



FEBRUARY 26, 2023

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Mission Statement

We, the people of St. Monica Catholic Church, are called through Baptism to celebrate the presence of Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament. In becoming what we receive, we are sent in peace to glorify the Lord by sharing our gifts in service to others and by inviting all into a deeper relationship with Christ. Inspired by our patroness, St. Monica, we pray that all may become children of heaven.

Mass Times

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am,
9:00 am,
11:00* am,
2:00* pm (Español),
5:00 pm

*These Masses are also live streamed

Weekday Mass Times

Monday-Friday: 6:45 am, 8:00 am
Saturday: 8:00 am
First Fridays 5:30 pm, 7:00 pm (Español)

Baptismal Preparation

Please contact the church office
(214) 358-1453

Reconciliation • Reconciliación

Monday: 9:00 - 9:45 am
Tuesday: 5:30 - 6:30 pm
Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Parish Staff

Fr. Michael Guadagnoli, Pastor
Fr. Elijah Thomson, Parochial Vicar
Dcn. Eugene Udemba, Seminararian

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From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

On this first Sunday of Lent, we look to the desert. It was to the desert that Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit. The devil tempted Our Lord trying to find a weakness in Him just as the devil has tempted humanity since the Garden of Eden. The prize that the devil offers is deceiving because it looks like wealth and riches, but it is ultimately dust, the dust of the desert. But Jesus uses the Scriptures to battle the devil, to show the power of God's word, and to confirm that it is in following God's will that we find true strength and eternal wealth. As we enter into this "desert time" of Lent, we can also draw strength from God's word to help us to better follow God's will. Then, as we struggle to work out our salvation each day, we can be better prepared to leave the temptation and the tempter behind in what he offers us... the dust!

This week, let us read the daily readings in the Bible and let the Word of God dwell within us.

In Christ,

Fr. Guadagnoli, Pastor

Ember Days March 1, 3, & 4: This time of the year, the Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday following the First Sunday of Lent were formerly observed as Ember Days to end the season of Winter and begin the season of Spring. During this First Week of Lent, we can offer these days as a special time for prayer, fasting, and almsgiving as well as for spiritual renewal in our efforts toward conversion.

St. Monica Parish Mission Parish Lent Catechesis

This Lent you are invited to join our priests to deepen
 your love, faith and knowledge of the Summit and
 Source of our Catholic Faith – The Holy Eucharist.

Monday, February 27, 2023 – Gestures of the Mass*

6:00pm, in the Church

For more information, contact
 the church Office

214-358-1453

*Child care is available



ST. MONICA

News & Events



Spirituality Talks with Father Elijah: Tuesdays, beginning February 28 - March 28 from 6:30-7:30pm in the church. Join Fr. Elijah after confessions during the Lenten season.

Catholic Daughters Annual Lenten Reflection: Saturday, March 11th from 8AM-3PM in the Family Center Lower Lounge, room 109. Register online at cdacourt2478.org.

Stations of the Cross: Every Friday during Lent in the church. English - 6pm, Spanish - 7:30pm

St. Monica Fine Arts presents the annual Lenten Lunch Recital Series at noon on Wednesdays in Lent. More information about the individual performers can be found by following St. Monica Fine Arts on Facebook.

White Rose Women's Center Pregnant? Need help? Call [972-BABYDUE](tel:972-BABYDUE). If you are interested in joining our life-saving mission, contact Julie Eichelman director@stjosephshelpers.org.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats™ March 17-19 are designed to help work through repressed grief, anger and guilt associated with the loss of a child due to an abortion. If you are ready for recovery contact [214-544-CARE \(2273\)](tel:214-544-CARE) or visit racheldallas.org. All inquiries are confidential.

Catholic Charities of Dallas helps individuals achieve stability and self-sufficiency through financial literacy, employment services, education, food programs, immigration legal services, refugee resettlement, disaster services and permanent supportive housing. For more information call [866-CCD-7500](tel:866-CCD-7500).

Stephen Ministry Anyone experiencing grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, or another life crisis please contact [214-914-2802](tel:214-914-2802) (confidential).

St. Vincent de Paul serves the poor or distressed on an emergency basis. Call [972-994-1121](tel:972-994-1121) (confidential).

