

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

*All kings shall pay him homage,  
all nations shall serve him.*

— Psalm 72:11



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*Ante él se postrarán todos los reyes  
y todas las naciones.*

**MINISTRIES**

**ACTS:** Giselle Zamago

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

**ART & ENVIRONMENT (DECORATIONS) MINISTRY:** Alma Castillo

**BALLET FOLKLÓRICO :** Bertha Castellanos

**BIBLE STUDY (English):** Timo Zepeda & Annette Winfield

**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**

**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 AND ALTAR SERVER:** Contact **Anita Moreno** to join any of these ministries.

**FAMILY OF THE ROSARY** Graciela Morgan

**GUADALUPANOS:** Meets 2nd Mon. 10:00 a.m. parish hall, **Joe Luera**

**HEALING HEART:** Elsa Lopez

**HOMEBOUND:** Barbara Ward

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

**LIVE STREAMING:** Delia M. Finch & Pablo Garcia

**LOVESTRONG:** Tony & Isabel Canez

**PERPETUAL ADORATION:** Christian Zunino

**POWER POINT MINISTRY:** Claudio Corrales & Courtney Sheehan

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

**ST. KIZITO'S HOPE MINISTRY** Meet 2nd Sunday of month after the 11am Mass in the Mollicone Building #101

**VOCATIONS:** Elvia Armenta

**WELCOME MINISTRY:** Tony Canez

**YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY:** Gabe & Diana Canez

**YOUTH MINISTRY:** Lyle Pearce Wednesdays at 7:30pm in the Parish Hall

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** Sun 3:00pm

**Bill Staggs**, 9:15 a.m.

**Michelle Hernandez**, 11 a.m..

**Jorge Castellanos**, Spanish 1p.m.

**Lilli Soto**, 5 p.m. or **Bill Staggs** 5 p.m.

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

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

**RECONCILIATION:** Wed. 5:30 p.m.& Sat. 3:30 p.m. or by appt.

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



*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 de nuestras hermanas y nuestros hermanos enfermos:*

Glyssie Esquivel, Reynaldo Vela, Angel Cantu, Linda Duncan, Maria J., Olga B., 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, , Tyler Acosta, Jo-Ann Case, Manuel M., Brenda, Diane Thatcher, Jennifer Sanchez, Jose Martinez, John Cortez, Andrew, Velma Duran, Jan Beland, Kenia Aguilar, Dolores Vaquera & family, Sara Chase, Navarro, Catarina Garza, Ruddy Ballesteros DeLeon, Debbie Garcia, Armando Aguero, Nicanora Rodriguez, Paul D., Angel Cantu, Barbara Garza, Evan Pesek, Laura Cynthia Peters, Bill Eastman, Felix Davila, Ernesto Sosa, Robert, Adam Thomas, Melissa, Michael Burgos, Rose, Christine, Pawlick family, Rhonda Hogan, Barbara Rials, Trini & Jackie Cantú, Tony Rippy, Eduardo Guevara, Adalene, Janet Hillson, Pablo Martinez, Lucy Zamora, Ariel & Clara Casiano, Vanessa P., Donelia Jimenez, Jeannie & Paul, Maria Ramos, Roland Guerra, Ignacio Urabazo, Becky Cortez, Francis, 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, Sophia Pusateri, Jose Reyes, Anna Cortez, Manuel & Tenchia Trevino, Anna Roberta Kotso, Nicholas Kerwin, Nick Ramos, John Baldwin, Joann & Sebastian, Julie Martinez, Carlos Alberto Garcia, Daniela Basulto, Donna Ann Salinas, Maria Luisa Nieto, Michael Thompson, Mary Lou Thompson, Aleda, Camelia Pineda, Maya Kadinca Roa, Karen Margarita Gomez Roa, Francisco Valenzuela

*please pray for the sick*

**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, January 6th**

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

**Tuesday/Martes, January 7th**

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

**Wednesday/Miércoles, January 8th**

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

Confessions / Confesiones 5:30 p.m.

**Thursday/Jueves, January 9th**

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

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

Holy Hour / Hora Santa 7:15 p.m.

