

ST. MONICA

CATHOLIC CHURCH

9933 Midway Road, Dallas, Texas 75220

214-358-1453 • Fax: 214-351-1887

www.stmonicachurch.org



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WELCOME TO ST. MONICA CHURCH!

We are pleased to have visitors join us in worship and we invite you to become active registered parishioners. Registration forms can be found in the vestibule, at the Parish Office, and online.

Mass Times

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am,
11:00 am, 12:30 pm,
2:00 pm (español), 5:00 pm

Weekday Mass Times

6:45 am, 8:00 am M-F
8:00 am Saturdays
First Fridays 5:30 pm
Primer viernes del mes 7:00 pm

Childcare for 11:00 am Mass

Ages: 12-months to 4-years
No Cost
Room 114 Family Center
St. Monica Women's Ministry

Reconciliation • Reconciliación

Saturday/Sábado
3:30-4:30 pm • 6:30-7:00 pm

Baptism • Bautismo

Third Saturday of each month at 10:00 am
Parents and godparents are required to attend a preparation class offered on the first Saturday of each month at 10:00 am. Call the Faith Formation Office to register.

Tercer sábado de cada mes a las 3:00 pm
Padres y Padrinos deben asistir a una clase de preparación que se ofrecen los primeros sábados de mes a la 1:00 pm. Llame a la Oficina de Ministerio Hispano.

Marriage • Matrimonio

Contact a priest or deacon at least six months before the planned marriage date.
Llame a un Sacerdote o Diacono por lo menos seis meses antes de la fecha de la boda.

Helplines • Línea de Ayuda

St. Vincent de Paul serves the poor or distressed on an emergency basis.
972-994-1121 (confidential) Volunteers contact: info@stmonicasvdp.org

Stephen Ministry helps those experiencing grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, or another life crisis. 214-914-2802 (confidential)

Bulletin Deadline

Monday at 12:00 noon • Submit notices in writing to ecooper@stmonicachurch.org.

OCTOBER 16, 2016

Parish Staff

Fr. Stephen W. Bierschenk

Pastor - x 7107

Fr. Iñigo Lopez

Parochial Vicar - x 7112

Fr. Edwin Leonard

Vocation Director (in residence)

Monsignor John F. Meyers

Pastor Emeritus

Deacons

Abel Cortes

Bob Marrinan

Larry Lucido

Brian Mitchell

St. Monica Church Office

Main: (214) 358-1453 • Fax: (214) 351-1887

Hours: M-F 9:00-5:00 • Sunday 10:00-2:00

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Business Manager x 7176

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Volunteer Coordinator x 7173

Maria E. Juarez-Plank

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Bookkeeper x 7102

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Director of Youth Ministry x 7106

Jason Trujillo

Coordinator of Youth Evangelization x 7106

Maria Jones

Director of Communications x 7142

Erin Cooper

Music Ministry

Director of Music x 7101

Jeremy Wirths

Director Youth Music x 7103

Emmanuel Espiritu

Organist (9:30 & 11:00 Mass)

Guillermo "Will" Martinez

Faith Formation

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Mariangela Byrne

Administrative Assistant x 7549

Eldie Diaz

Marriage Ministry Coordinator x 7164

Coordinadora de Matriomonios

Martha Gonzalez

Ministerio Hispano

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Director of Hispanic Ministry x 7131

Maria M. Gonzalez-Rocha

St. Monica School

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Phil Riley, Principal

www.stmonicaschool.org

From the Pastor

In the gospel parable today, Jesus uses an unlikely example – a corrupt judge. He has a powerful role in the community, assuring that each person is treated with justice. But the one in charge of justice is not willing to act on behalf of the widow. It isn't clear if he is waiting for a bribe, or doesn't like the way the widow looks, or simply does not want to do anything. He has decided that neither God nor man can make him do something if he chooses not to.

The widow is the hero of the story. When her plea was denied, she came back. And again she came back. And once more, she came back. After a time, it must have seemed hopeless, but she came back and she was given justice. In the end, in spite of himself, the judge had to do what was right.

