

SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2025

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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)

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - SEXTO DOMINGO DE PASCUA

"The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you.

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." JN 14:26-27

"Pero el Consolador, el Espíritu Santo que mi Padre les enviará en mi nombre, les enseñará todas las cosas y les recordará todo cuanto yo les he dicho.

La paz les dejo, mi paz les doy. No se la doy como la da el mundo. No pierdan la paz ni se acobarden. Juan 14, 26-27

*~ 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 tradición Católica que reconocemos la necesidad de una unidad mas fuerte dentro de nuestra comunidad Católica.

Vamos a:

- Participar activamente en nuestra culto.
- Educarnos en las enseñanzas de Cristo.
- Ayudar a nuestros jóvenes 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 enfermos



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

Mass Intentions

Intenciones de la misa

Saturday, May 24, 2025

- 6 p.m. † T.J. Patterson
 † Shirley Jean Krennek
 † Millie & Charlie Krennek

Sunday, May 25, 2025

- 8 a.m. † Petra Galvan & Mario Morales
 † Cirilo Castillo Jr.
 † Anthony & Timothy Woytek

10 a.m. † Eugene Vansa

Tuesday, May 27, 2025

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

6 p.m. † Delfina Rodriguez

Thursday, May 29, 2025

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

Friday, May 30, 2025

8 a.m. For the People of the Parish

Saturday, May 31, 2025

- 6 p.m. † Louis Krennek
 † Charles Elliott
 † Las Animas

Sunday, June 1, 2025

- 8 a.m. † Gregorio & Francisca Ortega
 † Paula & Juakin Garcia
 † Mia R. Oviedo

10 a.m. † For the People of God

**St. Monica's Prayer Chain**

Cadena de Oración de Sta. Mónica

Please Pray for:**Por favor reza por:**

Rosita Banda Cruz, Delia Torres,
 Camilo Vargas Jr, Carolyn Klecka,
 and Elizabeth Dewester.

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

**YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS**

Young Catholic Professionals (YCP) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit on a mission to challenge, train and inspire young adults working in various professions to "Work in Witness for Christ."

The Austin Chapter of YCP invites all ages to get involved in our ministry: 20s & 30s: Enjoy refreshments, find new friends and hear faith and career advice from local Catholic business leaders at our events!

40+: Serve the young adults in your community as a mentor, board member or financial supporter of YCP.

YCP offers a variety of events to foster Catholic identity, encourage community and inspire action. To learn more and to check out some upcoming events, visit

www.ycpaustin.org or www.facebook.com/YCPAustin.

Fundraiser & dance in Corn Hill: Holy Trinity Parish in Corn Hill will host its annual fundraiser and dance June 1 in the parish activity center. All are invited to enjoy a delicious meal of fried chicken and sausage (served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; adults \$15/children \$8; drive-thru available). And then, dance the afternoon away to live music. For more information, visit www.holytrinityofcornhill.org.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS/MEETINGS**Parish Office Closed**

In observance of Memorial Day the parish office will be closed on Monday, May 26, 2025.

En conmemoración de Memorial Day la oficina parroquial estará cerrada el lunes 26 de mayo de 2025.

Blessing & Dedication of Plaza

Sunday, June 15 - 11:00 am

Blessing and Dedication of the Plaza and Garden in front of the church

Altar Server Jamboree

Wednesday, June 25 - 9:00 am to 4:30pm

Training for all altar servers, plus games and picnic

Homecoming Festival Meeting

Thursday, June 26, 2025, 7pm. Held at the St. Anthony School/Office, Library.

If you would like to volunteer there will be a sign up sheet at both entrances of the church. We are currently looking for someone to be the chairperson for the Country Store booth and Soda Toss Booth.

Confirmation Mini-Retreat with sponsors

Sunday, June 29 - 4:00 - 7:30 pm - at the Simon & George Hall.

Confirmation Mass

Friday, July 11, 2025, 6 p.m. in the church

Knights of Columbus Council # 12601**Sportsman Extravaganza Raffle**

Friday, July 18, 2025, 6 p.m.



**Knights of Columbus
 Council #12601**

**SPORTSMAN
 EXTRAVAGANZA
 RAFFLE****\$20 per Ticket**

5 prizes drawn for every 300 tickets sold

Friday, July 18th, 2025

Hall Opens at 6:00 p.m. • Raffle 7:00 p.m.

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Stew dinner & refreshments
 (one meal per ticket)

TO BE GIVEN AWAY:

- 1.) \$600 Weber's Sporting Goods Gift Certificate
- 2.) \$500 Weber's Sporting Goods Gift Certificate
- 3.) \$400 Weber's Sporting Goods Gift Certificate
- 4.) \$400 Academy Sports and Outdoors Gift Card
- 5.) \$400 Academy Sports and Outdoors Gift Card

Items from Weber's must be picked up by December 31, 2025

Mini Raffles during the event
 (Tickets available at the door.)

