

SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2025

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

St. Monica Catholic Church

ROMAN CATHOLIC
DIOCESE 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

-Pastor-

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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

Thursday/ Jueves

12:10 p.m. - English/ Inglés

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 Catholica que reconocemos la necesidad de una unidad mas fuerte dentro de nuestra comunidad Catholica.

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 nuestro tiempo, talentos y tesoros con todos los necesitados, especialmente nuestros ancianos y entemos

Mass Intentions

Intenciones de la misa

Saturday, April 26, 2025

6 p.m. †Grace Mitchan

†Shirley Jean Krennek

† Las Animas

Sunday, April 27, 2025

8 a.m. † Maria de las Luz Rodriguez

† Mia Oviedo & Petra Galvan

† Antonia Casillas

10 a.m. † Adrian Reyes

† Matthew Novis

Tuesday, April 29, 2025

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

6 p.m. † Rosa Lugo

Thursday, May 1, 2025

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

Friday, May 2, 2025

8 a.m. †Living & Deceased members of
St. Monica's Ladies Society

Victor Manuel & Miguel Angel Zaragoza

Saturday, May 3, 2025

6 p.m. †Olga Marek

Sunday, May 4, 2025

8 a.m. † Gregorio & Francisca Ortega

† Paula & Jaquín Garcia Jr.

† Mauricio & Johnny Bazurto

10 a.m. † Matthew Novis

†For the Sick & Elderly



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

Please Pray for:
Por favor reza por:

Adan Contreras, Rosita Banda Cruz,
Delia Torres, Camilo Vargas Jr, and
Carolyn Klecka

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

Stewardship Report

Good Friday-April 18, 2025

Holy Land: \$338.40

Week of April 20, 2025

Sunday Collection: \$3,914.00

Building Fund: \$25.00

Online Giving:

* Sunday Collection: \$5,540.00

* Building Fund: \$25.00

Total Collection: \$9,842.40

Second Collection:

May 10 & 11:

Seminarians and Priest Education and
Formation

May 24 & 25 :

Archdiocese For the Military Services

CALENDAR OF EVENTS/MEETINGS

Mary Fest Planning Meeting

Thursday, May 1, 2025 7 pm, at the St. Anthony
School, Library.

St. Monica's Ladies Society Meeting

Tuesday, May 6, 2025, 2 p.m. at the St. Anthony
School, Library.

EIM Workshop Session

St. Monica will host a EIM workshop session on:

Thursday, May 8, 2025, 1 p.m.- 4 p.m.

Thursday, May 8, 2025, 5 p.m.- 8 p.m.

To be held at the St. Anthony School/Parish Office,
Library.

Homecoming Festival Meeting

Tuesday, May 13, 2025, 7 p.m. at the St. Anthony
School, Library. We ask all booth Chairpersons and
anyone interested in volunteering or anyone who
would like to have a booth at the festival to attend
this meeting, to help us better prepare a list of
supplies. We are in need of more volunteers for set
up, mark your calendars for August 9th & 16th. Each
chairperson of a booth will be in charge of getting
their booth up and furnished the day of festival. This
year the St. Monica's Homecoming Festival will be on
August 17th.

MARY FEST

Sunday, May 18th - Church grounds, 11 am - 3 pm.

Hispanic food and culture: Tacos, bebidas,
Music, danzantes, & games for the children

Baccalaureate Mass

Sunday, May 18, 2025, 10 a.m.

Confirmation Mass

Friday, July 11, 2025, 6 p.m.



Sanctuary Light will burn this week:
La Lampara Del Santuario arderá esta semana:

In Memory of
Anthony & Timothy Woytek
By: Billy & Mary Ann Seaton



**St. Monica
Baccalaureate**

For Graduating Seniors
& College Graduates

**Sunday, May 18, 2025,
at the 10AM Mass**

Registration forms will be in the church.
For questions please call or text St. Monica
DRE./YM: Sonia Vega-Perez (254)295-6092

Divine Mercy Sunday

In the Gospel today Jesus greets his frightened and
traumatized disciples with this greeting: Peace! The
readings today convey that profound sense of peace that
is the legacy of Jesus. This peace is not characterized by
the absence of conflict, but rather, by a deep sense of
well-being that accompanies a lively faith. Can we bring
this deep sense of peace to those around us experiencing
conflict? How can we be better peacemakers in our world
by centering ourselves more fully in Christ?

