

# Saint Monica-Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish

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11th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ June 16, 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

Weekdays  
8:30 AM (Monday-Saturday)

Rosary  
8:00 AM (Monday-Saturday)

Confessions  
4:00 PM - 4:40 PM Saturday

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### Parochial Vicar

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Chaplain Kaiser Hospital

### In Residence

St. Monica Rectory  
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Catholic Chaplain VA Hospital

St. Thomas the Apostle Rectory  
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Catholic Chaplain for UCSF

Rev. Andrew Spyrow  
Vicar for Clergy

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Permanent Deacon Candidate

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## St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

3835 Balboa Street  
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## St. Thomas the Apostle Church MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday  
9:00 AM

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

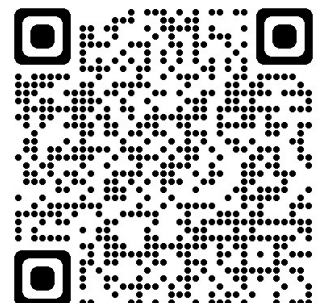
First Saturday  
Mass  
8:30 AM

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

## The Parable of the Growing Seed



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





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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Last week, you may have read in the bulletin that our friendly neighborhood retired priest, Msgr. Terry Sullivan, celebrated a special milestone with his 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of ordination to the Priesthood on Thursday, June 13. Though originally ordained for the Archdiocese of San Francisco, when the Diocese of San Jose was created in 1981 from the territory of the Archdiocese of San Francisco, he was ministering in the area of San Jose and so remained to become a member of the clergy in the new diocese. We are very grateful to have a local son from Saint Thomas the Apostle continue to celebrate with us in the community and benefit from his kindness and presence. May the Lord continue to bless him and let his light shine upon him!

As we know, this is the end of the school year when many people graduate. Our parish also has a special graduate as well this year. Some of you know our resident priest, Father Paulinus Iwuji, who resides at Saint Monica, is a chaplain at the VA hospital, and who regularly celebrates the Friday morning Mass at Saint Monica's. He has been working on a doctoral degree for the past several years and a few weeks ago, he graduated from Saint Mary's University in Moraga with a Doctorate in Educational Leadership. Any college degree is quite an accomplishment, but this is a particularly important milestone for him. We congratulate the new doctor and for his momentous accomplishment. We are also grateful for his presence and the gifts that he brings to the parish community.

We are very fortunate to have talented and dedicated people working at our parish. However, that sometimes means they are in demand elsewhere. We recently learned that our Saturday evening organist, Luke Shalz, was offered a job playing Saturday evenings at a church closer to his home so he will be departing to take up this new position July 1. However, because he was already scheduled to be away the rest of the Saturdays of June, last weekend was his final appearance with us. That is just how things unfold at times. Fortunately, we were able to make an announcement and thank him at the Mass. We are grateful for his service with our parish and wish him well in his future endeavors.

Father Schunk

***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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**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY**  
ST. JOSEPH & ALL FATHERS



Heavenly Father, You entrusted Your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of St. Joseph, His foster father.

BLESS ALL FATHERS as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to You for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender. Amen.

**Construction Update**

The work for the groundwater projects for both of our campuses is set to begin around June 19. As materials arrive and work begins, please be careful navigating the areas where the work is happening. Particularly around the St. Monica campus, be advised that there may be some temporary modifications as to which gates on 23rd Ave. will be available for entry/exit as new drainage pipes will need to be laid in the ground in the area of the driveways. We posted a copy of the plans in the vestibules of our churches so if you can decipher them, you can see where the work will be happening. As we wrote, the project is funded by a grant from the SFPUC so rain goes into the ground and not into the sewer systems.

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

**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](mailto: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](mailto:chriscrk6@gmail.com).

**In His Presence**  
**The Eucharistic Revival at St. Monica – St. Thomas the Apostle**  
 Focus for June – Being in God's Presence in the Eucharist

