

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

"I am the bread of life; John 6:35

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



"Yo soy el pan de la vida John 6:35

Office Working Hours: Mon., Tue., Thur., & Friday 9:00 am-5:30 pm Wed. 9 am-7pm
Closed for lunch 12:30-1pm Mon.- Fri.
Sat: 10am-2pm & Sun: 10am-3pm

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



ST. MONICA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Mrs. Karmen Chavez

Early Childhood-8th Grade

Academy Day Care 18 months-3 year olds

210-658-6701 E-mail: office@saintmonica.net

Registration now open for the 2024/2025 School Year

Ya está abierta la inscripción para el Año 2024/2025



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: Melinda Vanderdrink

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

PERPETUAL ADORATION: Christian Zunino

POWER POINT MINISTRY: Claudio Corrales & Courtney Sheehan

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**

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: Barbara Stewart

Building Board President: Tony Canez

CHOIR DIRECTORS

Music Coordinator: Jorge Castellanos

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

David Rodriguez 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

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 & EDGE: To include preparation for **First Communion and Confirmation** Grades K–High School.
Email: RE@saintmonicaconverse.net 210-658-3816



Glyssie Esquivel, Reynaldo Vela, Angel Cantu, Linda Duncan, Maria J., Arthur Thomas, Lisa Lee, Luis M Vega, Barbara Cantley, Suzie Littrell, Helen Arispe, Olga B., Alena Quintero, Irma Mendez,

Nildia Johnston, Lucy Barajas, Tim Knotts, Lisa Lee, Douglas, Bob Andrews, Tyler Acosta, Jo-Ann Case, Diane Thatcher, Brenda, Mary Kirby, Jennifer Sanchez, Jose Martinez, John Cortez, Andrew, Velma Duran, Manuel M., Jan Beland, Kenia Aguilar, Dolores Vaquera & family, Sara Chase, Navarro, Ruddy Ballesteros DeLeon, Debbie Garcia, Armando Aguero, 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, Will Clouse, Donelia Jimenez, Jeannie & Paul, Maria Ramos, Roland Guerra, Ignacio Urabazo, Becky Cortez, Francis, Corina Silk, Jason Silk, 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, Anna Sophia Pusateri

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.

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, August 5th

The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major in Rome
La Dedicación de la Basílica de Santa María la Mayor

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

Tuesday/Martes, August 6th

Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord
Fiesta de la Transfiguración del Señor

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

Wednesday/Miércoles, August 7th

Memorial of Saint Sixtus II, Pope and Martyr, and his companions, martyrs
Memorial of Saint Cajetan, priest
Memoria de San Sixto II, Papa, y Compañeros, Mártires
Memoria de San Cayetano, Presbítero

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

Confessions /Confesiones 5:30 p.m.

Thursday/Jueves, August 8th

Memorial of Saint Dominic, Priest/Memoria de Santo Domingo, Presbítero

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

Holy Hour / Hora Santa 7:00 p.m.

Friday/Viernes, August 9th

Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr
Santa Teresa Benedicta de la Cruz, Virgen y Mártir

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

Saturday/Sábado, August 10th

Feast of Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
Fiesta de san Lorenzo, Diácono y Mártir

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. Rafael
& Dcn. Joel

Mass/Misa 7:15 p.m. Fr. Rafael
& Dcn. Joel

**19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
19º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

Sunday/Domingo, August 11th

Masses in a.m. 7:30 a.m. Fr. Rafael
& Dcn. David

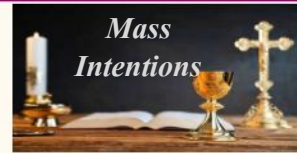
Misas de la mañana 9:15 a.m. Fr. Rafael
& Dcn. David

