

# Saint Monica-Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish

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Fifth Sunday of Easter ~ April 28, 2024

## St. Monica Catholic Church

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San Francisco, CA 94121  
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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

### Parochial Vicar

Rev. Jerome Murphy  
Chaplain Kaiser Hospital

### In Residence

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

St. Thomas the Apostle Rectory  
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Vietnamese Ministry  
Catholic Chaplain for UCSF

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## St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

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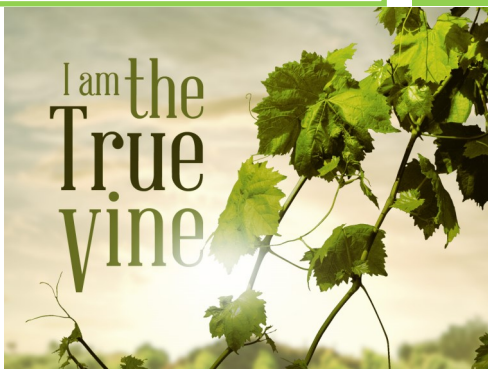
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Sunday  
9:00 AM

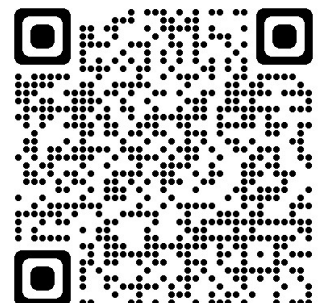
Weekdays  
8:30 AM  
(Monday, Wednesday, and Friday)

First Saturday  
Mass  
8:30 AM

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



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online to  
St. Monica-  
St. Thomas  
the Apostle  
Parish**





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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

What a wonderful and joyous celebration we had last Sunday for our dear Sister Noreen. I believe Father Kevin Kennedy described Sister Noreen's life and ministry the best when he said, "you cannot retire from love." She keeps on loving which is a lesson for all of us. Regarding the celebration itself, it took a lot of work on the part of many people but sometimes you just need to pull out all the stops for a party. And she is one person who certainly deserves it. In a particular way, I thank Mari Mahoney who chaired the Jubilee Committee and the members of the committee, along with everyone who participated in large and small ways to make the event such a huge success. I am also grateful for the various vendors who donated food and drink for the celebration, as well as everyone who made monetary contributions to help fund the event. As I said at the celebration, the funds that we raised in excess of our expenses for the celebration will be sent as a donation from our parish to the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Carondelet in honor of Sister Noreen.

Next weekend we will celebrate First Communion for a group of our young people at the 11:00 AM Sunday Mass at Saint Monica. As you may imagine, there will be extra visitors attending the Mass that morning as family and friends of our First Communicants come to celebrate this most special time of God's closeness to them. We continue to pray for them as they prepare for this important milestone of their lives.

Father Schunk

### THANK YOU FROM SISTER NOREEN

My 70th Anniversary celebration began with a faith-filled community of 250+ parishioners worshipping together at the liturgy. God was clearly present in the Good Shepherd scripture, the music, and the renewal of vows and promises by the sisters and associates. At the reception, we celebrated together in a joyful spirit with Italian and Mexican cuisine enjoying a variety of speakers, St. Monica choir, Irish step dancing and bagpipers. I am grateful to Father Schunk, Pastoral Council members and committees, vendors, and parishioners who contributed to the success of this memorable parish community celebration. I am thankful for the love of God in everything – flowers, decoration, Papal blessing – and in everyone –the spirit of joy, generosity and love.

***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 next 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 Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption on Saturday, May 11th, at 10:00 AM.

**All are welcome to attend.**



**LIFT UP THE WORD  
LIGHT UP THE WORLD**

2 SAMUEL 22:29-31

THE 73rd ANNUAL NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER  
THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024

*For you are my lamp, O Lord, and my God lightens my darkness. For by You I can run against a troop, and by my God I can leap over a wall. This God—his way is perfect; the word of the Lord proves true; He is a shield for all those who take refuge in Him.  
2 Samuel 22:29-31*

**MASS INTENTIONS** may be offered in honor of loved ones, living or deceased, for Masses at either St. Monica or St. Thomas the Apostle. For scheduling and additional information, please stop by the parish office or call Jessica at 415-751-5275 during office hours.

