

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2025

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

St. Monica Catholic Church

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MOST. REV. DANIEL E. GARCIA

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Thy Kingdom Come!

Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey Del Universo
¡Venga Tu Reino!

~ 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 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 Schedule Horario de misas

Weekend Masses / Misas de fin de semana

Saturday/Sabado

6:00 p.m. English/en Inglés

Sunday/Domingo

8:00 a.m. Spanish/en Español

10:00 a.m. English/en Inglés

Daily Masses/Misa diaria

Tuesday/ martes

12:10 p.m. - English/Inglés

6:00 p.m. - Spanish/en Español

Wednesday/ Miércoles

8:00 a.m. - English/ Inglés

Thursday/ Jueves

12:10 p.m. - English/ Inglés

Friday/ Viernes

8:00 a.m. - Spanish/en Español

Reconciliation / Reconciliación

Saturday/ Sábado, 5 PM - 5:45 PM

or by appointment / O por cita

 **Mass Schedule**
Horario de misas
Mass Intentions - Intenciones de la misa

Saturday, November 22, 2025

6 p. m. † Paul & Rosalie Mueck
† Charlie & Millie Krenek
† Charles Elliott

Sunday, November 23, 2025

8 a.m. † Living & Deceased members of
Billy & MaryAnn Seaton Family
† Eusebio Martinez
† Cirilo Castillo, Jr.

10 a. m. † Adela Corona
† Antonia Rodriguez & Jesus Gonzalez
† Lanelle Fikes & Judy Hall

Tuesday, November 25, 2025

12:10 p.m. † Rudy Tepera
6 p.m. (en español) For the People of the
Parish

Wednesday, November 26, 2025

8 a.m. No Mass/ No habra Misa
6 p.m. Spanish: Thanksgiving, Vigil Mass
*Misa de vigilia del día de Acción de
Gracias en español*

Thursday, November 27, 2025

12:10 p.m. No Mass/ No habra Misa

Thanksgiving Day Mass in English
Misa del día de acción de gracias en inglés

8 a.m. † Rudy Tepera

Friday, November 28, 2025

8 a.m. (en español) No Mass/ No habra Misa

Saturday, November 29, 2025

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

Sunday, November 30, 2025

8 a.m. † Vanessa R. Barba, Mía R. Oviedo
and Petra Galvan
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:
Arturo(Sonny)Vega Jr,
Martha Hubnik, John Pagach Sr.,
Lorraine Olivarri, Elizabeth Dewester,
and Laura Zeig
Names remain on this list for 4 weeks and then
transferred to the Book of Prayers.

Stewardship Report

Week of November 16, 2025

Sunday Collection:	\$2,540.00
CCHD:	\$890.00
Online Giving:	
* Sunday Collection:	\$ 640.00
* Building Fund:	\$25.00
Total Collection:	\$ 4,095.00

Upcoming Second Collections
November 29 & 30: Parish Building &
Maintenance Fund

CALENDAR OF EVENTS/MEETINGS

Parish office closures

The parish office will be closed Wednesday through Friday November 26, 27 & 28 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Oficina Parroquial Cerrada

La oficina parroquial permanecerá cerrada por el Día de Acción de Gracias desde el miércoles 26 hasta el viernes 28 de noviembre.

Ladies Society Meeting

The December Ladies Society meeting on December 2, will begin at 1:00p.m. instead of 2 p.m.. There will be a potluck lunch before our meeting. All ladies of the parish are invited and are welcome to bring a snack to share. We would also like to invite all ladies to join us for mass at noon prior to the meeting.

St. Monica's Advent Penance Service

Servicio de penitencia de Adviento de Santa Mónica Wed. Dec. 10, 2025, 7 p.m. held in the church.



FAITH FORMATION: ST. MONICA'S R.E. CCE PROGRAM CALENDAR

Upcoming Events & Class Schedule: Pre-K-9th November:

- **Thanksgiving Holiday Break- No CCE Classes**
No habra clases las siguientes fechas:

- * Sunday, Nov. 23- Holiday/día festivo
- * Sunday, Nov.30- Holiday/día festivo

December:

- Class # 9 resumes: Sun., Dec. 7, 2025, 9 a.m.
- **Parish Christmas Party: Dec. 13, 2025 at 7 PM at the Simon & George Hall./**
Fiesta navideña parroquial: 13 de diciembre a las 7:00 PM en el salón Simon & George.
- Class # 10 : Sun., Dec., 2025, 9 a.m.
- **Christmas & New Year's Break-No CCE Classes**
No habra clases los siguientes fechas:
- *Sun., Dec. 21, 2025- Holiday/día festivo
- *Sun., Dec.28, 2025- Holiday/día festivo
- *Sun., Jan. 4, 2026- Holiday/día festivo
- Class # 11 resumes: Sunday, January 11, 2026



-Thanksgiving Day Mass-

Misa para el Día de Acción de Gracias

All Masses to be held in the Church
Spanish Vigil Mass: Wed., Nov. 26th at 6 p.m.
Miércoles 26 de noviembre a las 6 p.m. en español

