

Saint Monica Church

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 26, 2018

1001 Camino Pablo
Moraga, CA 94556

Office Hours :

Mon - Thurs: 9:30 am-4:00 pm

Fri: 9:30 am - 1:00 pm

Sat - Sun: Closed

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Office Email:

office@stmonicamoraga.com

Bulletin Email:

communications@stmonicamoraga.com

Website:

www.stmonicamoraga.com

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00
and 11:00 am

Children's Liturgy of the

Word: (resumes in mid-Sept.)

Daily Mass:

Monday - Friday at 9:00 am

Adoration:

Friday 1:00 - 8:00 pm

Confessions:

Saturdays, 3:30-4:30 pm or

by appointment: 925.376.6900

Faith Formation:

Grades K-5: x 203

Middle School:

middleschool@stmonicamoraga.com

Confirmation:

confirmation@stmonicamoraga.com

Our Vision/Mission Statement

VISION: We, the community of St. Monica Parish, are Jesus Christ embodied.

MISSION: St. Monica Church fosters spiritual growth and vibrant participation through a welcoming Christ-centered community where everyone is valued.

BAPTISM: Please contact Fr. Paul at frcoleman@stmonicamoraga.com or at x103.

CONFIRMATION: Preparation for teens begins in Grade 9 -11. Please contact Fr. Paul at frcoleman@stmonicamoraga.com

MARRIAGE: The couple should contact the parish office at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date to arrange a meeting with Fr. Paul.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK / COMMUNION TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND:

For anyone experiencing chronic illness or preparing for medical treatment, surgery, etc. or if you would like to receive communion at home, please contact housebound@stmonicamoraga.com or call x112.

FUNERAL: Please contact the parish office.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: RCIA, is the process by which adults are initiated into the Catholic faith. Whether you have already been baptized Catholic, but have yet to receive First Communion or Confirmation, or you've never been baptized, this is the place for you! Please contact Fr. Paul at frcoleman@stmonicamoraga.com or at x103.

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WELCOME TO VISITORS AND NEW MEMBERS

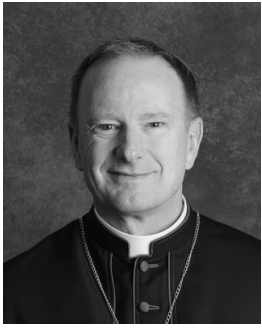
(If you would like to register in the parish, please fill out this form and put it in the collection basket and we will mail you a registration form or you may fill one out—they are located at the church entrances.)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

Reflections...

**Bishop Barber welcomes initiative to improve accountability**

<https://www.oakdiocese.org/offices/communication/media-relations/news-releases-2018/bishop-barber-welcomes-initiative-to-improve-accountability>

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

“The news we have been receiving about the horrible actions of priests, bishops and cardinals has stunned and disgusts me. Those who have harmed children and vulnerable adults must be held accountable. The bishops who refused to stop this immoral and criminal behavior must also be held accountable. I am shamed by the actions of these men and have vowed to work with all people of good will to make our Diocese a safe place for all.

“To that end, we have policies and procedures in place mandating that every person who serves in our Diocese, whether clergy, religious, staff or lay volunteer, receives training in how to identify and stop predatory behavior. The Diocese of Oakland has a zero tolerance policy to the sexual abuse of minors on the part of anyone who serves the church. We also have staff which respond to each allegation of abuse, and have a loving and responsive team to assist survivors of clerical sexual abuse. We have an independent Diocesan Review Board composed of lay experts in psychology, police investigators, retired judges and abuse survivors, which examines complaints of misbehavior. I follow their recommendations.

“I welcome the initiative of Cardinal DiNardo, President of the US Bishops Conference, whose August 16 statement [is attached](#), to establish an investigation into questions surrounding bishops’ accountability, an opening of new and confidential reporting channels for complaints, proper independence and lay, not clerical, leadership of the process.

“The love of Christ compels us to be better models of Jesus’ love, mercy, and healing. We must never violate the trust placed in us. As Bishop of Oakland, I promise there will be consequences for those who do.”

Yours sincerely in Christ,

The Most Reverend Michael C. Barber, SJ
Bishop of Oakland

<http://www.usccb.org/news/2018/18-139.cfm>



Weekly Readings	
SUN	Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-21; Eph 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]; Jn 6:60-69
MON	2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Ps 96:1-5; Mt 23:13-22
TUES	2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10-13; Mt 23:23-26
WED	2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Ps 128:1-2, 4-5; Mk 6:17-29
THUR	1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-7; Mt 24:42-51
FRI	1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; Mt 25:1-13
SAT	1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-21; Mt 25:14-30
SUN	4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Mass intentions
SATURDAY, AUGUST 25
5:00 pm In Memory of Claudia Bishop, deceased
SUNDAY, AUGUST 26
7:30 am For the Intentions of St. Monica Parishioners
9:00 am In Memory of John W. Allen, deceased
11:00 am In Memory of the deceased members of St. Jarlath Class 1954
MONDAY, AUGUST 27
9:00 am In Memory of Gerald Goga, deceased
TUESDAY, AUGUST 28
9:00 am In Memory of Ed Ahearn, deceased
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29
9:00 am In Memory of Joan Conway, deceased
THURSDAY, AUGUST 30
9:00 am For the Intentions of Confirmation Students
FRIDAY, AUGUST 31
9:00 am For the Intentions of Harriet Kline
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1
5:00 pm In Memory of Belinda Canton-Kelly, deceased
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
7:30 am In Memory of Peggy Vance, deceased
9:00 am For the Intentions of Karen Cain
11:00 am For the Intentions of St. Monica Parishioners

MASS INTENTIONS

If you have a special intention for living or deceased family members or friends, or for any other intentions (sick, anniversaries or birthdays) please contact the parish office.