11:00 a.m. Fr. Thumma
& Dcn. Sean

Masses in p.m. 1 p.m. (Español) Fr. Thumma
& Dcn. Luis

Misas de la tarde 5 p.m. (English) Fr. Thumma
& Dcn. Sean

7 p.m. (Español) Fr. Thumma
& Dcn. Luis



Mon	8/5	8:15 a.m. (SI) Rob Wick † Joe A. Rangel
Tue	8/6	8:15 a.m. † Holy Souls in Purgatory † Francisco Camarena † Felipa H. Montoya † Charlie Scherbarth
Wed	8/7	8:15 a.m. (B) Taylor Sheehan (SI) Conversion of Sinners (SI) Rob Wick † Felipa H. Montoya † Mary Rodriguez
Thurs	8/8	8:15 a.m. (B) Maria Elena Catalano † Richard Hite Jr.
Fri.	8/9	8:15 p.m. † Holy Souls in Purgatory † Francisco Javier Lopez Smits
Sat.	8/10	9:30 a.m. (B) Phil Banta † Nancy Boone Crane 5:30 p.m. † Scott Case 7:15 p.m. (SI) Jose de Jesus & Rosa Soltero
Sun.	8/11	7:30 a.m. (SI) Mary Kirby 9:15 a.m. (SI) Chijioko & Uzoamaka Nnaji for † Manuel Gonzales † Joe Ignacio Moreno 11:00 a.m. † Bob Hovis † Lupe Chagoya † Daniel Serna Jr. † Irma Kotanan 1:00 p.m. (B) Jayliz Camps (B) Evelia Alcala (B) Cecilia Beltran (SI) Dcn. Joel Castellanos (SI) For the children returning to school † Jesus Nuno 5:00 p.m. (SI) Conversion of Sinners 7:00 p.m. (B) Rosario De La Fuente

COLLECTIONS

July 28th \$ 11,953.00
Online collection \$ 3,058.50



Collection for St. Monica School \$ 2,024.00
Online Collection for St. Monica School \$ 210.00
Online Collection for St. Vincent de Paul \$ 224.00

**August 11th Second Collection:
St. Vincent de Paul**



This week altar flowers for the repose soul of: **Daniel Serna Jr.**

St. Monica Catholic School

Dragon Tales



2024-2025 School Year

St. Monica Catholic School

TUITION AND FEES FOR PK-8TH



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
— ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN ANTONIO —

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

Academy for Children (2-3yrs)

Tuition Assistance Kinder- 8th

WWW.hopeforthefuture.org

Frogstreet Curriculum

Four Core Collaborative Curriculum



(210)658-6701

515 North Street
Converse Tx 78109



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.

We are also delighted to share that Fr. Rafael and Fr. Thumma will be teaching Religion classes for students from 1st to 8th grades, enriching their understanding of our faith. Your support and assistance are invaluable to us. Please keep St. Monica's School in your prayers as we continue to nurture the minds and souls of our young students.

También estamos encantados de compartir que Padre Rafael y Padre Thumma impartirán clases de Religión para estudiantes de 1^o a 8^o grado, enriqueciendo su comprensión de nuestra fe. Su apoyo y asistencia son invaluable para nosotros. Por favor, mantengan a la escuela de Santa Mónica en sus oraciones mientras continuamos nutriendo las mentes y almas de nuestros jóvenes.

ACADEMY DAY CARE

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Frog Street learning curriculum ✓

State Licensed Child Care Center ✓

5-1 Student Teacher Ratio ✓



Hours 7:00 am -5:30 pm



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“Pastor’s Voice”**Reflection based on: Eph 4:17, 20, 20-24
Embracing Our New Life in Christ**

Dear St. Monica Parishioners,,

In this Sunday's reading from the letter to the Ephesians (Eph 4:17, 20-24), St. Paul calls us to a profound transformation. He urges us to no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds, but to embrace a new way of life in Christ. This passage challenges us to reflect on our daily lives and our commitment to living out our faith authentically.

Paul reminds us that as followers of Christ, we are called to put away our old selves, those parts of our lives that are corrupted by deceitful desires and sinful habits. Instead, we are invited to be renewed in the spirit of our minds and to put on the new self, created in God's way, in righteousness and holiness of truth. This renewal is not just a one-time event but a continuous journey of growing closer to God and becoming more like Christ.

What does this mean for us in our daily lives? It means examining our thoughts, actions, and attitudes, and aligning them with the teachings of Jesus. It involves making conscious decisions to turn away from behaviors and mindsets that separate us from God's love and grace. It means embracing virtues like kindness, patience, forgiveness, and love, and allowing these to guide our interactions with others.

