

St. Monica Catholic Church
501 North St.
Converse, Texas 78109



Mass Schedule

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

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

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

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

HOLY HOUR: Thursday 7 pm

1st FRIDAY MASS: 8:15 am English 7:00 pm Spanish

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

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 **Natalia Lopez**

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: Lyle Pearce Beginning Wednesday October 4th at 7:45pm in the Parish Hall

HOMEBOUND: Barbara Ward

WELCOME MINISTRY: Tony Canez

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, Mary Kirby, 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, Tony Rippy, Edwardo Guevara, Adalene, Janet Hillson, Pablo Martinez, Lucy Zamora, Ariel & Clara Casiano, Donny Krueger, Donelia Jimenez, Jeannie & Paul, Maria Ramos, Will Clouse, Roland Guerra, Ignacio Urabazo, Becky Cortez, Francis, Corina Silk, Jason Silk, Olga B., Judy Gutierrez Kahn, Alfredo Covarrubias & family, Sergio Martinez Ortiz, Rocio Martinez Ortiz, Derrick Hensley, Edith, Blanca, Juan Esquivel, Rocio Martinez, Hector Balderas, Diana Palomo, Vicky Guevara, Mary Angel Garcia, Manuel Lozano, Sylvia Gonzales



Please pray for the sick

COMMITTEES

Pastoral Council President: Timo Zepeda

Finance Council President: Barbara Stewart

Building Board President: Tony Canez

CHOIR DIRECTORS

Music Coordinator: Jorge Castellanos

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

David Sat: 7:15pm

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



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

*In our prayers let us ask the Lord for health
for our sisters and brothers who are ill:*

*En nuestras oraciones pedimos al Señor por la salud
de nuestras hermanas y nuestros hermanos enfermos:*

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, July 1st

St. Junipero Serra, Priest / San Junipero Serra, Presbítero

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

Tuesday/Martes, July 2nd

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

Wednesday/Miércoles, July 3rd

St. Thomas, Apostle / Santo Tomas, Apóstol

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

Confessions /Confesiones 5:30 p.m.

Thursday/Jueves, July 4th

Happy Independence Day /Feliz día de Independencia

Parish Office Closed / Oficina Parroquial Cerrada

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

Holy Hour / Hora Santa CANCELLED

Friday/Viernes, July 5th

St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal

San Antonio María Zacaria, Presbítero; Santa Isabel de Portugal

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

Saturday/Sábado, July 6th

St. Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr; BVM

Santa María Goretti, Virgen y Mártir; BVM

Rosary/Rosario 9:00 a.m.

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

Confessions/Confesiones 3:30 p.m.

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

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

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

14º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Sunday/Domingo, July 7th

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

Misas de la mañana 9:15 a.m. Fr. Rafael

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

*****New Office Hours:** Beginning tomorrow Monday July 1st the office will be open from 9am to 5:30pm and will be closed for lunch from 12:30 to 1pm.

*****Nuevo Horario de Oficina:** A partir del mañana Lunes 1 de Julio, la oficina abrirá de 9 am a 5:30 pm y estará cerrada durante el almuerzo, de 12:30 pm a 1 pm.

COLLECTIONS

June 23rd \$ 11,962.50

Online collection \$ 2,192.50

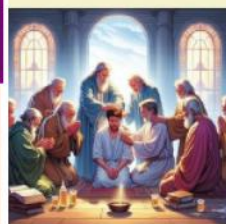
Online Collection for St. Monica School \$ 85.00

Online Collection for St. Vincent de Paul \$ 109.00

July 7th NO Second Collection



Mon	7/1	8:15 a.m. (SI) Families displaced of the New Mexico Fires
Tue	7/2	8:15 a.m. (B) Andrew Winfield † Michelle Osina Gonzalez † Maria Luisa Larralde † Holy Souls in Purgatory
Wed	7/3	8:15 a.m. (B) Evelia Alcala (SI) Conversion of Sinners
Thurs	7/4	8:15 a.m. (B) Vanessa Campos (B) Miguel Alcala † Richard Hite Jr.
Fri.	7/5	8:15 p.m. (B) Scott Winfield † Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sat.	7/6	9:30 a.m. (SI) Safety of the Children † Francisco Camarena 5:30 p.m. † Jose Trevino † Mary & Ed Hammersley 7:15 p.m. (B) Alma y Federico Roa (B) Araseli y Denise Roa
Sun.	7/7	7:30 a.m. † Esther & Bob Patterson † Linda Susan Kneupper 9:15 a.m. (SI) Ivonne Samuda † Richard Hite Jr. 11:00 a.m. † Reynold & Alicia Gonzalez 1:00 p.m. (B) Tomas Gutierrez (B) Jorge Castellanos † Uvaldo Cantu † Carlos De La Garza † Tranquelina Padilla 5:00 p.m. (SI) Conversion of Sinners 7:00 p.m. (SI) St. Monica Parishioners