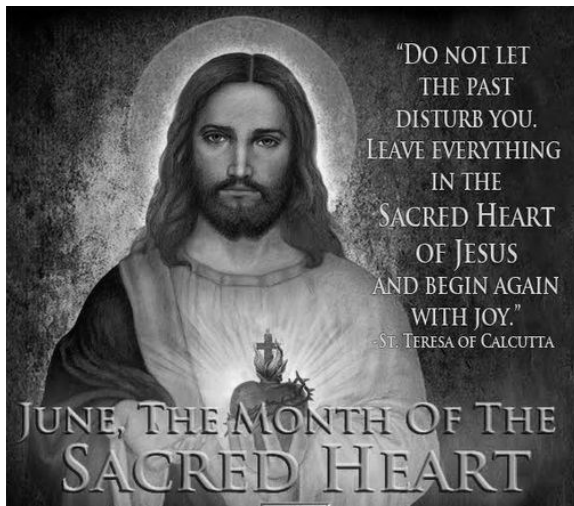
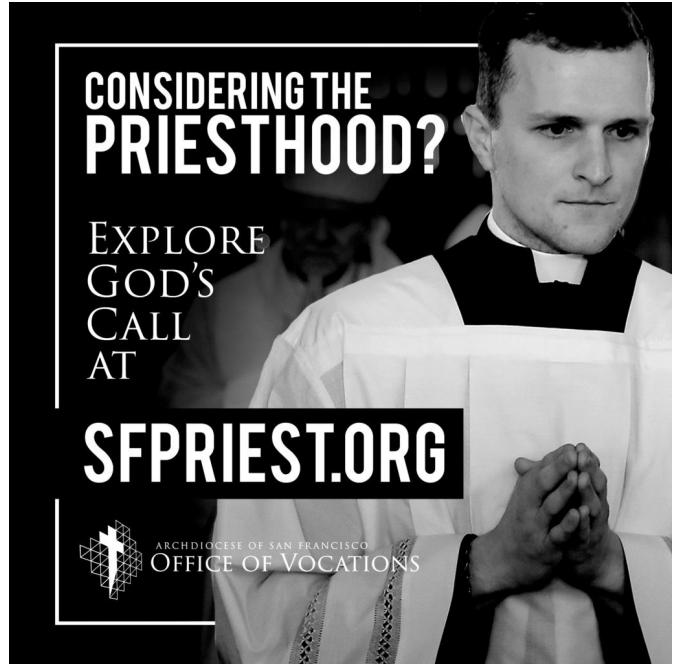
Throughout the year of our Eucharistic Revival, we have been pondering various ways we are in the Lord's Presence, whether it be in other people, the experiences of our lives, or in the wonder of creation. For this final month, we may consider a way of the Lord's Presence that we encounter every time we come to Mass, and that is the Lord's Presence in the Eucharistic. On the night of the Passover before he died, Jesus took the bread and wine and gave them to his disciples saying this was his Body and Blood and eat and drink this in remembrance of Him. Every time we come to Mass, we continue to do what he commanded us to do in remembrance of Him. In this our Eucharistic gathering, we enter into His Presence in a very particular way that does not come from natural relationships like with other people or our natural world, but from a supernatural outpouring of God's power into our lives. To behold the Lamb of God, as the priest says at Mass, and to eat and drink the Body and Blood of Christ when we receive the Eucharistic, is to share in the very life of God. We use the term Real Presence for the Eucharist because through faith, we believe God is with us in a very real way, the same as sitting next to another person. This is not something we decided would happen, but something the Son of God told us would happen. From the very first days after Jesus Christ's rising from the dead, the community of disciples gathered together and broke bread in remembrance of him. We continue to gather even to this day because we desire to be In His Presence when we share in the gift of the Eucharist.



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**ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN FRANCISCO  
PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

*God, our Father, In Your love and providence, You call each of us to a holy life. We pray for our 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.*



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\* We pray for the repose of the soul of \*  
\* **Nilda Thompson** \*  
\* and offer our sympathy to her family and \*  
\* friends. \*  
\* Funeral will be held on Monday, July 8th at \*  
\* 10:00 AM at St. Monica \*  
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\* Eternal rest grant unto \*  
\* them, O Lord, and let \*  
\* perpetual light shine \*  
\* upon them. May the \*  
\* souls of the faithful \*  
\* departed, through the \*  
\* mercy of God, rest in \*  
\* peace. Amen. \*  
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*Mass Intentions*

St. Monica				St. Thomas the Apostle			
Mon.	06/17	8:30 AM	Cesario Orallo †	Mon.	06/17	8:30 AM	Rev. Guillermo Rodrigues †
Tue.	06/18	8:30 AM	Julio & Balbina Magana †	Tue.	06/18		No Mass
Wed.	06/19	8:30 AM	Fr. David Schunk, In Thanksgiving	Wed.	06/19	8:30 AM	Zahida Rhony, Birthday
Thu.	06/20	8:30 AM	Yu Kwan Li †	Thu.	06/20		No Mass
Fri.	06/21	8:30 AM	Moyra Moy †	Fri.	06/21	8:30 AM	Rev. David Bello, OP †
Sat.	06/22	8:30 AM	Gloria Bland †	Sat.	06/22	8:30 AM	No Mass
		5:00 PM	Mary Kerley †				
Sun.	06/23	11:00 AM	Simon K. Lee †	Sun.	06/23	9:00 AM	Parishioners

THANK YOU	ST. MONICA	ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE
June 9, 2024		
1ST COLLECTION	\$2,053.00	\$1,381.00
VIETNAMESE COLLECTION	\$380.00	

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

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\* We welcome into our Parish family those \*  
\* who were recently baptized. \*  
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\* **Kenro Nguyen** \*  
\* **Oliver Maxwell Pang** \*  
\* **Zoe Katherine Pang** \*  
\* **Alice Lynn Zoglman** \*  
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**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 87% 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.