Living out our new life in Christ also calls us to be witnesses of His love in our communities. Just as St. Mother Teresa dedicated her life to loving and serving the poorest and most vulnerable, we too are called to reach out to those in need, offering our time, resources, and compassion. This is how we can embody the righteousness and holiness of truth that Paul speaks of.

As we reflect on this passage, let us ask ourselves: Are there areas in my life where I am still clinging to the old self? How can I open myself to the renewing power of the Holy Spirit? In what ways can I better reflect the love and truth of Christ in my relationships and actions?

Let us pray for the grace to fully embrace our new life in Christ, to be renewed in the spirit of our minds, and to live each day in righteousness and holiness. May we, as a parish community, support and encourage one another on this journey of faith. May God bless you and God bless America.

Yours truly,

Rev. Thumma Prathap

August 3rd & 4th, 2024

“Voz del Pastor”**Reflexión basada en: Ef. 4:17, 20, 20-24
Abrazando Nuestra Nueva Vida en Cristo**

Querida familia de Santa Mónica,

En la lectura de este domingo de la carta a los Efesios (Ef 4,17.20-24), San Pablo nos llama a una profunda transformación. Nos insta a no vivir más como lo hacen los gentiles, en la vanidad de sus mentes, sino a abrazar una nueva forma de vida en Cristo. Este pasaje nos desafía a reflexionar sobre nuestra vida diaria y nuestro compromiso de vivir nuestra fe de manera auténtica.

Pablo nos recuerda que, como seguidores de Cristo, estamos llamados a despojarnos de nuestro viejo yo, aquellas partes de nuestras vidas que están corrompidas por deseos engañosos y hábitos pecaminosos. En cambio, estamos invitados a ser renovados en el espíritu de nuestra mente y a revestirnos del nuevo yo, creado a la manera de Dios, en justicia y santidad de verdad. Esta renovación no es sólo un evento único, sino un viaje continuo para acercarnos más a Dios y llegar a ser más como Cristo.

¿Qué significa esto para nosotros en nuestra vida diaria? Significa examinar nuestros pensamientos, acciones y actitudes y alinearlos con las enseñanzas de Jesús. Implica tomar decisiones conscientes para alejarnos de comportamientos y mentalidades que nos separan del amor y la gracia de Dios. Significa abrazar virtudes como la bondad, la paciencia, el perdón y el amor, y permitir que éstas guíen nuestras interacciones con los demás.

Vivir nuestra nueva vida en Cristo también nos llama a ser testigos de su amor en nuestras comunidades. Así como Santa Madre Teresa dedicó su vida a amar y servir a los más pobres y vulnerables, nosotros también estamos llamados a llegar a los necesitados, ofreciendo nuestro tiempo, recursos y compasión. Así es como podemos encarnar la justicia y la santidad de la verdad de la que habla Pablo.

Mientras reflexionamos sobre este pasaje, preguntémosnos: ¿Hay áreas en mi vida en las que todavía me aferro al viejo yo? ¿Cómo puedo abrirme al poder renovador del Espíritu Santo? ¿De qué manera puedo reflejar mejor el amor y la verdad de Cristo en mis relaciones y acciones?

Oremos por la gracia de abrazar plenamente nuestra nueva vida en Cristo, ser nosotros, como comunidad parroquial, nos apoyemos y animemos unos a otros en este camino de fe. Que Dios los bendiga y que Dios bendiga a Estados Unidos.

Suyo en Cristo,

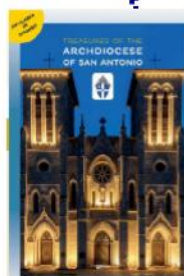
Padre Thumma Prathap

Fecha: 3 y 4 de Agosto de 2024

As we approach the 150th Anniversary of the establishment of the Archdiocese, We are delighted to announce the arrival of the Commemorative books titled

“Treasures of the Archdiocese of San Antonio”.

This beautifully illustrated collection is available in both Spanish and English. ***We have a limited number of books so don't miss out on having this once in a lifetime book.*** Come by the parish office to purchase your copy for \$40.



A medida que nos acercamos al 150 Aniversario del establecimiento de la Arquidiócesis, nos complace anunciar la llegada de los libros conmemorativos titulados

"Tesoros de la Arquidiócesis de San Antonio".

