

SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2025

PENTECOST 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 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 entemos

Mass Intentions

Intenciones de la misa

Saturday, June 7, 2025

6 p.m. † Leon Rieger
† Eugene Vansa

Sunday, June 8, 2025

8 a.m. † Sally Cervantes
† Juakin Garcia Jr.
† Mario Morales
Liliana Zaragoza

10 a.m. † Eugene Vansa
† Paul Mueck
✠ For the Sick & Elderly

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

12:10 p.m. † Liz & Rudy's Mom & Dad

6 p.m. † Trinidad Aragoniz
† Anastacia Segovia

Thursday, June 12, 2025

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

Friday, June 13, 2025

8 a.m. For the People of the Parish

Saturday, June 14, 2025

6 p.m. † Herbert F. & Helen Hoelscher
† Louis Vrazel Sr.
† Carter Tomascik

Sunday, June 15, 2025

8 a.m. † Antonio Rodriguez
† Anthony & Time Woytek
† Cirilo Castillo, Jr.

10 a.m. † Eugene Vansa
† Avelardo Yglecias
Las Animas

 **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,
Elizabeth Dewester, and
Jay & Joy Watson.

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

Stewardship Report

Week of June 1, 2025

Sunday Collection: \$2, 513.00
Ascension of the Lord: \$1,654.00
Online Giving:
* Sunday Collection: \$390.00
Total Collection: \$ 4,557.00

Upcoming Second Collections

June 14 & 15: Homecoming Festival
June 28 & 29: Peter's Pence

**ATTENTION
PLEASE**

DEADLINE FOR HOMECOMING FESTIVAL

DONATIONS FOR THE RAFFLE IS FRIDAY, JUNE 20TH!

To make a monetary donation for the Homecoming Festival raffle please contact Anita Mendoza at 254-482-3329 or contact the parish office by phone: (254)697-2107 or email: office@saintmonicatx.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS/MEETINGS

KIZT MEETING

Friday, June 13, 2025 at 9:30 a.m., will be held at the St. Anthony School, Library. Guest Speaker Nathan Fuchs, Mayor of Cameron and District Representative Helen Metzger will be in attendance.

Blessing of the Plaza

Sunday, June 15, 2025 after the 10 a.m. Mass

Altar Server Jamboree

Wednesday, June 25 - 9:00 am to 4:30 p.m.
Training for all altar servers, plus games & picnic.

Homecoming Festival Meeting

Thursday, June 26, 2025, 7p.m. 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 p.m. - at the Simon & George Hall.

Parish Office Closure

In observance of Independence Day, the Parish Office will be closed on Friday, July 4th.

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. at the Simon & George Hall.

Homecoming Festival Set-Up Days

Saturday, August 9, 2025, 8:00 a.m.

and Sunday August 16, 2025, 8am

Your help is greatly needed! We ask that all parishioners come out and help with the set up for our Homecoming Festival.

Homecoming Festival 2025

Sunday, August 17, 2025



"BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN"

"CAMPAÑA DEL BIBERÓN"

Keep filling you Baby Bottle!

A Little ChangeChanges Lives!

When you fill this bottle with coins, cash or checks you are making a positive impact on young families in our community. Thank you for providing the support that will save and change lives. Please return this fundraising bottle at any Mass Father's Day Weekend(June 14 or 15).

**TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE
PARISH OFFICE!!**



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.

Simon George Hall • Cameron, TX

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.



ST. MONICA'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**R.E. REGISTRATION NOW OPEN
FOR THE 2025-2026 YEAR !
PRE-K - HIGH SCHOOL**

**- First Day of R. E. CCE Class-
Sunday, September 28, 2025 at 9 a.m.**

**Las inscripciones para Educación Religiosa
ya está abierta para el año 2025-2026.**

**El primer día de clases será el domingo 28 de
septiembre de 2025 a las 9 a.m.**

Register by Appointment!

