

PROTECTING GOD'S PEOPLE

As God's people, we are called to celebrate, promote, and when necessary to defend the life and dignity of every person. We must treat everyone with respect, and do what we can to protect others from harm.

Suspected misconduct with minors by lay church personnel should be reported to the pastor of the parish, the principal of the school, or the head of the Catholic institution involved. Suspected misconduct with minors by a priest, deacon, or religious should be reported directly to the Bishop or Vicar General (P. O. Box 2279, Brownsville, TX 78522-2279; 956-542-2501). A form for a *Confidential Notice of Concern*, may be used, and obtained on request from the local pastor, school principal, institution head, or Diocese, or it may be downloaded from the Brownsville Diocese website (www.cdob.org)

Please be aware that it is a state law that anyone who suspects abuse or neglect of a minor must report it to local law enforcement officials or to the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services at 1-800-252-5400.

Our faith assures us that we will not be overcome by evil but will overcome evil with good (cf. Rm 12:21).

PROTEGIENDO AL PUEBLO DE DIOS

Como el pueblo de Dios, cada uno de nosotros está llamado a celebrar, promover, y, si es necesario, defender la vida y la dignidad de todas personas. Tenemos que tratar a cada persona con respecto, y hacer lo posible para asegurar que nunca se dañe a los demás.

Una sospecha de mala conducta con los menores de edad, cometida por el personal laico de la iglesia, deberá reportarse al párroco de la iglesia, al director de la escuela, o al encargado de la institución católica en cuestión. Una sospecha de mala conducta con los menores de edad cometida por un sacerdote, diácono, o religioso deberá reportarse directamente al Señor Obispo o al Vicario General al (P.O. Box 2279, Brownsville, TX 78522-2279; 956-542-2501). Una forma para un *Aviso Confidencial de Inquietud (Confidential Notice of Concern)* puede obtenerse a través del párroco local, del director de la escuela, del encargado de la institución, de la Diócesis, o puede bajarse de la página oficial de Internet de la Diócesis de Brownsville (www.cdob.org).

Por favor recuerde que hay una ley estatal que cualquier persona que sospeche el abuso o la negligencia hacia un menor de edad debe reportarlo a las autoridades oficiales locales o al Departamento de Servicios Familiares y Protectores de Texas (Texas Department of Family and Protective Services) al 1-800-252-5400.

Nuestra fe nos asegura que el mal no nos vencerá, pero que venceremos al mal con el bien (cf. Rm 12:21).

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners and friends, through our monthly Collection for the Poor, many families and individuals, of our area, are receiving some very much needed assistance. These items are an example of what is being provided to families/ persons in need: Flour, Sugar, Oil, Beans, Canned Food, Oatmeal, Pasta, Rice, etc. ***In the month of March 2024, due to our parishioners' generosity, 61 families (132 adults and 48 children) received assistance.*** If you are interested in helping, please bring donations to our Sunday Masses or the parish office, during office hours (Mon.-Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon.). Now we are affiliated to the Rio Grande Valley Food Bank, and hope to serve our community better. For more information, please call our office. May the Lord reward your generosity and kindness!

LET'S PRAY FOR THE SICK IN OUR COMMUNITY

For the families and care givers, for the Health Community System, Regina Peña, Angela Paita, Mary Helen Cano, Maggie & Ramon Cisneros, Lalita Davila, Francisca Jimenez, Jorge Garcia, Maria Zepeda, Alicia Hernandez, Esthela Gonzales, Olivia Mueller, Guillermo Lara, Sr., Guillermo Lara, Jr., Gloria Rubalcaba, Mercedes Baez, & Debbie Cruz. **If you would like to request for the sick of your family to be included in our weekly list of Prayers for the Sick of Our Community, please call weekly, so that they may be included in this Prayer list..**