Please pray for the sick...

Amparo Alverete	John Nohr
Steven Atkinson	Rebecca Olson
Evelyn Ballment	Erline Paille
Nancy Donovan	Harry Prudhomme
Sherman Farrell	Mary Resnick
Ken Gandre	Dean Schlobolm
Maureen Graf	Edy Schwartz
Joan Haines	James Sherman
Alan Holloway	Marion Skrivanich
Jeff Lewis	Ellen Stice
Maryann McCauley	Tom Spewak
Lito Meneses	Nancy Tierney
Jerry Moran	Norma Wardle
Toni Newhoff	Elizabeth White

Collections	
Sunday, August 12 th	\$ 6,763.00
Assumption, August 19 th	\$ 2,386.00
Sunday, August 19 th	\$ 7,209.00


WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

We are happy to have you with us!

If you are new to the parish, or have never registered, please fill in the New Member form on the front page of the bulletin. You can also find registration forms on our website, at both entrances to the Church, or in the parish office.

Stewardship

For the month of **JULY**, our stewardship of
\$ 2,224.34
 will be given to **St. Vincent dePaul - St. Monica**



HOSPITALITY SCHEDULE: SEPT 2nd

Jean Schommer - set up
 and
Patricia Bonnin - serve & clean up

Notices and Events



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**The Parish Office will be CLOSED
on Monday, September 3rd
in observance of Labor Day**

** Attention St. Monica Ministers **

(Liturgy Coordinators, Lectors, Altar Servers,
Eucharistic Ministers, Hospitality Volunteers,
Children's Liturgy of the Word teachers)

**We will be scheduling all Ministers for
October 6 to November 25.**

Please go to www.stmonicamoraga.com
By Friday, September 14th

Click on the [Ministry Schedule link](#) on the right hand
side of the screen and enter the dates you are
not available. If you do not have access to the
internet, or have forgotten your user name and
password, please contact the parish office
at 925-376-6900.

THANK YOU for your ministry!

St. Monica Confirmation Program 2018-19

We are accepting new intakes for year one
students. Classes will be held twice monthly on
Sundays with attendance at 9 am Mass required.
Attendance at Mass on other Sundays is assumed.

Program Schedule

Sunday 9 am Mass
10:00 - 10:25 Coffee & Donuts
10:30 - 11:30 Class

Registration forms are available on the website and
in the Parish Office. Office hours are
Monday - Thursday 9:30am - 4pm
Friday 9:30 am - 1pm



Eucharistic Adoration

Adoration will be in the Church
on **Fridays from 1:00- 8:00 pm**

Faith Formation News

TIME TO PREPARE FOR 2018-2019 CLASSES

If you are planning to enroll your child in any classes,
and if he/she was not baptized at St. Monica,
please be sure to provide the child's
baptismal certificate at the time of registration.
Registrations will not be accepted
without the certificate.

Faith Formation Office Hours

Monday - 9:00am - 2:30pm
Tuesday - 9:00am - 5:30pm
Wednesday - 9:00am - 5:30pm
Sunday - 9:00am - 1:00pm

Contact the Parish Office if you have any questions
or need assistance when Sr. Teresa is not available.



In Loving Memory of

Joan Muer



Oktoberfest

The St. Martin DePorres Unit, an
auxiliary of Catholic Charities of
the East Bay, has held an
Oktoberfest dinner and auction at St. Monica Church
each fall since 1991. Last year we elected not to hold
the event but instead asked for donations from
parishioners and DePorres members. We were so
successful, we decided to try this approach again.
Members of DePorres are dedicated to serving
Catholic Charities and hope you will continue to give
financial support. As he has done at previous
auctions, Gene Elam will match each \$100 donation
up to \$3,000. Several others also did some matching
and we were able to give Catholic Charities \$11,750.
To participate in this year's fund raising, please make
a check payable to **Catholic Charities of the East Bay**
and mail to Pat Elam,
34 Sherwood Court, Moraga, CA 94556
by October 30

Notices and Events

KEN CANEDO COMING TO ST. MONICA ON SEPTEMBER 9

Ken Canedo, St. Monica's youth minister and pastoral musician in the 1990s, is returning to Moraga on Sunday, September 9.

Now a successful composer and author, Ken will be available after the 9:00 and 11:00 Masses to sign his new book,

FROM MOUNTAINS HIGH: Contemporary Catholic Music 1970-1985

Come say hello to an old friend of the parish.