**Contact Director of Religious Education
Sonia Vega Perez (254) 295-6092**

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RED-C FAMILY RETREAT 2025



You're Invited: RED-C Apostolate Family Retreat 2025:

Join us Saturday, July 26th at St. Louis Catholic Church in Waco for a powerful day of faith, family, and formation! This year's theme is "Hope for the Family, Hope in Christ." Enjoy dynamic talks from keynote speakers Scott and Amy Latta, engaging formation for toddlers to teens, Confession and Mass, and unforgettable family activities that will strengthen your domestic church. Snacks, drinks, and lunch will be provided as well as a nursery and childcare, as needed, for those ages 6 and under. Come grow closer to Christ—together as a family. Just \$50 per household. Register now at redcradio.org/familyretreat25. Space is limited—don't wait!



Cedarbrake
CATHOLIC RETREAT CENTER

- ♦ The **Life-Giving Wounds Retreat** will be held July 25-27 at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Temple. This three-day retreat for young adults and adults with divorced or separated parents invites participants to move through the broken image of love in their parents' relationship to their deepest identity found in God. The retreat gives participants a greater understanding of the wound of divorce and how it affects their lives, offers advice about the difficulties concerning love and trust of others, and explains how the Catholic faith, spiritual practices, and the sacraments are essential to self-knowledge and healing. The retreat is led by the Co-Founder of Life-Giving Wounds, Dr. Daniel Meola and trained volunteers. The cost is \$310 for a private room, \$265 for a shared room and \$165 for commuters.
- ♦ A women's retreat entitled **Adapting to Life's Changes** will be offered Aug. 1-3 at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Temple. Change is inevitable, handling it with faith, courage and awareness is a choice. Life's transitions can be a challenge. The prophet Isaiah says, "Behold I am about to do something new, do you not see it." (43:19) Join Beverly Collin, former assistant director at Cedarbrake, as she invites participants to explore ways to grow closer to God amid life's transitions. The cost is \$310 for a private room, \$265 for a shared room and \$165 for commuters.

For more information, or to register visit www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake or call (254) 780-2436

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, June 14, 2025 6 PM

Lector: Chris Wilson and Denise Pineda

Euch. M.: Joe & Becky Ferrara

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Sunday, June 15, 2025, 8 AM

Lector: Mariana Reyes

Euch. M.: Rosa Banda and Joe Mancha

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

Sunday, June 15, 2025, 10 AM

Lector: Kailey Rodriguez and Celeste Cardona

Euch. M.: Marilyn Gaas and Anna Reyes Hill

Altar Servers: Vicente Sanchez and Danny Reyes

Saturday, June 21, 2025 6 PM

Lector: Lisa Shelton and Nonito Martinez

Euch. M.: Patsy Vrazel and Janice Klecka

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Sunday, June 22, 2025, 8 AM

Lector: Ramona Banda

Euch. M.: Rosa Banda and Bonifacio Banda

Altar Servers: Ariana & Efrain Cruz

Sunday, June 22, 10 AM

Lector: Ruby Bautista and Elizabeth Pineda

Euch. M.: Agnes Kostroun and Sonia Vega Perez

Altar Servers: Ava Reyes and Jonah DeLosSantos



31st Annual Walk for Life

For more information, to register or pledge visit www.texasallianceforlife.org or call to register by phone call 512.477.1244 .

Chicken Dinner: Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parish in Granger will host the annual Chicken Dinner June 29 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parish hall. Each plate will include fried chicken, cole slaw, green beans, noodles and peaches. Plates are \$15 each (dine-in and drive-thru (until 12:30 p.m.)). All are welcome!

Catch the Spirit in your sails!