Need Not Be Present To Win.

**Memorial Day
 Prayer**

God of power and mercy,

*you destroy war and put down earthly pride.
 Banish violence from our midst and wipe away
 our tears, that we may all deserve to be called
 your sons and daughters.*

*Keep in your mercy those men and women who
 have died in the cause of freedom and bring them
 safely into your kingdom of justice and peace.
 We ask this though Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen
 (From the USCCB - Prayer for Memorial Day)*

**Memorial Donations to St. Monica's
 Stained Glass Window Restoration Fund:****In memory of Thomas Sheguit**

Given By: Deacon Jack & Marilyn Murphy,
 Joe & Becky Ferrara

In memory of Bo Davis

Given By: Jeff and Felicia Brien

**Memorial Donations to
 St. Monica's Cemetery****In Memory of Eugene Vansa**

Given By: Louis & Mary Frances Vansa,
 Robert & Debbie Vansa, and Merlene Slavik

In Memory of Grace Mitchan

Given By: Richard & Sara Kostroun

*Many thanks to all for your continued support to St. Monica
 Parish, continued prayers for the faithful departed.*

Stewardship Report**Week of May 18, 2025**

Sunday Collection:	\$1,919.00
Archdiocese for the Military Services:	\$660.00
Online Giving:	
* Sunday Collection:	\$640.00
* Building Fund:	\$25.00
Total Collection:	\$3,244.00

Upcoming Second Collections

June 14 & 15: Homecoming Festival

June 28 & 29: Peter's Pence

Sixth Sunday of Easter: In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus promises to send an Advocate to help the disciples carry on the mission of Jesus. Today we are the ones to whom Jesus sends the Holy Spirit. As we look at the violence, hatred, divisions and fears that exist in our world we might become discouraged. However the resurrection promise of God is that all will be transformed if we are open to God's grace working in us and in our world. What discouragement can you bring to God for his grace to heal?

Sexto Domingo de Pascua: En el Evangelio de este Domingo, Jesús promete enviarnos un intermediario para ayudar a los discípulos a llevar a cabo la misión de Jesús. Hoy, nosotros somos a quienes Jesús envía el Espíritu Santo. Mientras miramos la violencia, el odio, las divisiones y los temores que existen en nuestro mundo puede que nos desanimemos. De cualquier modo, la promesa de la resurrección de Dios es que todos seamos transformados si estamos abiertos a la gracia de Dios que trabaja en nosotros y en nuestro mundo ¿Qué decepción puede usted traer a la presencia de Dios para recibir su gracia para sanar?



Knights of Columbus Council #12601, and St. Monica Catholic Church, congratulates the Class of 2025. This year we presented scholarships of \$500 each to seven graduates. Congratulations to the following:

C.H. Yoe High School

Aaron Cardona-TSTC, Waco
Lorenzo Cervantes- TSTC, Waco
Alexa Ramos-Temple College
Kingstin Rodriguez-TSU, San Marcos
Jaxon Villalon-Blinn Collage, Bryan
Alyssa Ybarra-Blinn College, Bryan

Rogers High School

Rubi Llanas-Temple College *not pictured



This summer, Fr. Jim will be offering eight sessions on:

"Basics of our Catholic Faith".

This is the "inquiry phase" (pre-catechumenate) of OCIA and will include discussion and some short videos. These sessions are **open to any adult (16 yrs of age or older) who wants to receive their sacraments or who wants to learn more about the Catholic faith.**

Sessions will meet on Mondays, 5:00-6:30 pm, and will begin on Monday, June 2nd held at the St. Anthony School, Library Room

Class of 2025

Gabriel Cruz

C.H. Yoe High School Graduate
Son of: Juan & Aurora Cardona Cruz
Attending TSTC, Waco, TX - Electrical & Power Control

Xavier A. Gilmon

C.H. Yoe High School Graduate
Son of: Leticia Corona Rangel
Attending Austin Technical Institute - HVAC/A&A heat and air

Now Accepting Donations for the Homecoming Festival Raffle: It's that time again, if you would like to make a monetary donation towards the raffle please contact Gilda at the parish office. Great prizes guarantee a successful raffle!

Estamos aceptando donaciones para la rifa de la Jamaica en Agosto: Si deseas hacer una donación monetaria para la rifa comuníquese con con Gilda en la oficina parroquial. ¡Grandes premios garantizan un sorteo exitoso!

