

St. Monica Catholic Church

501 North St.
Converse, Texas 78109



Phone Number: (210)658-3816

Website: www.saintmonicaconverse.net

Email: parish@saintmonicaconverse.net

Working Hours: Mon., Tue., Thur., & Friday 9:00 am-5:00 pm & Wed. 9 am-7pm
Sat. 10am-2pm & Sun 10am-3pm

For an emergency: Call the office and follow the instructions.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm (English)
7:15 pm (Spanish)

Sunday: 7:30 & 9:15, 11 am
& 5 pm (English)
1:00 & 7:00 pm (Spanish)

Weekdays: 8:15 a.m. (Mon-Fri)

Bilingual Mass During Lent
Beginning Thursday Feb. 15th
6:30 p.m. (Mon-Fri.)

Saturday: 9 am Holy Rosary
Mass at 9:30 am (Bilingual/bilingüe)

HOLY HOUR: Thursday 7 pm

1st FRIDAY MASS: 8:15 am English

PERPETUAL ADORATION

In the Chapel Hours for adoration:

Sunday at 8 pm to Saturday at 5:15pm

Chapel is open 7am to 7pm if coming after 7pm,
Please come by the office to get your entry code.

CONFESSIONS:

WEDNESDAY 5:30 PM
& SATURDAY 3:30 PM



Pastor: Fr. Thumma Prathap

Email: pastor@saintmonicaconverse.net

Parochial Vicar:

Fr. Artemio Ortiz- Romo

Email: fr.ortiz1958@saintmonicaconverse.net

ST. MONICA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Mrs. Karmen Chavez

Early Childhood-8th Grade

210-658-6701

E-mail: office@saintmonica.net

Registration now open for the 2023/2024 School Year

Ya está abierta la inscripción para el Año 2023/2024

MINISTRIES

ACTS: Giselle Zamago

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

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP: **Bernardo Castellano & Lyle Pearce** Beginning Wednesday October 4th at 7:45pm in the Parish Hall

HOMEBOUD: Barbara Ward

WELCOME MINISTRY: Eliza Reyna

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

LOVESTRONG: Tony & Isabel Canez

SPANISH BIBLE STUDY: Meet every Monday 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall: **Omar Garnica**

SPANISH PRAYER GROUP: Meet every Fri. 7:00 p.m. at parish hall: **Rafael & Betzy Torres**

POWER POINT MINISTRY: Claudio Corrales & Gabby Olivares

VOCATIONS: Elvia Armenta

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

Glyssie Esquivel, Reynaldo Vela, Angel Cantu, Linda Duncan, Maria J., Arthur Thomas, Lisa Lee, Luis M Vega, Barbara Cantley, Suzie Littrell, Helen Arispe, Alena Quintero, Irma Mendez, Nildia Johnston, Lucy Barajas, Tim Knotts, Lisa Lee, Douglas, Bob Andrews, Tyler Acosta, Jo-Ann Case, Diane Thatcher, Joanne & Sebastian, Brenda, Jennifer Sanchez, Jose Martinez, John Cortez, Andrew, Velma Duran, Manuel M., Jan Beland, Dolores Vaquera & family, Sara Chase, Navarro, Kenia Aguilar, Ruddy Ballesteros DeLeon, Debbie Garcia, Armando Aguero, Preston Trinkle, Nicanora Rodriguez, Paul D., Angel Cantu, Barbara Garza, Evan Pesek, Laura Cynthia Peters, Bill Eastman, Catarina Garza, Felix Davila, Ernesto Sosa, Connie Martinez, Robert, Adam Thomas, Melissa, Michael Burgos, Ruben Pacheco, Rose, Christine, Pawlick family, Rhonda Hogan, Barbara Rials, Trini & Jackie Cantú, Jason Silk, Emilio Fernandez, Tony Rippy, Eduardo Guevara, Adalene, Martha Gonzalez, Janet Hillson, Pablo Martinez, Lucy Zamora, Ariel & Clara Casiano, Donny Krueger, Donelia Jimenez, Jeannie & Paul, Maria Ramos, Mildred Myles, Will Clouse, Roland Guerra, Ignacio Urabazo, Mary Kirby, Becky Cortez, Manuel M. Carolyn Silk, Justin Silk, Olga B., Judy Gutierrez Kahn, Laura Caraballos



COMMITTEES

Pastoral Council President: Timo Zepeda

Finance Council President: Sandra Lyssy

Building Board President: Tony Canez

CHOIR DIRECTORS

Music Coordinator: Jorge Castellanos

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. or **Bill Staggs** 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. 5:30p.m.& Sat. 3:30 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

EDGE: JD Flores & Karina Gonzales



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*

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.