Mass Intentions

2-19-23 Mass Attendance 2,964

Saturday, February 25

8:00 am..... †Michael Coston by Betsy McMahon
5:00 pm..... †Cesaria Diaz
by Debbie Diaz & Kathy Moreno

Sunday, February 26 - 1st Sunday of Lent

7:30 am..... Priest's Intention
9:00 am..... Priest's Intention
11:00 am..... Priest's Intention
2:00 pm..... †Roberto Peralta by Lilia Peralta
5:00 pm..... Priest's Intention

Monday, February 27 - St. Gregory of Narek

6:45 am..... Soledad Hernandez
8:00 am..... †Gerry Geisler by Mary Geisler

Tuesday, February 28

6:45 am..... †Bridgett & Senan Fitzmartin
by Petersen Family
8:00 am..... †Feliciano Andrade
by Martha Gonzalez

Wednesday, March 1

6:45 am..... †Emily Barajas by Maria Bernal
8:00 am..... †Mary Haba by Marjorie Haba

Thursday, March 2

6:45am..... †Ann & Paul Barry by Michelle Barry
8:00 am..... Souls in Purgatory
by Soledad Hernandez

Friday, March 3 - St. Katharine Drexel

6:45 am..... Souls in Purgatory by Carol Malone
8:00 am..... †Michael Coston by Betsy McMahon
5:30 pm..... †Jay MacIntosh by Julie & Tony Toppins
7:00 pm..... †Leobardo Lorenzo by Balta Villanueva

Saturday, February 25

8:00 am..... †Fr. Robert Welch by Theresa Martter
5:00 pm..... †Kevin McMullan by Padian Family

Sanctuary Light

This week the Sanctuary Light is burning for Soledad Hernandez

For Our Sick

Luke Blank ¹	Lynn Bourdin ³
Hart Mason ²	Billy Bourdin ³
Luz Olivia Mejia ²	Carmel Patton ³
Brayden Hosey ³	Carolyn Earley ³
Art Martinez ³	Leroy Earley ³
Cecilia Martinez ³	Anita Earley ³
Hortencia Martinez ³	



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

- 10AM - LRSS, FC 109
- 2:15PM - Parish Children's Choir, A9
- 4PM - Handbell Practice, A9
- 6:30PM - BSA Committee Meeting, FC 212

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27

- 8:30AM - Legion of Mary, FC 201
- 9AM - Confession, Church
- 10AM - Prayer Shawl Group, FC 109
- 6PM - Parish Lent Reflection, Church
- 6:45PM - Ballet Folklorico, Cafeteria
- 7PM - RICA, FC 201
- 7PM - BSA Troop 412 Meeting, FC 109
- 7PM - Spanish Lectors, FC 129

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

- 5:30PM - Confession, Church
- 6PM - KofC Officers Meeting, FC 212
- 6:30PM - Spirituality Talks w/Fr. Elijah, Church
- 8PM - KofC Rosary, Church

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

- 4PM - SMS Faculty Meeting, FC 109
- 6PM - SAC Meeting, JCSC
- 6:30PM - Grief Support Group, FC 212
- 6:45PM - Ballet Folklorico, Cafeteria
- 7PM - Pastoral Agua Viva Choir, FC 214
- 7PM - Pastoral Teen Choir, FC 129
- 7PM - Sp. Legion of Mary, FC 217

THURSDAY, MARCH 2

- 6PM - Pastoral Santa Monica, FC
- 6:30PM - Sp. Choir Practice, Church
- 6:45PM - Stephen Ministry, FC 129
- 7:30PM - PTO Meeting, FC 109

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

- 6:30AM - Metro Serra Meeting, FC 109
- 6PM - Stations of the Cross, Church
- 6:30PM - KofC Lenten Dinner, FC 109
- 6:45PM - Ballet Folklorico, Cafe. Breezeway
- 7:30PM - Estaciones de la Cruz, Church

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

- 7:30AM - Baby Bank Distribution, Breezeways
- 10:30AM - Sociedad Guadalupana, FC 217
- 1:30PM - Lenten Mini Retreat, FC
- 3:30PM - Confession, Church
- 5PM - JCDA Daddy/Daughter Dance, Cafeteria

Legend:

BSA - Boy Scout of America

CDA - Catholic Daughters of America

EMHC - Extraordinary Ministry of Holy Communion

FC - Family Center

FF - Faith Formation

GSA - Girl Scouts of America

JCDA - Junior Catholic

Daughters of America

JCSC - June Cooper SMART Center

LIB - Library Classroom

LRSS - Little Rock

Scripture Series

RCIA - Rite of Catholic

Initiation of Adults

SE - Safe Environment

SMS - St. Monica Catholic

School

Sp - Spanish

SVDP - St. Vincent de Paul

News & Events

Babysitting will be available for the 9:00am & 11:00am Masses starting March 5th in Family Center Room 127.