English: Thurs., Nov. 27th at 8 a.m.
jueves, 27 de noviembre a las 8 a.m. en Inglés

DAILY MASS CANCELLED THE FOLLOWING DATES & TIMES:

- Wednesday , November 26: 8 AM Mass Cancelled
- Thursday, November 27: 12:10 p.m. Mass Cancelled
- Friday, November 28: 8 AM Mass Cancelled

NO HABRA MISA DIARIA EN LAS SIGUIENTES FECHAS Y HORARIOS:

- Miércoles 26 de noviembre: Misa de las 8 a.m.
- Jueves 27 de noviembre: Misa de las 12:10 p.m.
- Viernes 28 de noviembre: Misa de las 8 a.m.



Sanctuary Light will burn this week:

Lampara Del Santuario arderá esta semana:
Para Todos Los Fieles Difuntos
Departo de : Eliza Cardona

Feast of Christ the King

This great feast of Christ the King allows us to remember the paradoxical nature of the reign of Christ. Ours is a king whose arms are flung wide to embrace the world in love, but those arms were nailed to a cross, a form of execution for the lowest. Christ's power to give life is manifested in the midst of powerlessness. Christ unmasks the false illusions of political or economic power or social prestige and shows that his reign is to be found with the poor, the helpless and among sinners. Will we join him?

Festividad de Cristo Rey

Esta gran festividad de Cristo Rey nos permite recordar la naturaleza paradójica del reinado de Cristo. El nuestro es un rey cuyos brazos están abiertos para abrazar al mundo con amor, pero esos brazos fueron clavados en una cruz, una de las formas más bajas de ejecución. El poder de Cristo de dar vida se manifiesta en medio de la impotencia. Cristo desenmascara las ilusiones falsas de poder político, económico o prestigio social y nos muestra que su reino se encuentra con los pobres, los desesperados y entre los pecadores. ¿Nos uniremos a El?

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Help beautify the altar and sanctuary this Christmas by making a Christmas flower offering in memory or honor of a loved one. The names of those honored will be included in the parish bulletin.

Ayúdanos a embellecer el altar y el santuario esta Navidad con una ofrenda floral en memoria o honor de un ser querido. Los nombres de los homenajeados se incluirán en el boletín parroquial.

Christmas Flower Coupon/Cupón: Flor de Nochebuena

Please complete this form and return it to the office, or place in the offering basket.
—Por favor, complete este formulario y devuélvalo a la oficina, o colóquelo en la cesta de las ofrendas.—

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Temple-Killeen Deanery Penance Services

Parish Name	Date	Time
St. Stephen, Salado	December 3	7:00 PM
Our Lady of Guadalupe	December 9	7:00 PM
St. Monica, Cameron	December 10	7:00 PM
Holy Family, Copperas Cove	December 11	7:00 PM
St. Paul Chong Hasang, Harker Heights	December 16	6:30 PM
Church of the Visitation, Westphalia	December 17	6:30 PM
St. Joseph, Killeen	December 17	6:00 PM
St. Mary, Temple	December 23	6:00 PM

This Advent, prepare your heart to receive Jesus through confession. To learn how, go to stmarytempletx.org/confession



Cedarbrake
CATHOLIC RETREAT CENTER

◆ Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center will host a **Silent Advent Retreat** Dec. 5-7. St. Teresa of Calcutta said, “God speaks in the silence of our heart, and we listen. Then we speak to God from the fullness of our heart and God listens.” This retreat is a time to reflect on a few talks by Father Harry Dean and Brian Egan. Come encounter God in silence through the Mass, Eucharistic adoration and the sacrament of reconciliation. The costs are \$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

Thanksgiving Day, Vigil Mass in Spanish
Wednesday, November 26, 2025 6 PM

Lector: Joe Mancha

Euch. M.: Ramona Banda and Sonia Vega Perez
Altar Servers: Valentina & Julisa Quintero, and Guadalupe Acosta

Thanksgiving Day Mass in English
Thursday, November 27, 2025 6 PM

Lector: Monica Schiller

Euch. M.: Pam Oliver and Marilyn Gaas
Altar Servers: Raphael Martinez Jr., Vicente Sanchez, Danny Reyes

Saturday, November 29, 2025 6 PM

Lector: Nonito Martinez and Chris Wilson

Euch. M.: Joe & Becky Ferrara

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Sunday, November 30, 2025, 8 AM

Lector: Mariana Reyes

Euch. M.: Rosa Banda and Bonifacio Banda

Altar Servers: Cesar Guevara-Mateo,

Jonah DeLosSantos and Nolvin Vasquez-Lopez

Sunday, November 30, 2025, 10 AM

Lector: Elizabeth Pineda and Monica Schiller

Euch. M.: Agnes Kostroun and Carmen Rios

Altar Servers: Sebastian Layburn, Kenly Reese Aubrey Rios

Saturday, December 6, 2025 6 PM

Lector: Keith Copeland and Lisa Shelton

Euch. M.: Agnes & Cynthia Kostroun

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Sunday, December 7, 2025, 8 AM