**REQUEST
A
MASS
INTENTION**

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 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 transmitido en vivo en Facebook.

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

Monday/Lunes, March 4th

St. Casimir / San Casimiro

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

Mass/ Misa (Bilingual) 6:30 p.m. Fr. Artemio

Tuesday/Martes, March 5th

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

Mass/ Misa (Bilingual) 6:30 p.m. Fr. Thumma

Wednesday/Miércoles, March 6th

Mass/Misa (English) 8:15 a.m. Fr. Artemio

Mass/Misa (Bilingual) 6:30 p.m. Fr. Artemio

Confessions /Confesiones 5:30 p.m.

Thurs./Jueves, March 7th

SS. Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs / Santas Perpetua y Felicidad, Mártires

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

Mass/Misa (Bilingual) 6:30 p.m. Fr. Thumma

Holy Hour / Hora Santa 7:30 p.m.

Friday/Viernes, March 8th

St. John of God, Religious / San Juan de Dios, Religioso

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

Stations of the Cross (EN) 6:00 p.m.

Via Crucis (ES) 6:00 p.m.

In the back field

Mass/Misa (Bilingual) 6:30 p.m. Fr. Thumma

Saturday/Sábado, March 9th

St. Frances of Rome, Religious / Santa Francesca Romana, Religiosa

Rosary/Rosario 9:00 a.m.

Mass/Misa (Bilingual) 9:30 a.m. Fr. Thumma

Confessions/Confesiones 3:30 p.m.

Mass/Misa 5:30 p.m. Fr. Artemio

Mass/Misa 7:15 p.m. Fr. Artemio

**4th Sunday of Lent
4º Domingo de Cuaresma**

Sunday/Domingo, March 10th

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

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. Artemio

7 p.m. (Español) Fr. Thumma

COLLECTIONS

February 25th \$ 13,872.00

Online collection \$ 2,011.00

Collection for St. Monica School \$ 2,493.00

Online Collection for St. Vincent de Paul \$ 134.00

Online Collection for Catholic Charities \$ 35.00

Online Collection for St. Monica School \$ 10.00

March 10th Second Collection

Catholic Relief Service



Mon	3/4	8:15 a.m. † Charles Scherdarth † Gene Roller 6:30 p.m. (SI) Pope Francis
Tue	3/5	8:15 a.m. † Holy Souls in Purgatory 6:30 p.m. (SI) For the Homeless
Wed	3/6	8:15 a.m. (SI) Rebecca Montoya (SI) Conversion of Sinners 6:30 p.m.
Thurs	3/7	8:15 a.m. † Holy Souls in Purgatory 6:30 p.m.
Fri.	3/8	8:15 a.m. (SI) Conversion of Sinners † Holy Souls in Purgatory 6:30 p.m.
Sat.	3/9	9:30 a.m. † Alex Lokarski † Enrique Espiritu † Tina Falcon 5:30 p.m. † Lily DeHaro 7:15 p.m. (SI) For those Suffering with Depression
Sun.	3/10	7:30 a.m. (B) Jose Arispe III (SI) James Payton & Family (SI) Charlie, Edi & Mike Wheeler (SI) Jose Marroquin (SI) Mary Kirby 9:15 a.m. (SI) Mary R. Agnew (SI) Garcia, Lozano & Duran Fam. 11:00 a.m. (SI) Garcia, Lozano & Duran Fam. † Irma Kotanan † Lupe Chagoya 1:00 p.m. (SI) St. Monica Parishioners 5:00 p.m. (SI) Conversion of Sinners 7:00 p.m. (SI) Conversion of la Familia Aguilera Ibanez

**Lidia Martinez**

Con profundo pesar les informamos que Lidia Martínez fue llamada a su hogar celestial el Viernes, 9 de Febrero, 2024

Rosario: Viernes 8 de marzo, 2024 10:30am
St. Monica Catholic Church
501 North St. Converse, Texas 78109

Misa: Viernes 8 de marzo, 2024 11:00 am
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Recepción inmediatamente después de la Misa en el Salón Parroquial.