**Friday/Viernes, January 10th**

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

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

**Saturday/Sábado, January 11th**

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. Thumma  
& Dcn. Sean

**The Baptism of the Lord  
Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor**

**Sunday/Domingo, January 12th**

Masses in a.m. 7:30 a.m. Fr. Thumma  
& Dcn. Sean

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

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

Masses in p.m. 1 p.m. (Español) Fr. Rafael  
& Dcn. Joel

3 p.m. (Español) Fr. Rafael  
& Dcn. Joel

Misas de la tarde 5 p.m. (English) Fr. Rafael  
& Dcn. Luis

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



<b>Mon</b>	<b>1/6</b>	<b>8:15 a.m.</b> (A) Eugene & Geraldine Roller
<b>Tue</b>	<b>1/7</b>	<b>8:15 a.m.</b> † Souls in Purgatory † Evelio Nino
<b>Wed</b>	<b>1/8</b>	<b>8:15 a.m.</b> (SI) Conversion of Sinners
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>1/9</b>	<b>8:15 a.m.</b> † Patricia Soltero-Silva
		<b>6:30 p.m.</b> (SI) For the Jubilee Pilgrims † Rosario Pelayo
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>1/10</b>	<b>8:15 p.m.</b> † Holy Souls in Purgatory † Bill Preda
		<b>6:30 p.m.</b> † For the Jubilee Pilgrims † Rosario Pelayo
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>1/11</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b> † Rosario Pelayo † Julia Salazar Cardenas
		<b>5:30 p.m.</b> (A) Nick & Karen Luera † Julia Salazar Cardenas
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>1/12</b>	<b>7:30 a.m.</b> (SI) Ernesto Maestas † Mary Kirby
		<b>9:15 a.m.</b> (A) Pablo & Herlinda Garcia † Tom Silk † Hector Balderas
		<b>11:00 a.m.</b> † Irma Kotanan † Mark T. Gonzalez † Juana Zamago † Bob Hovis † Reynold & Alicia Gonzalez
		<b>1:00 p.m.</b> † Uvaldo Cantu
		<b>3:00 p.m.</b> † Rosario Pelayo
		<b>5:00 p.m.</b> (SI) Conversion of Sinners † Robert Cooper † Robert Cervantez
		<b>7:00 p.m.</b> (SI) Parishioners of St. Monica

**COLLECTIONS**

**December 22nd** \$ 13,184.00

Online collection \$ 2,719.00

Collection for St. Monica School \$ 2,766.00

On Collection for St. Monica School \$ 335.00

Online Collection for St. Vincent de Paul \$ 124.00

**January 12th Second Collection**

*St. Vincent de Paul Society*

December 29th will be posted on January 12th



\*\*\*Correction for the Altar Flowers  
donated for the weekend  
December 22nd - 28th  
for the repose of the soul of:  
*Lupe Chagoya*  
Donated by her family

**Pilgrimage to Italy during the Jubilee year 2025.**

We will be visiting Milan, Padova, Venice, Florence, Assisi and Rome. Round trip airfare and two meals a day along with entry and admissions is all included in the cost to this pilgrimage. A non-refundable fee of \$300 and registration is what is required to hold your spot. For more information please contact the office.

Are you thinking twice about attending this pilgrimage? Do you have questions? Come and get all your questions answered and sign up to attend:

**Thursday January 9, 2025 @ 6:30 pm in the Mollicone building Room #102**

**Peregrinación a Italia durante el Año Jubilar 2025**

Visitaremos Milán, Padua, Venecia, Florencia, Asís y Roma. El precio de esta peregrinación incluye el boleto de avión de ida y vuelta y dos comidas al día, además de la entrada y las admisiones. Una cuota no reembolsable de \$300 y registro es lo que se requiere para reservar su lugar. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con la oficina.

¿Está pensando dos veces antes de asistir a este peregrinaje? ¿Tiene preguntas? Venga y obtenga respuestas a todas sus preguntas e inscríbese para asistir: **Jueves 9 de Enero de 2025 a las 6:30 pm en el edificio Mollicone Cuarto #102**

Los Santuarios de

**ITALIA**

Celebre el Jubileo 2025 de Milán a Roma!



