

Saint Monica Church

The Nativity of the Lord - Christmas
December 25, 2016

1001 Camino Pablo
Moraga, CA 94556

Office Hours :

Mon - Thurs: 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Fri: 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Sat - Sun: Closed

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Website:

www.stmonicamoraga.com

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00
and 11:00 a.m.

**Children's Liturgy of the
Word:** Sundays, 9:00 a.m.

Daily Mass:

Monday - Friday at 9:00 a.m.

Adoration:

Friday 1:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Confessions:

Saturdays, 4:00-4:30 p.m. or
by appointment: 925.376.6900

Faith Formation:

Grades K-5 x 203

Grades 9-12 - e-mail:

saintmonicamoraga@gmail.com

Our Vision/Mission Statement

VISION: We, the community of St. Monica Parish, are Jesus Christ embodied.

MISSION: St. Monica Church fosters spiritual growth and vibrant participation through a welcoming Christ-centered community where everyone is valued.

BAPTISM: Please contact Sr. Mary Teresa at children@stmonicamoraga.com or (925) 376-6900 x203.

CONFIRMATION: Preparation for teens begins in Grade 9. Please contact Michele Berrios at saintmonicamoraga@gmail.com.

MARRIAGE: The couple should contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date to arrange a meeting with Fr. Wayne.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK / COMMUNION TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND:

For anyone experiencing chronic illness or preparing for medical treatment, surgery, etc. or if you would like to receive communion at home, please contact Sister Mary LaSalette to arrange an appointment at (925) 376-6900 x112.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) : Anyone who is not Baptized, or is Baptized in another faith, and is interested in inquiring into the Catholic Faith, please contact Father Wayne at x103.

St. Monica Pastoral Team:

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WELCOME TO VISITORS AND NEW MEMBERS

(If you would like to register in the parish, please fill out this form and put it in the collection basket and we will mail you a registration form or you may fill one out—they are located at the church entrances.)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

Reflections...

A Blessed Christmas!

From

The Saint Monica Church Staff



Reflections, Notices, Events

*Solemnity of Mary,
Mother of God*

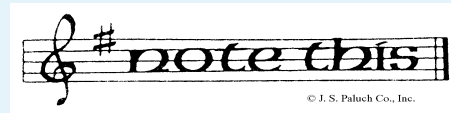
A Holy Day of Obligation



Mass Times

December 31st
5:00 pm

January 1st
7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am



**The Parish Office will be closed
on Monday
December 26th & January 2nd.**

**** Attention St. Monica Ministers ****

(Liturgy Coordinators, Lectors, Altar Servers,
Eucharistic Ministers, Hospitality Volunteers,
Children's Liturgy of the Word teachers)

**We will be scheduling all
St. Monica Ministers for**

February 2017 and March 2017.

Please go to www.stmonicamoraga.com
by Friday, January 13th

Click on the [Ministry Schedule link](#) on the right
hand side of the screen and enter the dates you
are **not available**. If you do not have access to
the internet, or have forgotten your user name
and password, please contact the parish office
at 925-376-6900.

THANK YOU for your ministry!

MASS INTENTIONS

*If you have a special anniversary or
other special date during the month of
February and March for Mass
Intentions, please contact the office.*

**St. Vincent de Paul
Annual Winter Clothing Drive**



Please start saving gently used warm
winter clothing. Our trailer will be
here the weekend of January 21 - 22.

Come let us
Adore
Him



Notices and Events

Eucharistic Adoration



Come and have a silent audience with our Lord every Friday in the Church from **1 to 8 p.m.**

We can always use more people during the early hours of the afternoon, but you are always welcome whenever your schedule allows. We look forward to having you visit our Lord in Adoration especially in view of our country and all the commotion. Enjoy the serenity and quiet peacefulness as you place your Challenges before Him.

2017 Offertory Envelopes



Saint Monica has contracted with *Our Sunday Visitor* to provide us with new offertory envelopes. You will receive envelopes by mail every two months instead of receiving the entire year's supply at once.

You should have received your JAN and FEB offertory envelopes in the mail by now. Please let the office know if you have not yet received them.

Thank you for your cooperation! We hope you will find this new method convenient for you. Please let the office know if you have any questions.

***The new Today's Missals for Advent - Lent are now available for sale in the office.
\$2.00 per copy***



CRAB FEED

**SAVE THE DATE & PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS NOW!
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #7683**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Our 22nd Annual Crab Feed will be held **on Saturday, January 28, 2017** in St. Monica's Peace Room, Moraga.

Appetizers and no-host cocktails will be served beginning at 6:00 pm. Dinner will be served at 7:30 pm and will include salad, pasta, French bread, fresh cracked crab and dessert. **Chicken is available when ordered in advance.** Our exciting Raffle and Silent Auction of many wonderful gifts will immediately follow dinner. Due to our Alcohol, Beverage Control (ABC) license, **bringing alcoholic beverages is prohibited.** Tickets are **\$60**, must be reserved and paid for in advance and are non-refundable. 100% of all funds raised go to Bay Area charities. **This is always a popular event so buy your tickets early before we sell out!**

Please call Stephanie Anderson at (925)946-9003 ASAP to reserve your place. After calling, please mail payment to Stephanie c/o Anderson Bros. Movers, 815 Arnold Dr. #3, Martinez, CA 94553.