We are always forgetting that we cannot be in control of how God acts. We have a big event scheduled for the weekend, and we pray and pray that the weather will be perfect. And when the sun shines brightly on a beautiful day we congratulate our self for having such powerful prayers. And if it is raining, we decide God wasn't listening. When everything is going well in our life, our prayers become routine or left unsaid. When troubles come, we go into overtime and watch for the first sign that our urgent prayers are being received and answered as soon as possible.

Jesus uses this story to

recommend how we are to pray. It seems he is suggesting that the way to have our prayers answered is to be demanding and threatening because God is not that interested in hearing what we ask. But actually, he is challenging us to keep coming back. When we are having a wonderful day, we stop to turn our smiling face toward the Father who blesses us. When we are worried, or wonder if we can go on much longer carrying the burdens of life, we stop to talk our troubles over with our Father who holds us in his powerful hands. When someone breaks our heart or tears of grief fill our eyes, we sit in the quiet and realize that we are not alone, our Father is crying there with us.

A hesitant driver was waiting for a traffic jam to clear and came to a stop on the expressway entrance ramp. The traffic thinned, but the timid driver still waited. Finally, after the blaring of a horn, an infuriated voice came from the car behind shouting: "The sign says Yield, not Give Up." Over and over, with big petitions and with small, we keep coming back because we are sure of one thing – we are not in control. Instead, everything is being taken care of by the One who loves us completely. He will hear. And he will answer. We never have to give up.

–Fr. Stephen W Bierschenk

News & Events

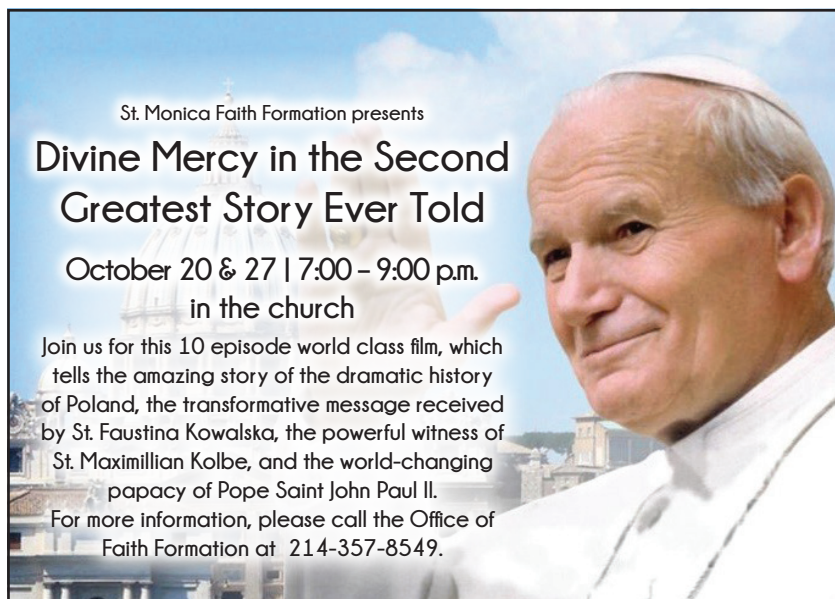
Cool weather, hot **breakfast burritos and sausages on a stick** - a perfect Fall combination! Pick yours up after the 8:00 am Mass and every Mass after that until noon. Remember to bring some home for your neighbors - they'll love you for it. Thanks for supporting your Knights of Columbus!

St. Monica's Knights of Columbus Council #5656 is hosting a **Hike for Life** on October 22 at Bachman Lake. People will gather at 8:30 am and the hike will begin around 9 am. The Hike raises money for Texas area pregnancy resource centers, such as Birth Choice or other Pro-Life ministries. Participants will receive t-shirts and hot dogs and refreshments will be provided after walking is completed. The event will conclude before 11 am, leaving plenty of time for families to make it to Autumnfest! For more information, visit hikeforlifetexas.org and select the Bachman Lake event under the "Find an Event Page," which can be found by clicking on the "Participate" drop down box. For additional questions, contact Joseph Miller at [214-207-4932](tel:214-207-4932).