**Nativity Pilgrimage**

Where Faith Meets Adventure

**August 18 - 28, 2025**

11-Day Pilgrimage

**Fr. Thumma Prathap**

Spiritual Director

St. Monica's Catholic Church  
San Antonio, TX



**FOR INFO**

Delia Medrano-Finch  
(210) 658-3816

delia@saintmonicaconverse.net  
travel.nativitypilgrimage.com/thumma

**Peregrinación Natividad**

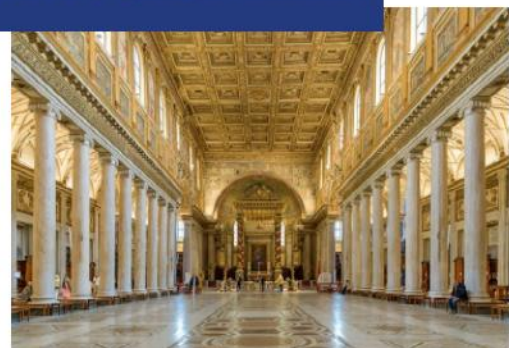
Donde la Fe se Encuentra con la Aventura

18 a 28 de Agosto 2025  
Peregrinación de 11 Días

Padre Thumma Prathap - Director Espiritual

Vuelos saliendo de San Antonio TX \$5899. por persona

Para Información: Delia Medrano-Finch 210-658-3816



**“Pastor’s Voice”**  
**Epiphany of the Lord**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we gather this Sunday to celebrate the great feast of the Epiphany of the Lord, we are reminded of the journey of the Magi, who followed the star to find and adore the newborn King. Their pilgrimage of faith invites us to reflect on the journey of our own lives and our continual search for Christ.

The Epiphany reveals Jesus as the light of the world, a Savior for all nations. The gifts of the Magi—gold, frankincense, and myrrh—symbolize the recognition of Jesus’ kingship, divinity, and His ultimate sacrifice. Just as the Magi offered their treasures, we too are called to present our lives to Christ in humble worship and service.

In today’s world, where darkness often overshadows hope, the Epiphany reminds us that Christ’s light shines brightly for all who seek Him. Like the star that led the wise men, we are called to be guiding lights for others, leading them to encounter the love and mercy of Jesus. This calling begins in our families, our workplaces, and our communities.

I encourage each of you to reflect on how God is calling you to share His light with others. Perhaps it is by extending forgiveness to someone who has hurt you, offering support to someone in need, or simply sharing the joy of Christ’s presence in your life. Let the message of the Epiphany inspire us to open our hearts and embrace the mission of bringing Christ to the world.

As we continue to celebrate this Christmas season, let us pray for the grace to seek Christ with the same determination and faith as the Magi. May His light guide us, and may our lives reflect His love and glory.

Wishing you and your families abundant blessings on this feast of the Epiphany and in the year ahead! God Bless America.

Yours Truly,

*Rev. Thumma Prathap*

January 4th & 5th 2025

**“Voz del Pastor”**  
**Epifanía del Señor**

Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo,

Al reunirnos este Domingo para celebrar la gran fiesta de la Epifanía del Señor, recordamos el viaje de los Reyes Magos, que siguieron la estrella para encontrar y adorar al Rey recién nacido. Su peregrinación de fe nos invita a reflexionar sobre el camino de nuestra propia vida y nuestra búsqueda continua de Cristo.

La Epifanía revela a Jesús como la luz del mundo, un Salvador para todas las naciones. Los regalos de los Reyes Magos — oro, incienso y mirra— simbolizan el reconocimiento de la realeza, la divinidad y el sacrificio supremo de Jesús. Así como los Reyes Magos ofrecieron sus tesoros, nosotros también estamos llamados a presentar nuestras vidas a Cristo en humilde adoración y servicio.