Lector: Ramona Banda

Euch. M.: Rosa Banda and Bonifacio Banda

Altar Servers: Ariana, Margarita, & Efrain Cruz

Sunday, December 7, 2025, 10 AM

Lector: Marilyn Murphy and Marilyn Gaas

Euch. M.: Pam Oliver and Carmen Rios

Altar Servers: Vicente Sanchez & Danny Reyes and Aubrey Rios

Raffle/Rifa: Feast of OLOG

1ST PRIZE – PICTURE OF ST. MICHAEL, THE ARCHANGEL

2ND PRIZE - \$200 VISA GIFT CARD

3RD PRIZE – BOTTLE OF CENTENARIO

\$5 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$20
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***Raffle tickets will be sold after each Sunday Masses. Your support is greatly appreciated!



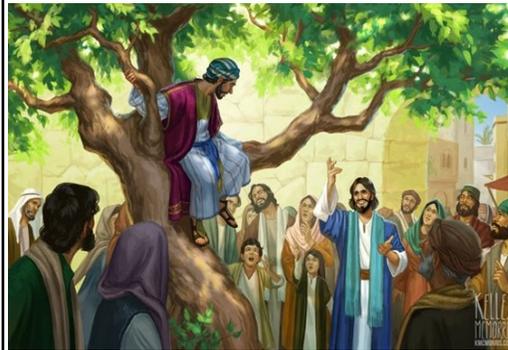
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A very different kind of king

King Louis IX, also known as St. Louis, was one of the world's most benevolent rulers in history.

His rule was marked by relative peace and order in the kingdom of France. He introduced the presumption of innocence in criminal trials, and his reputation for fairness was well-known. But even the best earthly king is not the same as Christ the King. Jesus preached the Kingdom of God and taught us to pray “Thy Kingdom come, and Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.”

Here we are reminded that God reigns in any place or any time that God's desires are fulfilled. How do we know God's desires? We must be immersed in the Gospel, in the life and teachings of Jesus. Then we can interpret our lives in accordance with God's desires. For example, from the Beatitudes we know that God's kingdom is present whenever someone mourns, when someone makes peace between rivals, and whenever someone has a humble, sincere spirit. We know that's God's desire is to heal the conscience as well as the body. And we know that God reaches out to us when we open our hearts to him. One day Jesus met Zaccheus, a wealthy tax collector, who had climbed a tree in order to see him. Zaccheus was short (like me!). Jesus looked up and said “Zaccheus, come down. I want to dine in your house tonight.” The dinner with Jesus changed his life forever. Zaccheus promised to give half of his wealth to the poor and to make amends to whoever he might have cheated in his work.



Each of us has human limitations. But Jesus's desire (God's desire) is to invite himself into the intimate spaces in our lives so that we might be transformed. - - - Fr. Jim

Un rey muy diferente

El rey Luis IX, también conocido como San Luis, fue uno de los gobernantes más benevolentes de la historia. Su reinado se caracterizó por una relativa paz y orden en el reino de Francia. Introdujo la presunción de inocencia en los juicios penales y su reputación de imparcialidad era bien conocida. Pero incluso el mejor rey terrenal no es igual a Cristo Rey. Jesús predicó el Reino de Dios y nos enseñó a orar: «Venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo». Esto nos recuerda que Dios reina en cualquier lugar y en cualquier tiempo en que se cumplan sus deseos. ¿Cómo conocemos los deseos de Dios? Debemos estar inmersos en el Evangelio, en la vida y las enseñanzas de Jesús. Entonces podremos interpretar nuestras vidas de acuerdo con los deseos de Dios. Por ejemplo, en las Bienaventuranzas sabemos que el reino de Dios está presente siempre que alguien llora, cuando alguien reconcilia a sus rivales y cuando alguien tiene un espíritu humilde y sincero. Sabemos que el deseo de Dios es sanar tanto la conciencia como el cuerpo. Y sabemos que Dios se acerca a nosotros cuando le abrimos nuestro corazón. Un día, Jesús se encontró con Zaqueo, un rico recaudador de impuestos, que se había subido a un árbol para verlo. Zaqueo era bajito (¡como yo!). Jesús lo miró y le dijo: «Zaqueo, baja. Quiero cenar en tu casa esta noche». La cena con Jesús cambió su vida para siempre. Zaqueo prometió dar la mitad de su riqueza a los pobres y reparar el daño causado a quienes hubiera podido defraudar en su trabajo. Todos tenemos limitaciones humanas. Pero el deseo de Jesús (el deseo de Dios) es invitarse a los espacios íntimos de nuestra vida para que podamos ser transformados. — P. Jim

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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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St. Monica's Ladies' Society

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

All Ladies Invited!

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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.
(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.