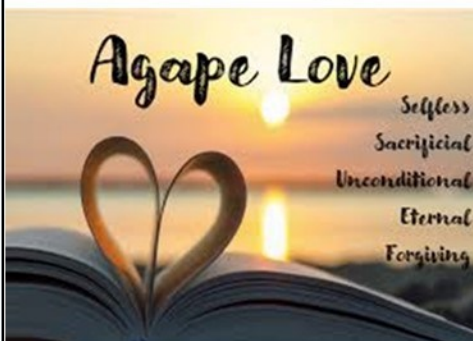
A new kind of love

On the night before he died, Jesus said to his disciples: "I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you." What is so new about this command? In most languages, there is only one word for love. But in Greek, there are four words, because there are really four different kinds of love. **Storge** is family love, shared by relatives by blood. The natural love of a mother for her child is the first kind of love that we experience. **Philia** is the love between friends. It is the strong bond between people who share common values, interests, or activities. It is not exclusive, as you can have more than one good friend. **Eros** is romantic love, or "being in love" with someone in particular. Eros is exclusive love - I am devoted to you over any other person in my life. But the kind of love that Jesus commands of us is different from any of these loves. The word in Greek is "agape". **Agape** is an act of the will. It goes beyond good feelings or mutual interests. Agape is a selfless, unconditional love that seeks understanding. It is love that desires the good for the other, regardless of their religion, or their country of origin, or their political preference. It is love that expects nothing in return, but loves only for the sake of Love itself. Everyone can experience the first three kinds of love. But agape love requires you to choose to love, even when it does not

come easy. Ideally, a sacramental marriage moves from friendship to eros to agape, without losing any of the other types of love. Jesus continued: "This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have agape love for one another." - - - Fr. Jim

Nuevo tipo de amor

La víspera de su muerte, Jesús dijo a sus discípulos: «Les doy un mandamiento nuevo: que se amen los unos a los otros como yo los he amado». ¿Qué tiene de nuevo este



mandamiento? En la mayoría de los idiomas, solo existe una palabra para amor. Pero en griego, hay cuatro, porque en realidad existen cuatro tipos de amor. **Storge** es el amor familiar, compartido por parientes consanguíneos. El amor natural de una madre por su hijo es el primer tipo de amor que experimentamos. **Philia** es el amor entre amigos. Es el fuerte vínculo entre personas que comparten valores, intereses o actividades comunes. No es exclusivo, ya que se puede tener más de un buen amigo. **Eros** es el amor romántico, o «estar enamorado» de alguien en particular. Eros es amor exclusivo: te tengo devoción más que a cualquier otra persona en mi vida. Pero el tipo de amor que Jesús nos manda es diferente a cualquiera de estos amores. La palabra en griego es «ágape». **Ágape** es un acto de la voluntad. Va más allá de los buenos sentimientos o los intereses mutuos. Ágape es un amor desinteresado e incondicional que busca la comprensión. Es el amor que desea el bien para el otro, sin importar su religión, país de origen o preferencia política. Es el amor que no espera nada a cambio, sino que ama solo por el amor mismo. Todos pueden experimentar los tres primeros tipos de amor. Pero el amor ágape requiere que elijas amar, incluso cuando no sea fácil. Idealmente, un matrimonio sacramental pasa de la amistad al eros y al ágape, sin perder ninguno de los otros tipos de amor. Jesús continuó: «En esto conocerán todos que son mis discípulos: si se tienen amor ágape los unos a los otros». - - - P. Jim

Sanctuary Light will burn this week:
La Lampara Del Santuario arderá esta semana:
Para La Familia Cardona-Fuentes
By: Eliza Cardona

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Ministry Schedule

Saturday, May 30, 2025 6 PM

Lector: Denise Pineda and Lisa Shelton
Euch. M.: Marilyn Murphy and Jane Marek

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Sunday, June 1, 2025, 8 AM

Lector: Joe Mancha

Euch. M.: Rosa Banda and Ramona Banda

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

Sunday, June 1, 2025, 10 AM

Lector: Rubi Bautista and Sonia Vega Perez

Euch. M.: Agnes & Cynthia Kostroun

Altar Servers: Ava Reyes and Jonah DeLosSantos

Saturday, June 7, 2025 6 PM

Lector: Keith Copeland and Patsy Vrazel

Euch. M.: Marilyn Murphy and Janice Klecka

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Sunday, June 8, 2025, 8 AM

Lector: Blanca Cazares

Euch. M.: Rosa Banda and Sonia Vega Perez

Altar Servers: Guadalupe Acosta & Margarita Cruz

Sunday, June 8, 10 AM

Lector: Rick Rhoades and Marilyn Gaas

Euch. M.: Pam Oliver and Monica Schiller

Altar Servers: Kenly Reese, Sebastian Layburn, and
Raphael Martinez Jr.

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St. Monica's Ladies' Society

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Sept-May

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INFORMATION

Sacraments

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

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Deacon Jack Murphy leads our OCIA program. Classes usually start in the
Fall, contact the Parish office for information or to register.

St. Monica's Religious Education CCE Program

Classes start in the fall. Contact our Director of Religious Education Sonia
Vega Perez to register or for more information.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Call the parish office or after office hours call or text Fr. Jim Chamberlain
at 972-895-2622.

Orden de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos

Llame a la oficina para más información.

Sacramentos

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

El Sacramento de la Unción de los enfermos.

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.