Domingo de la Divina Misericordia

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús saluda a sus traumatizados
y asustados discípulos con este saludo: ¡Paz! Las lecturas
de hoy transmiten ese profundo sentido de paz que es el
legado de Jesús. Esta paz no está caracterizada por la
ausencia de conflicto, sino por un profundo sentido de
bienestar que acompaña a una fe viva ¿Podemos llevar ese
profundo sentido de paz a aquellos alrededor de nosotros
que se encuentran en conflicto? ¿Podemos ser mejores
hacedores de paz en nuestro mundo al centrarnos más
plenamente en Cristo?



If you have not picked up your
offertory envelopes please do
so after mass today (April 26th
& 27th), they are located on the
table at the entrance of the
church. After this weekend
boxes will be moved to the
parish office. If you did not receive, and would like
some come by the parish office we have extra box
sets. If you would like to discontinue receiving
envelopes please contact the parish office.



Austin Vocations' Men's Discernment Event:

Heart of Jesus

May 21 - 23, 2025

5:30 PM - 12:30 PM

Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center

5602 TX-317, Temple, TX 76502

Open to men 18 to 49 years of age

Scan to register, or visit
www.austinvocations/events



Evento de Discernimiento para Hombres

Heart of Jesus

del 21 al 23 de mayo del 2025

5:30 PM - 12:30 PM

Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center

5602 TX-317, Temple, TX 76502

Para hombres de 18 a 49 años de edad

Escanee para registrarse, o visite
www.austinvocations/events



Special Collection May 10 & 11: Seminarians and Priest Education and Formation

The Diocese of Austin, along with our Vocations Director Rev. Greg Gerhart, works tirelessly to ensure that we have
sufficient priests to celebrate the sacraments, preach homilies that move hearts and guide our faithful on their journey to
Christ. To ensure our priests are well-prepared, seminarians study philosophy, theology, scripture, and pastoral care,
seminarian education and formation in the Diocese of Austin takes anywhere from seven to nine years, depending on the
academic background of each man in formation. In addition to the academic formation, the Diocese cares for the whole
seminarian with health insurance, ongoing formation in prayer and spirituality, and summer programs for the study of
Spanish. The total cost of forming a seminarian is about \$70,000 per year. May God bless you for your generosity and please
pray for our seminarians.



Cedarbrake
CATHOLIC RETREAT CENTER

- ◆ Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Temple will present an **Inner Healing Retreat** May 31 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Jesus came to heal physically, emotionally and spiritually: helping the blind see, helping the lame to walk, and restoring the dead to life. Jesus' healing mission continues today in the Catholic Church. Deacons Dan Lupo and Rod Reyna will explain the scriptural roots of healing mission and demonstrate the practice of healing prayer. The cost is \$50, which includes lunch.
- ◆ Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Temple will host the **Summer Silent Retreat** June 6-11. Begin the summer focusing on the beauty of the Son of God and find warmth in his love. Choose the option of 2 to 5 nights on this silent retreat to listen more intentionally to God. Father Harry Dean and Brian Egan will lead this retreat with spiritual talks, prayers, adoration, confession and Mass.

For more information, visit
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Ministry Schedule

Saturday, May 3, 2025 6 PM

Lector: Becky Ferrara and Lisa Shelton

Euch. M.: Jane Marek and Janice Klecka

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Sunday, May 4, 2025, 8 AM

Lector: Blanca Cazares

Euch. M.: Rosa Banda and Ramona Banda

Altar Servers: Guadalupe Acosta & Yadir Saucedo

Sunday, May 4, 2025, 10 AM

***1st Communion Mass**

Lector: Celeste Cardona and Kingstin Rodriguez

Euch. M.: Anna Reyes Hill and Monica Schiller

Altar Servers: Vicente Sanchez, Danny Reyes, Kenly Reese

Saturday, May 10, 2025 6 PM

Lector: Cynthia Kostroun and Keith Copeland

Euch. M.: Agnes & Denise Pineda

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Sunday, May 11, 2025, 8 AM

Lector: Ramona Banda

Euch. M.: Rosa Banda and Joe Mancha

Altar Servers: Cesar Guevara-Mateo and Nolvín Vasquez-Lopez

Sunday, May 11, 10 AM

Lector: Shelly Lopez and Marilyn Gaas

Euch. M.: Pam Oliver and Carmen Rios

Altar Servers: Ava Reyes and Jonah DeLosSantos

Consider the lilies....