All are invited to join us on Wed., July 10th Healing Mass at 7pm

Todos están invitados a unirse a nosotros, el Miércoles, 10 de Julio para una Misa de Sanación a las 7pm

Confessions begin at 5pm and end at 7pm

Confesiones comenzarán a las 5pm y terminarán a las 7pm



St. Monica Catholic School

Dragon Tales



Registration now open for the 2024/2025 School Year

For more information call 210-658-6701
A faith filled education is a wonderful gift to give your child a gift that no one can ever take away from them.

Ya está abierta la inscripción para el Año 2024/2025

Para mas información llame al 210-658-6701
Una educación llena de fe es un regalo maravilloso para darle a su hijo un regalo que nadie podrá quitarle.



Jessie Traxler
Summer Fun Coordinator
jtraxler@saintmonica.net



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		11 Month	
1 Child	\$595.00	1 Child	\$540.91
2 Children	\$1,130.50	2 Children	\$1,027.73
3 Children	\$1,666.00	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

(210)658-6701

515 North Street
Converse Tx 78109



SESSION 1
JUNE 03- JULY 02

SESSION 2
JULY 08- AUG 02

ST. MONICA SUMMER FUN
PRE-K 3 TO 8TH GRADE
REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

FEES AND INFO:

- Registration Fee \$60 per child
- \$650 per Session per child
- 2 Sessions: June and July
- Hours: 7AM-5:30PM
- Open to the Public

ACTIVITES:

- Swimming
- Field Trips
- Cheer Lessons
- Fine Arts
- and More!

(210)658-6701

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ACADEMY OPENING

Second Room
Target Date April 2024

- 2yr old learning program ✓
- State Licensed Child Care Center ✓
- 4-1 Student Teacher Ratio ✓

St Monica Catholic School
NOW ENROLLING
PreK-8th grade

Where Gods love is taught
Practiced, and ever present.

Registering Now
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“Pastor’s Voice”**Reflection on 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15
Embracing Generosity and Equality**

Dear St. Monica family,

In 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15, St. Paul exhorts the Corinthians to excel in the grace of giving. He writes, "But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you—see that you also excel in this grace of giving... For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.. Our desire is not that others might be relieved while you are hard pressed, but that there might be equality. At the present time, your plenty will supply what they need, so that in turn their plenty will supply what you need. The goal is equality, as it is written: ‘The one who gathered much did not have too much, and the one who gathered little did not have too little.’"

In today's world, these words resonate deeply as we navigate issues of inequality and the call to generosity. St. Paul highlights that true Christian living involves not only growing in faith and love but also in our willingness to give generously. This giving reflects the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, who sacrificed His riches for our sake.

We live in a time where disparities in wealth and resources are stark. Many are in need, while others have plenty. As followers of Christ, we are called to bridge this gap through our generosity. This isn't merely about financial giving but extends to sharing our time, talents, and compassion.

By striving for equality, we honor the biblical principle that no one should have too much while others have too little. This principle calls us to look beyond ourselves and to consider the needs of our community and the world. It challenges us to create a more just and equitable society where everyone's needs are met.

In practical terms, this might mean supporting local charities, volunteering, or simply being mindful of how we use our resources. It means recognizing that our abundance is an opportunity to bless others, just as Christ has blessed us. God bless you and God Bless America.

Let us pray: "Lord, help us to excel in the grace of giving. Open our hearts to the needs of others and guide us to use our resources wisely. May we reflect Your love and generosity in all we do, striving for equality and justice. Amen."

