul 30 9 am - 4:30 pm

Objective:
Learn the ovulation method
Participants will receive certification as an instructor
of Natural Family Planning of America

Dynamics:
During the 3 days, you will be taught the topics of
already certified teachers.

The cost of \$100 per person or \$120 per couple,
includes materials and lunch.

The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few Beg the
owner of the crops to send more workers for the harvest.
Matthew 9, 37 & 38

At this time this will be in Spanish only.
We are hoping to offer in English,
in the future.



TRIVIA

What tine seed did Jesus liken to the kingdom of heaven to?

Hint: Matthew 13:31,32



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- 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

AGRADECEMOS SU APOYO!

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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Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m. (English)
Sunday: 7:30 & 9:15, 11 am & 5 pm
(English)
1:00 & 7:00 pm (Spanish) 
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:
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PERPETUAL ADORATION
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