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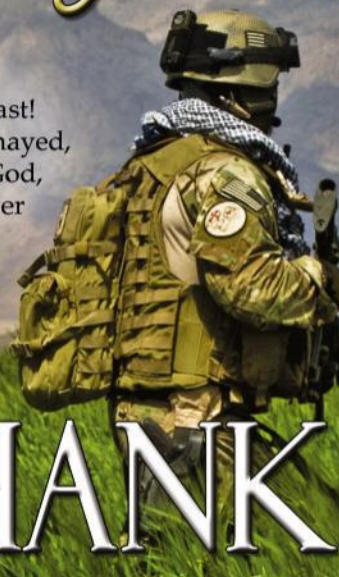
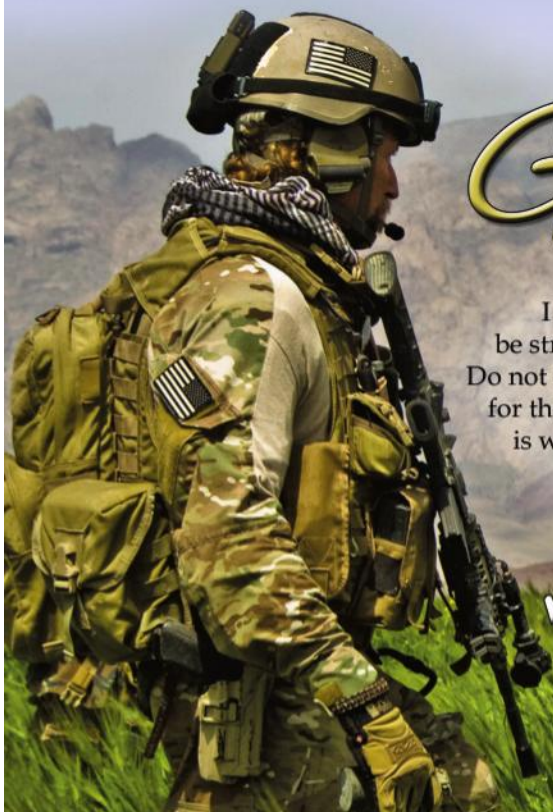
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From a Grateful Nation

I command you:
be strong and steadfast!
Do not fear nor be dismayed,
for the LORD, your God,
is with you wherever
you go.

~Joshua 1:9

THANK YOU



Mass Intentions for the Week

Mon 11/14 8:15 A.M. ✚ Carmen Rodriguez
✚ Richard Flores
Tues 11/15 8:15 A.M. ✚ Augusto Pineda
Wed 11/16 8:15 A.M. Olga Morales = SI
Thurs 11/17 8:15 A.M. ✚ Grace Wick
Fri 11/18 8:15 A.M. L&D Adolph/Mary Schumann Scheel
Sat 11/19 5:30 P.M. ✚ Oralia Garza
✚ Sergio Rivera
Sun 11/20 7:30 A.M. ✚ Patrick W. Steinberg
✚ Pedro/Maria Rodriguez
9:00 A.M. ✚ Carmen Cantu
✚ Ella Tillman
11:00 A.M. Irma Muriel = SI
1:00 P.M. Maria Isabel Martinez = B
5:00 P.M. ✚ Max/Minerva Cuellar
7:00 P.M. ✚ Lorenza Gutierrez

✚ = Deceased A = Anniv B = Birthday
SI = Special Intention L & D = Living and Deceased



SANCTUARY CANDLE

This week's Sanctuary Candle will burn
in loving memory of
James/Victor Samuda

GET MORE OUT OF THE CATHOLIC MASS

If at times you feel lost at the Mass because you don't know why certain gestures are done or what certain symbols mean, you're not alone. Please join Sr. Esperanza on Mondays beginning November 14 in the parish hall for a workshop offered in Spanish. The time will be from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

TRAINING FOR NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Altar Servers are instrumental in helping the priest throughout the Mass. There will be Altar Server Training Tuesday evening, November 15th from 6 to 7:30 p.m in the church for those boys and girls who have made their First Communion and are 8 years or older. If interested, please contact the Director of Religious Education, Jan Van Slambrouck by email Jan@saintmonicaconverse.net or 210-658-7920.



The Pilgrimage to the Holy Doors will take the place of **Holy Hour** next Thursday, November 17th:

In observance of the closing of the Extraordinary Year of Mercy, which will be on November 20th, Christ the King Sunday, St. Monica is organizing a **Pilgrimage to The Basilica of the Little Flower** to take place on Thursday, November 17th. The church will provide limited transportation for about 55 people on one bus from the Kerrville Bus Company. To offset expenses a \$10.00 donation per seat would be welcome. If you prefer to provide your own transportation, the address of The Basilica of the Little Flower is 1715 N. Zarzamora, San Antonio, TX 78201. The bus will depart from the front of the church at 5:45 p.m. If you drive your own vehicle, please arrive at the Basilica by 6:30 p.m. The Mass will begin at 6:45 p.m. You may sign up by going online at www.saintmonicaconverse.net, or you can call the church office to reserve a seat. To take full advantage of this beautiful opportunity, we all need to prepare by going to confession in the days prior to the Pilgrimage. Regular confessions are on Wednesday, November 9th at 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 12th, at 4:00 p.m.