St. Monica's Adult Catholic Education Ministry begins its fall course on Bishop Robert Barron's new DVD release, *Catholicism: The Pivotal Players*, TODAY at 9:15 am in Room 217 of the Family Center. No formal registration is needed, just come to the class anytime. It's never too late. Check our Catholic Education Ministry Literature Display in Angel Hall for more information.

St. Monica Works Ministry: Business and Professional Networking organization. Connect and develop business together on Thursday, October 20 in the lower lounge of the Family Center. Come tell about your product, service or profession and learn about those of other faith-minded individuals: 7:29 AM and 7:59 AM for coffee, donuts and networking. A lively information exchange follows until 9:01 AM. Want more information - call [214-707-3726](tel:214-707-3726) or visit www.stmonicaworks.org. If your business can stand improvement, come and join us. Meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month.

Chrysalis, a program equipping seventh and eighth grade girls with the tools to fully understand their dignity as daughters of God, embrace their true beauty, and learn to make good choices. The next meeting will be on October 21st, at 7 pm in the Library Meeting Room. The cost is \$35 per girl. For more information or to register, call [817-371-6696](tel:817-371-6696). This is being hosted by Regnum Christi lay women who work closely with the consecrated women in Dallas as well as the Legionary Priests from the Highlands School.



St. Monica Faith Formation presents

Divine Mercy in the Second Greatest Story Ever Told

October 20 & 27 | 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
in the church

Join us for this 10 episode world class film, which tells the amazing story of the dramatic history of Poland, the transformative message received by St. Faustina Kowalska, the powerful witness of St. Maximilian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of Pope Saint John Paul II.

For more information, please call the Office of Faith Formation at [214-357-8549](tel:214-357-8549).

Stewardship
10-09-2016
 Regular - \$40,373
 Renovation - \$8,106
Total Mass Attendance
10-09-2016
 3,237

Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 16

8:00 am..... Priest's Intention
 9:30 am..... Priest's Intention
 11:00 am..... Priest's Intention
 12:30 pm Priest's Intention
 2:00 pm Priest's Intention
 5:00 pm..... Priest's Intention

Monday, October 17

6:45 am..... Stella Alcala † by Mary Anne Palacios
 8:00 am..... Billy Haba † by Marjorie Haba

Tuesday, October 18

6:45 am..... For Madden & Canary Families
 8:00 am Helen Chao † by Petrikas Family

Wednesday, October 19

6:45 am..... Connie Connors †
 by Celeste & Howard Guren
 8:00 am..... Esmeralda Guzman by Diaz Family

Thursday, October 20

6:45 am..... In thanksgiving for Matias Oliva
 by Oliva Family
 8:00 am Dr. Enrique Borrego † by E. Prince

Friday, October 21

6:45 am..... Maria Gutierrez † by Madden Family
 8:00 am..... Frank & Alice Hernandez 50th Wedding
 Anniversary † by Carolyn Zuniga

Saturday, October 22

8:00 am..... Mary Meyers † by Mary & Gerry Geisler
 5:00 pm..... Olivia Coulombe †
 by Kathy Moreno & Debbie Diaz

Sanctuary Light

This week the Sanctuary Light is burning for Helen Muñoz Gutierrez †.

For Our Sick

To request a name to appear, please contact the parish office or complete a green prayer request card (found on tables at the back of church) and place the card in an offering basket.

Christopher Russell¹ Jessica Martinez³
 Lorenzo³ Scarlett McNeil³
 Zack³

Names will appear for 3 weeks. The numbers after the names begin at 3 and count down and are intended to help those who make requests.





BEYOND BOUNDARIES
2016 ST. MONICA FAITH IN ACTION

Parishioners have logged

1411 hours

of service beyond the boundaries of St. Monica since we launched Faith in Action!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY!
Austin Street Centre

On the second Monday of each month, St. Monica parishioners provide meals to the less fortunate homeless “clients” of Austin Street Homeless Centre, located near downtown Dallas. Our ‘dinner meal’ includes hot dogs, sandwiches, bananas, hard-boiled eggs, desserts and milk/juice.

