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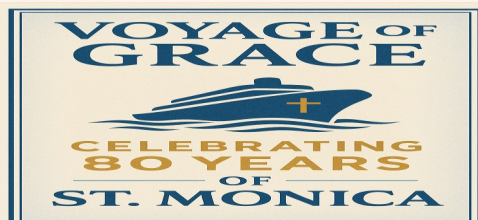
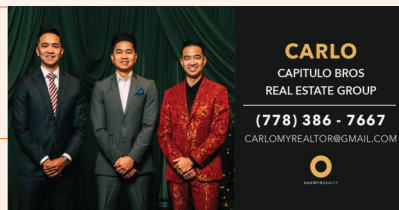
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PARISH CRUISE 2027

Join us in celebrating St Monica's 80th Year. For information, contact Maricar Bernardo @ 604 369 0859.



The prophecy of the devil distracting children with cell phones, made in 1865 by Saint John Bosco:

In 1865, Saint John Bosco recounted a dream that deeply impressed him. He saw a church full of young people.

Everyone was physically present, but many had their attention focused elsewhere. Near the altar appeared a dark figure holding something that looked like a strange "lantern." "When the boys looked at it, each saw something different:

Fun and games, Victories and competitions, Memories of their home,

Studies and worries, Pleasant things and personal desires, Family and friendships, Even images that could lead to sin.

Little by little something worrying happened:

They stopped looking at the altar. They stopped thinking about Jesus. Many were no longer close to receiving Communion.

Then Don Bosco understood the message. The enemy seeks to keep the mind occupied so that the heart does not find Christ.

The most surprising thing is that this dream happened in 1865.

There were no cell phones. There was no internet. There were no social networks. There were no digital videos.

However, that flashlight had a very particular characteristic: I showed each person exactly what most captured their attention.

Today we see that what that flashlight did is exactly what a cell phone does, when a screen knows our tastes, interests, concerns, and desires. The teaching remains relevant: We must not allow a screen or cell phone to prevent us from going to Mass and drawing closer to God in the sacraments.

The problem is not technology, nor the cell phone itself. The problem arises when anything occupies the rightful place of God, distances us from Mass, or makes us forget the importance of the Eucharist.

Furthermore, a child should not have such free access to a cell phone with internet, much less social networks that put their purity at risk. Therefore, the invitation remains the same:

Put aside distractions. Lift your eyes to Christ. Return to Communion. Give God first place.

A dream told more than 160 years ago that continues to make us reflect today.



June 21, 2026 | 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vision Statement:

St Monica Parish is a community of faith committed to the call of Christ to holiness.

Mission Statement:

We, the parishioners of St Monica, sharing our spiritual & cultural values commit to:

- Inspire people to love the Eucharist.
- Promote devotion to Our Lady of Consolacion, St Monica & St Pedro Calungsod.
- Evangelize people through a life of love and service.
- Renew, strengthen & uphold the sanctity of life, marriage & family.
- Support & enhance the life of the youth & elderly.
- Pursue Catholic Social Teaching.
- Encourage ecumenical & interfaith dialogue.
- Foster camaraderie in the community through fellowship.

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday to Saturday: 9:00am

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am & 11:00am

Sunday: 4:00pm @ YVR

CONFESSION

Monday to Friday: 8:40am until 8:55am

Saturday: 9:45am to 10:30am

PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA

Wednesday after the 9:00am Mass

HOLY HOUR

Friday after the 9:00am Mass

(1st-Sacred Heart, 2nd-Mary, 3rd-Vocations, 4th-Peace in the World, 5th-General Intentions)

HEALING SERVICE

First Saturday after the 9:00am Mass

BLESSING OF MONTHLY BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS & WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

First Weekend of the month

(Sat:5pm, Sun:9am, Sun:11am)

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9:30am—1:00pm | 1:30pm—3:30pm

Find us on Facebook: SMon Monica

WELCOME

We welcome all visitors. If you are new to the Parish, please fill out the registration form available at the foyer. And please introduce yourself to our pastor, Father Mark.