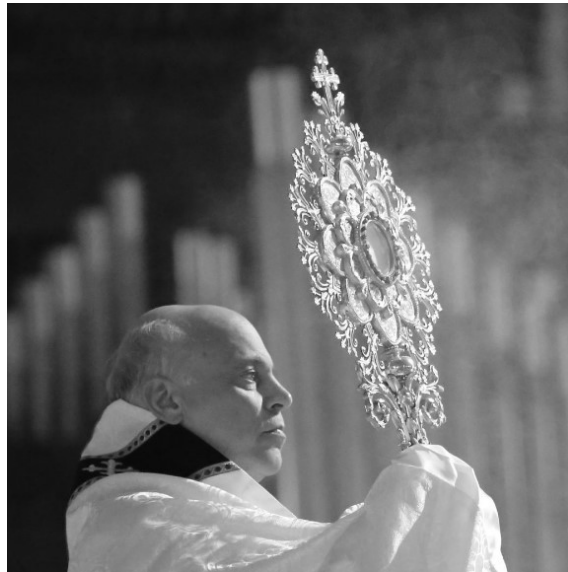
**WE INVITE ALL OUR PARISHIONERS TO SPEND TIME IN FELLOWSHIP.**  
**ST. MONICA CHURCH - FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY** will be held on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month in the Small Hall following the 11:00 AM Mass. To volunteer please email Deacon Dana Perrigan at perrigan2000@yahoo.com.  
**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE 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 (clean up and refreshment donations) please email Christine Aguerre at chriscrk6@gmail.com.



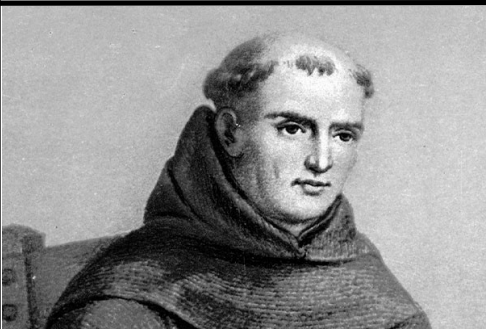
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**WALK WITH JESUS ACROSS THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE!  
SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2024**

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			
Mon.	04/29	8:30 AM	Patricia Grangoff †
Tue.	04/30	8:30 AM	David Oliverio, Birthday †
Wed.	05/01	8:30 AM	Kathryn Doubek †
Thu.	05/02	8:30 AM	Christina Filomena Barretto †
Fri.	05/03	8:30 AM	Fr. John Sakowski †, Birthday
Sat.	05/04	8:30 AM	Cedric Lopes, Living
		5:00 PM	Parishioners
Sun.	05/05	11:00 AM	Thomas, Una & Aislin Smith †

St. Thomas the Apostle			
Mon.	04/29	8:30 AM	Rod Montgomery †
Tue.	04/30		No Mass
Wed.	05/01	8:30 AM	Maria Pranee Sukwiwat †
Thu.	05/02		No Mass
Fri.	05/03	8:30 AM	Fr. John Sakowski †, Birthday
Sat.	05/04	8:30 AM	Christina Filomena Barretto †
Sun.	05/05	9:00 AM	Kathleen Hayes †

THANK YOU	ST. MONICA	ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE
April 21, 2024		
IST COLLECTION	\$3,437.00	\$547.00
VIETNAMESE COLLECTION	\$455.00	



CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Strengthening the Church at Home

### Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Today, 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](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).

**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 78% 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 the churches which includes my letter about the AAA. Thank you all for your continued support.

**Beneficiary Stories from the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA)**

Your gifts to the Appeal support such ministries as Retired Priests, Seminarians, Social Justice, and our Schools, to name just a few. Your generosity also supports many Archdiocesan departments, including finance, human resources and others that help our Pastors and save money for our parishes by improving the efficiency of various services and providing economies of scale.