

St. Monica Catholic Church

ROMAN CATHOLIC
DIOCESE OF AUSTIN
MOST REV. JOE S. VASQUEZ
BISHOP OF AUSTIN

Pro Christo et Ecclesia ~ For Christ and Church ~ Por Cristo y la Iglesia

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

located in the St. Anthony Building
MONDAY-FRIDAY, 9AM-2PM (CLOSED- 12PM-1PM)

OUR CLERGY

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*-WHATEVER YOU DO, DO EVERYTHING
FOR THE GLORY OF GOD-
1 CORINTHIANS 10:31*



Mass Schedule Horario de misas

Weekend Masses / Misas de fin de semana

Saturday/Sabado

English/en Inglés 6:00 P.M.

Sunday/Domingo

Spanish/en Español 8:00 A.M.

English/en Inglés 10:00 A.M.

Daily Masses/Misa diaria

Tuesday/ martes 12:10 p.m.- English/Inglés
6:00 p.m. -Spanish/en Español

Friday/ Viernes 8:00 a.m. - English/ Inglés

Reconciliation / Reconciliación

Saturday/ Sábado, 5 PM - 5:45 PM
or by appointment / O por cita

*~ This faith community of St. Monica was established in 1883 ~
~ Esta comunidad de fe de Santa Mónica se estableció en 1883 ~*

St. Monica Mission Statement

We at St. Monica's are a multi-cultural parish from all walks of life rich in Catholic tradition, who recognize the need for greater unity within Our Catholic Community.

We will:

- Actively participate in our worship.
- Educate ourselves in Christ's teaching.
- Help our youth grow close to Jesus.
- Move beyond ourselves to minister to others by sharing our individual time, talent and treasures with all those in need.

Declaración de la misión de la iglesia de Santa Mónica

Nosotros de Santa Monica Somos Una Parroquia multi-cultural de todos de la vida, ricos en tradicion Catolica que reconocemos la necesidad de una unidad mas fuerte dentro de nuestra comunidad Catolica.

Vamos a:

- Participar activamente en nuestra culto.
- Educarnos en las enseñanzas de Cristo.
- Ayudar a nuestros jovenes acercarse mas a Jesus.
- Hacer un esfuerzo y mobilizarnos ayudar a otros, compartiendo nuerstro tiempo, talentos y tesoros con todos los necesitados, especialmente nuestros ancianos y entermos

Mass Intentions
Intenciones de la Misa

Saturday, February 10, 2024

6 p.m. † Catherine Chamberlain
† Helen & Herbert Hoelcher
† Carter James Tomascik

Sunday, February 11, 2024

8 a.m. † Cirilo Castillo, Jr.
† Loreto Lugo Casas
† Catarino & Guadalupe Flores

10 a.m. † Fr. Patrick John McGrath

Tuesday, February 13, 2024

12:10 p.m. For the People of the Parish

6 p.m. **en español** For the People of the Parish

Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024

12:00 p.m. English Liturgy of the Word
7:00 p.m. Bilingual Mass

Friday, February 16, 2024

8 a.m. For the People of the Parish

Saturday, February 17, 2024

6 p.m. † Louis Labay
† Jerry Kostroun

Sunday, February 18, 2024

8 a.m. † Emma Placencia
† Roberto Medrano
† Mia Rosalinda Oviedo
† Eugenio Morales

10 a.m. † Catherine Chamberlain

 **St. Monica's Prayer Chain**
Cadena de Oración de Sta. Mónica

Please Pray for:
Por favor reza por:

Martha Hubnik, Nova Charity,
Rosalie Kostroun, Jean Krenek
and Frank Haudek.

Names remain on this list for 4 weeks and then transferred to the Book of Prayers.

Stewardship Report

Week of February 4, 2024

Sunday Collection: \$3,351.00
Malchen Rischar Trust :\$950.00
Online Giving:
*** Sunday Collection: \$415.00**
Total Collection: \$4, 716.00

2nd Collection — Feb. 10 & 11
Catholic Higher Education

A special collection will be taken up to support Campus Ministries in the Diocese of Austin. These include communities at the University of Texas, Texas A&M University, Baylor University, Texas State University, Mary Hardin-Baylor, St. Edward's University and other smaller college campuses. The goals of Catholic campus ministry are to build a faith community, bring the message of Christ to the academic world and prepare future leaders of society and our Church. Please be generous in your support of this most worthy cause.

