# Saint Monica-Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish

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Pentecost ~ June 8, 2025

## St. Monica Catholic Church

470 24th Avenue San Francisco, CA 94121 Tel: 415-751-5275

> 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 <u>Administrator</u> *Rev. Ben Rosado* pastor@smstaparishsf.org

In Residence St. Monica Rectory Rev. Paulinus Iwuji, SMMM, Ph.D. Catholic Chaplain VA Hospital

St. Thomas the Apostle Rectory Rev. Te Van Nguyen Vietnamese Ministry Catholic Chaplain for UCSF

> *Rev. Andrew Spyrow* Vicar for Clergy

<u>Deacons</u> Rev. Mr. Dana Perrigan perrigan2000@yahoo.com Mr. Xristopher Compagno

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### St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

3835 Balboa Street San Francisco, CA 94121



### 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







Dear brothers and sisters,

I want to take this moment to thank everyone who attended Sister Noreen's retirement party this last Sunday. It was a very beautiful time for us to gather and to show Sister our gratitude and love for her. Thank you, also to everyone who was able to bring something to the party.

As Christians, we are a grateful people. We our, first and foremost, thankful to God for the gift of life and every blessing, especially his winning for us salvation. We should also give thanks to the people in our lives. Through them, God's love is shown to us in a variety of ways.

This is especially true for Sister Noreen. Through her many years of service as a Sister of St. Joseph, she has helped reveal God to us. All of us who had the privilege of knowing her have discovered what God's goodness and love is like. It is experienced through someone like Sister Noreen, who gives their life for us all.

Let us keep her in our prayers, as she goes forth to continue her good work. May God richly reward her for being such a blessing to our parish.





Fr. Ben

lf	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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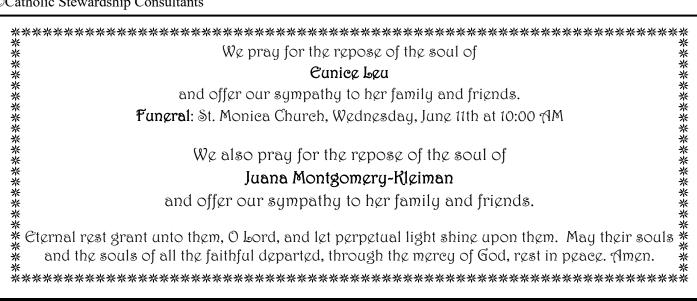
Today we reach the finale of the Easter season with the celebration of the great Feast of Pentecost. Reflecting on today's readings inspires a sense of awe as we consider the mighty power of the Holy Spirit at work giving birth to and sustaining our Church. Just as awesome — the same Spirit is calling to us this day to take up our part in the Church's saving work.

In the first reading, from Acts, we see the creative genius of the Holy Spirit moving through the newly confirmed Apostles "who began to speak in different tongues as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim." The large crowd, gathered from all over the world, were "amazed" and "astounded" that each one could understand the Apostles speaking in their own language.

Each one of us, young and old alike, is personally called today by the Holy Spirit into the same mission as that of the first Apostles — to advance the Kingdom of God in our corner of the world. Just as He did on that Pentecost day, the Holy Spirit speaks to us in our "own language" to give us the Good News of the Gospel and urge us to share it. We can think of our own language as the particular gifts, talents, and passions we possess. We experience the presence of the Holy Spirit through them and we are meant to put them to the work in grateful service of the Kingdom of God.

When we consider the stewardship way of life we are called to live, we often focus on the challenges it poses. Surrendering ourselves to God is indeed a challenging way to live. But it leads to a life that is exciting, creative, and deeply rewarding. Stewardship allows us to experience life as a great adventure because it is a life guided and directed by the very source of power and creativity— the Holy Spirit!

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## **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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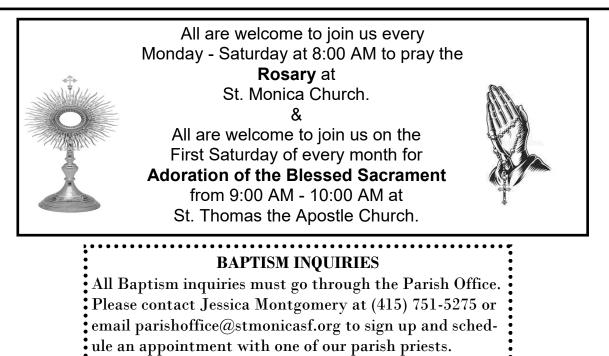


The Heart of the Incarnate Word is deservedly and rightly considered the chief sign and symbol of that threefold love with which the divine Redeemer unceasingly loves His eternal Father and all mankind.

It is a symbol of that divine love which He shares with the Father and the Holy Spirit but which He, the Word made flesh, alone manifests through a weak and perishable body, since "in Him dwells the fullness of the Godhead bodily."

It is, besides, the symbol of that burning love which, infused into His soul, enriches the human will of Christ and enlightens and governs its acts by the most perfect knowledge derived both from the beatific vision and that which is directly infused.

~ Pope Puis XII, Encyclical On Devotion to the Sacred Heart



## 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.

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



MAY ONLINE DONATIONS

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# Mass Intentions

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		St. Mo	onica		St. Thomas the Apostle				
Mon.	06/09	8:30 AM	Mary Flana	gan †	Mon.	06/09	8:30 AM	Parishioners	
Tue.	06/10	8:30 AM	Ludwika No	ovak †	Tue.	06/10		No Mass	
Wed.	06/11	8:30 AM	Marie Conroy Salbi †		Wed.	06/11	8:30 AM	Blessy K. John, Birthday	
Thu.	06/12	8:30 AM	Hugh & Patrick Kerley †		Thu.	06/12		No Mass	
Fri.	06/13	8:30 AM	Tomas Bermejo †		Fri.	06/13	8:30 AM	Parishioners	
Sat.	06/14	4 8:30 AM Harold & Helen Grangoff 1		elen Grangoff †	Sat.	06/14	8:30 AM	No Mass	
		5:00 PM	John Franci	s Leahy, Jr. †		00/15	9:00 AM	Parishioners	
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June 1, 2025				ENGLISH	GLISH		NAMESE	THE APOSTLE	
IST COLLECTION				\$3436.00		\$440.00		\$1,372.00	
2ND CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS				\$894.00		\$190.00		\$368.00	

## Thank You for your Generosity

\$1,723.00

## **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 greatimpact. 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 <u>\$46,186.00</u>. We have reached <u>58%</u> of our goal. Donate online: <u>https://sfarchdiocese.org/aaa/</u> or by using the QR Code Donate by mail: Fill out the form inside the Church and mail the form to the Archdiocese.