HOLY COMMUNION

Anyone who is not able to attend Mass & wishes to receive the Eucharist, please contact the parish office.

BAPTISM

Saturday @ 11:00am. Parents are requested to set an appointment with the Pastor at least one month before the requested date. Please bring filled out Baptism request form and Godparents form.

MARRIAGE

All couples planning to be married @ St Monica should contact the Pastor at least 6 months in advance. Non-parishioners must obtain written permission from your parish.

FUNERAL

Please contact the Pastor before making arrangements.

SACRAMENTALS

For house blessings, cars & religious articles, please contact the parish office.

HALL RENTAL

Please set an appointment with the Pastor at least 1 month before your event.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers our parishioners who are ill, especially Betty K-M, Nancy A, Jean L, Mary L, Amelia G, Norman P, Milagros V, Fe Arias, Lina Dimayuga. Email the office to be included in this list. (Note: Only first name & initials will be published for privacy reasons).

Please DO NOT call or text Fr Mark on his day-off every MONDAY.

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THE **THIRD** MIRACLE—Grace is Restored. Sanctifying grace, lost through mortal sin, is restored, allowing the soul to share once again in God's divine life.

THE **FOURTH** MIRACLE—The Heart is Healed. Confession brings peace, strength, and healing to hearts burdened by guilt, fear, and sorrow.

THE **FIFTH** MIRACLE—Christ Meets the Sinner. In the confessional, the penitent encounters the loving mercy of Jesus, who welcomes every repentant soul.

THE **SIXTH** MIRACLE—The Church is Reconciled. Sin wounds not only our relationship with God but also the Body of Christ. Through confession, communion with the Church is restored.

THE **SEVENTH** MIRACLE—The Soul is Renewed. The penitent leaves strengthened to resist temptation and to grow in holiness through God's grace.

WHAT CAN WE DO TODAY? **Examine your conscience regularly. Approach confession with sincerity and humility. Trust completely in God's mercy. Go to confession frequently, not only when burdened by grave sin. Pray for the grace of true repentance and conversion.**

REMEMBER Every confession is a miracle of divine mercy. No sin is greater than God's forgiveness when we come to Him with a repentant heart. In this sacrament, Christ heals, restores, and renews the soul.

Lord Jesus, grant us sincere repentance. Help us to trust in Your infinite mercy.

“Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.” — John 20:23

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

20-Jun	Saturday	9am	Florentina Eugenio Joseph & Yvette Gloria	+	(INT)
20-Jun	Saturday	5pm	Charles Trindade	+	
21-Jun	Sunday	9am	Gregorio Manalang	+	
21-Jun	Sunday	11am	PRO-POPULO	+	
22-Jun	Monday	9am	Elizabeth Jubida Raphael Gloria & Lovely Paisley	+	(INT)
23-Jun	Tuesday	9am	Francis Rosales	+	(INT)
24-Jun	Wednesday	9am	Gregorio Manalang	+	
25-Jun	Thursday	9am	Adolfo Cabusas Nicanora Cabusas & Edwin Gloria	+	(INT)
26-Jun	Friday	9am	Luz Estrellado	+	
27-Jun	Saturday	9am	Eduardo & Rebecca Talusan	+	(INT)
27-Jun	Saturday	5pm			

Hospital Visits

If you want a priest to visit you for sacraments, please ask your nurse to forward your request to the hospital spiritual coordinator when you get admitted or email the parish office at parish.smon@rcav.org. Due to its sensitive nature, we recommend that only immediate family members to contact us.

Stronger Together - Project Advance 2026

Each year, your support of Project Advance strengthens the life of your parish. Your generosity sustains ministries, outreach, and pastoral care while supporting the wider mission of the Church across the Lower Mainland. Together, we care for one another, serve those in need, and grow our faith community. Every gift — no matter the size — makes a difference. Prayerfully consider supporting Project Advance 2026, because when we support one another, we are truly Stronger Together.