Calendar of Events/Meetings

Eagle Wing Retreat February 17 & 18

If you are the parent of a child in Confirmation I and II—please know that the upcoming Confirmation retreat in February is a required retreat. The cost is \$80 per child. This covers meals, lodging, and the program. Please make sure that the parent permission form and money are turned in before February 11.

Station of the Cross— Via Crucis

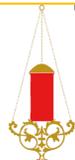
Beginning Friday, February 16, 2024, and will continue through the Lenten season.
English: 12:00 p.m. -- Spanish: 6:30 p.m.

Czech Mass - Vítame Vás na Corn Hill

In February we celebrate the Feast Day of Sts. Cyril and Methodius, patron saints of the Czech Republic and patron saint of Slavic peoples. In honor of these saints a Czech Mass will be celebrated on, Sunday, February 18, at 5:00 pm, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Corn Hill. All prayers, readings and hymns will be in the Czech language. After Mass, a Dinner will be served in the Parish Activity Center. Everyone is welcome to come and celebrate this special feast day of Sts. Cyril and Methodius.

Pastoral Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 7 p.m.
If you would like a copy of the minutes they will be available in the church or the Parish office.



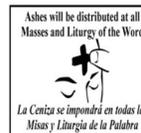
La Luz del Santuario arderá el
10-16 de Febrero
En Memoria de
† **Socorro Rodriguez**
† **Mela Elizabeth Castaneda**
Dada Por: Eliza Cardona



On behalf of all the loyal donors and listeners of Armor of God Catholic Radio, we are happy to announce that the Network has expanded into your area with the acquisition of 2 new stations!! The flagship station, KOOV, 106.9fm is joined by KTON, 1330am and K230CH, 93.9fm. This expansion will stretch the Catholic Radio coverage to over 1.2 million people all over Central Texas. Now Armor of God will reach souls as far west as Lampasas and Lometa, north to McGregor and Temple, east out to Hearne and Franklin, and south down to Cedar Park, Georgetown, Hutto and Taylor. Armor of God Catholic Radio Network, an EWTN Affiliate, has been a part of the Central Texas airwaves since 2018, and has served a very important role within the community providing the voice of reason and helping Christians and non-Christians alike grow closer to our Lord and to each other.

The station's programs include a variety of live call-in shows and interviews on many different topics involving spirituality, marriage, family and personal well-being, and the Daily Mass; as well as pre-recorded shows featuring Bible studies, news, and cultural programs. The detailed schedule can be found at the Network's website: www.armorofgodradio.com. There you can also find links to the social media sites and download the official App and take Catholic Radio with you everywhere.

For more information, please contact Tom McNew at tom@armorofgodradio.com or 254-371-7566.



February 14, 2024
12 p.m.: English Liturgy of the Word
7 p.m.: Bilingual Mass

World and Home Missions Special
Collection: February 14, 2024

The World and Home Missions second collection will be taken up on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14 for world and home missions. The Catholic Church in the U.S. has a strong history of supporting worthy causes in our own parish communities and beyond. This combined collection will benefit areas in the Church that are greatest in need, including Black and Indian Missions in the U.S. Additionally, there are many places beyond our borders where the Church is poor, communities are scattered, and priests are few. This special appeal helps Catholic communities in Latin America, Africa and Central and Eastern Europe, by underwriting evangelization, religious education, education for future priests, and training for lay ministers. Please be generous in your support of this most worthy cause.



Religious Education
CCE Schedule
Pre-K - Pre-Confirmation 1
Sunday's- 9:00 a.m. to 9:50 a.m.

Class 15 : Sunday, February 11, 2024
Class 16 : Sunday, February 18, 2024
Class 17 : Sunday, February 25, 2024
Class 18 : Sunday, March 3, 2024
No CCE: March 10, 2024 *Springbreak
Class 19: Sunday, March 17, 2024

Catholic Social Teaching Corner
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the Gospel today, Jesus continues his healing ministry by curing a leper. Who are those who are considered "unclean" in our society today? Who are those that must remain separated from the community? They might be those coming out of jails, or those suffering from mental illness. They might be suffering from a disease that we fear. They might be undocumented immigrants who fear that their families might be deported and torn apart. They might be the poor just struggling to keep their lives together. How can we continue the ministry of Jesus today by reaching out to those who feel rejected and cast out of society?

Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús continúa su ministerio sanador curando a un leproso ¿Quiénes son aquellos que en nuestra sociedad consideramos "impuros" en la actualidad? ¿Quiénes son aquellos que deben permanecer separados de la comunidad? Puede que sea aquellos que están saliendo de la cárcel, o aquellos sufriendo por una enfermedad mental. Puede que estén sufriendo por una enfermedad que nosotros tememos. Puede que sean inmigrantes indocumentados que temen que sus familias puedan ser deportadas y rotas. Puede que sean los pobres luchando por salir adelante ¿Cómo podemos continuar con el ministerio de Jesús hoy acercándonos a aquellos que se sienten rechazados y alejados de la sociedad?

St Monica Ladies' Annual Spring Social is scheduled for April 7, 2024 and we are looking for donations for the raffle.

Please prayerfully consider request as the Ladies help with various church functions, including purchase of vestments, candles. If you can make a donation, please contact the church office or Linda Kamenicky @ lkayk0217@yahoo.com to let us know. You can also drop the donation in the collection basket made payable to St. Monica Ladies Society.

Thank You in advance for your support.

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Ministry Schedule

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14, 2024 12 PM

Lector: Chris Wilson

Euch. M.: Janice Klecka & Jane Marek

Altar Servers: Volunteers needed

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14, 2024 7 PM

Lector: Confirmation II Students

Euch. M.: Joe Mancha & Sonica Perez

Altar Servers: Volunteers needed

Sat., Feb. 17, 2024 6 PM

Lector: Marilyn Murphy

Euch. M.: Patsy Vrazel and Jane Marek

Altar Servers: Volunteers needed

Sun., Feb. 18, 2024, 8 AM

Lector: Ramona Bolivar

Euch. M.: Rosa Banda and Bonifacio Banda

Altar Servers: Guadalupe A.

Sun., Feb. 18, 2024 10 AM

Lector: Elizabeth Pineda

Euch. M.: Marilyn Gaas and

Sonia Vega-Perez

Altar Servers: Tatiana P. Sebastian M.

Sat., Feb. 24, 2024 6 PM

Lector: Keith Copeland

Euch. M.: Denise Pineda and Janice Klecka

Altar Servers: Volunteers needed

Sun., Feb. 25, 2024, 8 AM

Lector: Blanca Cazares

Euch. M.: Rosa Banda & Ramona Banda

Altar Servers: Guadalupe A.

Sun., Feb. 25, 2024 10 AM

Lector: Cynthia Kostroun

Euch. M.: Agnes Kostroun & Carmen Rios

Altar Servers: Yadira S. and Vicente S.

Attention Graduating Seniors!



The Knights of Columbus Council #12601 will be awarding scholarships to graduating seniors. Applicants must be members of St. Monica Catholic Church or son/daughter of KC Council #12601 member. All students meeting the requirements are encouraged to apply. Applications are available at St. Monica Church office or the table in the Narthex of the church. Please drop your application off at the church office or mail to:

Nonito Martinez: 703 E. 21st St., Cameron, Tx

Frank Klecka: 2103 N. Austin Ave., Cameron, Tx

**Completed applications must be received by April 14th
No exceptions will be made.**

Pope Francis' February Prayer Intention

For the terminally ill

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

Para los enfermos terminales

Oramos para que quienes padecen una enfermedad terminal y sus familiares reciban el cuidado y acompañamiento físico y espiritual necesario.

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What is Lent all about?

Jesus made it clear that all the law can be summed up in the one great commandment: "to love God with all your heart and to love your neighbor as you desire to be loved." (Mark 12:28-34). In other words, our religious practices should help us to love God and our neighbor. If not, we are doing something wrong. Or we are doing something right for the wrong reason. In Lent, we take a 40-day retreat in imitation of Our Lord in the desert. The three pillars of action are to pray, fast, and give alms. When we pray, we awaken ourselves to the God within us. We let him enter into our heartbeat and our breathing. It is by being awake to God that we can then recognize Him in the world around us. When we fast, we feel the pangs of hunger in solidarity with those around the world who even today go to bed hungry each night. This hunger spurs an action of charity within us and we then give alms – gifts to those who are working to alleviate human misery. We can give to Catholic Charities or CRS or any number of worthy organizations. Or we can give to the pastor's charity account of our local parish. (Hint, hint!) If you prefer to use a Catholic digital tool (app) to guide your through Lent, there are wonderful offerings through Hallow, Dynamic Catholic, Word on Fire, etc. But do something to mark these 40 days as special, with Our Lord as your companion. It doesn't have to be extreme, but it should be consistent. If you practice Lent with attentiveness, you will actually feel the dreariness of winter give way to spring.

