



ST. MONICA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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The Mission of St. Monica is to build a welcoming community of faith, making God's love visible through service to others.

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Pastor	Fr. Alejandro Del Bosque, ext. 241
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Business Manager	Mrs. Mary Howard, ext. 235
Housekeeper	Mrs. Limbania Reyes
RCIA Director	Mrs. Mersi Schorran, ext. 234

MASSES

Saturday Vigil:	5:30 p.m.
Sunday:	7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.; 1:00 (Spanish), 5:00 p.m.
	7:00 p.m. (Spanish)
Weekdays:	8:15 a.m.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4:00 p.m. & Wednesdays 6:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS: First Saturday of each month at 11:00 a.m. Parents and Godparents must attend class held on prior Thursday 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Family Center.

FIRST COMMUNION: Two-year program required; usually received in the second grade.

CONFIRMATION: Must complete a two-year program which begins in high school years.

MARRIAGE: Six months notice required. Contact parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM: Director, Mrs. Janice Van Slambrouck, (210) 701-7831. Classes - Grades K-10, Wednesday 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Office hours - Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

RCIA: Adult converts or those needing sacraments are invited. Classes begin in September on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the parish hall. Call Mersi Schorran at 658-8669 for more information. Spanish RCIA contact: Sr. Esperanza Buitron 659-4242.

ST. MONICA SCHOOL: Early Childhood through 8th Grade. Principal, Mrs. JoAnn Wood, 658-6701. School Annex 659-5939. Inquiries to school office.

PARISH COUNCILS: Pastoral Council meets monthly

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Every Friday after Mass until 7:00 p.m.

EUCCHARIST FOR SICK & SHUT-INS: Contact church office.

ROSARY: Rosary recited Monday - Friday at 7:45 a.m. and Sunday 7 a.m.

CHOIR: 9:00 a.m., *Bill Staggs, Music Minister, 274-8847*. Adult Choir Rehearsal - Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Children's Choir and Guitar Rehearsal - Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.; Teen Musician Rehearsal after 11:00 a.m. Mass, *Lilli Soto, Music Minister, 241-7666*. Spanish Choir - Monday, 7:00 p.m. *Glissie Esquivel, Director, 251-2902*.

SPANISH PRAYER GROUP: Every Friday at 6:30 p.m. in Parish Hall. Contact: Gustavo Munoz, 663-5642.

ALTAR SOCIETY & THRIFT SHOP: Altar Society meets first Tuesday at 12:00 noon, September through May. Thrift Shop open Wednesday and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Contact: Edna Diaz, 598-9885.

ACTS: Contact Steve Van Slambrouck, 602-5950.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Meets second Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Contact Timo Zepeda, Grand Knight, 410-7647.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Meets second Tuesday at 12:00 p.m.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS: Meets third Thursday at 7:00 p.m. Contact Natalia Lopez, 210-383-2933

GUADALUPANOS: Meets second Monday of every month in the church cry room from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m., Alma Castillo, 659-0056.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP: Meets Wednesdays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Contact Steve Van Slambrouck, 602-5950.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP: Meets Thursdays 6:30-8:00 p.m. Contact Annette Winfield 885-0861

REGISTRATION FORMS: Located in parish office or next to the bulletin board inside of the church.

HALL RENTAL: Contact Leroy Kruse at 560-5375.

BULLETIN: Submit notices by 12:00 noon on Monday prior to issue.

YOUNG AT HEART GROUP: Meets second Thursday of the month. Call Adalene at 658-6934 for more information.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP: (Spanish) Meets every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel.

FAMILY OF THE ROSARY (bilingual) Meet last Tuesday of Month in church cry room 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. contact Carmenza Barrios, 210-724-8660.

Office Hours: 9:00 to 5:00, M-F
St. Vincent De Paul: 658-8791

Parish: 658-3816
Religious Ed: 658-7920

Fax: 566-3821
School: 658-6701

+ *Mass Intentions
 for the Week*

Mon 7/25 8:15 A.M. † Anne Rothacker
Tues 7/26 8:15 A.M. St. Monica Parish Staff = SI
Wed 7/27 8:15 A.M. † Claude D. Hurdle
 † Emmanuel Espiritu
 † Ruben Dario Villada
Thurs 7/28 8:15 A.M. † Henrietta Manzano
Fri 7/29 8:15 A.M. Abigail Ashcroft = SI
Sat 7/30 5:30 P.M. † Martin/Elvira Samaniego
 † Rebecca Diaz
Sun 7/31 7:30 A.M. Gil Lugo = SI
9:00 A.M. Manuel/Tenchita Trevino = SI
11:00 A.M. † Colleen Allen
 † Bolivar del Hierro Bueno
1:00 P.M. Angel/Isabel Ayala = SI
 Cecilia/Francisco Macedo = B
 † Ubaldo Cantu
 Belinda Cantu y Fam = SI
5:00 P.M. † Efren Padilla
7:00 P.M. Rafael/Betzy Torres = SI
 Manuel Morales y Fam = SI
 † Ubaldo Cantu