St Monica Project Advance Goal is \$80,000.00

PARISH MINISTRIES/LEADERSHIP TEAM

Worship	<i>Tel Decena</i>
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist (EOM)	Michelle Irineo
Lectors	Addie Comilang
Altar Servers	Sonny Magno
Music Ministry	Michael Goco (11am) Chris Mok (9am) Jeff Abiera (5pm Sat)
Ushers	Mario Parayno
Altar Guild	Luisa Carsula
Candles	Anna Horvath
Flowers	Tess Aldaba
Aguinaldo Mass	Maricar & Serg Bernardo
Evangelization	<i>Jeff Abiera</i>
Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)	Teresa Santos Tuesday 6:30pm—7:45pm
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)	Jeff & Jigs Abiera Thursday 6:30pm—8:30pm
Adult Formation & Couples for Christ (CFC), Witness to Love	Erick & Rhona Cadlaon 1st Saturday 6pm—10pm
CFC-Youth	Ivan Jadulang/Raziel Cabrera 1st & 3rd Saturday 12pm—4pm
Kids for Christ (KFC)	Jaycee/Yeh Peleo 3rd Saturday 4pm-6pm
El Shaddai	Cristy Santos 2nd & 4th Saturday 3pm-9pm
Community Development	<i>Henjie San Juan</i>
Airport Ministry	Deacon Wilbur Victoria
Catholic Women's League (CWL)	Lucita Manese 2nd Saturday 10am-12pm
Knights of Columbus	Alvin Cabrera <i>Executive:</i> 3rd Saturday 10am –12pm <i>General:</i> 4th Saturday 10am-12pm
Legion of Mary	Rufina Cruz Tuesday 10am –12pm Sunday 10am—12pm
Legion of Mary (Junior) & Bereavement Ministry	Fe Arias
Interfaith Alliance	Gigi Magno
Handmaids of the Lord	Marilyn Suba
Social Events	Maricar & Serg Bernardo
Website, Social Media	<i>CV San Pedro</i>
Temporalities	<i>Aimee Inocencio</i>
Project Advance	Baby & Ed San Jose
Religious Goods	Linda Zamora
Building Development & Renewal	Cesar Lopez & Chito Bolos

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekend of June 20/21, 2026

Jesus minces no words with his disciples: If we acknowledge Jesus publicly, Jesus will remember us before God, our Father. If we deny Jesus, he will forget us. It is very rare that a Christian will denounce Jesus publicly. But we can deny Jesus in more subtle ways. There are many people who conveniently forget all about Jesus Christ and the work of his Kingdom in their daily lives, in moments of weakness, spiritual immaturity or when times get tough. Good stewards strengthen their confession of Christ by praying and attending Mass regularly, examining their lives and going to confession frequently, and reminding themselves daily that Christ resides in them. Take a look at your own daily life. Do you acknowledge Christ before others? How often do you remind yourself that Jesus lives in you?

MIRACLES IN CONFESSION

- Hearts are healed
- Burdens are lifted
- Peace is restored
- Heaven rejoices

Do not be afraid to return. The Lord who calmed the raging seas stands ready to calm your soul in the Sacrament of Confession.

Come and encounter His boundless mercy.

Ignatius Catholicum

MIRACLES IN CONFESSION

The Sacrament of Confession is one of the greatest gifts Christ has given to His Church. Though the miracles that occur in confession are invisible to the human eye, they are real and powerful. Through this sacrament, sinners are reconciled with God, grace is restored, and souls are renewed by divine mercy.

THE **FIRST** MIRACLE—Sins are Forgiven.

When a penitent sincerely confesses and receives absolution, Christ removes the guilt of sin and restores the soul to friendship with God.

THE **SECOND** MIRACLE—The Soul is Cleansed.

The stains of sin are washed away, and the soul is purified by God's mercy.

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