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Thumma Prathap

June 29th & 30th, 2024

“Voz del Pastor”**Reflexión sobre 2 Corintios 8:7, 9, 13-15
Abrazando la Generosidad y la Igualdad**

Querida familia de Santa Mónica,

En 2 Corintios 8:7, 9, 13-15, San Pablo exhorta a los Corintios a sobresalir en la gracia de dar. Él escribe: "Pero a medida que sobresalís en todo, en la fe, en la palabra, en el conocimiento, en el sincero y en el amor que hemos encendido en vosotros, mirad que también sobrealgáis en esta gracia de dar... Porque conocéis la gracia de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, que siendo rico, se hizo pobre por vosotros, para que vosotros por su pobreza os enriquecierais. Nuestro deseo no es que los demás se sientan aliviados mientras ustedes están en apuros, sino que haya igualdad. En el tiempo presente, tu abundancia suplirá lo que necesitan, de modo que a su vez la abundancia de ellos suplirá lo que tú necesitas. La meta es la igualdad, como está escrito: 'El que recogió mucho no tuvo demasiado, y el que recogió poco no tuvo demasiado poco'".

En el mundo de hoy, estas palabras resuenan profundamente mientras navegamos por los problemas de la desigualdad y el llamado a la generosidad. San Pablo destaca que la verdadera vida cristiana implica no solo crecer en la fe y el amor, sino también en nuestra disposición a dar generosamente. Esta ofrenda refleja la gracia de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, quien sacrificó sus riquezas por nosotros.

Vivimos en una época en la que las disparidades de riqueza y recursos son marcadas. Muchos están necesitados, mientras que otros tienen mucho. Como seguidores de Cristo, estamos llamados a cerrar esta brecha a través de nuestra generosidad. No se trata simplemente de donaciones financieras, sino que se extiende a compartir nuestro tiempo, talentos y compasión.

Al luchar por la igualdad, honramos el principio bíblico de que nadie debe tener demasiado mientras otros tienen muy poco. Este principio nos llama a mirar más allá de nosotros mismos y a considerar las necesidades de nuestra comunidad y del mundo. Nos desafía a crear una sociedad más justa y equitativa en la que se satisfagan las necesidades de todos.

En términos prácticos, esto podría significar apoyar a organizaciones benéficas locales, ser voluntario o simplemente ser conscientes de cómo usamos nuestros recursos. Significa reconocer que nuestra abundancia es una oportunidad para bendecir a los demás, así como Cristo nos ha bendecido a nosotros. Que Dios los bendiga y que Dios bendiga a Estados Unidos.

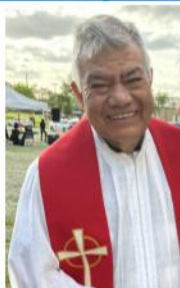
Oremos: "Señor, ayúdanos a sobresalir en la gracia de dar. Abrir nuestros corazones a las necesidades de los demás y guiarnos para usar nuestros recursos sabiamente. Que podamos reflejar Tu amor y generosidad en todo lo que hacemos, luchando por la igualdad y la justicia. Amén".

Suyo en Cristo,

Padre Thumma Prathap

Fecha: 29 y 30 de Junio de 2024

Fr. Artemio, you will truly be missed here at St. Monica. You will always be in our thoughts & prayers. Lots of well wishes on your new journey at St. Jude. May God bless you abundantly and always.



Padre Artemio, realmente lo extrañaremos aquí en Santa Mónica. Siempre estará en nuestros pensamientos y oraciones. Muchos buenos deseos en su nuevo camino en St. Jude. Que Dios lo bendiga abundantemente y siempre.

Christian Initiation Corner
Period of the Catechumenate
 (Part 1 of 4)



The catechumenate is an extended period during which the candidates are given suitable pastoral formation and guidance, aimed at training them in the Christian life. In this way, the dispositions manifested at their acceptance into the catechumenate are brought to maturity. This is achieved in four ways.

Para 75.1. A suitable catechesis is provided by priests or deacons, or by catechists and others of the faithful, planned to be gradual and complete in its coverage, accommodated to the liturgical year, and solidly supported by celebrations of the word. This catechesis leads the catechumens not only to an appropriate acquaintance with dogmas and precepts but also to a profound sense of the mystery of salvation in which they desire to participate.

June

The great Solemnity of Pentecost marked the great gift of the Holy Spirit to those God the Father calls to be his own. Perhaps you can think of someone who longs to have a closer relationship with our Heavenly Father. Can you plant the seeds of hope as you speak of our Father's loving care, and his everlasting promises fulfilled in the sending of his Son, and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit? Ask about the Inquiry sessions for those who are not baptized, are of other faiths, or are adult Catholics who were not yet confirmed.