On Holy Saturday, 11 men and women were confirmed and anointed with Sacred Chrism, blessed by the bishop. In the Anointing of the Sick, the priest follows the instructions of the Apostle James to anoint the sick "with oil in the name of the Lord." (James 5:14-15), uniting the person to Christ's Passion and offering strength in their suffering. The chrism for Confirmation and the oil for Anointing are examples of a sacramental. We celebrate seven Sacraments (capital "S"), which are events in which we encounter God in a deeper way. But there are many sacramentals (little "s") that are sacred signs or symbols that extend the sacraments and point us to God's graces. Candles remind us that Christ is the light that freely enters into the darkness of the world's sin. Bells are a reminder of the heavenly choirs that ring out their glory in praise to God. Statues are visible reminders of the saints who have gone before us, showing us how to follow the Lord in their own particular circumstances. Incense is a reminder that our prayers rise up towards God as a fragrant offering of our hearts. And most importantly, holy water radiates the sacrament of our Baptism. Indeed, anything in God's creation can become a sacramental if used in the proper way.



Jesus said "Consider the lilies of the field." Let them reveal God's graces to you. This past week our nation celebrated Earth Day. By doing so, we consider the importance of protecting the planet and its natural resources. As people of faith, we feel called to care for God's creation as his stewards. And as Catholics, we can also see all parts of creation as sacramentals. Stately trees, colorful flowers, and puffy clouds – all of these are invitations to fall in love again with our world....and its Creator. --- Fr. Jim

Consideren los lirios...

El Sábado Santo, 11 hombres y mujeres fueron confirmados y ungidos con el Santo Crisma, bendecido por el obispo. En la Unción de los Enfermos, el sacerdote sigue las instrucciones del apóstol Santiago de ungir a los enfermos "con aceite en el nombre del Señor" (Santiago 5:14-15), uniéndolo a la persona a la Pasión de Cristo y ofreciéndole fuerza en su sufrimiento. El crisma de la Confirmación y el aceite de la Unción son ejemplos de sacramentales. Celebramos siete sacramentos (con "S" mayúscula), que son eventos en los que nos encontramos con Dios de una manera más profunda. Pero hay muchos sacramentales (con "s" minúscula) que son signos o símbolos sagrados que amplían los sacramentos y nos señalan las gracias de Dios. Las velas nos recuerdan que Cristo es la luz que entra libremente en la oscuridad del pecado del mundo. Las campanas son un recordatorio de los coros celestiales que resuenan su gloria en alabanza a Dios. Las estatuas son recordatorios visibles de los santos que nos precedieron y nos muestran cómo seguir al Señor en sus circunstancias particulares. El incienso nos recuerda que nuestras oraciones se elevan hacia Dios como una ofrenda fragante de nuestros corazones. Y lo más importante, el agua bendita irradia el sacramento de nuestro Bautismo. De hecho, cualquier cosa en la creación de Dios puede convertirse en un sacramental si se usa correctamente. Jesús dijo: «Consideren los lirios del campo». Permitan que les revelen las gracias de Dios. La semana pasada, nuestro país celebró el Día de la Tierra. Con ello, consideramos la importancia de proteger el planeta y sus recursos naturales. Como personas de fe, nos sentimos llamados a cuidar la creación de Dios como sus administradores. Y como católicos, también podemos ver todas las partes de la creación como sacramentales. Árboles majestuosos, flores coloridas y nubes esponjosas: todas estas son invitaciones a enamorarnos de nuevo de nuestro mundo... y de su Creador. --- P. Jim

DIOCESAN HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

HORA SANTA DIOCESANA PARA LAS VOCACIONES

May 10 | 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

St. Louis King of France Parish
7601 Burnet Rd. Austin, TX 78757



JUBILEE PLENARY INDULGENCE

Receive the indulgence by attending the Holy Hour and adhering to the four foundational conditions* below:

- Detachment from sin
- Reconciliation
- Holy Communion
- Prayer for the Pope's intentions

*To be completed within a few days before or after the event.

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MEETINGS 3RD TUESDAY OF THE
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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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May all the faithful departed
Rest in Peace

St. Monica's Ladies' Society

Meet 1st Tues., 2 p.m.
Sept-May

All Ladies Invited!

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INFORMATION: ORGANIZATIONS

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St. Monica's Ladies' Society

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K.J.Z.T. Society #48

Bettie Pagach, President

INFORMATION

Sacraments/ Sacraments

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.