† = 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 *Carlos Molinar*



Next Holy Hour and Adoration
 Thursday, July 28 at 7 p.m.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS: \$11,618.50
 Building Fund: \$1,220.00
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BACK TO SCHOOL HEALTH FAIR

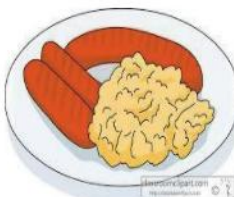
Come with the family to the Guadalupe Community Center,
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 For registration online saintmonicaconverse.net/cyo For more
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 328-4644



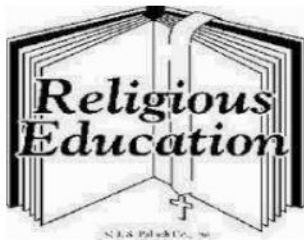
PICK UP YOUR PLATES!

If you purchased a ticket from the
 Knights of Columbus, come by this
 Sunday to pick up your Barbeque plate
 from the school cafeteria.

DON'T MISS SUNDAY FAMILY MOVIE TIME!
 Sunday, July 31st in the parish hall, the Knights of
 Columbus will be showing a free movie beginning at
 2:30 p.m. Doors open at 2 p.m. Bring your comfies like
 pillows, blankets and pajamas! Free refreshments and
 popcorn for everyone.

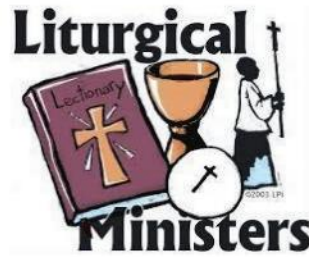


DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD? St Monica is developing a team of adults / young adults to help with our new and exciting Life Teen program. Come discover how you can help with an informative meeting on Sunday, July 10 at 6:30 PM in the Bauman room of the Parish Hall. Visit lifeteen.com for more information on this ministry. Teens not quite your thing?! We also need help with religious education classes on Wednesday nights. Contact Jan Van Slambrouck for more information Jan@saintmonicaconverse.net or (210 416-2018).



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
It's time to register for the 2016-2017 religious education classes. These classes are for all students who attend public school for grades Kindergarten and up. Classes for Kindergarten thru 8th grade will continue to be held on Wednesday evenings 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. **Note: For High School, LIFE TEEN will begin in September and will be held on Sunday evenings.** Registration forms can also be obtained in the church under the bulletin board or at the Pastoral Center Monday thru Friday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There is a maximum amount of students for each class. **FINAL REGISTRATION IS MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2016.** Any questions, contact the Religious Education office at 658-7920 or Jan@saintmonicaconverse.net

WITH HEARTFELT GRATITUDE
On behalf of Deacon Jacques and his wife Barbara, many thanks to the parish community for helping them while they are coping with illness. Many people have donated meals, moved furniture, and mowed their lawn.



This message is to let you know that the weekly Ministry Schedule will no longer be posted in the bulletin. This decision was based on two factors. First, the schedule has continued to grow, and in order to accommodate it in the bulletin, we needed to add an extra page which would have added to the expenses. Second, in the past it was necessary to post the schedule in the bulletin, because that was before we had a website, the Ministry Pro Scheduler and emails. Of course, we will continue to place printed copies in the chapel for those without email access. Thank you to all of you for your faithful service.

SCHEDULE UNDER CONTSTRUCTION!
Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors and Altar Servers we are working on the schedule for September through November. Please submit any changes to Jackie at the church office by Friday, August 5th.

LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS TRAINING
Deacon Sean Dooley has scheduled Tuesday, August 2nd at 6:30 p.m. for Lector training and Wednesday, August 3rd at 6:30 p.m. for training of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. The training will be held in the church. One must be in good standing with the Catholic Church if one wishes to serve. This means if married, married in the Catholic Church. If one is not married, then not in a common-law relationship and have the sacraments of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation.



SKYCROSS PROJECT
Please help the children on the border with school supplies by bringing in your donation of basic school supplies and place them in the box in the foyer the weekends of July 23/24 and July 30/31. Thank you Knights of Columbus for working on this school supply drive.



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