St. Monica Pro-Life Baby Bank Distribution: on Saturday & Sunday, March 4 & 5. Your generosity supports the sanctity of life for moms & babies. Banks can also be turned in at this time.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC): assist the Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, the priests, and the deacons, with the distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ during the celebration of the Mass. If you are interested in becoming an EMHC, please see Fr. Guadagnoli after Mass.

Ushers Needed: We are looking for some wonderful parishioners to serve as ushers for weekend Masses and other Holy Days. Ushers welcome people to the church, take up collections, and guide people during Mass. If you are interested in serving in this wonderful ministry, please see Fr. Guadagnoli after Mass.

Senior Connection St. Monica Parishioners 55+ please join us for our next Senior Connection meeting on Wednesday, March 8, at 11:00am in the Family Center Room 201. Lunch will be provided, but donations are appreciated! Rudy Bush, Vice President of the Dallas Morning News and Editorial Page editor. He will share with us how the Editorial Board chooses topics and formulates opinions for the newspaper's Editorial Page. Reservations are required by Thursday, March 2. RSVP by emailing seniors@stmonicachurch.org or calling Bob Noyes at 214-351-6925. Seating is limited, so please hurry to reserve your spot!

Banns of Marriage

Let us pray for those preparing for marriage

James Conroy & Annabelle Line

Patrick Deist & Laura Dama

Gabriel Nwazo & Guilla Santos

Jose Carlos Garcia & Enedina Esquivel

Knights of Columbus Lenten Dinners - Don't worry about cooking fish for Lent on Friday's. The Knights will do it for you. Place your Lenten Dinner order online here kofc5656.square.site. Lenten Fish Dinners and sides will be served every Friday during Lent at the Family Center 6:30pm-8pm. Proceeds benefit the Knights scholarship fund.

Noticias y Eventos

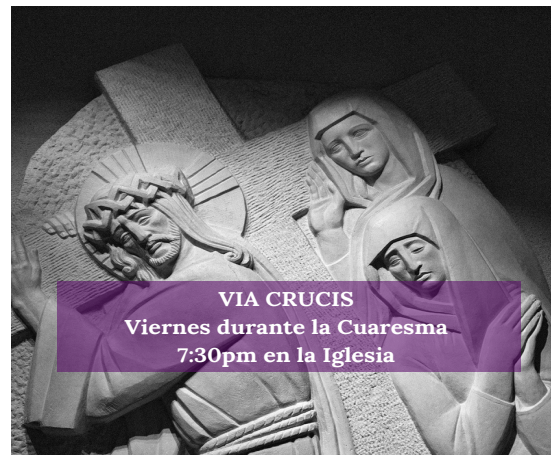
Misión Parroquial de Santa Mónica Catequesis Parroquial de Cuaresma

Esta Cuaresma, está invitado a unirse a nuestros sacerdotes para profundizar su amor, fe y conocimiento de la Cumbre y Fuente de nuestra Fe Católica: la Sagrada Eucaristía.

Lunes, 27 de febrero de 2023 - Gestos de la Misa*
será en inglés, a 6:00pm, en la iglesia

Para mas informacion contacte
la oficina de la iglesia
214-358-1453

*habrá cuidado de niños



VIA CRUCIS
Viernes durante la Cuaresma
7:30pm en la Iglesia

Se Necesitan Adoradores Por favor, considere inscribirse para un compromiso semanal de una hora o para servir como sustituto utilizando este enlace: adorationpro.org/stmonicachurch. Para preguntas, por favor llame, envíe un mensaje de texto o un correo electrónico a Karen Jones (404-754-5775 o jonesotra@bellsouth.net). Las horas de adoración son los martes de 9am a 11pm en este momento.

San Vicente de Paúl ayuda a los pobres o necesitados en caso de emergencia. Llame al 972-994-1121 (línea confidencial) para obtener ayuda.

