

Saint Monica Catholic Church
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
November 20, 2022

Our Parish Mission

Our mission here at St. Monica's Catholic Church is to continue to hand on the faith of the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church from generation to generation. We hand on our faith by proclaiming the Gospel in the way we pray, the way we believe and the way we live. In this "way", we carry in ourselves the message of Christ.



Sacraments and Liturgies

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 1:00 pm (Spanish)

Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday-Friday 8:30 am
First Saturday 10:00 am

Exposition & Holy Hour

Friday's 9:00 am-10:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00-4:15 pm
1st Saturday: 9:30 am
Or by appointment

**Baptism, Confirmation, First Communion,
Matrimony, or Anointing of the Sick**

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First Sunday
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FAITH FORMATION WITH FATHER KEVIN O'SULLIVAN

The institution of the feast of the Kingship of Christ was intended to be a rallying-call to all Christians to acknowledge the sovereignty of Christ, not only over all Christians and all men but over all of creation. He is king of all creation because, as the second reading today says, "through him, by him and in him all things subsist." Therefore, he is the sovereign Master, Ruler, Protector and Judge of all created things. The title of King was chosen to express all these prerogatives, because he himself, in his moment of deepest humiliation, admitted to Pilate that he was King. He is given this title in most of the Old Testament prophecies concerning him.

The story of David's anointing as king over all of Israel is recalled on this feast of the Kingship of Christ, because David was seen in the Old Testament as a type of representation, of the future messianic king. The prophet Nathan promised David that a descendant of his would come "who would establish his throne forever" (2 Sm. 7:16). Isaiah says of the future Messiah, "he will sit on David's kingly throne, to give it lasting foundations of justice and right" (Is 9: 6-7). In the prophet Jeremiah we read: "Nay a time is coming, the Lord says, when I will raise up, from the stock of David, a faithful scion at last. The land shall have a king to reign over it, and reign over it wisely, giving sentence and due reward" (Jer. 23:5) To crown and confirm the Davidic typology, the Angel Gabriel tells the Virgin Mary that the child she is to conceive "shall reign over the house of Jacob eternally and his kingdom will have no end." (Lk 1:32-33).

David although the greatest of the kings of Israel, was but a poor shadow of Christ the King, whose reign extends, not only over all of Israel, but over all the universe and all things created in heaven as well as on earth. David's reign lasted a mere forty years. Christ's reign is eternal. David was a mere man, a creature, sinful but repentant. Christ was the God man, sinless and all perfect, who died on the cross to free all men from their sins. When David died his kingdom was very soon divided and decayed. Christ's death was the beginning of his everlasting reign. His cross was the solid foundation of his kingdom on earth, his Church. It was the preparatory stage of his eternal kingdom in heaven.

As far back as the history of man on earth goes, we learn that whatever men lived in groups in society they had a chief, a ruler or king whose laws they obeyed. This is still the case. Living in society would be impossible without some supreme authority with the power to make laws and see that they are carried out. Whether they be kings, presidents, or chiefs, our earthly rulers can and should make our lives less difficult and more bearable. For this reason we are bound to respect and obey their laws. But their power is limited, their help is restricted. Even if they could give us all the comforts and privileges that this earth can supply they would be for only a few short years. They cannot reach beyond our graves. They cannot in anyway fulfil or satisfy man's higher ambitions.

The Sovereign and King whom we commemorate and honor today has the key to death and to unending life. During our lifetime on earth he takes an active interest in our welfare. However, his principal concern is for our real, lasting welfare. He came on earth to bring us to heaven. His power over us and for us does not end, but really begins when we die. When we close our eyes in death we will see him as he is, and realize what he has done for us. He came so that we should have life and have it abundantly, "whoever lives and believes in me shall never die." Let us say a heartfelt "thank you" to our Lord and King, our beloved Savior, today. Let us promise him loyal and faithful service during the years that are left to us here below. When he calls us to his judgement seat we can feel assured that he will welcome us with a "well done good and faithful servant."

