

**ST. MONICA PARISH
MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS**

Altar Servers Jun Lastica
Sonny Magno
Bible StudyTeresa Santos
Tel Decena
CWL Cynthia Diangkinay
Cenacle Prayer Group Elizabeth Tanase
ChoirM McVicker (5pm)
Neil Macoy (9am)
Michael Goco (11am)
Couples for Christ John & Anne Ramos
Development & Peace Evelyn Victoria
Extraordinary Ministers Teresa Santos
Michelle Irineo
Funeral Music St. Monica M McVicker
Interfaith Alliance Edward Wong
Knights of ColumbusTeody Parejo
Lectors Marlytel Decena
Legion of MaryElizabeth Taboada
Pat Diamzon
Outreach Ministry Edith Perez
P.R.E.P Teresa Santos
Parish Pastoral Council Pete Capitulo
Project Advance Ed & Baby San Jose
Religious Goods Baby Santos
Lala Revita, Linda Zamora
R.C.I.A. Wilbur & Evelyn Victoria
Sacristy Lala Revita
Ushers Larry Navasca
Robert Sullivan
Youth for Christ Adrian Boquiren
Camille Barcita

MEETINGS

LEGION OF MARY

Handmaid of the Lord
Tue: 10 am - 12 nm
Mary Mother of the Redeemer
Mon: 10 am - 12 nm
Junior Legion of Mary
Sun: 10–11 am

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

3rd Sat. of the month after 9:30 am mass

MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIEST

CENACLE PRAYER GROUP

Thurs: 9:30 am at the Family Room

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Executive: 3rd Sat. of the month, 10:15 am
General: 4th Sat. of the month, 10:15 am

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Bi-Monthly 7:30-9:00 pm

COUPLES FOR CHRIST

General Assembly every 1st Saturday 6 pm
Teaching Night every 3rd Saturday 6 pm

ST. MONICA PARISH YOUTH

MINISTRY

Regular Meeting every 1st Saturday
12 nm - 4 pm

BIBLE STUDY

Monday & Thursday 7 pm - 9 pm

RCIA

Thursday 7pm–9 pm



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October 28, 2018

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Just as Jesus restored sight to the blind man, our faith in him opens our eyes to truth and eternal life in Christ.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

Jeremiah, the prophet, proclaims the Lord keeps his promises, gathering and delivering the people of Israel. In the letter to the Hebrews, God calls some to be priests, representing the people and following the example set forth by Jesus. Jesus in today's gospel heals the blind man on the road from Jericho.

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Today's Readings:

1st: Jeremiah 31.7-9

Psalm: 126

2nd: Hebrews 5.1-6

Gospel: Mark 10.46-52

PASTOR: **Rev. Robert Wong, SJ**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday

9:30 am – 1 pm / 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm

MASS SCHEDULES

WEEKDAYS: **9:00 am**

SATURDAYS: **9:30 am & 5:00 pm**

SUNDAYS: **9:00 am & 11:00 am**

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

SATURDAYS: **4:30 pm – 4:55 pm**

CONFESSIONS: 10 MINUTES BEFORE DAILY
MASS OR BY REQUEST AT OTHER TIMES

NOVENA TO

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

WEDNESDAYS: **7:00 pm**

MASS FOLLOWED BY NOVENA
& BENEDICTION

BAPTISM COURSE

EVERY 2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT **6 pm**

BAPTISMS

4th SATURDAY AFTER 9:30 am MASS

HOUSE BLESSINGS

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE



Prayer to St. Michael— St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do you, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

PARISH UPDATES

Kudos and Farewell – We extend our heart-felt gratitude to Fr. Anthony Boniface and Marianne McVickers who have been assisting us in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and music ministries. May the Lord bless them and let His face shine on them always.

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October, Rosary Month – Pope Francis is encouraging all the faithful to pray the rosary daily, invoking the intercession of Mother Mary and St. Michael to defend us against the devil. The Apostleship of Prayer ministry has produced a video, www.thepopevideo.org/prayforthechurch/

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Pastoral Council Meeting – Tuesday, November 6, 7:30pm is our next scheduled meeting. Representatives of our parish ministries would want to participate in follow-up of our Parish Ministries Fair.

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All Souls Mass Intention in November – The Archdiocese has instituted the practice of one Mass intention for one deceased member. Extra requests will be forwarded to the Chancery for distribution. Please use the special envelope provided by them.

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ANNUAL MASS FOR DECEASED BISHOPS, CLERGY AND CONSECRATED MEN AND WOMEN: This Mass will be held at Holy Rosary Cathedral on **Wednesday, November 7 at 12:10 noon.** All parishioners are most welcome to attend this special Liturgy concelebrated by the priests of the Archdiocese.

Icons of the Saints Sponsorship – The Sponsorship form is now available at the Parish Office for anyone who wishes to sponsor the 8 icons, which has been commissioned to the iconographer, Andre Prevost. Thank you for your interests and support.

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PROJECT ADVANCE 2018 – “Support the Faith - Continue the Legacy.” We have met our Archdiocesan commitment of \$25,000. THANK YOU for all our pledgers. We need others who have yet to make a gift to respond to the appeal. The rebates will help to recover expenses for the new sound system in the hall and the repairs of the church roof. Our parish total goal is \$75,000. Please see one of our Project Advance volunteers. God Bless YOU!

You may also make your pledge online at www.projectadvance.ca anytime.

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Reminder: Next week-end, November 4, 2018, Daylight Saving Time ends. Please do not forget to turn your clock one hour backwards.

The Pope’s Prayer Intention for November

In the Service of Peace: That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

**O Mary, conceived without sin,
pray for us who have recourse to you.**

St. Joseph, pray for us.

St Monica, pray for us.

St. Michael, pray for us.

All the angels and saints in heaven, pray for us.

Something to think and pray about this week...

We begin and end with God. Sin is what gets in the way of grace and mercy. Unfortunately, when we think of the word mercy, we often think of someone groveling before an evil villain, crying out for his or her life to be spared. We do not have to beg for God’s mercy; God offers it as a gift. Mercy is another word for compassion or kindness that is directed toward an offender. Mercy is what God always offers to us, despite our offenses. Sin is not the end of the story. Mercy is what awaits us. God’s merciful love calls us out of sin and redeems us—saves us, delivers us—from every evil and restores us to grace. When we respond to God’s mercy with repentance and contrition, we are restored to grace: our relationship with God is deepened. When we pray for God’s mercy, we are praying for the grace we need to accept what God is always offering.

- Excerpted from *Living the Sacraments* by Joe Paprocki, D. Min.

Calling the saints to mind inspires, or rather arouses in us, above all else, a longing to enjoy their company, so desirable in itself.—St. Bernard

Stewardship Reflection

Today’s psalm says, “The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.” Good stewards demonstrate by their living and giving that they understand God as the Source of all they are and have.

See Psalm 126

Mass Intentions

Oct. 28—Nov. 3, 2018

- Mon, Oct 29— Chow Mui (RIP)
- Tue, Oct 30— Bella Lopes (RIP)
- Wed, Oct 31 — *9am*, Patricio Bunoan (RIP)
7pm, Anthony Fernandes (RIP)
- Thu, Nov 1— Helen Wai King Yang (RIP)
- Fri, Nov 2— Alma & Aida (TG)
- Sat, Nov 3— *9:30am*, Chow Mui (RIP)
5pm, Abigail Clarke (TG)