En el mundo de hoy, donde la oscuridad a menudo eclipsa la esperanza, la Epifanía nos recuerda que la luz de Cristo brilla intensamente para todos los que lo buscan. Como la estrella que guio a los Reyes Magos, estamos llamados a ser luces que guíen a los demás, llevándolos a encontrar el amor y la misericordia de Jesús. Este llamado comienza en nuestras familias, nuestros lugares de trabajo y nuestras comunidades.

Animo a cada uno de ustedes a reflexionar sobre cómo Dios los está llamando a compartir Su luz con los demás. Tal vez sea extendiendo el perdón a alguien que te ha lastimado, ofreciendo apoyo a alguien que lo necesita o simplemente compartiendo el gozo de la presencia de Cristo en tu vida. Que el mensaje de la Epifanía nos inspire a abrir nuestros corazones y abrazar la misión de llevar a Cristo al mundo.

Mientras continuamos celebrando esta temporada navideña, oremos por la gracia de buscar a Cristo con la misma determinación y fe que los Reyes Magos. Que su luz nos guíe, y que nuestras vidas reflejen su amor y gloria.

¡Les deseo a ustedes y a sus familias abundantes bendiciones en esta fiesta de la Epifanía y en el año que comienza! Dios bendiga a Estados Unidos.

Atentamente

*Rev. Thumma Prathap*

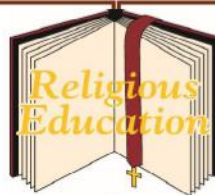
4 y 5 de Enero de 2025

**Religious Education Schedule**

*Wishing you a  
Happy New Year !*

See you later this week.

EDGE resumes this Tuesday Jan. 7th  
and Religious Education on Wednesday  
Jan. 8th.



**Horario de Educación Religiosa**

*Deseándoles a todos un  
Seguro y Feliz Año Nuevo!*

Los vemos a todos el próximo año.

EDGE se vuelve reunir el Martes,  
7 de Enero y Educación Religiosa el  
Miércoles, 8 de Enero.

### Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

The Dicastery of Evangelization released a note on configuration and opening of Holy Doors in Cathedral Churches, in International and National Shrines, as well as in other particularly significant places of worship as the Ordinary Jubilee “Pilgrims of Hope” 2025 approaches. Only the papal Basilicas of Saint Peter, Saint John Lateran, Saint Mary Major, and Saint Paul Outside the Walls and exceptionally [at Holy Father’s personal desire] ‘a Prison’ (to be announced), will host Holy Doors.

Archbishop Gustavo has approved designated pilgrimage sites to celebrate the Jubilee within the Archdiocese of San Antonio.

**St. Monica is honored to be one of the sites.** We are diligently working on making this a memorable site for our parishioners and all who visit.

We are excited to kick off the Jubilee year with two (2) additional bilingual Masses at 6:30pm on Thursday and Friday. We also will have our own pilgrim walk. More information to come next week.



### Sitios de Peregrinación

El Dicastery para la Evangelización publicó una nota sobre la configuración y apertura de las Puertas Santas en las Iglesias Catedrales, en los Santuarios Internacionales y Nacionales, así como en otros lugares de culto particularmente significativos, a medida que se acerca el Jubileo Ordinario “Peregrinos de la Esperanza” de 2025. Sólo las Basílicas papales de San Pedro, San Juan de Letrán, Santa María la Mayor y San Pablo Extramuros y excepcionalmente [por deseo personal del Santo Padre] ‘una prisión’ (que se anunciará), albergarán Puertas Santas.