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH



**FIFTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER**
April 28, 2024

Parish Staff

Rev. Robert Charlton, SS.CC., Pastor
Rev. John Sawchenko, SS.CC., Parochial Vicar
Rev. Ajit Baliar Singh, SS.CC., Parochial Vicar
Rev. Paulo Lui Voreqe, SS.CC., Parochial Vicar
Rev. George Gonzalez, PhD, In Residence
Lou Montes, Secretary
Blas Hernandez, Handy Man
Sam Rosales, Sacristan

Councils

Pastoral Council
Finance Council
Scholarships' Committee

Ministries

Extraordinary. Ministers of Holy Comm.
CCD Teachers & Assistants
Choirs: English & Spanish
Lectors: English & Spanish
Altar Servers
Ushers
Homebound Ministry
Nursing Home Ministry
Adoration Committee
Charity (Food Pantry)

Prayer Groups

Asamblea, Oración y Alabanza (Español)
Glory and Praise (English)

Religious Education

Children's Catechism (CCD)
Bible Class (English & Spanish)
Adult Faith Format: English & Spanish
Sacramental Preparation
Baptismal Preparation
Marriage Preparation

Organizations

Guadalupanas *Franciscanas*
I.H.M. Ladies' Club *I.H.M. Men's Club*
Caballeros de San Jose
Knights of Columbus

412 S. "C" Street, Harlingen, TX 78550

(956) 423-0855

Office Hours: 9:00am to 1:00pm

(Monday thru Friday)

Web-page: www.ihmc-hgn.org

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays:

Monday-Friday: 7:00 a.m. Daily Mass

First Friday: 7:00 a.m. Mass

Saturdays: 5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation for Sunday in English

Sundays: 8:00 a.m. Misa en Español,
12:00 Noon Mass in English

Holy Days of Obligation: 7:00 am & 6:30 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

First Friday: 8:00 to 11:55 a.m. (12:00 Noon Benediction).

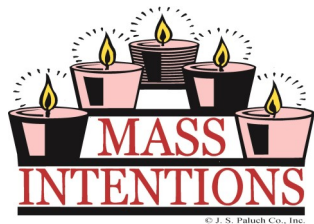
SACRAMENTS

Confessions: Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. (or by appt.)

Baptisms: On first Sunday of every other month. Please, contact the parish office, ahead of time, for a copy of the policy and information on classes. Parents and sponsors of this parish need to attend the Baptismal Prep. Classes here, before receiving a letter to be sponsors & the Certificate of Attendance.

Marriage: Engaged couple needs to make an appointment with the pastor, at least six months before the intended wedding date.

Quinceañeras: (Not a Sacrament) Candidates need to be members of IHM, attend Sunday Mass (regularly) and CCD Classes for the last two years, at this parish. Please, no exceptions.



SATURDAY, April 27th
5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation
+Robert G. Gonzalez

SUNDAY April 28th
8:00 a.m. Misa en Español
+Manuel Cruz & +Maria DeLa Luz Rodriguez
+Manuel Cruz Rodriguez
+Edna Grimaldo
+Arturo Gutierrez
+Emelio Martinez Hernandez

12:00 Noon Mass in English
Pro Populo

MONDAY, April 29th
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
+Luisa Jimenez

TUESDAY, April 30th
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
+Luisa Jimenez

WEDNESDAY, May 1st
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
+Luisa Jimenez

THURSDAY, May 2nd
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
+Luisa Jimenez

Friday, May 3rd.
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
+Ana Maria Martinez

Saturday, May 4th
5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation (English)
+Beatrice Sttofel
+Manuel Delgado, Sr.

TODAY'S WORD OF GOD April 28, 2024

"I am the vine, you are the branches," we hear Jesus tell his disciples in today's Gospel. We are those branches now. Connected to the vine that is the Lord, we are expected to bear fruit. What fruit do we bear? Let us contemplate that question as we prepare to celebrate Mass today. May listening to God's word and sharing in the Eucharist nourish us as we strive to bear good fruit for the Lord.