Internamiento: Sera en una fecha mas adelante

Nuestro mas sentido pésame a la familia.

Que descanse en paz.

“Pastor’s Voice”

Prayer and Communication with God

Dear St. Monica Family,

In the symphony of our spiritual journey, prayer emerges as the harmonious melody that connects our hearts with the divine. It takes various forms, each resonating uniquely in the sacred space of our communication with God.

Personal prayer, akin to an intimate conversation, allows us to lay bare our joys, sorrows, hopes, and fears before the Almighty. In this solitude, we find solace, knowing that God listens not only to our words but also to the silent whispers of our hearts. Communal prayer, a collective symphony, unites us as a spiritual family. As we join our voices in worship, our individual melodies blend into a harmonious chorus, echoing the communal nature of our faith.

Contemplative prayer, the silent language of the soul, invites us to dwell in the quietude of God's presence. In the hush of contemplation, we transcend words, allowing our spirits to commune with the Divine in profound silence.

Communication with God is not a monologue but a dialogue that deepens our relationship. Like any meaningful conversation, prayer requires both speaking and listening. Our petitions and thanksgiving become the verses of our prayer, while moments of stillness allow us to perceive God's gentle whispers.

Through prayer, we build a bridge between the finite and the infinite, forging a deeper connection with the Creator. It is in the sincerity of our conversations with God that we discover the transformative power of divine communion. As we explore the various forms of prayer – personal, communal, and contemplative – let us approach this sacred dialogue with open hearts, recognizing that in the quiet moments of connection, we find the profound presence of the One who listens, understands, and loves beyond measure. God Bless America.

Yours Truly,

Fr. Thumma Prathap

Date: March 2nd & 3rd, 2024

On behalf of Fr. Thumma, all our Deacons, office staff & parishioners of St. Monica we would like congratulate Fr. Artemio as he celebrates his 39th year anniversary of his ordination on March 3rd, as a priest. We ask everyone to continue to pray for him as he continues to guide and lead us closer to Our Lord.

We here at St. Monica are truly blessed to have Fr. Artemio as our Parochial Vicar.



“Voz del Pastor”

La Oración y la Comunicación con Dios

Querida Familia de Santa Mónica,

En la sinfonía de nuestro viaje espiritual, la oración emerge como la melodía armoniosa que conecta nuestros corazones con lo divino. Adopta diversas formas, cada una resonando de manera única en el espacio sagrado de nuestra comunicación con Dios.

La oración personal, similar a una conversación íntima, nos permite exponer nuestras alegrías, tristezas, esperanzas y temores ante el Todopoderoso. En esta soledad, encontramos consuelo, sabiendo que Dios escucha no solo nuestras palabras, sino también los susurros silenciosos de nuestros corazones. La oración comunitaria, una sinfonía colectiva, nos une como una familia espiritual. Al unir nuestras voces en adoración, nuestras melodías individuales se mezclan en un coro armonioso, haciendo eco de la naturaleza comunitaria de nuestra fe.

La oración contemplativa, el lenguaje silencioso del alma, nos invita a morar en la quietud de la presencia de Dios. En el silencio de la contemplación, trascendemos las palabras, permitiendo que nuestros espíritus se comuniquen con lo Divino en un silencio profundo.

La comunicación con Dios no es un monólogo sino un diálogo que profundiza nuestra relación. Como en cualquier conversación significativa, la oración requiere tanto hablar como escuchar. Nuestras peticiones y agradecimientos se convierten en los versos de nuestra oración, mientras que los momentos de quietud nos permiten percibir los suaves susurros de Dios.

A través de la oración, construimos un puente entre lo finito y lo infinito, forjando una conexión más profunda con el Creador. Es en la sinceridad de nuestras conversaciones con Dios que descubrimos el poder transformador de la comunión divina. Mientras exploramos las diversas formas de oración, ya sea personal, comunitaria o contemplativa, acerquémonos a este diálogo sagrado con corazones abiertos, reconociendo que en los momentos tranquilos de conexión, encontramos la profunda presencia de Aquel que escucha, comprende y ama más allá de toda medida.