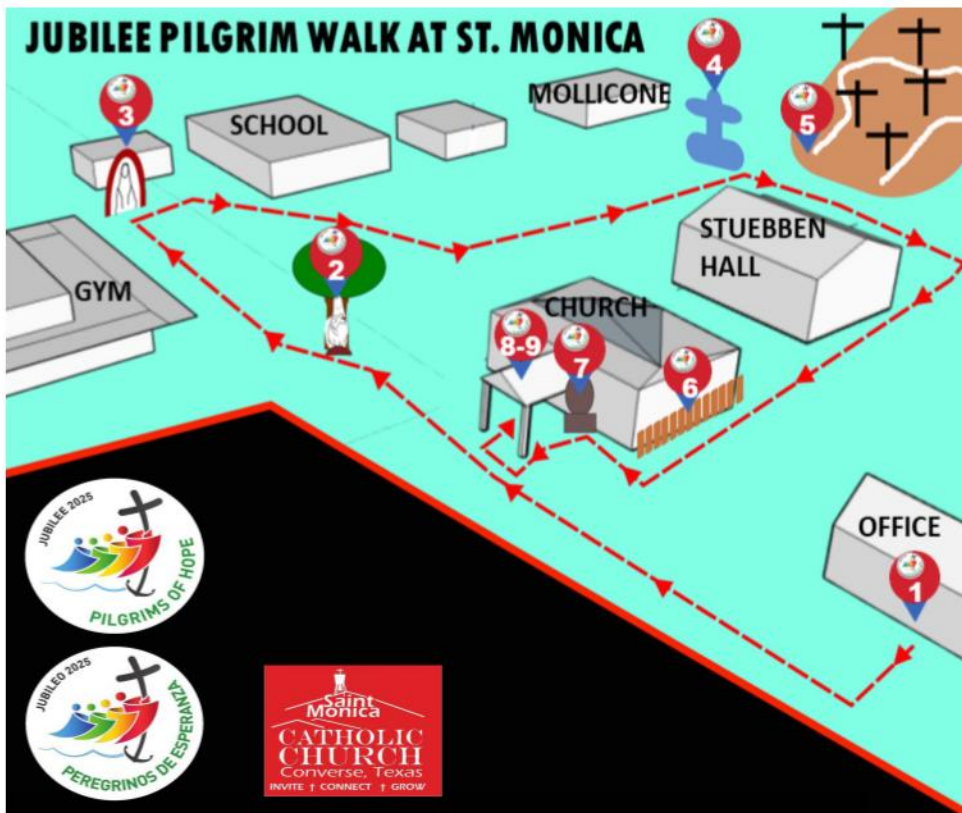
El Arzobispo Gustavo ha aprobado los sitios de peregrinación designados para celebrar el Jubileo dentro de la Arquidiócesis de San Antonio.

**Santa Mónica tiene el honor de ser uno de los sitios.**

Estamos trabajando diligentemente para hacer de este un sitio memorable para nuestros feligreses y todos los que lo visitan. Estamos emocionados de iniciar el año jubilar con dos (2) misas bilingües adicionales a las 6:30pm los Jueves y Viernes. También tendremos nuestra propia caminata de peregrinos. Mas información la próxima semana.

## Welcome to the Jubilee Pilgrim Walk 2025 at St. Monica Catholic Church

## Bienvenidos al Camino Jubilar del Peregrino 2025 en la Iglesia Católica de Santa Mónica



1. Hospitality Gift (Collect at the office)  
Paquete de Regalo
2. Path of Grace:  
St, Monica’s intercession  
Camino de la Intercesión de Santa Mónica
3. Marian Way:  
Our Lady of Fatima  
Camino Mariano:  
Nuestra Señora de Fátima
4. Remembrance Garden  
Jardín de Memorias
5. Journey of the Cross  
El Camino de la Cruz
6. Wall of Hope / Intentions  
Muro de Esperanza
7. Memorial to the Unborn  
Memorial a los No Nacidos
8. Sacred Sanctuary  
Santuario Sagrado
9. Chapel of Divine Adoration  
Capilla de la Adoración Divina

We pray that this short journey through our campus provides time for deep reflection and an experience of spiritual closeness to God!

Oremos para que este corto recorrido por nuestro campus brinde tiempo para una reflexión profunda y una experiencia de cercanía espiritual a Dios!