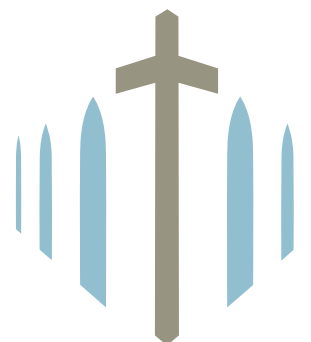


Charlas de Espiritualidad con el Padre Elias: Martes, del 28 de febrero al 28 de marzo de 6:30-7:30pm en la iglesia. Únase al Padre Elias después de las confesiones durante la temporada de Cuaresma. Estas charlas serán en inglés.

La oficina de la Iglesia de Santa Mónica está buscando un Coordinador de Bautismo: Este trabajo es de medio tiempo y los candidatos deben ser bilingües. Para obtener más información o recibir la descripción completa del trabajo, envíe un correo electrónico a ddiaz@stmonicachurch.org.

Retiro del Viñedo de Raquel™ están diseñados para ayudar a trabajar mediante el dolor reprimido, la ira y la culpa asociados con la pérdida de un niño debido a un aborto, y presentan una oportunidad ideal para experimentar el perdón, la misericordia y la compasión de Dios. Si está listo para dar el primer paso hacia la recuperación, comuníquese con 972-900-7262 o sanacion@racheldallas.org.

Caridades Católicas de Dallas ayuda a las personas a lograr la estabilidad y la autosuficiencia a través de conocimientos financieros, servicios de empleo, educación, programas de alimentos, servicios legales de inmigración, reasentamiento de refugiados, servicios por desastre y viviendas de apoyo permanente. Para más información llame al 866-CCD-7500.



ST. MONICA
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Matrimonio Por favor de comunicarse con la Coordinadora de Matrimonios seis a nueve meses antes de la fecha deseada para su boda, Martha Gonzalez [214-366-7164](tel:214-366-7164) mgonzalez@stmonicachurch.org.

Bautismos Visite nuestro sitio web de Santa Mónica para obtener información detallada sobre el proceso y los requisitos para planificar un bautismo, siguiendo el enlace a continuación: stmonicachurch.org/bautismo

Misión de la Parroquia

Nosotros, la comunidad de la Iglesia Católica de Santa Mónica, estamos llamados a través del Bautismo a celebrar la presencia de Jesucristo en la Palabra y en el Sacramento. Al convertirnos en lo que recibimos somos enviados en la paz del Señor para glorificarlo compartiendo nuestros dones, sirviendo a los demás e invitando a todos a una relación más profunda con Cristo. Inspirados por nuestra patrona, Santa Mónica, oramos para que todos puedan llegar a ser hijos del Cielo.

Del Pastor

Estimados feligreses,

En este primer domingo de Cuaresma miramos hacia el desierto. Fue en el desierto que Jesús fue guiado por el Espíritu Santo. El diablo tentó a Nuestro Señor tratando de encontrar una debilidad en Él así como el diablo ha tentado a la humanidad desde el Jardín del Edén. El premio que el diablo ofrece es engañoso porque parece riqueza y riquezas, pero en última instancia es polvo, el polvo del desierto. Pero Jesús usa las Escrituras para combatir al diablo, para mostrar el poder de la Palabra de Dios, y para confirmar que está cumpliendo la voluntad de Dios de que encontremos la verdadera fortaleza y la riqueza eterna. Al entrar en este "tiempo del desierto" de Cuaresma, también podemos sacar fuerza de la Palabra de Dios para ayudarnos a seguir mejor su voluntad. Entonces, mientras luchamos por resolver nuestra salvación cada día, podemos estar mejor preparados para dejar atrás la tentación. .. ¡el polvo!

Esta semana, leamos las lecturas diarias y dejemos que la Palabra de Dios more en nosotros.

En Cristo,
Padre Guadagnoli
Parroco

"Dias Ambrios" 1, 3, y 4 de Marzo: esta época del año, el miércoles, viernes y sábado siguientes al primer domingo de Cuaresma se observaron anteriormente como "Dias Ambrios" para finalizar la temporada de invierno y comenzar la temporada de primavera. Durante esta Primera Semana de Cuaresma podemos ofrecer estos días como un tiempo especial para la oración, el ayuno y la limosna, así como para la renovación espiritual en nuestros esfuerzos hacia la conversión.