Atentamente,

Padre Thumma Prathap

Fecha: 2 y 3 de Marzo de 2024

De parte de Padre Thumma, todos nuestros Diáconos, el personal de oficina y feligreses de Santa Mónica, nos gustaría felicitar a Padre Artemio por celebrar su 39 año aniversario de su ordenación sacerdotal el 3 de Marzo. Les pedimos a todos que continúen orando por el mientras continua guiándonos y acercándonos a Nuestro Señor.

Nosotros aquí en Santa Mónica somos realmente bendecidos de tener a Padre Artemio como nuestro Vicario Parroquial.



St. Monica Catholic School

Dragon Tales



2024-2025 School Year

St. Monica Catholic School

TUITION AND FEES FOR PK-8TH

Registration Fee

Returning Students

\$350 per Student

(Registration Fee is Non-Refundable)

New Students

\$500 per Student

10 Month	
1 Child	\$595.00
2 Children	\$1,130.50
3 Children	\$1,666.00

11 Month	
1 Child	\$540.91
2 Children	\$1,027.73
3 Children	\$1,514.55

10% sibling discount reflected in rates above

2024-2025 ANNUAL TUITION \$5,950

Before School Care Included

After School:

\$250/Mo 1st Child
\$200/Mo 2nd Child

Drop-in Rate \$15/Hr

AIAL Sports Participation Fee (5th-8th Grade)

\$100/first sport
\$50/each additional

Graduation Fee (8th)
\$175

Catholic Life Raffle Tickets

Family must sell \$160
100% of proceeds benefit the school

Instrument Rental Fee
\$100/year

5% Military Discount

Tuition Assistance Kinder- 8th
WWW.hopeforthefuture.org

Academy for Children (2-3yrs)

Frogstreet Curriculum
Four Core Collaborative Curriculum



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Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. Make this a Lenten season meaningful and grow closer to Our Dear Lord. Set aside 10 minutes a day in silent prayer or meditation. Go out of your way to be kind to someone else every day. Pray for people you find it hard to like or get along with. Volunteer at St. Monica: it's your time to be an active participant of the Mass. The Holy Spirit has nudged you a time or two, now is the time to get involved and serve in the Mass. Come learn and grow. Get your questions answered and train with us:

All the trainings are at 7:15 pm

Wednesday 3/6 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in English

Wednesday 3/13 Usher Training

Liturgical Ministries



Lector



Altar Server



Eucharistic Minister

La Cuaresma es una temporada de 40 días de oración, ayuna y limosna que comienza el Miércoles de Ceniza y termina al atardecer del Jueves Santo. Es un período de preparación para celebrar la Resurrección del Señor en la Pascua.

Haga que esta sea una temporada de Cuaresma significativa y acérquese más a Nuestro Amado Señor. Reserve 10 minutos al día para orar en silencio o meditar. Haga el esfuerzo por ser amable con otra persona todos los días. Ore por las personas que le resultan difíciles de querer o con las que se siente bien. Sea voluntario en Santa Mónica: es su momento de ser un participante activo de la Misa. El Espíritu Santo le ha dado un empujoncito una o dos veces. Ahora es la hora de involucrarse y servir en la Misa. Venga, aprenda y crezca. Obtenga respuestas a sus preguntas y entrene con nosotros.

Todos los entrenamientos son a las 7:15 pm

Miércoles 3/12 Ministros Extraordinarios de la Santa Comunión en Español



Our Teen ACTS 2024 Retreat

When: March 14-17

Who can attend: All High Schoolers

Where: Cordi Marian Retreat Center

Theme: "I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts" Jeremiah 31:33

It will be a fun activity-filled three day retreat where you can grow in your faith and have a better relationship with God! The cost is \$200, however, financial assistance is available.

How do I get more information:

Application is now out and online!!

For more details, contact

Lyle Pearce at 210-913-5585 or

Bernardo Castellano at 210-454-5927

Link for online application:

<https://shorturl.at/dIES6> QR code for online application



2024 Retiro de Nuestro Ministerio ACTS para Adolescentes

Cuando: 14-17 de Marzo

Quien puede asistir: Todo estudiante de Secundaria

Lugar: Cordi Marian Centro de Retiro

Tema: "Pondré me ley dentro de ellos y la escribiré en sus corazones" Jeremías 31:33

Sera un retiro de tres días lleno de actividades divertidas donde podrán crecer en su fe y tener una mejor relación con Dios!