***What Is a Jubilee Year?***

A Jubilee Year is traditionally proclaimed by the Universal Church every 25 years. It is a year set aside to encourage the faithful to embark on pilgrimages, to repent of their sins, to forgive the sins of others, and to renew a focus on the spiritual life. In the Hebrew tradition, as recorded in Leviticus, a Jubilee was celebrated every 50 years with the freeing of slaves and the forgiveness of debts. In 1300, Pope Boniface VIII instituted the first Christian Jubilee, and since then the Catholic Church has designated each new Jubilee as a special year of grace and forgiveness. The 2025 Jubilee will be centered on the theme "Pilgrims of Hope." As His Holiness Pope Francis stated: "We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us, and help everyone gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision." *The Jubilee begins on December 24, 2024 and it continues through January 6, 2026, the Feast of Epiphany.*

***Que es un Año de Jubileo?***

La Iglesia Universal proclama tradicionalmente un Año Jubilar cada 25 años. Es un año reservado para animar a los fieles a embarcarse en peregrinaciones, arrepentirse de sus pecados, perdonar los pecados de los demás y renovar su enfoque en la vida espiritual. En la tradición Hebrea, tal como consta en el Levítico, se celebraba un Jubileo cada 50 años con la liberación de los esclavos y el perdón de las deudas. En 1300, el Papa Bonifacio VIII instituyó el primer Jubileo Cristiano y desde entonces la Iglesia Católica ha designado cada nuevo Jubileo como un año especial de gracia y perdón. El Jubileo de 2025 se centrará en el tema "Peregrinos de la Esperanza". Como afirmó Su Santidad el Papa Francisco: "Debemos avivar la llama de la esperanza que se nos ha dado y ayudar a todos a adquirir nuevas fuerzas y certezas mirando hacia el futuro con un espíritu abierto, un corazón confiado y una visión con visión de futuro". *El Jubileo comienza el 24 de Diciembre de 2024 y continúa hasta el 6 de Enero de 2026, la Fiesta de la Epifanía.*

**Jubilee / Jubileo 2024-25**

**Sunday, Dec. 29, 2024 until Tuesday, Jan 6, 2026**  
**Domingo, 29 de Diciembre 2024 al Martes, 6 de Enero 2026**

**Sunday / Domingo, February 16, 2025 at 11am for Vocations / Vocaciones**  
 Celebrant: Auxiliary Bishop Gary

**Friday / Viernes, March 28, 2025**

24 Hours for the Lord / 24 Horas para el Señor  
 Eucharistic Adoration with Sacrament of Confession /  
 Adoración Eucarística con Sacramento de la Confesión

**Saturday / Sabado, October 25, 2025**

A Day of Prayer and Reconciliation / Un Día de Oración y Reconciliación  
 Every Thursday 6:30pm Bilingual Pilgrim Mass - Followed by Holy Hour  
 Cada Jueves 6:30pm Misa de Peregrino Bilingüe - Seguido por Hora Santa

1st Friday Spanish Mass 7pm / Primer Viernes Misa en Español 7pm  
 Every Other Friday 6:30pm Bilingual Pilgrim Mass  
 Cada Otro Viernes 6:30pm Misa de Peregrino Bilingüe

Lenten evening mass: everyday at 6:30 pm / Misa Vespertina de Cuaresma: todos los días a las 6:30pm

**Healing Mass with Confessions / Misa de Sanación con Confesiones**

Confessions begin / Confesiones comienzan @ 5pm  
 Mass begins / Misa comienza @ 7pm

January 17, 2025 Friday / Viernes

May 14, 2025 Wednesday / Miércoles

August 6, 2025 Wednesday / Miércoles

October 30, 2025 Thursday / Jueves

**Every Saturday Morning / Todos los Sábados por la Mañana**

Rosary 9am followed by 9:30 am Bilingual Pilgrim Mass / Misa de Peregrino Bilingüe

*St. Monica, pray for us.*



*Santa Mónica. ruega por nosotros.*

In observance of the New Year, the Thrift Store has adjusted its hours of operation and drop-off of donations. They are as follows:

*Will start accepting donations tomorrow Mon. Jan 6, 2025*

Thank you to everyone for all your donations throughout the year, because of your generosity we had a successful year.

*Wishing all a Prosperous New Year*



En conmemoración del Año Nuevo, nuestra Tienda de Segunda Mano ha ajustado su horario de negocio y de donaciones. Son los siguiente:

**ACEPTARAN DONACIONES DE NUEVO mañana, Lunes, 6 de Enero 2025**

Gracias a todos por todas su donaciones durante todo el año. Por su generosidad, tuvimos un año exitoso.