Volunteers are asked to prepare or purchase dinner items. Then, drop the food off at St. Monica in the Family Center kitchen (which is behind the Lounge, Room 109) on the day we serve dinner.

To volunteer, contact Derek Blake at 214-663-8812 or dblake88@gmail.com.

Log hours at www.stmonicachurch.org/faithinaction or use a deposit slip, located at the back of the church, and drop it in the collection basket!

News & Events

The **L1FT Youth Ministry** program is still looking for people who are passionate about their faith to lead small groups on Sunday nights. For more information and to sign up, please head to www.L1FTministry.org/volunteercentral.

The **Legion of Mary** at St. Monica Catholic Church is blessed to be celebrating 57 years of ministry! Parishioners are invited to participate in a Mass offered for the Legion on Monday, October 17th at 8 am.

Adorers are needed to sit with Jesus at perpetual adoration on Sunday and Monday from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm and 11:00 am - 12:00 pm on Fridays. To sign up, contact Margie at adore10397@sbcglobal.net.

A **DVD for the Multicultural Day Celebration** of May 15, 2016 is now available. You can order a DVD by emailing Juliette Akagu at julieakagu@yahoo.com.

Year of Mercy Pilgrimage Preparation

Fr. Iñigo will give an address on how to prepare yourself to obtain a Plenary Indulgence during this Jubilee Year of Mercy on Monday, October 17th at 7 pm in the Church. St. Monica is hosting a Year of Mercy Pilgrimage on Friday, October 28th (see below).

The **Prayer Shawl Ministry** is open to any volunteer who has the desire to knit, crochet, knot or quilt a shawl. The purpose of this ministry is to be a comfort to those in need of physical, mental, or spiritual healing. The ministry meets every Monday from 10 am - 12 pm in the Lower Lounge of the Family Center.

ST. MONICA CATHOLIC SCHOOL PRESENTS
K-8 OPEN HOUSE
REGISTRATION BEGINS @ 8:30 AM
PRESENTATION BEGINS PROMPTLY @ 9:00 AM
IN OUR FAMILY CENTER
TOURS OF OUR CAMPUS FOLLOW.
COME EXPERIENCE OUR HOME!
INQUIRIES KATHY LEITNICK
214.351.5688 EXT 5175
KLEITNICK@STMONICASCHOOL.ORG
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2016 & JANUARY 13, 2017

YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE
Friday, October 28
6:30 pm
Enter the Door of Mercy at the Cathedral of Guadalupe
\$10 per person | Space is limited!
Reserve your spot by October 21st
Register online at www.stmonicachurch.org or at the Church Office

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Open House - John Paul II High School

Join the entire Cardinal Family for Open House on Wednesday, October 19, 6:00-8:30 pm, on our campus at 900 Coit Rd in Plano. This exciting evening features JPIIHS faculty, staff, administration, and students. Attendees will be entered into a drawing for a \$1,000 credit toward 2017-2018 tuition. Stop by sponsored food trucks on your way in or out of campus and spend the evening getting the full JPIIHS experience!

The Highlands School, a private PreK-12 College Preparatory Catholic School, is hosting an Open House on Sunday, October 30th from 2 pm - 4 pm for prospective families. Register for the event online by visiting <http://www.thehighlandsschool.org/admission/welcome.cfm>. The Highlands is located at 1451 E. Northgate Drive in Irving.

Ursuline Academy's story is one of tradition, academic excellence, global education, innovation, and service. We are committed to helping young women, grades 9-12, become effective, ethical, and compassionate leaders. Come learn about our 142 year old community on Sunday, November 6th from 2:00-4:00 pm and see where your own Ursuline story begins. Students of all ages and their families are welcome. Visit www.ursulinedallas.org/openhouse for more information.