El Costo es de \$200, sin embargo, hay asistencia financiera disponible. Como puedo obtener mas información:

Aplicación ya esta disponible y en línea!! Para mas detalles, contactar a Lyle Pearce al 210-913-5585 o

Bernardo Castellano al 210-454-5927

Enlace para aplicación en línea:

<https://shorturl.at/dIES6> código QR de aplicación en línea

Easter Lily Order Form

Purchase an Easter Lily to be placed on the altar in honor of a loved one.

Your Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone #: _____



Please write ONE (1) name per line for each lily purchase. Lilies are \$12

Purchased in Honor/Memory of: _____

Purchased in Honor/Memory of: _____

Purchased in Honor/Memory of: _____

Total of Lilies Purchased _____ x \$ 12 = Total \$ _____

Deadline to order Sunday March 17th, 2024

Make check out to St Monica Catholic Church

Return this form either to the office or place in envelope in the collection basket.

"Jesus said: I am the Way; I am Truth and Life. No one can come to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father too. From this moment you know him and have seen him." - John 14:6-7

Thank you every one for sending in your pictures of birthday's, wedding anniversary, special accomplishment.

May Our Dear Lord watch over all of you and your families, may your lives always be filled with God's blessings.

Turn in your **April** Birthdays, anniversary or accomplishment picture by **March 30th** to:
parish@saintmonicaconverse.net
or come by the parish office

Gracias a todos los mandaron sus fotos de cumpleaños, aniversario de bodas, ocasiones especiales.

Que nuestro amado Señor los cuide al igual que a sus familias, y que sus vidas estén siempre llenas de las bendiciones de Dios.

Manden sus fotos de los cumpleaños, aniversario, ocasiones especiales de **Abril para el 30 de marzo** a: parish@saintmonicaconverciembrse.net o passé por la oficina.

Happy Birthday
Roy Juarez Sr.
March 15th



Happy Birthday
Donald Frazier
March 8th



Happy 57th
Wedding Anniversary
Rafael & Edna Diaz
March 18th



Happy Birthday
Celia Tokarski
March 2nd



Happy Birthday
Mercedes Schorran
March 3rd



Happy Birthday
Zoey Schorran
March 3rd



Happy Birthday
Anthony Cordova &
Dominic Cordova
March 13th



Happy Birthday
Margaret Cabrera
March 6th
&
Happy 42nd
Wedding Anniversary
Frank & Margaret
Cabrera
March 13th



Happy Birthday
Steven Cordova
March 22nd



Happy Birthday
Steve Schmedding
March 17th



Happy Birthday
Howard Gilluly
March 4th



Happy Birthday
Yocanda del Hierro
Bueno
March 22nd



Happy Birthday
Taylor Olague
March 18th



Happy 32nd
Wedding Anniversary
Trini & Ursula
Martinez
March 28th





Lisbon / Santarem / Fatima / Santiago de Compostela / San Sebastian de Garabandal / Burgos / Lourdes / Paris

HOLY
Travel

Join Us July 8 to 17, 2024
¡Acompáñenos! 8-17 Julio del 2024

Join Fr. Thumma & Deacon David on a 10 day Marian Shrine Pilgrimage. In July from the 8th to the 17th We will visit Lisbon, Santarem/Fatima, Santiago de Compostela, San Sebastian de Garabandal, Burgos/Lourdes & Paris. Flyers are located in the back of the church and in the office.

Fee Includes: Round Trip airfare, First-class hotels, Breakfast, lunch & dinner, Sightseeing / admissions fees, per itinerary, Transfers, per itinerary, Professional tour guide

Fee Excludes: Gratuities (tips), Travel insurance (optional but recommended), Passport, travel visa, border crossing fees, if any, Personal items (phone calls, room service, etc.)

Visit: holytravel.com/rid652211 for more details.

Have question? 346-538-5655 Mon.-Fri.

9am-5pm CST

Feel free to call the office for more information.