And, as Jesus said, you will not be far from the Kingdom of God. - - - Fr. Jim



¿De qué se trata la Cuaresma?

Jesús dejó claro que toda la ley se puede resumir en un gran mandamiento: "amar a Dios con todo tu corazón y amar a tu prójimo como deseas ser amado". (Marcos 12:28-34). En otras palabras, nuestras prácticas religiosas deberían ayudarnos a amar a Dios y a nuestro prójimo. Si no, algo estamos haciendo mal. O estamos haciendo algo bien por el motivo equivocado. En Cuaresma hacemos un retiro de 40 días a imitación de Nuestro Señor en el desierto. Los tres pilares de acción son orar, ayunar y dar limosna. Cuando oramos, despertamos al Dios que está dentro de nosotros. Le dejamos entrar en nuestros latidos y en nuestra respiración. Es estando despiertos a Dios que podemos reconocerlo en el mundo que nos rodea. Cuando ayunamos, sentimos los dolores del hambre en solidaridad con aquellos en todo el mundo que aún hoy se acuestan con hambre cada noche. Esta hambre estimula una acción de caridad dentro de nosotros y luego damos limosna, regalos a quienes están trabajando para aliviar la miseria humana. Podemos donar a Caridades Católicas o CRS o cualquier cantidad de organizaciones valiosas. O podemos donar a la cuenta de caridad del párroco de nuestra parroquia local. (¡Pista, pista!) Si prefiere utilizar una herramienta digital católica (aplicación) para guiarse durante la Cuaresma, hay ofertas maravillosas a través de Hallow, Dynamic Catholic, Word on Fire, etc. Pero haga algo para marcar estos 40 días como especiales. , con Nuestro Señor como compañero. No es necesario que sea extremo, pero sí coherente. Si practicas la Cuaresma con atención, sentirás que la tristeza del invierno da paso a la primavera. Y, como dijo Jesús, estaréis cerca del Reino de Dios. - - - P. Jim

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ST. MONICA'S COUNCIL #12601

MEETINGS 3RD THURSDAY OF
THE MONTH AT THE
SIMON & GEORGE HALL

In Service to One. In Service to All!



Prayer to St. Monica

Great St. Monica, patroness of all mothers and fathers, please take our children under your protection even those who have strayed from God and His Church. Let them always remain faithful to their baptismal vows. Give us the strength to walk always in the footsteps of the Lord. Amen.



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Vista nuestro Sitio web

www.saintmonicatx.org

Information: Organizations

Pastoral Council Members

Patsy Vrazel, Chairwoman - Email: pavrazel@yahoo.com
Renee Mueck, Monica Schiller, Becky Ferrara, Patsy Vrazel, Juan Carlos Perez, Denise Pineda, Araceli Vargas, and John Vargas

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Nonito Martinez, Chairman

Bud Riola, Frank Klecka

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Gary Vrazel, Chairman

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St. Monica's Ladies' Society

Denise Pineda, President

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Nonito Martinez, Grand Knight

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Carol Moore and Mary Frances Shipp

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Linda Kamenicky - email: eim@saintmonicatx.org

K.J.Z.T. Society #48

Bettie Pagach, President

Parish Building & Maintenance Committee

Charles "Bud" Riola, Chairman

INFORMATION

Sacraments/ Sacramentos

Contact the parish office to prepare for sacraments such as baptisms, weddings, first communion and confirmation.

Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial para prepararse para sacramentos como bautizos, bodas, primera comunión y confirmación.

RCIA /El Rito de la Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos,

Contact Parish office for information./ Llame a la oficina para más información.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick /el Sacramento de la Uncion de los enfermos.

Call the parish office or after office hours call or text Fr. Jim Chamberlain at 972-895-2622 . / Llame a la oficina parroquial o después del horario de oficina llama o envía un mensaje de texto con el Padre. Jim Chamberlain al 972-895-2622

Quinceañera

Come by the parish office and fill out a registration form. Arrangements must be made at least six months prior to the desired date./ Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial para un registro. Los arreglos deben hacerse al menos seis meses antes de la fecha deseada.



Arlan's Receipt Program:

Thank you to all for your continued supporting our Arlan's Receipt program. Through our participation the parish received \$671.88 in 2023 Monies raised will go towards our Building & Maintenance Fund.

How to participate: Parishioners are asked to keep their Arlan's Supermarket receipts and turn them in to the church. The church receives a 1% donation based on the receipt purchase totals. The **entire receipt** is necessary to obtain all information required by Arlan's.