In the first reading, we catch a glimpse of Saint Paul (still called Saul) at a unique time. Just recently converted, he is intent on speaking boldly in Jesus' name. John tells us that believing in Jesus' name and loving one another are the ways to remain in him. Finally, we hear Jesus ask his disciples to remain in him as branches remain on a vine. In doing so, he assures them, they will bear fruit abundantly. Let us hear how we can become such disciples ourselves.

PALABRA DE DIOS DE HOY 28 de abril 2024

"Yo soy la vid, ustedes los sarmientos", es lo que les dice Jesús a sus discípulos en el Evangelio de hoy. Nosotros somos ahora esos sarmientos. Conectados a la vid, que es el Señor, se espera que produzcamos fruto. ¿Qué clase de frutos producimos? Contemplemos esa pregunta al prepararnos a celebrar la Misa hoy. Que la palabra de Dios que escuchamos y la Eucaristía que compartimos nos nutran a medida que nos esforzamos por producir frutos para el Señor.

En la primera lectura captamos un destello de san Pablo (aún llamado Saulo) en un momento único. Apenas recién convertido se empeña con intensidad en hablar audazmente en nombre de Jesús. Juan nos dice que creer en la persona de Jesús y amarnos los unos a los otros es lo que hará permanecer en él. Por último, escuchamos a Jesús decirles a sus discípulos que deben permanecer en él como los sarmientos permanecen en la vid y les asegura que así es como darán fruto abundante. Escuchemos cómo también nosotros podemos llegar a ser esa clase de discípulos.

CHURCH NEWS

ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Classes are held every Monday at 6:00 p.m., at the I.H.M. School Bldg. Theme: The Gospel of Mark. Come, Join us!!

ASAMBLEA, ORACION Y ALABANZA (GRUPO DE ORACION EN ESPAÑOL)

Todos los Martes, a las 6:30 p.m. en el edificio de la escuela de I.H.M.

REUNION SOCIAL DE FRANCISCANAS

Domingo, 28 de abril, a la 1:00 p.m., en el Salón de San Juan Diego.

K. OF C. OFFICERS' MEETING

Thursday, May 2nd, at 7:00 p.m., at the I.H.M. School Building.



K OF C BURGER SALE

Saturday, May 4th, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Parish main parking lot (corner of Tyler and "C" Street).

1ST HOLY COMMUNION

1st Holy Communion will be on Saturday, May 4th and Sunday, May 5th during masses.

2024 ANNUAL SPRING DRAWING

Our Annual Spring Drawing will be held on Sunday, May 5th at 7:30 p.m. at the Parish Hall after a special Chalupa. Please return ticket stubs and money to Parish Office as soon as possible.



PARISH CHALUPA

Sunday, May 5th, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., at the Parish Hall. \$10.00 Dolls. Donation for two cards, to play 20 games. There will be a Concession Stand, with excellent food, drinks and desserts. Tickets will be offered after our Sunday Masses and at the Parish Office



REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE AND CONFESSIONS

SUNDAY MASSES:

5:30 p.m. Mass in English (Saturday)
8:00 a.m. Misa en Español
12:00 Noon Mass in English

DAILY MASS (Monday thru Friday):

7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass

CONFESSIONS: Sat. at 4:00 p.m.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

7:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Masses

Adoration

of the
Blessed Sacrament



FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

Friday, May 3rd. 7:00 a.m. Daily Bilingual Mass, 8:00 to 11:55 a.m. Adoration, and 12:00 Noon Benediction at the Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament.



Month of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

We invite all our parishioners to pray, daily, the Holy Rosary at home, with their families and friends.

The Bilingual Holy Rosary will be also recited, daily in our church (Mon thru Fri. at 6:30 p.m., Sat. at 4:30 p.m. and Sun. at 7 a.m). The following parish organizations will be leading the Holy Rosary.

May 1st thru 5th	Franciscanas
May 6th thru 12th	Ladies' Club
May 13th thru 19th	Knights of Columbus
May 20th thru 26th	Guadalupanas
May 27th thru 31st	Caballeros de San José