

Saint Monica-Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish

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Fourth Sunday of Easter ~ April 21, 2024

St. Monica Catholic Church

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Office Hours:
Monday - Friday
9:00 AM - 3:30 PM



St. Monica Catholic Church MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil
5:00 PM

Sunday
8:00 AM (Vietnamese)
11:00 AM

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy at
Our Lady of Fatima Byzantine

Weekdays
8:30 AM (Monday-Saturday)

Rosary
8:00 AM (Monday-Saturday)

Confession
4:00 PM - 4:40 PM Saturday

Administrator

Rev. David Schunk

In Residence

St. Monica Rectory
Rev. Paulinus Iwuj, SMMM
Catholic Chaplain VA Hospital

St. Thomas the Apostle Rectory
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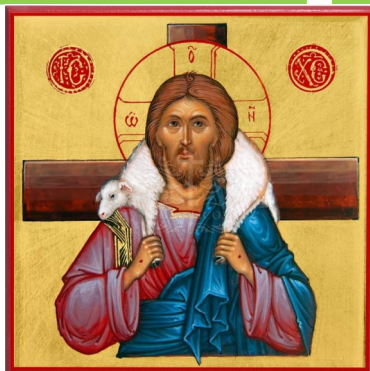
St. Thomas the Apostle Church MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday
9:00 AM

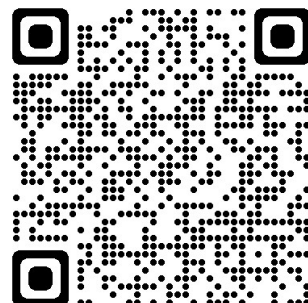
Weekdays
8:30 AM
(Monday, Wednesday, and Friday)

First Saturday
Mass
8:30 AM

First Saturday Adoration
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM



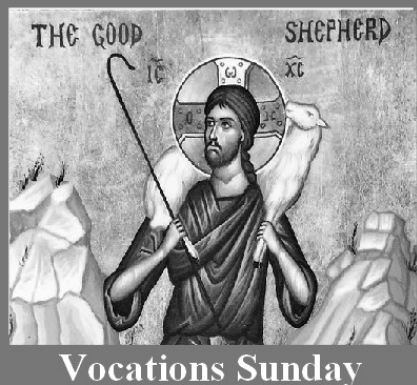
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Dear Sisters and Brothers,



This Sunday is known in the Church as Good Shepherd Sunday because the Gospel reading is always taken from chapter 10 of St. John's Gospel where Christ uses the image of the Good Shepherd in his descriptions of himself and his mission. It is also a day in which the Church prays for Vocations to the Consecrated Religious Life (religious Sisters and Brothers) and for Vocations to the Priesthood. It is a special day to pray for all of the young people of the Archdiocese because the Lord God continues to call men and women to follow him in a particular vocation, and following him is not an easy choice in today's world.

This is also a day to give thanks to God for Sister Noreen O'Connor, CJS, a very special woman, who 70 years ago, decided to embark on a great adventure of following the Good Shepherd in a way that was and is very different from many of her peers. In preparation of our celebration this weekend, I was able to take a look at some of her photographs throughout her years, spanning from her time as a young lady at Star of the Sea to today. I think she is smiling in every photo. This is not because she is posing for the camera in each shot. Her smile is natural because she is filled with the Holy Spirit whose fruit is joy. She is a gift to us because her joy brings us closer to God in our own lives. Today, we give thanks to God for the many ways she touches the lives of so many of our parishioners.

Father Schunk

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God, our Father,
in Your love and providence,
You call each of us to a holy life.
We pray for young people in the Archdiocese
of San Francisco. Open their hearts and
minds to know the vocation You have
planned for them for all eternity.
If they are being invited to follow You as a
priest, brother, or sister,
give them a generous heart to respond to
Your challenging call and the strength to
follow wherever You lead them.
May families desire to please you
by encouraging and supporting
vocations within their homes.
We ask this through Jesus Christ,
our Good Shepherd. Amen.



***Welcome to all who worship with our parish family,
whether long time residents or newly arrived in the parish.
If you are not registered, please fill out this form and put it in the collection basket or
mail it to the Rectory.***

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

- New Parishioner New Address New Phone Number Remove from List
- Send Sunday Envelopes
- St. Monica St. Thomas the Apostle



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SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION will be held on Sunday, May 5th during the 11:00 AM Mass at St. Monica Church for the students of St. Monica School and our Religious Education Program.



CONFIRMATION for our 8th grade students and parishioners will be held at St. Mary's Cathedral on Saturday, May 11th, at 10:00 AM.

All are welcome to attend.

ST. MONICA & ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE MEMORIAL WALLS

St. Monica-St. Thomas the Apostle Parish offers parishioners an opportunity to remember your friends and loved ones in a memorial space in the vestibule of each Church. For a donation of \$250.00, a brass nameplate will be engraved with the name(s) of your choice with a maximum of 50 letters. If you wish to order a plaque, forms are available in each Church or by calling the parish office at 415-751-5275.

All are welcome to join us every Monday - Saturday at 8:00 AM to pray the **Rosary** at St. Monica Church.

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All are welcome to join us on the First Saturday of every month for **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** from 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM at St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE GABRIEL PROJECT HELPING WOMEN IN NEED

In today's world, Catholics are called to support unborn children and their mothers, so that no woman feels she has no choice but abortion. Do you know someone facing an unexpected or difficult pregnancy? Have them call 1-800-910-2848 or visit sfarch.org/gabrielproject.

