



Saint Monica Church

Easter Sunday

April 16, 2017

1001 Camino Pablo
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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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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.

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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...



Alleluia! Easter is here at last!

All the days of Lenten discipline and the sadness of Good Friday are over and we are here to rejoice. The readings remind us that we have a lot to rejoice about: the life of Jesus, his death and resurrection, and his promise to us. The psalm describes the stone, Jesus, who was rejected and who has become the very foundation of our faith. But it is John who tells the story of those first moments of uncertainty, fear, and excitement experienced by Mary of Magdala and two disciples, John and Simon Peter, when they discover that their beloved Jesus is not where they had buried him. Even though they do not understand the full meaning of his absence, they still believe.

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad" (Psalm 118:24). Let us remember that these words of today's responsorial psalm are not only sung from the hearts of those gathered in our parish. They are also sung by the poor in tiny barrios throughout Central and South America. They are sung by those denied religious freedom in our world; these Christians lift their voices in clandestine places of worship. These words are sung by people who have lost loved ones to acts of terrorism and war around the globe. Even in the midst of conflict and division, Christians still come together to declare that poverty, loneliness, violence, and division will never, ever have as much power as the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Indeed, let us rejoice this day and be glad!

Do they understand it all? Do we understand it? No. Not even Jesus' closest friends knew what to make of his absence. But this absence, the absence of his body, does not feel like the loss we experienced on Friday as we recalled his painful, agonizing death. Then we felt loss and fear and a profound emptiness. But his absence today fills us with hope and joy and a peace we only feel when the one we thought was lost is found again. We believe even without understanding because we experience not just his death but his whole life, a life that, as the disciples and we will soon realize, is transformed. We can believe that what Jesus said is true. Every word he spoke about his life and death, about his love for us and for the Father, every transformation of water to wine, every curing of the sick of body and soul, every day spent in the company of outcasts and the poor, every word of comfort and challenge, all of it is true because not even death itself could hold our beloved friend within a tomb.

Reflections, Notices, Events



St. Monica Baptisms Class
Monday, April 24th
at 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
in the Peace Center
Classroom #3

The expectation of the Church for the parents who present their child for Baptism includes the following:

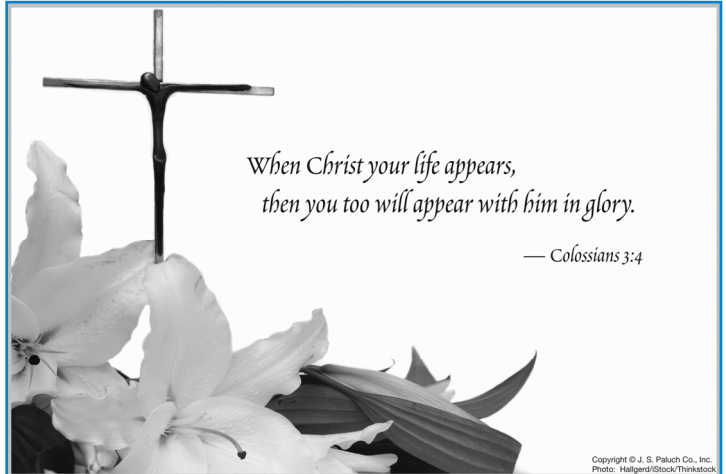
- One of the parents must give evidence of practicing the Catholic faith.
- They must be registered members of the parish (4 months) with exceptions made for grandchildren of our parishioners as long as the parents of the child present a letter from the pastor of their church where they worship and they meet all St. Monica's baptismal requirements.
- The parents and godparents must attend a Pre-Baptismal Class at St. Monica or at their home church.
- Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of the month after the 11 AM Mass.
- Pre-Baptismal Classes are scheduled one evening every other month at 7:00 pm.

For more information and to register for the class, please contact Sister Teresa at 925.376-6900 x203
Or email children@stmonicamoraga.com

The new Today's Missals for Holy Week - Pentecost are now available for sale in the office.
\$2.00 per copy

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

We are happy to have you with us! If you are new to the parish, or have never registered, please register by using the Parish Registration form on the front page of the bulletin. You can also find registration forms on our website, at both entrances to the Church, or in the parish office.



MASS INTENTIONS

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

SOUP TO SERVE



Next meeting:
Friday, April 21st

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 contact Sonja Crumbaugh at 247-0155 or scrumbaugh@comcast.net or Maura Clogher at 376-9328 or mclogher@comcast.net

Notices and Events

Women's Faith Sharing 2017

All women are invited to attend our next meeting
on Tuesday, April 25th.

Our speaker will be Barbara Hunt, Development Director from St. Vincent de Paul of Contra Costa.

SVdP is a Catholic international organization dedicated to serving the poor through a variety of services and programs. It was founded in 1833 by a 20-year-old French college student who wanted to actively live out and grow his faith. Today, SVdP is active in 150 countries throughout the world with over 800,000 volunteers known as "Vincentians", and SVdP in the US has over 150,000 volunteers working from over 4,400 Catholic parishes, including St. Monica.

We look forward to learning more about the Society's mission and local programs, including the work of our own branch at St. Monica. We are also inviting men to attend this meeting, as men are active members of our SVdP branch. We meet 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Peace Room, right after the 9:00am daily Mass. If you have never attended, come check us out and see why we have been meeting monthly for 16 years!

We would love you to join us for coffee, refreshments and fellowship. All are welcome; hope to see you there!

Eucharistic Adoration



Adoration will be in the main Church the Friday after Easter, (April 21) from 1:00- 8:00 pm and will continue there until the Fall and cold weather!

A verse from the Prophet Zephaniah 3:17...
The Lord your God is with you, He is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you.

He will quiet you with His Love; He will rejoice over you with singing.

Do come for a visit and open up your hearts to Him!