If you have any questions or are interested in assisting, please contact Timo Zepeda rcia@saintmonicaconverse.net
Please pray for all our Catechumen and Candidates...

Rincón de la iniciación cristiana
Período del Catecumenato
 (Parte 1 o 4)

El catecumenato es un período prolongado durante el cual los candidatos reciben una formación y orientación pastoral adecuadas, con el objetivo de entrenarlos en la vida cristiana. De esta manera, las disposiciones que se manifiestan en su aceptación en el catecumenato se llevan a la madurez. Esto se logra de cuatro maneras.

Párrafo 75.1. Una catequesis adecuada es proporcionada por sacerdotes o diáconos, o por catequistas y otros de los fieles, planeada para ser gradual y completa en su cobertura, acomodada al año litúrgico y sólidamente apoyada por las celebraciones de la palabra. Esta catequesis lleva a los catecúmenos no solo a un conocimiento apropiado de los dogmas y preceptos, sino también a un profundo sentido del misterio de la salvación en el que desean participar.

Junio

La gran solemnidad de Pentecostés marcó el gran don del Espíritu Santo a aquellos que Dios el Padre llama a ser suyos. Tal vez puedas pensar en alguien que anhela tener una relación más cercana con nuestro Padre Celestial. ¿Puedes plantar las semillas de la esperanza mientras hablas del cuidado amoroso de nuestro Padre, y de sus promesas eternas cumplidas en el envío de su Hijo, y de la morada del Espíritu Santo? Pregunte sobre las sesiones de consulta para aquellos que no están bautizados, son de otras religiones o son católicos adultos que no fueron confirmados

Si tiene preguntas o está interesado en asistir, póngase en contacto con Bertha Castellanos rica@saintmonicaconverse.net
Por favor, ore por todos nuestros catecúmenos y candidatos...

Come and enjoy this wonderful Vocations story that beautifully portrays the priesthood, seminary life, and suffering.

People of all ages have been moved by this story.

This is a captivating documentary about the incredible journey of

Fr. Ryan Stawaisz.

Despite facing cancer, his story is a testament to faith and love for God's will.

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Palomita Films

LOVE
 GOD'S
 WILL

THE TRUE STORY OF FR. RYAN STAWAISZ

JULY 10

Regal Live Oak

6:00pm

English with English subtitles

7:30pm

English with Spanish subtitles

Reserve your ticket now at
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SCAN FOR
 TICKETS



Venga y disfrute de esta maravillosa historia de las Vocaciones que retrata maravillosamente el sacerdocio, la vida en el seminario y el sufrimiento.

Personas de todas las edades se han conmovido por este cuento.

Este es un cautivador documental sobre el increíble camino de

P. Ryan Stawaisz

A pesar de enfrentar el cáncer, su historia es un testimonio de fe y amor por la voluntad de Dios.

St. Monica Thrift Store will start accepting donations tomorrow Mon. July 1, 2024. Feel free to drop off your treasures Monday-Saturday 9-6pm. Come and shop either Wednesday or Saturday open 9am—12pm



Nuestra Tienda de Segunda estará aceptando donaciones comenzando mañana Lunes, 1 de Julio, 2024. Puede traer sus tesoros de Lunes a Sábado de 9 - 6pm. Puede hacer sus compras los Miércoles o Sábado de 9-12pm.

Registration is now open for the 2024-2025 school year.

Classes will begin September 11, 2024

*****Middle School (Edge) will be moving from Thursday to Tuesday*****



You can register in the office, we are open till 7pm on Wednesday on Saturday 10am—2pm and Sunday 10am—3pm or **online only if paying with a debit or credit card.**

Classes fill up fast so register soon.

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to Contact Mrs. Toni Espinoza, our Religious Education Director at 210-658-3816 x 243 or you can email her at re@saintmonicaconverse.net

Las Inscripciones ya están abiertas para el Año Escolar 2024-2025.

