

Saint Monica-Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish

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The Most Holy Trinity ~ June 15, 2025

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St. Monica Catholic Church MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil
5:00 PM

Sunday
8:00 AM (Vietnamese)

11:00 AM

Weekdays
8:30 AM (Monday-Saturday)

Rosary
8:00 AM (Monday-Saturday)

Confessions
4:00 PM - 4:40 PM Saturday

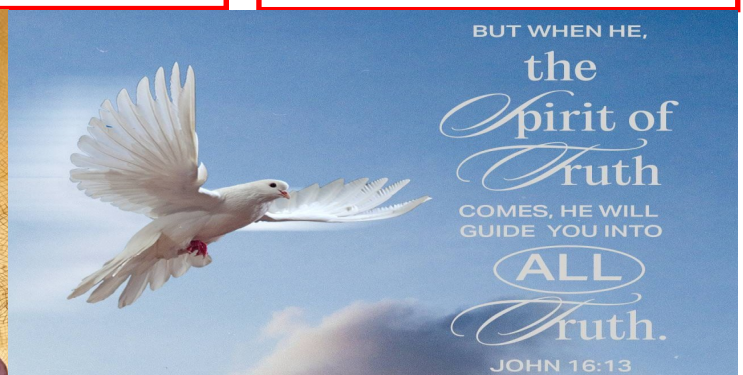
St. Thomas the Apostle Church MASS SCHEDULE

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 brothers and sisters,

Today we celebrate both the Feast Day of the Most Holy Trinity and Father's Day. How beautiful it is to combine these two occasions into one. They are intimately related, both a celebration of the gift of life that comes to us from our fathers.

Since God is our Father, we have a share in his divine life as his children. This is seen in the Trinity, where the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit are one community of love. The Father shares his Godhood with the Son and the Spirit, which unites them as one. In the same way, the Trinity itself breaks into our lives and unites us with God. We have true life because God has created us, redeemed us, and sanctified us through the Holy Trinity.

Our earthly fathers find their source of fatherhood in God. They were given a share in bringing us to life and in raising us to become good sons and daughters. Through them, God has blessed us abundantly, in more ways than we realize. As our earthly fathers lived their call to provide for us and teach us, they revealed the love of our Heavenly Father. As they sacrificed their lives for us, we were given a glimpse into God's great sacrifice for our salvation. They were instruments of the Lord to us.

May we give thanks to the Trinity and our fathers today. May we be ever grateful for the gift of life and care that we have received. Let us honor our fathers, and in doing so, honor the God who gave them to us.

Fr. Ben

***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.***

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You may register online at: <https://www.osvhub.com/smstaparishsf/directory/register>



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GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today we celebrate the feast of the Most Holy Trinity. What we are commemorating is a central reality of our Christian faith, that God is Trinitarian in nature — three distinct persons in one God.


The Church calls this truth a mystery, as indeed it is. Some have said that “mystery” in this context is “not a wall to run up against but an ocean in which to swim.” Contemplating the “ocean depths” of this mystery can make us humans feel so small, and almighty God so far from us. Yet nothing could be further from the truth as today’s readings demonstrate.

In the second reading, St. Paul reminds us that God is intimately connected to us. “The love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.” God wants to live in the very depths of our being and in all the intimate details of our lives if we will let Him.

And in the Gospel from St. John, we learn that God holds back nothing of Himself from us. Jesus tells His disciples (this includes us!) that the Holy Spirit “will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything the Father has is mine.” Thus, we find ourselves drawn right into the midst of this Trinitarian love. In fact, if the mystery of Holy Trinity is an ocean which to swim, the “water” that makes up that ocean is love.

What then should be the response of the Christian steward to this sublime mystery? All we can do is worship. And offer our lives back to God in total gratitude for calling us to live in the richness of such unfathomable love.

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“Father, Son & Holy Spirit:
to all three belong
the same eternity, the
same unchangeableness,
the same majesty,
the same power.

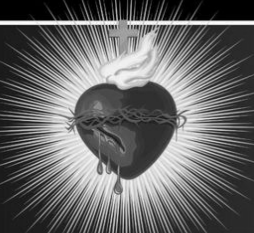
**Happy Feast of
*the Holy Trinity!***

**“The Spirit of truth,
will guide you
to all truth.”**

**in the Father is unity,
in the Son equality,
in the Holy Spirit
the harmony of
unity and equality.”**

– John 16:13 **– St Augustine of Hippo**

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12 PROMISES OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