Únase a Padre Thumma y Diácono David en una peregrinación de 10 días al Santuario Mariano en Julio, del 8 al 17. Visitaremos Lisboa, Santarem/Fátima, Santiago de Compostela, San Sebastián de Garabandal, Burgos/Lourdes y París. Los volantes se encuentran en la parte trasera de la iglesia y en la oficina.

Costo Incluye: Pasaje aéreo completo, Hoteles de primera clase, desayuno, almuerzo y cena, Tarifas de entrada, según itinerario, traslados, según itinerario, Guía turístico profesional

Tarifas Excluidas: Propinas, Seguro de viaje (opcional pero recomendado), Costo de pasaporte, visa o cruces fronterizos, si lo hubiese, Artículos personales (llamados telefónicos, servicio a la habitación, etc.)

Visite: holytravel.com/rid652211 para mas información

Tiene preguntas? 346-538-5655

Lunes-Viernes 9am-5pm CST

No dude en llamar a la oficina para obtener más información.



**live your
best life
In love**

**March 15-17
2024**



Uncover the secrets to a
lasting, supportive,
transformational marriage.

DATE: MARCH 15-17, 2024
PLACE: T-BAR-M NEW BRAUNFELS
APPLICATION FEE: \$200
Register at wwme.org
Joe & Leilani Atwood (210) 845-8953

Food Drive

Feb. 14th through
March 31, 2024

The Saint Monica Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Food Drive Starting Ash Wednesday February 14th until Good Friday. Bring your non-perishable food items and deposit in the bins in the Foyer during lent. Please consider participating in the

"40 Cans for Lent"

program as part of your Lenten journey.

Your donations of canned and dried food items will go to help the needy in our community.

Most Requested Food Items: Canned Fruit, Canned Corn & Green Beans, Canned Soup & Broth, Peanut Butter, Grape or Strawberry Jelly, Canned Stew & Beans, Pasta & Canned Sauces, Pancake Mixes, Syrup, Cereal, Bags of Rice, Tuna, Instant Potatoes

All donations will go to the St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry at St. Monica.



St. Monica Council 9681
Converse, Texas

Colecta de Alimentos

14 de Febrero al
31 de Marzo 2024

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**LATAS para la
CUARESMA**



Los Caballeros de Colon de Santa Mónica están patrocinando una colecta de alimentos a partir del Miércoles de Ceniza, 14 de Febrero, hasta el Viernes Santo. Traiga sus alimentos no perecederos y deposítelos en los contenedores que se encuentran en el vestíbulo de la iglesia durante la Cuaresma. Por favor considere participar en el programa **"40 Latas para la Cuaresma"** como parte de su camino Cuaresmal. Sus donaciones de alimentos enlatados y secos se destinaran a ayudar a los necesitados de nuestra comunidad.

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The Archbishop's Appeal for Ministries

is an annual campaign supporting more than 30 shared ministries that advance the mission of the Catholic Church in our area. The Archbishop Appeal happens every year because the need remains each year, it's not a one and done. We still need to provide for children in crisis, young mothers who are homeless, and for the Assumption Seminary to ensure we have the deacons and priests we need in order to have Mass. The theme this year is *Walking United in Christ*. Our goal this year is \$57,000. If each family donates just \$60 for the year, we can pass our goal. To break it down that would be \$5 a month, which is about what it costs for cup of coffee from Starbucks. Please consider a donation so that Walking United in Christ, we can consistently care for those who rely upon the Archdiocese and our programs for life and faith sustaining support. Please visit archsa.org/archbishops-appeal to give today! Have questions? Please call (210) 734-1910



La Campaña del Arzobispo para los Ministerios

es una campaña anual que apoya a más de 30 ministerios compartidos que promueven la misión de la Iglesia Católica en nuestra área. La Apelación del Arzobispo ocurre todos los años porque la necesidad permanece cada año, no es una sola vez. Todavía tenemos que proveer para los niños en crisis, las madres jóvenes que no tienen hogar, y ara que el Seminario de la Asunción se asegure de que tengamos los Diáconos y Sacerdotes que necesitamos para tener Misa. El tema de este año es *Caminando Unidos en Cristo*. Nuestra meta este año es de \$57,000. Si cada familia dona solo \$60 por año, podemos pasar nuestra meta. Para desglosarlo, serían \$5 al mes, que es aproximadamente lo que cuesta una taza de café de Starbucks. Por favor, considere realizar un donativo, de manera que Caminando Unidos en Cristo, podamos cuidar constantemente de aquellos que dependen de la Arquidiócesis y de nuestros programas para sustentar la vida y la fe. ¡Visite archsa.org/archbishops-appeal para donar hoy! ¿Tiene preguntas? Por favor llame al (210) 734-1910.