Las Clases comienzan el 11 de Septiembre, 2024

**** EDGE—Escuela Intermedia estará moviendo de Jueves a Martes ****

Se puede registrar en la oficina; estamos abiertos hasta las 7 p.m. los Miércoles, los Sábados de 10 a.m. a 2 p.m. y los Domingos de 10 a.m. a 3 p.m. o **en línea solo si paga con tarjeta de débito o crédito.** *Las clases se llenan rápido, así que regístrese lo mas antes posible.*

Si tiene alguna pregunta o inquietud, no dude en comunicarse con la Sra. Toni Espinoza, Directora de Educación Religiosa 210-658-3816 x 243 o puede mandar un correo a re@saintmonicaconverse.net

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Would you like to join a group that helps mold the future of our church! Our Religious Education Center is looking for additional volunteers.

Classes meet on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM. All that is required is a loving heart, dedication, and a willingness to share God’s word. Fair Warning: being a part of this group can be quite addictive and produce a warm, fuzzy feeling!

Anyone interested in helping this wonderful group, please contact Toni Espinoza at 210-658-3816 or re@saintmonicaconverse.net

BECOME A VOLUNTEER - MAKE A DIFFERENCE



NECESITAMOS VOLUNTARIOS

¿Le gustaría unirse a un grupo que ayuda a moldear el futuro de nuestra iglesia? Nuestro Centro de Educación Religiosa está buscando voluntarios adicionales. Las

clases se reúnen los Miércoles por la tarde a las 6:30 p.m. Todo lo que se requiere es un corazón amoroso, dedicación y voluntad de compartir la palabra de Dios. Advertencia justa: ser parte de este grupo puede ser bastante adictivo y producir una sensación cálida y cariñoso. Cualquier persona interesada en ayudar a este maravilloso grupo, comuníquese con Toni Espinoza al 210-658-3816 o re@saintmonicaconverse.net

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These teens had an amazing time last weekend attending the Life Teen Steubenville Conference. This is a life-changing encounter with Christ through an authentic environment of community, which works alongside parishes to make sure that every teen knows that they are not only wanted, but are an irreplaceable part of these events. We trust that through this sense of belonging, grace will be allowed to move and faith will begin to grow.



Estos adolescentes se divirtieron mucho el fin de semana pasado asistiendo a la Conferencia Life Teen Steubenville. Se trata de un encuentro con Cristo que cambia la vida a través de un ambiente auténtico de comunidad, que trabaja junto a las parroquias para asegurarse de que todos los adolescentes sepan que no solo son queridos, sino que son una parte irremplazable de estos eventos. Confiamos en que a través de este sentido de pertenencia, la gracia se moverá y la fe comenzará a crecer.



St. Monica wants to

Celebrate your Wedding Anniversary

Marriage is a sacred bond, and each week, we witness its strength. To show our appreciation, we'll be presenting beautiful shawls from India to couples celebrating anniversaries (1 year or more) during all weekend Masses, beginning next weekend July 6th and to continue until July 5, 2025. The shawls are a free token of our thanks. To ensure we have enough, **please** notify the parish office at least two weeks before your anniversary at parish@saintmonicaconverse.net or 210-658-3816. Please send your names and date of wedding and which Mass you attend. Thank you to all our married couples, for your faith and for witnessing Christ's love. God bless you all.



Santa Mónica quiere

Celebrar su Aniversario de Bodas

El matrimonio es un vínculo sagrado, y cada semana, somos testigos de su fuerza. Para mostrar nuestro agradecimiento, presentaremos hermosos chales de la India a las parejas que celebran aniversarios (1 año o más) durante las misas de fin de semana del 6 de Julio de 2024 al 5 de Julio de 2025. Los chales son una muestra gratuita de nuestro agradecimiento. Para asegurarse de que tenemos suficiente, **por favor** notifique a la oficina parroquial al menos dos semanas antes de su aniversario en 210-658-3816 o a parish@saintmonicaconverse.net. ¡Gracias a todos nuestros matrimonios, por vuestra fe y por testimoniar el amor de Cristo! Dios los bendiga a todos.



Knights of Columbus

are hosting the **Annual BBQ**
Sunday July 28, 2024.

All plates are takeout and can be picked up between 10am and 2 pm in the school cafeteria. Plates include a chicken quarter, sausage link, potato salad, and pinto beans for \$12. Tickets will be on sale after all masses June 29-30 & July 20-21. Online tickets are available at <https://uknight.org/CouncilSite/?CNO=9681>

All plates are presale. Sales end 24 July.