Esta colección bellamente ilustrada está disponible tanto en español como en inglés. ***Tenemos un número limitado de libros, así que no te pierdas este libro único en la vida. Pase por la oficina parroquial para comprar su copia por \$40***

*****UPDATE ON THE THRIFT STORE*****

We apologize for any inconvenience during the closure. ***Our Thrift Store is NOW open for your shopping convenience and your donations***

Regular business hours are
Wednesdays and Saturday 9am to 12 noon.
We appreciate your patience during this time.



**** ACTUALIZACION SOBRE NUESTRA TIENDA DE SEGUNDA ****

Pedimos disculpas por cualquier inconveniente durante el cierre de la semana pasada. ***Nuestra tienda de segunda mano YA está abierta para su comodidad de compras y sus donaciones.***

El horario regular es los Miércoles y Sábados de 9 a.m. a 12 del mediodía.

Agradecemos su paciencia.

Discover the beauty and spirituality of India on guided trip with Father Thumma. This meeting is your last chance to learn more and sign up for this unforgettable journey. Highlights include visiting Fr. Thumma's village

DON'T MISS OUT

January 6 -19, 2025

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 this pilgrimage contact: Laura Hilbig

210-204-6671 or email: laura@lltravelco.com

Have questions? Want more information?

Informational meeting this coming Wednesday August 7th at 7pm

In the Goertz room at the Parish Hall
With a taste of Indian cuisine

Price of \$4699 pp double occupancy!



Descubra la belleza y la espiritualidad de la India en un viaje guiado por el Padre Thumma. Esta reunión es su última oportunidad para aprender más e inscribirse en este viaje inolvidable. Los aspectos más destacados incluyen la visita al pueblo de Padre Thumma

NO SE LO PIERDA

6 al 19 de Enero de 2025

Folletos y formularios de inscripciones están disponibles en la oficina o en el quiosco del vestíbulo.

¡Las plazas se están llenando rápidamente, así que actúa rápido y regístrate ahora!

Para mas información contacte a Laura Hilbig 210-204-6671 o por correo electrónico: laura@lltravelco.com

¿Tiene preguntas? ¿Quiere más información?

Reunión informativa este Próximo Miércoles 7 de Agosto a las 7pm

En la sala Goertz del Salón Parroquial
Con sabor de cocina India.

Discover the Wealth of Catholic Resources on FORMED

Discover the wealth of Catholic resources on FORMED website, **FREE** for all St. Monica parishioners which is subscribed by the parish! Access inspiring studies, audio content, movies, e-books, and kids; programming. Visit [FORMED] (<https://formed.org/>) and use the password 78109.

To gain access to all of FORMED's content, follow these simple steps:

Go to <https://signup.formed.org/>
Enter our parish's zip code (78109)
Enter your name and your email address
That's it! You're in. Enhance your faith journey today!



Descubra la Riqueza de Recursos Católicos en FORMED. Descubra la riqueza de recursos católicos en el sitio web de FORMED.

GRATIS para todos nuestros feligreses de Santa Mónica que está suscrita por la parroquia! Accede estudios inspiradores, contenido de audio, películas, libros electrónicos y programación para niños. Visite

[FORMED] (<https://formed.org/>) y utilice la contraseña 78109. Para obtener acceso a todo el contenido de FORMED, siga estos sencillos pasos: Vaya a <https://signup.formed.org/>

Ingrese el código postal de nuestra parroquia (78109) Introduzca su nombre y su dirección de correo electrónico ¡Eso es todo! Está dentro.

¡Mejore su camino de fe hoy! ¡Regístrese e inspírese!

St. Monica, pray for us.



Santa Mónica. ruega por nosotros.

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

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 **September Birthdays**, anniversary or accomplishment picture by **Monday August 26th** to: parish@saintmonicaconverse.net or come by the parish office

Gracias a todos los que mandaron sus fotos de cumpleaños, aniversario de bodas y 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 **Septiembre para el Lunes, 26 de Agosto** a: parish@saintmonicaconverse.net

Happy Birthday
Angelica Gonzalez
August 22nd



Happy Birthday
Riker Frazier
August 6th



Happy Birthday
Zach Keyes
August 9th



Happy 58th Wedding
Anniversary
Mike & Loraine Say
August 19th



Happy 41st Wedding
Anniversary
Scott & Annette Winfield



Thank you for your service
Master Sergeant
Christopher G. Ortega
May God Bless you and your
family on your 3 year tour to Japan