The **Catholic Physicians Guild of Dallas** will hold its annual White Mass for Healthcare Professionals this October 22th at the 5:00 pm at the Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Gregory Kelly, and attendees are asked to wear their white coats for which the White Mass is named. All Healthcare Professionals (clinical staff, business staff, ancillary staff, students, etc.) and their families are invited. A dinner reception with pastoral reflection will follow in the Grand Salon next to the sanctuary. Deacon Michael Bolesta, MD will speak on *Mercy in Medicine*. The cost is \$15 for those who pre-register online, or \$20 at the door. Visit www.cathmeddallas.org/upcoming-events.html to RSVP or email cathmeddallas@gmail.com.

The Catholic Foundation is looking for a part-time bilingual Gift Processing Coordinator. This position has significant responsibilities in the areas of data and gift entry. Candidate must be able to read, write and converse fluently in Spanish and English. Qualified candidates please send an email to lscheets@catholicfoundation.com for a full job description.

Is your ministry or group doing something great at St. Monica? Send your event information to Erin Cooper at ecooper@stmonicachurch.org to place it in the bulletin, online or on social media.

Family Vocation Chalice

To participate call (214) 368-3640

October 22 at 5:00 pm
Morgan & Johnson Family

October 23 at 8:00 am
Edward Holmberg

October 23 at 9:30 am
Cos & Kristin Mompho

October 23 at 11:00 am
Bob & Mary Ann Marrinan

October 23 at 12:30 pm
Felipe & Sandy Terrones

October 23 at 5:00 pm
Carlos & Monserrat Torres Silva

ST. MONICA FINE ARTS PRESENTS

MUSICAL CLASSICS

FOR

Trumpet & Organ

FEATURING



ORGANIST GUILLERMO MARTINEZ

&



TRUMPETER NATHANIEL MAYFIELD

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2016

7:30 PM

ST. MONICA CATHOLIC CHURCH

9933 MIDWAY ROAD

DALLAS, TX 75220

FREE ADMISSION
RECEPTION TO FOLLOW



2016 AUTUMNFEST RALLY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2016 : 12PM-9:30PM

ST. MONICA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

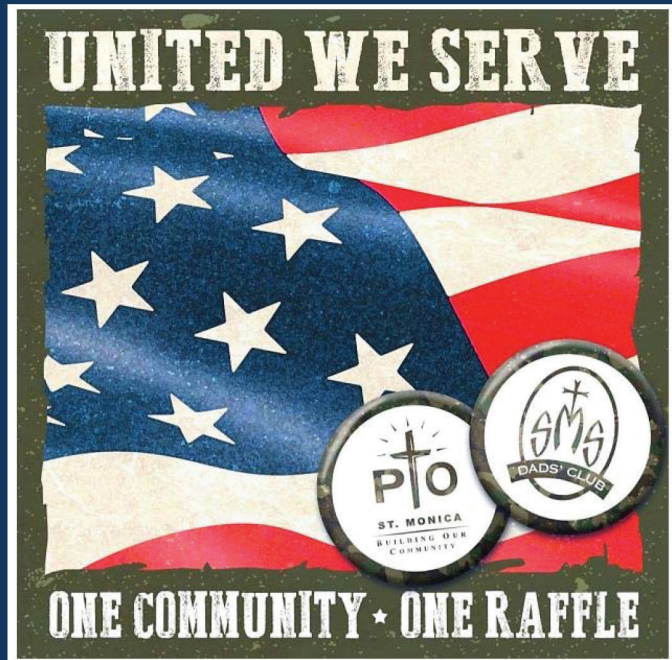
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2016 AUTUMNFEST RALLY





AÑO DE LA MISERICORDIA

Les invitamos a participar como comunidad a visitar la Catedral de Guadalupe y recibir la Indulgencia Plenaria que el Santo Padre otorga a los fieles que pasen por la Puerta Santa este año de la Misericordia. El evento se llevara a cabo el

Viernes, 28 de Octubre
6:30 pm

Habr  una formaci n previa el Martes 18 de Octubre a las 7pm. en la Iglesia para prepararnos espiritualmente y seguir las directrices necesarias para obtener la remisi n de todo castigo temporal debido al pecado. Tendremos un autob s que nos llevara o puede seguir en caravana. El boleto para el autob s es \$10.00, cupo es limitado. Debe reservar su asiento antes del 21 de Octubre. Adquiera su boleto en la Oficina Parroquial o en l nea, www.stmonicachurch.org Para m s informaci n comun quese con Mar a Gonz lez-Roque al 214-357-8549.