ST. MONICA WOMEN'S GUILD MEMBERSHIP REMINDER

We would like to extend an invitation to **all** women of the Parish to join St. Monica Women's Guild.

Flyers have been sent to current members and should be returned by September 15th to be listed in our new Directory.

To those who would be interested in becoming new members, please contact Nancy Masar.

925-376-6810 or email to njmasar@yahoo.com

A Membership form will be sent to you.

Annual dues are \$25.00.

The Women's Guild is a social group, with approximately five events a year. This gives us a wonderful opportunity to meet other women in our Parish and to form new friendships.

THE SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE GUILD CORDIALLY INVITES ALL TO JOIN OUR WELCOME BACK TEA PARTY



**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

Claey's Lounge in the Soda Center

A delicious array of sandwiches & desserts are provided. As well as wine or refreshing beverages.

The cost is \$30

Please make checks payable to: SMC Guild

Mail to : 39 Carr. Dr., Moraga, CA 94556

For more information contact Pat at: 925-376-6088

All proceeds benefit students applying for Financial Aid.

Please join The Hat Contest - Prizes to be awarded

Week at a Glance

Sunday, August 26

Monday, August 27

9:00 am C Daily Mass and Rosary

Tuesday, August 28

9:00 am C Daily Mass and Rosary

Wednesday, August 29

9:00 am C Daily Mass and Rosary

Thursday, August 30

9:00 am C Daily Mass and Rosary
7:00 pm CL3 Men's Club meeting

Friday, August 31

9:00 am C Daily Mass and Rosary
1:00 - 8:00 pm C Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, September 1

7:00 - 9:00 am PR Men's Fellowship Breakfast

**C: Church, CH: Chapel; CL: Classroom,
CR: Conference Room, K: Kitchen, PR: Peace Room,
REC: Rectory, YC/FR : Youth Center/'Fireside Room'**

2018 – 2019 CYO BASKETBALL SEASON



SPARTANS

**REGISTRATION OPEN
FROM AUGUST 1 – AUGUST 31, 2018**

**For BOYS (2nd – 8th grade)
and GIRLS (3rd – 8th grade)**

<https://stmonicacyomoraga.sportsengine-prelive.com/>

Notices and Events

Dear Father Coleman and the kind people of St. Monica Church, **Birthright**

On behalf of the Birthright of Concord Board of Directors and staff, we would like to sincerely thank you for the gracious gift of \$1,918.20! This gift will allow us to continue our work with women facing crisis pregnancies by providing mentoring, emotional support and material things such as maternity clothing, baby clothing and diapers.

This donation and the choice of Birthright for your stewardship program is a great blessing to us and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for remembering us.

We always need new volunteers and are always open to new clients so feel free to spread the word if anyone comes in mind.

God bless the parishioners of St. Monica Church, Pat Depaoli, Board Chairperson
925-798-7227



Magnificat SOTI,
a Ministry for Catholic Women
invite you to their Prayer Breakfast

SEPT 8, 2018 - 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Crowne Plaza, 45 John Glenn Dr, Concord

Please join us for a morning of Praise, Prayer, and Inspiration from our speaker **Yolanda Rodriguez!** Answering the call of her heart to serve women and lead others to Jesus through Mary, Yolanda has dedicated her life to the Immaculata teaching women about their God-given dignity, mission, and beauty as daughters of God.

Men are always welcome to attend!

Tickets are \$33 / \$40 after September 1st.

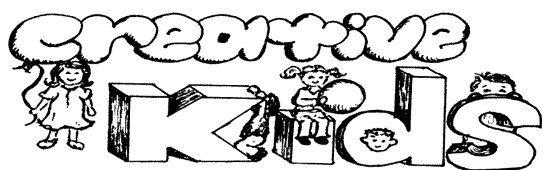
For more information:

<https://magnificat-ministry.net/chapters/chapter-states-a-d/ca-walnut-creek/>

For reservations or questions:

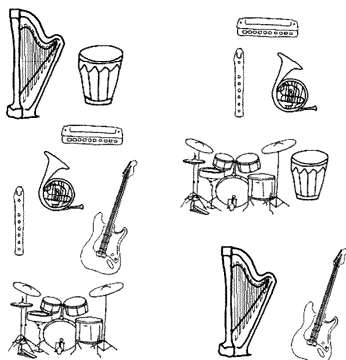
email Magnificatsotirsvp@gmail.com or call Kim Sullivan at 925-683-8220.

Children's Corner



12 Similarities

- Gather 12 similar items and put them in a pile.
Example: toys, baseball cards, hair accessories, etc.
- Sort the items into groups with similar features.
Example: color, shape, size, etc.
- Now try to sort the items in a different way.
- Try different items or have a friend try to come up with different ways to sort the same items. You will be amazed at how many ways you can sort the same items.



GOD'S WORD FOR CHILDREN!

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Jesus said to His disciples, "It is the spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and life."

Jos 24:1-2, 15-18
Eph 5:2a, 21-32

Ps 34:2-3, 16-21
Jn 6:60-69

Directions: Use the letters in SPIRIT to fill in the words below.

- DISCIPLES
- ETERNAL
- LIFE
- JESUS
- PETER
- SPOKE