YOUNG MEN AGES 13-18 ARE INVITED TO JOIN US

JULY 9-12, 2017

The Seminarians of the Diocese of Oakland present



a three day camp to assist young men in discerning their vocation as they grow in relationship with Christ. Activities will include fun, games, music, mass, prayer and talks.

Cost: \$50 (space is limited). Registration forms can be found at www.oakdiocese.org/vocations

For details call Cielo Branco at 510.267.8356 or email C Branco@oakdiocese.org

Diocese of Oakland Youth Retreat Center
 1977 Reliez Valley Rd., Lafayette, CA

Worldwide Marriage Encounter



"They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him."

Happy Easter! He has risen!

Let us welcome Jesus even more into our marriages by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend at **San Damiano Retreat Center**, Danville on July 14-16 or September 29- October 1st.

Space is limited!

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

Notices and Events



Dear Father Campbell and Friends:

Thank you for your stewardship gift of \$415.50. Over the last twenty years, we have been using the same database to manage the Mercy Brown Bag Program. As the database has become slower and more challenging to use over time, we purchased a new database that will be faster, more efficient and enhance our ability to gather critical data on the impact of our program. From tracking the number of people we serve to the volunteers we have, we can use the statistics we pull from this database for grants and advocacy.

Since January, we have trained our volunteers on how to use the computer and many now navigate it with ease. While the added efficiency from the database is great, the most rewarding outcome for us has been watching the volunteers enhance their computer skills and show us new ways to utilize the database.

Our days are always filled with little surprises. This month, we wanted to share one of the "behind the scenes" benefits of the Mercy Brown Bag Program. Thank you for your support in keeping our program modern, efficient and impactful.

Thank you for blessing all of our seniors with your compassion. We are grateful.

Blessings

Krista Lucchesi, Director

Dear Father Campbell,

As a volunteer at Loaves and Fishes, I want to thank you for your generous donation on 2/14/17. Your donation will provide 268 meals to the people in need in the Contra Costa County. At Loaves and Fishes, I see the people in need and I know Loaves and Fishes appreciates your donation very much.

Thank you very much for your support!

Sincerely,
Connie Lafayette



Join us for

Mother's Day Mass & Brunch
May 14, 2017

Mass at 10:00 am
Followed by Brunch

\$30 for adults
\$15 for kids 12 and under

Register at www.sandamiano.org
Or call (925) 837-9141

Week At A Glance

Sunday, April 16

7:30 & 9:00 am Easter Sunday Mass
11:00 am

Monday, April 17

9:00 am C Daily Mass

Tuesday, April 18

9:00 am C Daily Mass
10:00 am - 12:00 pm CR Small Christian Community

Wednesday, April 19

9:00 am C Daily Mass

Thursday, April 20

9:00 am C Daily Mass
7:30 - 10:00 pm PR Choir Rehearsal

Friday, April 21

9:00 am C Daily Mass
9:45 am K Soup to Serve
1:00 - 8:00 pm C Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, April 22

6:00 - 9:30 am PR Men's Fellowship

Sunday, April 23

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

Mass intentions

SATURDAY, APRIL 15

5:00 pm *No Intentions - Holy Saturday*

SUNDAY, APRIL 16

7:30 am *No Intentions - Easter*

9:00 am *No Intentions - Easter*

11:00 pm *No Intentions - Easter*

MONDAY, APRIL 17

9:00 am In Memory of Art Jollymour

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

9:00 am In Memory of Edward Paille

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19

9:00 am In Memory of
the Father of Margaret Roncalli

THURSDAY, APRIL 20

9:00 am In Memory of Rita Reginato

FRIDAY, APRIL 21

9:00 am In Memory of Barbara Williams

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

5:00 pm In Memory of Gilbert & Lillian Canton

SUNDAY, APRIL 23

7:30 am For the Intentions of St. Monica Parishioners

9:00 am In Memory of Cheryl Cassavell Neiman

11:00 pm In Memory of Alberta Svendsen

Collections

Sunday, April 2 nd	\$ 7,535.01
2 nd Collection - Building Fund	\$ 2,422.00
Sunday, April 9 th	\$ TBD

Stewardship*

Our stewardship of **\$376.75** went to
St. Vincent de Paul Health Clinic - Pittsburgh.

Last weekend our stewardship of **\$TBD** went to
St. Vincent de Paul Dining Room - Pittsburgh.

This weekend there will be no stewardship.
Easter Sunday

Next weekend our stewardship will go to
SPRED.

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

Together we pray ...

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Ed Ahearn
Harriet Anderson
Evelyn Ballment
Nancy Donovan
Roy Drury
Sherman Farrell
Monica Foley
Ken Gandre
Martha Grisier
Joan Haines
Marjorie Hills
Jeff Lewis
Darwin Marable
Joan Marable
Maryann McCauley

Lorry Midura
Jerry Moran
Joan Muer
Toni Newhoff
Evelyn Nosenzo
Erline Paille
Joan Raftery
Mary Resnick
James Sherman
Marion Skrivanich
Genevieve Smith
Ellen Stice
Tom Spewak
Norma Wardle



Praying for the sick is a
Spiritual Work of Mercy.

Sunday Scriptures

April 16, 2017 Acts 10:34A,37-43; Ps 118:1-2,16-17,
22-23; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9

April 23, 2017 Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24;
1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

Stewardship

"Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth." COLOSSIANS 3:2

Do you put God first in all things? Possessions, money, power, ego can easily become gods to many of us. Do a quick check of what is important to you.

Is God at the very top of the list? If not, your priorities need to be re-adjusted. Don't let earthly things become a god before God.



HOSPITALITY SCHEDULE: Apr. 23rd

Julie Kwon-Jabbour
and
Jenny & Christopher Schnurr