*Deseándoles a todos un Próspero Año Nuevo*

**St. Monica Pictorial Directory**

Hi all, Our pictorial directory is growing. We have close to 300 families! Don't worry, you still have time to participate. Take those holiday family photos and send them in.

Email your photo to:

Directory@saintmonicaconverse.net.

We will upload your photo, then send you a confirmation email with instructions on how to create your member account.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please email us at Directory@saintmonicaconverse.net. please email us with your name and phone number:

After we receive your email, we will send you information and a link on how to participate.

For those who submitted their emails with us directly on Sunday, you should be able to create a login with members.InstantChurchDirectory.com

If you have questions about the Pictorial Directory, or are having problems logging in to the site, please email us. We will be happy to help you!



**Directorio Pictórico de Santa Mónica**

Hola a todos. Nuestro Directorio Pictórico está creciendo. ¡Tenemos cerca de 300 familias! No se preocupe, todavía está a tiempo de participar. Tome esas fotos familiares de vacaciones y envíelas.

Envíe su foto por correo electrónico a:

Directory@saintmonicaconverse.net.

Descargaremos su foto y luego le enviaremos un correo electrónico de confirmación con instrucciones sobre cómo crear su cuenta de miembro. Si tiene alguna pregunta o necesita ayuda, por favor envíenos un correo electrónico a: Directory@saintmonicaconverse.net.

Por favor envíenos un correo electrónico con su nombre y número de teléfono. Después de recibirá un correo electrónico con información y un enlace sobre cómo participar. Para aquellos que enviaron sus correos electrónicos directamente con nosotros el Domingo, debería poder crear un inicio de sesión con members.InstantChurchDirectory.com

Si tiene preguntas sobre el Directorio ilustrado, o tiene problemas para iniciar sesión en el sitio, envíe un correo electrónico a nosotros. ¡Estaremos encantados de ayudarle!

**The Knights of Columbus**

next diaper drive will be on **January 11th - 18th.**

The Guadalupe Home is a Catholic charity co-founded by our beloved parishioner, Rose Marie O'Conner. As a transitional living program, it provides homeless expectant mothers a safe place to live while nurturing their babies. The home also encourages mothers to become independent, creating a new life for their families.

**Baby Needs Wish List:**

- Diapers: Sizes #3, #5, & #6
- Pull-ups 4T/5T & 5T/6T
- Baby Wipes & Paper Towels
- Baby Food & Similac Milk
- Tylenol for infants & children
- First Aid & Hygiene Items
- Laundry Detergent (Small Size)
- Twin Blankets for Winter
- Kids Toothbrush & Toothpaste

Please place your donations in the baby crib located in the church foyer and thank you for your support.. May God Bless!

Local Babies Need Your Help



the great Diaper Drive

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Próximo colecta de pañales será **Enero 11 - 18.**

La Casa de Guadalupe es una Caridad Católica fundado por una de nuestras amadas feligreses, Rose Marie O'Conner. Es un programa de vivienda de transición que proporciona futuras madres sin hogar un lugar seguro mientras cuidan sus

bebes. La casa alienta madres a ser independiente, creando una nueva vida para sus familias.

**Lista de Deseos de Necesidades Esenciales para Bebe:**

- Pañales: Medida #3, #5, y #6
- Pull-ups medida 4T/5T y 5T/6T
- Toallitas Húmeda y Toallas de Papel
- Ropa y Zapatos de Bebe
- Comida de bebe y Leche Similac
- Tylenol para infantes y niños , Cepillos y pasta de diente
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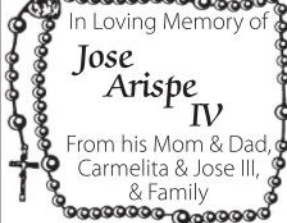
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## Mass Schedule

**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)**

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

1:00, 3:00 & 7:00 pm (Spanish)

**HOLY HOUR: Thursday 7 pm**

**1st FRIDAY MASS:**

8:15 am English & 7:00 pm Spanish

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