Katie and Laura are young endurance athletes. Katie Spatz is a 23-yr old American who became the youngest person to row, row, row her boat solo across the Atlantic Ocean from west Africa to South America. At the age of 26, Laura Dekker sailed her boat around the globe. Surviving many storms and dangerous reefs, she finished the journey in 1 year and 5 months. Both young women accomplished impressive feats. But if it were your choice, would you rather row a boat or lift a sail to harness the power of the wind? In the dark of night, Jesus said to Nicodemus "The wind blows where it wishes and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with the Holy Spirit." (John 3:8). The Spirit, like the wind, is a force that we cannot see. But it is around us constantly and beckons us to be carried away. We "put up our sails" each time we pray to the Holy Spirit for comfort, for wisdom, and for the courage to do the right thing.

The Holy Spirit is the spirit of the risen Christ active and alive in the world. It answers to no government or organization, not even the Church. It is mighty enough to break down the walls of fear and prejudice, but gentle enough to help us forgive someone when we have been wronged.



The Spirit is mighty enough to get us off the couch to do a service project or to work at the Thrift Store. But it is gentle enough to teach us the art of compassion. This is your time. Put up your sails!

Catch the Holy Spirit! - - - Fr. Jim

¡Atrapa el Espíritu en tus velas!

Katie y Laura son jóvenes atletas de resistencia. Katie Spatz, una estadounidense de 23 años, se convirtió en la persona más joven en cruzar en

solitario el Océano Atlántico remando en su bote, desde África Occidental hasta Sudamérica. A los 26 años, Laura Dekker navegó en su bote alrededor del mundo. Sobreviviendo a muchas tormentas y arrecifes peligrosos, completó la travesía en un año y cinco meses. Ambas jóvenes lograron hazañas impresionantes. Pero si fuera tu elección, ¿preferirías remar en un bote o izar una vela para aprovechar la fuerza del viento? En la oscuridad de la noche, Jesús le dijo a Nicodemo: «El viento sopla donde quiere, y oyes su sonido, pero no sabes de dónde viene ni adónde va. Así es con el Espíritu Santo» (Juan 3:8). El Espíritu, como el viento, es una fuerza invisible. Pero nos rodea constantemente y nos invita a dejarnos llevar. Iremos las velas cada vez que oremos al Espíritu Santo pidiendo consuelo, sabiduría y la valentía para hacer lo correcto.

El Espíritu Santo es el espíritu de Cristo resucitado, activo y vivo en el mundo. No responde a ningún gobierno ni organización, ni siquiera a la Iglesia. Es lo suficientemente poderoso como para derribar los muros del miedo y el prejuicio, pero lo suficientemente amable como para ayudarnos a perdonar a alguien cuando hemos sido agraviados. El Espíritu es lo suficientemente poderoso como para levantarnos del sofá para realizar un proyecto de servicio o trabajar en la tienda de segunda mano. Pero es lo suficientemente amable como para enseñarnos el arte de la compasión.

Este es tu momento. ¡Iza las velas! ¡Atrapa al Espíritu Santo! - - - P. Jim

Pentecost Sunday

The Gospel for Pentecost Sunday echoes the Second Sunday of Easter – Jesus breathing the Holy Spirit of peace and forgiveness upon the disciples. The reading from Acts shows how the Spirit in them reverses the tower of Babel story by having the many all hear and understand. How is the Spirit working in us to bring peace, forgiveness and understanding to our world?

Domingo de Pentecostés

El Evangelio del domingo de Pentecostés hace eco del segundo domingo de Pascua – Jesús respirando el Espíritu Santo de paz y perdón sobre sus discípulos. La lectura de los Hechos nos muestra cómo el Espíritu en ellos invierte la historia de la torre de Babel al hacer que todos escuchen y entiendan ¿Cómo está el Espíritu trabajando en nosotros para traer paz, perdón y entendimiento al mundo?

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MEETINGS 3RD TUESDAY 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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MIKULA*

*May all the faithful departed
Rest in Peace*

St. Monica's Ladies' Society

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

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Call or text: (512) 796-1904

K.J.Z.T. Society #48

Bettie Pagach, President

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.