Notices and Events

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Board and staff of the Bay Area Crisis Nursery and those who come to us for comfort, care and loving support, I would



like to express our sincere appreciation for your continued support of the Nursery and the work we feel privileged to do. We appreciate your donation of \$439.00 dated 11/17 and thank you on behalf of all the children and families that will benefit from your generosity.

The holidays are upon us and we were able to hand out over 50 food baskets and turkeys to our families for Thanksgiving. The rest of our families will be receiving food baskets and turkeys for Christmas. It is because of the generous donations from everyone that we've been able to serve over 75 children and their families every month this year. The holiday season shows over 150 families on our list!

Thank you once again. Your goodwill and generosity go a long way towards making life bright for those in need.

Sincerely,
Sister Ann Wetz, CSJ, Director



SOUP TO SERVE

**Next meeting: Friday,
January 6th**

You are invited to gather at the 9:00 Mass, first to be nourished with the Body and Blood of Jesus. THEN - and only then - are we truly able to give to the Body of Christ - the poor - what we have just received at Mass. This makes it one of the most unique ministries in the parish. All are welcome to attend! No prior experience necessary, just show up and be ready to help, share stories and laugh.

If you have any questions feel free to contact
Sonja Crumbaugh at 247-0155 or
scrumbaugh@comcast.net or Maura Clogher
at 376-9328 or mclogher@comcast.net

Week At A Glance

Sunday, December 25

9:00, 11:00 am C Christmas Masses

Monday, December 26

Parish Office CLOSED

9:00 am C Daily Mass

Tuesday, December 27

9:00 am C Daily Mass

Wednesday, December 28

9:00 am C Daily Mass

Thursday, December 29

9:00 am C Daily Mass

Friday, December 30

9:00 am C Daily Mass
1:00 - 8:00 pm C Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, December 31

6:00 - 9:00 am PR Men's Fellowship
5:00 pm C Solemnity of Mary Mass

Sunday, January 1

7:30, 9:00, 11:00 am C Solemnity of Mary Masses

C: Church, CH: Chapel, CL: Classroom, CR: Conference Room, K: Kitchen, PR: Peace Room, REC: Rectory, YC/FR : Youth Center/'Fireside Room', ---: Off-site



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us,"

Merry Christmas! Give your children the best gift of all-the growing love of their parents. Explore more by attending a WME weekend on **July 14 - 16 or Sept 29 - Oct 1st.**


We are pleased and excited that our next WME weekends will be held at the peaceful, serene and faith filled of places -- San Damiano Retreat Center in Danville. What a wonderful environment for our Couples & Religious to build upon the beauty of their relationship with one another and our Lord!

Early registration is highly recommended. For more information contact Mike & Jeanne @ 925.672.2016 or Joe & Sue @ 925.680.7767.

Or go to oaklandwwme.org

Mass intentions	
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24	
<i>No Intentions - Christmas Eve</i>	
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25	
<i>No Intentions - Christmas Day</i>	
MONDAY, DECEMBER 26	
9:00 am	In Memory of Claudia Bishop
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27	
9:00 am	In Memory of Thelma Ramsayer
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28	
9:00 am	In Memory of Judy Losik
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29	
9:00 am	In Memory of Robert Belfanti, Jr.
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30	
9:00 am	In Memory of Luke Clogher
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31	
<i>No Intentions - New Year's Eve</i>	
SUNDAY, JANUARY 1	
<i>No Intentions - New Year's Day</i>	

Together we pray ...	
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK	
Ed Ahearn	Joan Marable
JT Amador	Maryann McCauley
Harriet Anderson	Tom McCormack
Leah Bailey	Lorry Midura
Evelyn Ballment	Jerry Moran
Chris Carlson	Joan Muer
Jeff Dickson	Toni Newhoff
Joseph DeTrane	Evelyn Nosenzo
Catherine Fowler	Erline Paille
Martha Grisier	Joan Raftery
Joan Haines	Mary Resnick
Jon Hill	James Sherman
Marjorie Hills	Marion Skrivanich
Brian Kamer	Genevieve Smith
Terry Kolhede	Tom Spewak
Jeff Lewis	Juanita Whitting
Ruby Luna	John Whittington



Praying for the sick is a Spiritual Work of Mercy.

Collections	
Sunday, December 18 th	\$ 7,063.00


Stewardship*

Last weekend our stewardship of **\$353.15** went to ***Mercy Brown Bag.***

This weekend there will be no stewardship - *Christmas Day*

Next weekend our stewardship will go to ***St. Paul's School - San Pablo.***

*normally equals 5% of plate collection + average of month's EFT/wk



HOSPITALITY SCHEDULE: Jan. 1st

Pat Bonnin
and Jean Schommer

Sunday Scriptures

December 25, 2016 Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-5,9-14

January 1, 2017 NM 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Stewardship

“And the Word became flesh” John 1:14

Jesus is God’s ultimate gift of love to us. The countless other blessings that God showers upon us are nothing compared to the gift of His only Son. The only appropriate way for us to respond to such generous love is with our own generous love. When we dedicate our lives to sharing all the gifts God has placed in our hands, the peace of Christ truly will control our hearts and we will know Christmas joy every day.