Noticias y Eventos

Castos por Amor
DALLAS, TX.

*Crece en el amor
y la verdad !!!*

*** TEMAS ***

26 de Octubre, 2016 - Secretos del alma.

23 de Noviembre, 2016 - Un ser agradecido.

25 de Enero, 2017 - Encuentro con mi "Yo".

22 de Febrero, 2017 - Llamado al amor.

22 de Marzo, 2017 - Sanando heridas.

26 de Abril, 2017 - Nueva vida.

24 de Mayo, 2017 - La pureza de María.

24 de junio, 2017 - RETIRO (8am -5pm)

"Jueves Eucarístico" cada tercer jueves del mes a las 7:00 pm.

En el salón de la biblioteca

Tú eres imagen de Dios...



Parroquia Católica
Santa Mónica
(9933 Midway Rd. Dallas, Tx. 75220)



Elvia Cruz (214) 998-5886
Reuniones de 7:00 a 9:00 pm


MÁS ALLÁ DE LOS LÍMITES
2016 SANTA MONICA FE EN ACCIÓN

¡Hasta hoy,

1411 horas

de servicio se han reportado para el programa Más Allá de los Límites!

Oportunidad de Servicio:
Austin Street Center

Cada Segundo lunes de mes, los parroquianos de Santa Mónica dan alimentos a los menos afortunados de Austin Street Homeless Centre, que está localizada cerca del centro de Dallas. Nuestra 'cena' incluye perros calientes, sándwiches, plátanos, huevos cocidos, postres, jugo y leche.

Se les pide a los voluntarios que preparen o compren las cosas necesarias para la cena. Después dejarlos en la cocina del Centro Familiar de Santa Mónica (ubicado detrás del salón 109) el día que servimos la cena.

Para ser voluntario comuníquese con Derek Blake al 214-663-8812 o dBlake88@gmail.com.

Anote sus horas en www.stmonicachurch.org/faithinaction o use una forma de depósito que ese encuentra en las mesas por las entradas principales de la Iglesia y póngala en la canasta de colecta.

Adoración al Santísimo En la capilla está expuesto el Santísimo, de lunes a viernes de 9 a media noche, los domingo de 6pm. a media noche. Ven adorarle, a platicar con El, a dejarte consolar, guiar por el Amor de la vida. Puedes venir en el tiempo que tú quieras. Si quieres orar con otros hermanos, tenemos los siguientes momentos de oración en grupo: martes 8pm. a 10 pm.; primeros viernes de mes 8pm.; primer viernes de mes (dirigido para hombres) 7am.; segundos viernes de mes 9pm.; tercer jueves 7pm. Si quieres ser adorador perpetuo por favor llama a la Oficina Parroquial **214-358-1453**.

Altar de Muertos

El fin de semana del 30 de Octubre tendremos un Altar de Muerto en el pasillo de Ángel en la Iglesia para recordar a nuestros seres queridos que se han marchado a la presencia de Dios. Les invitamos a traer una fotografía de su ser querido y algún platillo que le gustaba, el sábado 29 de Octubre a las 6 de la tarde. Para más información llame a Blanca Lilia Rocha, **214-498-1650**.

Cáliz Vocacional Familiar

Para llevarse el Cáliz llame
al **(214) 358-1453**

30 de Octubre
Ybeth Montañez





**2016
AUTUMNFEST
RALLY**

SABADO, 22 DE OCTUBRE
12 PM - 9:30 PM

.....
ST. MONICA CATHOLIC SCHOOL
4140 WALNUT HILL LANE DALLAS, TX 75229

¡Una cálida bienvenida a todos los visitantes y nuevos feligreses!