Happy 50th Wedding
Anniversary
Esteban & Cristina DeCoss
August 3rd



Happy 46th Wedding
Anniversary
Roy & Edna Juarez



Happy 8th Wedding
Anniversary
Joel & Christa Amendarez
August 12th



Happy Birthday
Monica Chagoya
Aug 5th



Happy Birthday
Mackinley Boyd
August 22nd



Happy Birthday
Lydia Atterberry
August 29th



Happy 31st
Wedding Anniversary
Timo & Nancy Zepeda
August 28th



Happy Birthday
Julio Zamago
August 7th



St. Monica's Parish currently has a job opening for qualified applicant.

♦ **Youth Minister**

Must apply through the Archdiocese of San Antonio's website:
<https://www.archsa.org/employment>



La Parroquia de Santa Mónica tiene un trabajo disponible para aquellos que califiquen

♦ **Ministro de Jovenes**

Debe presentar la solicitud a través del sitio web de la Arquidiócesis de San Antonio:
<https://www.archsa.org/employment>

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE!

**Registration is now open for the
2024-2025 school year.
Classes will begin September 11, 2024**

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 are filling 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.
Clases comienzan el 11 de Septiembre, 2024**

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

**IS MOVING FROM
THURSDAY TO TUESDAY
EVENINGS**



**MOVIENDO DE JUEVES A
MARTES POR LA NOCHE**

¡Que es EDGE !

What is EDGE?

EDGE is a Catholic Middle School youth ministry, catechetical program. It provides a safe, fun place for youth to find solid Catholic community, to get answers to their questions about faith, and most importantly, to experience Jesus in a profound and personal way.

EDGE resources speak to the physical, psychological, cognitive, relational, and spiritual maturation of middle school youth.

EDGE resources make it easier for Catechist to plan out their semesters of EDGE night and retreats for the youth. The resources present Catholic teaching in a way that young people can understand.

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EDGE is for students in 6th , 7th and 8th grade, it will be held on Tuesday evenings starting at 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm in the parish hall.



EDGE es un programa de catequesis del ministerio juvenil de la escuela intermedia católica. Brinda un lugar seguro y divertido para que los jóvenes encuentren una comunidad católica sólida, obtengan respuestas a sus preguntas sobre la fe, y lo que es mas importante, experimenten a Jesús de una manera profunda y personal.

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EDGE responde a las necesidades de este grupo de edad de una manera catequética, divertida y relevante y proporciona una base para que los jóvenes continúen en el ministerio juvenil de la escuela intermedia. EDGE es una gran ventaja para cualquier programa de ministerio juvenil, ya que responde a las necesidades únicas de este grupo de edad al mismo tiempo que brinda recursos profundamente impactantes.

EDGE es para estudiantes de 6^o, 7^o y 8^o grado. Se llevará a cabo los Martes por la noche a partir de las 6:30 pm a 7:30 pm en el salón parroquial.



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

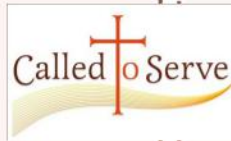


**Catechists,
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NECESITAMOS VOLUNTARIOS

¿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

"Your time is now. The feeling you are experiencing is the Holy Spirit guiding you to get involved in the Mass! Attend any of the upcoming trainings to have your questions answered and you will be serving in no time."



“Su tiempo es ahora. ¡El sentimiento que está sintiendo es el del Espíritu Santo guiándolo a involucrarse en la Misa! Asista a cualquiera de las próximas capacitaciones para obtener respuestas a sus preguntas y estará en servicio en poco tiempo”.

Wednesday Aug 7 for Lectors in Spanish
 Monday Aug 12 for Eucharistic Ministers in English
 Tuesday Aug 13 for Eucharistic Ministers in Spanish
 All training from 6:30pm to 8:30pm in the church.

Miércoles 7 de Agosto para lectores en español.
 Lunes 12 de Agosto para Ministros Eucarísticos en inglés.
 Martes 13 de Agosto para Ministros Eucarísticos en español.
 Todos los entrenamientos serán de 6:30pm a 8:30pm en la Iglesia.



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