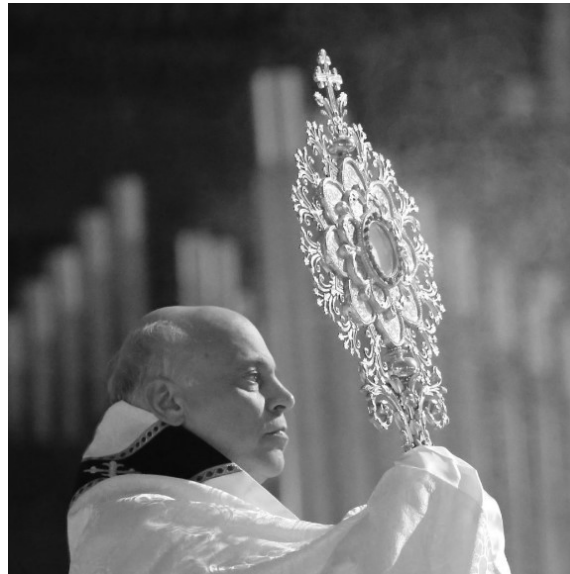
WE INVITE ALL OUR PARISHIONERS TO SPEND TIME IN FELLOWSHIP.
ST. MONICA CHURCH - FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY will be held on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month in the Small Hall following the 11:00 AM Mass. To volunteer please email Deacon Dana Perrigan at perrigan2000@yahoo.com.
ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH - SOCIAL SUNDAY will be held on the 2nd Sunday of every month in the vestibule of the Church after the 10:00 AM Mass. To volunteer



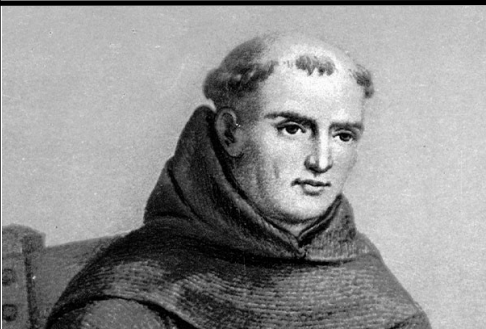
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**Walk with Jesus Across the Golden Gate Bridge!
Sunday, May 19, 2024**

Join Archbishop Cordileone and the Eucharistic Perpetual Pilgrims for the launch of the National Eucharistic Revival Pilgrimage from the West on the St. Junipero Serra Route. The event begins with an 11:00 am Mass at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption followed by a pilgrimage walk with the Blessed Sacrament across the Golden Gate Bridge.



See the Archdiocesan website for more detailed information on the event.
<https://sfarch.org/eucharistic-revival/>



This route is named after the “Apostle of California,” St. Junipero Serra, a missionary priest who dedicated his life to administering the sacraments to indigenous people and Spanish settlers across the west coast of our continent. He traveled approximately 24,000 miles throughout his ministry, mostly on foot. Join us in asking for his intercession as we respond to the Holy Spirit’s invitation to revival.

St. Junipero Serra, pray for us!

Shortly after his Resurrection, Jesus accompanied two disciples on their journey from Jerusalem to Emmaus-walking with them in their grief, offering hope, and finally revealing himself through the breaking of the bread. Jesus wants to do the same for YOU!

This will be one of the largest Eucharistic pilgrimages in history. Just as crowds followed Christ throughout his earthly ministry, our nation will process with our Eucharistic Lord through cities, along highways, and past rural towns on his way to the 10th National Eucharistic Congress.




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Mass Intentions

St. Monica				St. Thomas the Apostle			
Mon.	04/22	8:30 AM	Politeo Family †	Mon.	04/22	8:30 AM	Julieta Honma, Birthday
Tue.	04/23	8:30 AM	Mary E. Hanley †	Tue.	04/23		No Mass
Wed.	04/24	8:30 AM	Nora Breiz †	Wed.	04/24	8:30 AM	Jean Fong †
Thu.	04/25	8:30 AM	Rod Montgomery †	Thu.	04/25		No Mass
Fri.	04/26	8:30 AM	Ludwika Novak †	Fri.	04/26	8:30 AM	Simon K. Lee †
Sat.	04/27	8:30 AM	Christina Barretto †	Sat.	04/27		No Mass
		5:00 PM	Joseph Ngo †	Sun.	04/28	9:00 AM	Kevin Dowler †
Sun.	04/28	11:00 AM	Simon K. Lee †				

THANK YOU	ST. MONICA	ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE
April 14, 2024		
IST COLLECTION	\$2,085.00	\$1,519.00
VIETNAMESE COLLECTION	\$403.00	



Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Next weekend, we will have the collection for the Catholic Home Mission Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Strengthening the Church at Home

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA) Update

Dear Friends, Thank you to all the households who have contributed to the AAA. With our most recent update from the Archdiocese, we are at approximately 73% of our monetary goal. As I stated when we kicked off the Appeal, our goal is to have 100% **participation** from all the households of our parish. We have been including in our bulletin the past several weeks stories of some of the ministries that are benefited by the Appeal so you may get a sense of the ways your contributions support various ministries in the Archdiocese. If you have not yet made a contribution, you may pick up a brochure or one of the white envelopes at the doors of our churches which includes my letter about the AAA. Thank you all for your continued support.

Beneficiary Stories from the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA)

“Continuing education for priests is important to be able to understand the world and how to best minister in that world,” Fr. Michael Liliedahl said. “We wouldn’t be able to engage in this continuing education for priests if not for the support of the Annual Appeal.”