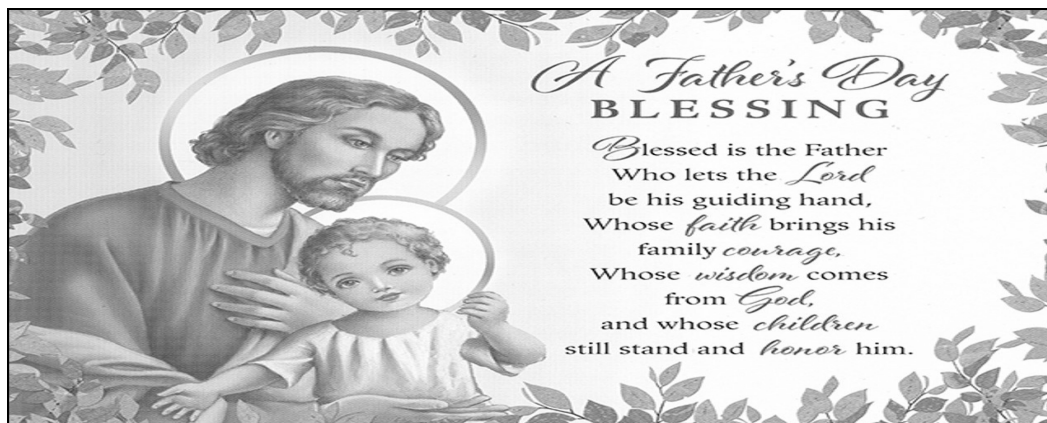
✓ I will give them all the graces necessary	✓ Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in my heart.
✓ I will be their secure refuge during life, above all, in death.	✓ I will comfort them in all their afflictions.
✓ Lukewarm souls shall become fervent	✓ Sinners will find in my heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
✓ I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.	✓ I will bless every place in which an image of my heart is exposed and honored.
✓ I will establish peace in their homes.	✓ I will grant final perseverance to those who receive Holy Communion the first Fridays in nine consecutive months.
✓ I will bestow abundant blessings upon all their undertakings.	
✓ Fervent souls shall quickly mount to high perfection.	

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Thank you to all those who helped with sandwich making on Wednesday, May 21st. A special thank you to those who volunteered to help with shopping for supplies and delivery to the shelter the next day. Future sandwich making will be on the 3rd Wednesday of every month. The next opportunity will be on **Wednesday, June 18th at 7:00 PM**. We meet in the St. Monica Parish Hall. For questions contact: Maria McDevitt at megmared@comcast.net or 415-515-6945.



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HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO ALL THE WONDERFUL FATHERS IN OUR PARISH. GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION.



**"Let us turn, then,
to the Sacred
Heart, model of
true humanity, and
ask him to make
our heart ever
more like his.
~ Pope Leo XIV**

MASSES AND POTLUCK CELEBRATION IN HONOR OF OUR PATRON SAINT THOMAS THE APOSTLE

Join us the weekend of July 5th and 6th to honor our Patron Saint Thomas the Apostle. All the Masses at both St. Monica and St. Thomas the Apostle will be in honor of St. Thomas the Apostle.

We warmly invite you on **Sunday, July 6th**, to a potluck following our 9:00 AM Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle. You may drop off your potluck items in the vestibule before Mass. Please contact Vera Rodkewich at verarodkewich@gmail.com should you have any questions or would like to help out with the event.

ST. MONICA & ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PRAY FOR US



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Mass Intentions

St. Monica				St. Thomas the Apostle			
Mon.	06/16	8:30 AM	Cesario Orallo †	Mon.	06/16	8:30 AM	For Sr. Noreen O'Connor, Happy Retirement!
Tue.	06/17	8:30 AM	Deceased Members of the Parish †	Tue.	06/17		No Mass
Wed.	06/18	8:30 AM	Maureen Feeney Latourette †	Wed.	06/18	8:30 AM	Julio & Balbina Mangan †
Thu.	06/19	8:30 AM	Leonardo Alberto Ramos †	Thu.	06/19		No Mass
Fri.	06/20	8:30 AM	Moyra Moy †	Fri.	06/20	8:30 AM	Zahida Rhony, Birthday
Sat.	06/21	8:30 AM	Mary Kerley †	Sat.	06/21	8:30 AM	No Mass
		5:00 PM	Gus & Julia Rocamora †	Sun.	06/22	9:00 AM	Katy Hong, Birthday & Good Health
Sun.	06/22	11:00 AM	Parishioners				

Please be advised bulletin collection reporting amounts will be delayed this week.
Thank you for your understanding.

WE INVITE ALL OUR PARISHIONERS TO SPEND TIME IN FELLOWSHIP.

ST. MONICA CHURCH - FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY will be held on the 1st 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 9:00 AM Mass. To volunteer (clean up and refreshment donations) please email Christine Aguerre at: chriscrk6@gmail.com.

JOIN THE SUCCESS!

If you have not yet made a gift to the Annual Appeal, we ask you to do so today. We invite everyone to share a portion of God's blessings with others by supporting the Annual Appeal. Your gift has a great impact. We hope for **100%** participation from our parish family this year. Thank you for supporting our Archdiocesan ministries and the people who need and depend on our programs and services.

- ♦ **Hospital Chaplaincy** - a patient at a hospital in our Archdiocese was suffering from a serious illness that caused depression, anger, and even violence towards hospital staff. He asked to see a Catholic Priest. The caregivers asked the Priest to bless them for their safety and with the virtue of patience. The visit helped heal the patient spiritually and emotionally; it enhanced the relationship with the care givers and thus the healing process as well.

Our 2025 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal Goal is \$46,186.00.

We have reached 59% of our goal.

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