This Christmas Season, honour a loved one by donating to the Altar Society. Your donation will go to pay for the garlands, wreaths, poinsettias to decorate the church. The names of your loved ones will be published in the bulletin during the Christmas Season. Please return the form with donation to the Parish Office or you can put the form along with your donation in the collection basket.

In Honour Of: _____
(Please Print)

Your Name _____
(Please put a cross after name of the person being honored if they are deceased)

Community and Parish Life

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Olivia Camacho 11/20	Zachary Barker 11/23
Elizabeth Chavez 11/21	Karl Delzotti 11/23
Natalie Edgar 11/21	Marybeth Anthony 11/24
Vincent Tine 11/21	Mikayla Reyna 11/24
Daniel Van Rooyen 11/21	Moises Denova 11/25
Ismael Hernandez 11/22	

Weekly Reflection Christ the King

For generations, people have often believed that the good prosper and when bad things happen to someone it is because they are being punished for their sins. Yet the very life of Jesus contradicts this notion. Who was more kind, compassionate, or just? Things that happen in our lives are not judgments against or for us. They are simply the realities that we must deal with. If we seek God's help, we will have the graces we need to use all things, the positive and the negative, for good.

Be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov 20	Advent Fair after 8:30 & 10:30 am Mass
Nov 20	Hispanics will be selling breakfast at the fair
Nov 20	Fundraiser for the Church-Bake Sale
Nov 24	Thanksgiving Day Mass 10:00 am Blessing of the Food-Second Collection K of C
Nov 25	There will be Mass
Dec 3	First Saturday Devotion
Dec 3	St. Monica Catholic Church-Women's Retreat
Dec 8	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Holy Day of Obligation Mass 8:30 am and 6:00 pm-Soup Supper After Mass in the Parish Hall
Dec 8	Marion Jansen's Funeral 11:00 am-Reception to follow in the parish hall.

Advent Fair is today!



Join us in the hall for breakfast, and fellowship with your church family. Visit the activities tables . . .

frost a cookie, make an ornament, or build a wreath, don't forget to purchase a treat to take home.

Come, you will have a good time!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Come one, come all to the Parish Hall!! Today is the day of the Advent Fair, lots of activities for the young and the old! Hispanic Community is selling breakfast and tamale's. There will also be a bake sale as a fund raiser for the church. Don't forget to visit the church's market "Holy Grounds" that has a lot of gifts to offer for all occasions.**
- **You are welcome to bring a food item for your table, to be blessed at the Thanksgiving Mass which will be celebrated at 10 am. Please place your items before Mass at the altar. The collection will be for the Knights of Columbus Christmas Basket Project.**
- **The St. Monica Women's Retreat will be Saturday, December 3rd. If you haven't registered please do so. Registration forms are located in the Parish Office. First Saturday Devotion Mass will be at 9 am. The retreat is from 9:00 am-3:00 pm.**
- **A donation has been made, leaving an opportunity for ladies to attend the retreat, who would have not been able to do so. If you would like to attend, please give the office a call. This will go on first come basis.**
- **Thursday, December 8th is The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin, this is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be 8:30 am, and 6 pm with a soup supper to follow in the parish hall. Please join us.**

Mass Intentions

+Donald and Babe McDonald 4:30 pm

+Doo Won Lee 8:30 am

For the People of St. Monica Church 10:30 am

All the sick in the world 1:00 pm



Please keep these people in your prayers:

Sheila Abrahamson, Marlene Allen, Kathryn Anthony, Jim Burt, Mary & Pat Griffin, Larry Haug, Francis Helland, Steve Jansen, Nicholas Edward Kahl, Mike & Lee Kozakiewicz, Fr. Rick LeFaivre, Robert Lavoie, Francis Ledwith, R.D. & Denise Lewis, Ed Lewis, Holly Odum, Joanna Powley, Theresa Rigg, Sue Risley, Katelyn Shipley, Jenny Sneddon, Vivian Snyder, Rosemary Silversteen, Sheila Wight, Andrea Lee Wilson, Fr. Robert Wolf,

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