St. Monica community you are all so giving and always willing to support the parish, our priests and those in need, we are so thankful for your generosity.

Please be cautious of scam calls that are once again happening. Not only using the priest name but the Archdioceses name. A priest will not text, email or call you for money.

Please know that it is a scam. Should you receive a call and have any questions call the office 210-658-3816 before giving any monetary donation or personal information.



Comunidad de Santa Mónica, todos ustedes son muy generosos y siempre están dispuestos a apoyar a la parroquia, nuestros sacerdotes y a los necesitados, estamos muy agradecidos por su generosidad. **Por favor**, tengan cuidado con las llamadas fraudulentas que están ocurriendo una vez mas. No solo usando el nombre del sacerdote, sino también el nombre de la Arquidiócesis.

Un sacerdote no le enviara mensajes de texto, correos electrónicos ni le llamara para pedirle dinero. Tenga en cuenta que es una estafa. En caso que reciba una llamada y tenga alguna pregunta, llame a la oficina al 210-658-3816 antes de hacer cualquier donación monetaria o información personal.

Consider joining the St. Monica Welcome Ministry!

We are in search of many smiling, friendly faces to help greet newcomers to our parish. We want to help them to feel welcome and comfortable in our place of worship.

What does the Welcome Ministry do?

Our members will greet new parishioners and welcome guests to our church before each Sunday Mass. Provide general information at our welcome desk. We are also planning Welcome Socials to introduce them to members of our parish, let them know about opportunities to serve, and activities for spiritual growth and social interaction in our community. We will contact newly registered parishioners to update them on what is happening in our parish and to ensure that they feel included in our community.

How can you serve the Welcome Ministry?

Can you offer a few minutes before and/or after each Mass to greet newcomers to our church?

Can you help organize a regular meeting to provide information about St. Monica to new members?

Can you be a smiling face and a friendly voice to bring new parishioners into our community?

Please contact Tony Canez with any questions.
(210) 857-0789 or tcwildcat1992@gmail.com



Por favor, considere unirse al Ministerio de Bienvenida!

Estamos en busca de muchas caras sonrientes y amigables para ayudar a saludar a los recién llegados a nuestra parroquia. Queremos ayudarlos ellos a sentirse bienvenidos y cómodos en nuestra iglesia.

¿Qué hace el Ministerio de Bienvenida?

Nuestros miembros saludarán a los nuevos feligreses y darán la bienvenida a los invitados a nuestra iglesia antes de cada misa dominical. Proporcionar información general en nuestro mostrador de bienvenida. También estamos planeando eventos sociales para presentar a los miembros de nuestra parroquia, informarles sobre oportunidades de servicio y actividades para el crecimiento espiritual y la interacción social en nuestra comunidad. Nos comunicaremos con los feligreses recién registrados para actualizarlos sobre lo que está sucediendo en nuestra parroquia y asegurarnos de que se sientan incluidos en nuestra comunidad.

¿Cómo puedes servir al Ministerio de Bienvenida?

¿Puede ofrecer unos minutos antes y después de cada Misa para saludar a los recién llegados a nuestra iglesia?

¿Puede ayudar a organizar una reunión periódica para brindar información sobre Santa Mónica a los nuevos miembros?

¿Puedes ser una cara sonriente y una voz amigable para atraer nuevos feligreses a nuestra comunidad?

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Easter Triduum

March 28-31, 2024


Holy Thursday March 27, 2024

7:00 pm Bilingual Mass The Lord's Supper

10:00 pm Tenebrae

Good Friday March 28, 2024

2:00 pm Stations of the Cross — English

3:00 pm Lord's Passion Service— English

4:30 pm Live Stations of the Cross — Bilingual

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Easter Vigil Saturday March 30, 2024

8 pm Vigil Service Bilingual



Easter Sunday March 31, 2024

Sunrise Mass 6:30 am (English)

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11:00 am English Mass

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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.*

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