La Comunidad de Santa Mónica se goza con su presencia entre nosotros, esperamos que encuentre aquí una comunidad de apertura, amor y crecimiento espiritual. Si le interesa participar o integrarse algún ministerio parroquial o crecimiento espiritual por favor llame a las Oficinas Parroquiales, [214-357-8549](tel:214-357-8549) o llévese un librito de información sobre los ministerios (están ubicados en las mesas principales de la Iglesia). ¡Bienvenidos, Santa Mónica es su Casa!

Ministerio para Encarcelados

El ministerio para encarcelados necesita personas con el llamado para servir a estas personas que están privadas de la libertad. A través de su servicio puede darles un rayo de esperanza llevándoles la Palabra de Dios, preparándoles para recibir sus sacramentos y distribuir a Jesús Eucaristía. Las personas deben tener su licencia de conducir vigente y ser Ministros Extraordinarios de la Sagrada Comunión. Para más información comuníquese con el Diacono José Treviño, [214-379-2884](tel:214-379-2884).

De El Pastor

En la parábola del Evangelio de hoy, Jesús usa un ejemplo inusual, un juez corrupto. Tenía poder en la comunidad, asegurándose que todas las personas fueran tratadas con justicia. Pero el que estaba encargado de la Justicia no estaba dispuesto a actuar a favor de la viuda. No es claro si estaba esperando que lo sobornaran, o no le gustaba como se miraba la viuda, o simplemente no quería hacer nada. Había decidido que ni Dios ni un hombre le haría hacer algo que no quería.

La viuda era el héroe de la historia. Cuando le negaron su petición regreso una y otra vez. Después de un tiempo, parecía que no había esperanza, pero regreso y se le dio justicia. Al final, a pesar de si mismo, el juez tuvo que hacer lo que estaba correcto.

Siempre se nos olvida que no podemos estar en control sobre los actos de Dios. Tenemos un evento grande planeado para el fin de semana, oramos y oramos para que el clima este perfecto. Cuando el sol brilla y hace el día hermoso, nos felicitamos por tener tanto poder en nuestras oraciones. Si está lloviendo, decimos que Dios no escucha. Cuando todo va bien en nuestra vida, nuestras oraciones se hacen rutina o no son escuchadas. Cuando estamos en problemas, pasamos tiempo extra en busca de la primera señal para que nuestras oraciones sean recibidas y escuchadas lo más pronto posible.

Jesús usa esta historia para recomendamos como rezar. Pareciera que nos está sugiriendo que la manera en que nuestras

oraciones serán escuchadas seria demandando y amenazando porque a Dios no le interesa escuchar lo que le pedimos. Pero en realidad nos está retando a regresar. Cuando estamos teniendo un día maravilloso, volteamos a ver al Padre sonriendo porque nos bendice. Cuando estamos preocupados o preguntándonos si podemos seguir cargando las penas de la vida, paramos para hablar sobre nuestros problemas con nuestro Padre quien nos mantiene en sus manos poderosas. Cuando alguien rompe nuestro corazón o lágrimas de dolor, nos sentamos calladamente y nos damos cuenta que no estamos solos, nuestro Padre está llorando con nosotros.

Un conductor ansioso estaba esperando que el congestionamiento de tráfico se terminara y llego a un alto en la entrada de la autopista. El tráfico disminuyo, pero el conductor tímido se mantuvo esperando. Finalmente, después que le sonaron el claxon, una voz furiosa vino del carro que estaba atrás gritando: "El letrero dice ceda el paso, no darse por vencido." Una vez y otra, con grandes y pequeñas peticiones seguimos regresando porque estamos seguros de una cosa, no estamos en control. Sino, todo está siendo atendido por Aquel que nos ama completamente. Nos escuchara y responderá. Nunca debemos darnos por vencidos.

—Fr. Stephen W Bierschenk