The **St. Vincent de Paul** is putting together **Christmas baskets** for the needy in our area. Please bring the following items to church to put into the donation box: Canned pumpkin or pie mix, French fried onions, chicken broth, canned soups, boxed mashed potato flakes, canned or dry gravy, canned yams, stuffing, Carnation milk canned and paper grocery bags

HELP WARM A NEEDY SOUL

The Knights of Columbus is having a Coat Drive to benefit SkyCross Ministries who helps the impoverished families on the border. Please bring your clean and gently used **coats** and **blankets** to put in the drop box in the church foyer the next two weekends. Thank you for your generosity!

THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ANGEL TREE SIGN UP

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is taking registrations for the **Angel Tree Program**. Applicants must live in the boundaries of St. Monica's Church or be a registered parishioner. You may call (210) 658-8791 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10

a.m. to 1 p.m. to apply. Proof of residency will be required, such as, current utility bill or photo I.D. Children must reside at eligible household location. Last day to register is Friday, December 2nd.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus will be serving their hot pancake breakfast this Sunday in the parish hall from 7:30 to 11 a.m. Bring the family. Plates are \$4.50 each for adults and \$2.50 for kids under age 13.

Bible Study



THE BOOK OF SAMUEL 2

The Adult Bible Study Class will resume on Monday, November 14, 2016 at 7 p.m. Classes will be held each Monday from 7 – 9 p.m. in the Goertz room. During the coming session we will be studying the Book

of 2 Samuel. A 3-ring binder containing a copy of the Book of 2 Samuel in enlarged print will be provided. There is a \$10 pass-through charge for this binder. We will proceed with a careful reading of and commentary on the text at the rate of approximately one chapter each hour. This will be our ninth class since beginning in the spring of 2013. Classes are designed to allow students to determine their own level of participation. Among other things, this means that you will be asked no questions yet enjoy the freedom to ask as many questions as you wish. Please address any inquiries to the class teacher, Chuck Hall, at 210-410-7674.

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

November 6th : \$12,630.69

Second Collection: Military \$1,740.00

Church Renovation Fund: \$14,292.50

(We picked up some momentum! Thank you for your support ☺)

This Sunday's second collection will be for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. They help the disadvantaged in our parish and the surrounding areas.



Thanksgiving Baskets

The Knights of Columbus will provide turkeys and hams to needy families in our area. We are asking parishioners to bring the following items to the church to help prepare the Thanksgiving Food Baskets: Potatoes, Stuffing, Gravy, Chicken Stock, Yams & Cranberries, Drink & Cake Mixes, etc. This collection will continue through Sunday, November 13th. Once again, thank you for your continued support!

EVERYONE NEEDS A LITTLE BLUE BOOK ☺

Advent is a time to reflect on and remember Christ's presence in everyday life – taking time to pray. The Little Blue Book can be the perfect companion. You can take it with you wherever you wish. You can write in it or tear out a page to put in your pocket. It contains a variety of thoughts about the Advent and Christmas season, along with various traditions and customs. And it will walk you through the first part of Luke's Gospel a little bit at a time! The books are available in English and Spanish and will be for sale in the church foyer this weekend for \$3 each. Sponsored by ACTS.



BUY YOUR POINSETTIAS HERE

You will have an opportunity to buy a poinsettia on the weekends of November 26th/27th and December 3rd/4th in memory of or an honor of a loved one. The name of your loved one will be placed on the altar for prayer throughout the Christmas season. The poinsettia will be used to decorate the altar for Christmas.

THANKSGIVING PARISH SCHEDULE

Thanksgiving Mass is Thursday, November 24th at 8:15 a.m.

There **will not be a Holy Hour nor will there be Adoration** on Friday, November 25th. Church office will close at noon Wednesday, November 23rd at will not open again until Monday, November 28th at 9 a.m.

A CULTURAL EXPERIENCE FOR THE TASTE BUDS!

One of the greatest things about being a diverse parish community is all the different foods available to us by the various cultures. Next Sunday, November 20th after the 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Masses, the Spanish Prayer Group will be selling Pupusas. This is a Salvadoran dish made of a thick, handmade corn tortilla that you can fill with seasoned pork, cheese, refried beans, etc. All proceeds go towards the Church Renovation Fund!



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