You can also get your tickets in office during regular business hours. (see the bulletin)



Caballeros de Colón

están organizando el **Barbacoa Anual**
Domingo 28 de Julio, 2024.

Todos los platos son para llevar y pueden ser recogido entre las 10 am y las 2 pm en la cafetería de la escuela. Los platos incluyen un cuarto de pollo, salchichas, ensalada de papa y frijoles pintos por \$12.

Los boletos estarán a la venta después de todas las misas del 29-30 de Junio y 20-21 de Julio. Boletos también están disponibles en línea en

<https://uknight.org/CouncilSite/?CNO=9681>

Todos los platos están en preventa. Las ventas terminan el 24 de Julio.

También pueden comprar sus boletos en la oficina durante el horario regular de la oficina. (vea el boletín)



TWO PILGRIMAGES IN THE FUTURE ARE BEING PLANNED

Are you interested in exploring sacred sites and deepening your faith?

We have two incredible travel opportunities coming up: a pilgrimage to the Marian Shrines

September 9 –18, 2024

Fr. Rafael Negroni as the Spiritual Companion
Registration ends soon

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DOS PEREGRINACIONES EN EL FUTURO SE ESTAN PLANEANDO

¿Estás interesado en explorar sitios sagrados y profundizar tu fe? Tenemos dos increíbles oportunidades de viaje por delante:

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a India del 6 al 19 de Enero de 2025.

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Para mas información contacte a

Laura Hilbig 210-204-6671 o

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Flyers and registrations are available in the office or on the kiosk at the foyer.

Spots are filling up quickly, so act fast and register now!

For more information on either pilgrimage contact Laura Hilbig 210-204-6671

or email: laura@lltravelco.com

St Monica's Women's ACTS retreat will be held this summer July 18th -21st 2024 at St Anthony de Padua. We are inviting all women over the age of 21 to join us on this journey with God. Some say it is a life changing experience, at this retreat you will grow in your faith and make lots of friends along the way! You can sign up online at saintmonicaconverse.net and it's under the ACTS tab.

You can also scan this QR code. The cost is \$200. Space is limited and we fill up fast, if you would like to guarantee a space , you can pay \$100 down.

We do have scholarship opportunities so don't let finances hold you back from this beautiful weekend with the ladies and the Lord.

If you have any questions, please contact Director Teri Pearce 210-373-9461, Co-Director Jan VanSlambrouck 210-416-2018 or Spiritual Companion, Toni Espinoza 956-493-3867



El retiro ACTS para Mujeres de Santa Mónica se llevará a cabo este verano del 18 al 21 de Julio de 2024 en St. Anthony de Padua. Invitamos a todas las mujeres mayores de 21 años a unirse a nosotras en este viaje con Dios. Algunos dicen que es una experiencia que le cambia la vida. ¡En este retiro crecerá en su fe y hará muchos amigos a lo largo del camino! Puede registrarse en la oficina o en línea en saintmonicaconverse.net y está en la pestaña ACTS. También puede escanear el código QR.

El costo es de \$200. El espacio es limitado y nos llenamos rápido. Si desea garantizar un espacio, puede pagar \$100 de enganche.

Tenemos oportunidades de becas. Así que no permita que las finanzas le impidan disfrutar de este hermoso fin de semana con las damas y el Señor. Si tiene preguntas, favor de contactar a la Directora, Teri Pearce 210-373-9461, Co-Directora Jan Van Slambrouck 210-416-2018 o Compañera Espiritual, Toni Espinoza 956-493-3867

Community Cleanup Event (formerly known as "Dump Your Junk")

City of Converse will hold this event at the church parking lot off FM 78.

The event is one Saturday per month from 8am – 12pm

The dates for this year are: **July 13th,** August 10th, Sept. 14th and Oct. 12th.

Paper Shredding will be offered on Sat. Aug 10th



Free to City of Converse Residents

***Must bring proof of residency City of Converse Utility bill & State Issued ID matching address on utility bill.

Evento de Limpieza Comunitaria (anteriormente conocido como "Dump Your Junk")

Ciudad de Converse tendrá este evento en el estacionamiento de la Iglesia, junto a FM78.

Este evento se llevara a cabo un Sábado al mes de 8am a 12pm

Las fechas para este ano son: **13 de Julio,** 10 de Agosto, 14 de Septiembre, y 12 de Octubre

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