

SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 2025

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

St. Monica Catholic Church



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

located in the St. Anthony Building

MONDAY-FRIDAY, 9AM-2PM (CLOSED- 12PM-1PM)

OUR CLERGY

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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 21, 2025

6 p.m. † Joe & Annie Dohnalik
† Joe & Mary Vrazel

Sunday, June 22, 2025

8 a.m. † Jessica Velez
† Antonia Casillas
Eva Garcia & Familia Fernandez

10 a.m. † Eugene Vansa
† Trinidad Aragonéz
† Anastacia Segovia

Tuesday, June 24, 2025

12:10 p.m. † Juan Martinez

6 p.m. † Martin Rivas Lugo

Thursday, June 26, 2025

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

Friday, June 27, 2025

8 a.m. For the People of the Parish

Saturday, June 28, 2025

6 p.m. † Joe & JoAnn Nalley
† Las Animas

Sunday, June 29, 2025

8 a.m. † Vanessa Barba,
† Mia Oviedo
† Petra Galvan

10 a.m. For the sick & elderly

Stewardship Report

Week of June 15, 2025

Sunday Collection:	\$3,083.00
Homecoming Festival:	\$812.00
Online Giving:	
* Sunday Collection:	\$ 590.00
* Building Fund:	\$25.00
Total Collection:	\$ 4,510.00



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, Jay & Joy
Watson, and Barbara Schattle.

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS/MEETINGS

Homecoming Festival Meeting

Thursday, June 26, 2025, 7p.m. Held at the
St. Anthony School/Office, Library.
Sign up to volunteer! Sign up sheet at both
entrances of the church.

Confirmation Mini-Retreat with sponsors

Sunday, June 29, 4:00 – 7:30 p.m. – at the Simon &
George Hall.

Mini-retiro de Confirmación con padrinos

Domingo 29 de junio, 4:00 – 7:30 p.m. – en el
Salón Simon & George.

St. Monica Ladies Society Meeting

Rural Life Mass Planning meeting: All Ladies are
invited to join. Tuesday, July 1, 2025, 2 p.m. held
at the St. Anthony school Library room.

Parish Office Closed/Oficina Cerrada

Friday, July 4, 2025, In observance of
Independence Day, the office will be closed.

Confirmation Mass/Misa de Confirmación

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 a.m.

and Sunday August 16, 2025, 8 a.m.

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

Días de preparación para La Jamaica

Sábado 9 de agosto de 2025, 8:00 a. m.

y domingo 16 de agosto de 2025, 8:00 a. m.

¡Necesitamos mucho su ayuda! Les pedimos a todos
los feligreses que vengan y colaboren con los
preparativos para la Jamaica.

Sanctuary Light will burn this week:

La Lampara Del Santuario arderá esta semana:



En Honor of Jaime & Liliana Zaragoza
By: Eliza Cardona

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.



All NEW and OLD altar
servers for St. Monica!
Please plan on attending
an Altar Server Jamboree
on Wednesday, June 25,
9:00 am to 4:30 pm at the
Simon & George Hall.

This will be an all-day event led by our diocesan
seminarians, young men who are studying to be priests.
There will be games and food and server training all in
one! This is required training! All servers – old and new
– must attend, and you must register by calling Gilda at
the Parish office.

*Todos los monaguillos están invitados a asistir a un
Jamboree de Monaguillos el miércoles 25 de junio.
Este evento, que durará todo el día y será dirigido por
nuestros seminaristas diocesanos, jóvenes que estudian
para ser sacerdotes, incluirá juegos, comida y
capacitación, ¡todo en uno! Esta es una capacitación
obligatoria para todos los monaguillos. Si su hijo está
interesado en ser monaguillo, le animamos a que lo
registre con Gilda en la oficina parroquial
y asista a este evento.*

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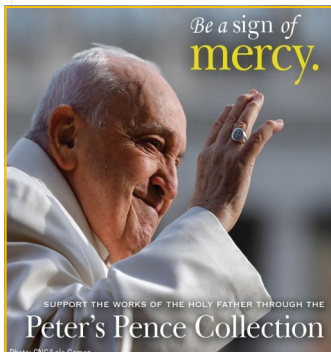


CCE REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

*Las inscripciones para la doctrina/
catecismo ya está abierta!*

Register by Appointment! ¡Regístrese con cita previa!
Contact Director of Religious Education.

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Support the Works of the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection: June 28 & 29

Next week we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the
Holy See, including the charitable works of Pope Francis. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on
the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more
information, visit www.obolodisani Pietro.va/en.html.

La próxima semana realizaremos la Colecta Peter's Pence, para apoyar a la Iglesia universal y la labor de la
Santa Sede, incluyendo las obras de caridad del papa Francisco. Estas obras benefician a nuestros hermanos y
hermanas en la periferia de la sociedad, incluyendo a las víctimas de guerra, de opresión y de desastres. Por
favor, sean generosos. Para más información, visiten www.obolodisani Pietro.va/es.html.



