



Saint Monica Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish

St. Monica Catholic Church

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Mass Times	
St. Monica Sunday 8:00am (Vietnamese) 11:00am Saturday 5:00pm (Vigil) Weekdays Mon-Fri 8:00am Confessions Mon-Fri after Mass Saturday 4:20pm	St. Thomas the Apostle Sunday 9:00am Weekdays Mon, Wed, Fri 8:30am First Saturday 8:30am First Saturday Adoration 9:00am - 10:00am



PASTOR'S LETTER

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

It has now been one month since I began my new assignment as pastor of St. Monica Parish, and I am grateful for the warm welcome I have received from so many of you.



I am happy to announce that, beginning **Friday, August 7**, we will start offering **Eucharistic Adoration every Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** here at St. Monica Church.

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed throughout the day, and we ask that **two adorers be present during each hour** so that Our Lord is never left alone.

For some of you, this may be a new devotion. Yet throughout the history of the Church, countless people have experienced the transforming power of spending time in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Lives have been healed, marriages restored, vocations strengthened, and many have found peace, hope, and even physical healing through faithful Eucharistic adoration.

More than twenty years ago, I read the autobiography of **Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen**, one of America's greatest evangelists. His deep love for the Holy Eucharist inspired him to make a daily Holy Hour throughout his priesthood. He offered several reasons for this lifelong practice:

- **Because it is the one thing Jesus explicitly asked of His disciples:** "Could you not watch with me one hour?" (Matthew 26:40). A Holy Hour is an act of love and reparation offered to Christ.
- **Because we become like the One we contemplate.** As the Lord reminds us, "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Matthew 6:21)
- **Because friendship grows through time spent together.** A friendship that is neglected gradually fades. How often have I visited Jesus in the tabernacle this week?
- **Because Eucharistic prayer strengthens marriages and families.** A family that prays together remains united. Couples who place Christ at the center of their relationship discover His grace sustaining them through every season of life.
- **Because time before the Blessed Sacrament brings clarity and wisdom.** When facing difficult decisions, work challenges, or personal struggles, there is no better place to seek light than before Our Eucharistic Lord. Archbishop Sheen even arranged his study so that his private chapel was always nearby, allowing him to work in the presence of Christ. It is my hope that this weekly time of Adoration will become a treasured part of parish life and, God willing, that in the future we may be able to extend it to additional days and hours.

I warmly invite each of you to consider spending even a few moments with Our Lord every Friday. He is waiting for you.

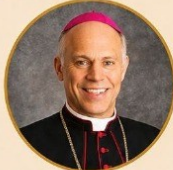
¡Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar!

Fr. Javier Olivera Ravasi, S.E.
Parochial Administrator
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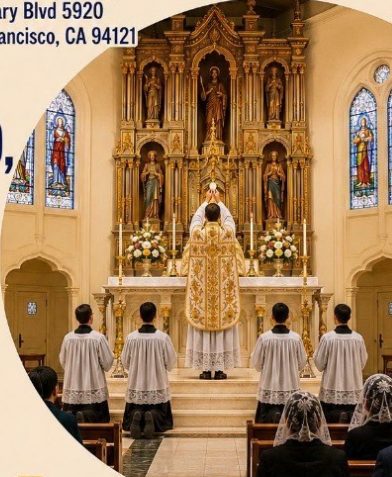
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DOMINGO
9 DE AGOSTO,
3PM

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Mons. Salvatore
Cordileone
 Arzobispo de
 San Francisco



ADMINISTRADOR PARROQUIAL
P. Javier Olivera Ravasi

 Misa tradicional, única! en Latín
con lecturas y sermón en Español.

 Una oportunidad para vivir
solemnemente la Santa Misa.

 Hospitalidad después de la Misa.

Misa Latina para hispanos en
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 ¡Cada cual lleve su comida
para compartir después de la Misa!

Adorers Needed

For Friday Adoration

Beginning: August 7th



Our Lord is waiting for you!

What is Adoration? What is a Holy Hour?

It is spending an hour adoring the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. A plenary indulgence is granted when you go to Adoration for at least a half hour (and you are detached from sin, go to Confession, receive the Eucharist and pray for the Holy Father's intentions).

Sunday Collection

Collection	Sunday Collection	Missionary Appeal
St. Monica		
English Mass	\$1,491.00	\$1,279.00
Vietnamese Mass	\$404.00	\$241.00
St. Thomas Apostle	\$974.00	\$596.00

Mark your calendars! The first day of school at Saint Monica's is Monday, August 17. We're still accepting applications. Call 415-751-9564 for more information.

New to the Parish?

**Sign up to be an official
parishioner and for Friday
Adoration**



Mass Intentions

	St. Monica		St. Thomas the Apostle	
Sunday 08/02	11:00am	† Delia and Oliver McCabe	9:00am	Agnes Tung
Monday 08/03	8:00am	† Jessica Ho	8:30am	Parishioners
Tuesday 08/04	8:00am	† Felipe Freund		No Mass
Wednesday 08/05	8:00am	Parishioners	8:30am	Parishioners
Thursday 08/06	8:00am	Parishioners		No Mass
Friday 08/07	8:00am	† Luis Felipe Perez	8:30am	Parishioners
Saturday 08/08	5:00pm	† Catolos and Custodio families	8:30am	No Mass