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 28, 2025 6 PM

Lector: Cynthia Kostroun and Becky Ferrara

Euch. M.: Denise Pineda and Agnes Kostroun

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Sunday, June 29, 2025, 8 AM

Lector: Margarita Saucedo Madera

Euch. M.: Rosa Banda and Sonia Vega Perez

Altar Servers: Guadalupe Acosta and Margarita Cruz

Sunday, June 29, 2025, 10 AM

Lector: Kingstin Rodriguez and Monica Schiller

Euch. M.: Carmen Rios and Anna Reyes Hill

Altar Servers: Vicente Sanchez, Danny Reyes and Sebastian Layburn

Saturday, July 5, 2025 6 PM

Lector: Becky Ferrara and Keith Copeland

Euch. M.: Joe & Becky Ferrara

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Sunday, July 6, 2025, 8 AM

Lector: Blanca Cazares

Euch. M.: Rosa Banda and Joe Mancha

Altar Servers: Cesar Guevara-Mateo and Nolvín Vasquez Lopez

Sunday, July 6, 10 AM

Lector: Monica Schiller and Shelly Lopez

Euch. M.: Marilyn Gaas and Pam Oliver

Altar Servers: Vicente Sanchez and Danny Reyes

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

We are a Eucharistic people and today's solemnity celebrates this great gift we have been given - to share in the very Body and Blood of Christ. As thankful sharers in this Eucharistic feast we are called to give witness to our gratitude by becoming nourishment for others. We commit ourselves to being broken open and poured out for others as Jesus has done for us. What sacrifice are we willing to make for others in gratitude for the sacrifice Christ made for us?

La Solemnidad del Bendito Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo

Somos gente Eucarística y la solemnidad de hoy celebra este gran regalo que se nos ha dado – Compartir del mismo Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo. Al compartir agradecidos, del festín Eucarístico somos llamados a dar testimonio de nuestra gratitud al convertirnos en nutrientes para otros. Nos comprometemos a ser rotos y abiertos y a derramarnos por otros tal como Jesús ha hecho por nosotros ¿Qué sacrificio estamos dispuestos a hacer por los otros en gratitud por el sacrificio que Cristo hizo por nosotros?

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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.

Maybe our God is too small . . .

When did creation happen? In the late 17th century, using only the Bible and his current knowledge of history, the Archbishop of Ireland estimated that the act of creation happened about 4000 years before the birth of Jesus or, more precisely, on October 22, 4004 BC. But long before the word "science" was even coined, good people were closely studying nature as a pathway to learning about God. For, as it was said, God reveals Himself to us in the two books of Scripture and Nature. A Scottish physician, James Hutton, could see on his farm that natural processes, such as erosion, occur very slowly, on the order of millions of years. Charles Lyell, a gentleman farmer and lawyer, studied the layers of rock outcrop in his native England. He saw remains of organisms embedded in the various layers, suggesting that these life forms lived many, many years ago. We now know that the earth was formed about 4.6 billion years ago, but it was extremely hot and not at all livable. The early atmosphere was rich in volcanic gases like carbon dioxide and lacked free oxygen until about 3.6 billion years ago. Very slowly, life began to take shape, starting in the ocean depths. In the Cambrian era, there was an "explosion" of life when primordial life forms moved up onto dry land and developed skeletons and hard body parts. A great extinction of most species (including the dinosaurs) occurred about 65 million years ago. We human beings came along much later, and if all of creation could be shown in one year, then we humans would appear on December 31 at very close to midnight. We slowly developed language and culture and conscious awareness of our life world. Maybe God is much bigger than we ever dreamed!



--- Fr. Jim

Quizás nuestro Dios es demasiado pequeño...

¿Cuándo ocurrió la creación? A finales del siglo XVII, basándose únicamente en la Biblia y su conocimiento histórico actual, el arzobispo de Irlanda estimó que la creación tuvo lugar unos 4000 años antes del nacimiento de Jesús o, más precisamente, el 22 de octubre del 4004 a. C. Pero mucho antes de que se acuñara la palabra «ciencia», la gente buena estudiaba con atención la naturaleza como una vía para aprender sobre Dios. Porque, como se decía, Dios se nos revela en los dos libros de la Escrituras y la Naturaleza. Un médico escocés, James Hutton, pudo observar en su granja que los procesos naturales, como la erosión, ocurren muy lentamente, en millones de años. Charles Lyell, un agricultor y abogado, estudió las capas de afloramiento rocoso en su Inglaterra natal. Vio restos de organismos incrustados en las diversas capas, lo que sugiere que estas formas de vida vivieron hace muchísimos años. Ahora sabemos que la Tierra se formó hace unos 4.600 millones de años, pero era extremadamente calurosa y nada habitable. La atmósfera primitiva era rica en gases volcánicos como el dióxido de carbono y carecía de oxígeno libre hasta hace unos 3.600 millones de años. Muy lentamente, la vida comenzó a tomar forma, comenzando en las profundidades del océano. En la era Cámbrica, hubo una "explosión" de vida cuando las formas de vida primigenias se desplazaron a tierra firme y desarrollaron esqueletos y partes corporales duras. La gran extinción de la mayoría de las especies (incluidos los dinosaurios) ocurrió hace unos 65 millones de años. Los seres humanos llegamos mucho más tarde, y si toda la creación pudiera mostrarse en un año, apareceríamos el 31 de diciembre, casi a medianoche. Poco a poco desarrollamos el lenguaje, la cultura y la conciencia de nuestro mundo vital. ¡Quizás Dios sea mucho más grande de lo que jamás soñamos! --- P. Jim

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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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St. Monica's Ladies' Society

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

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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.(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.