

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 February 2023, due to our parishioners' generosity, 57 families (121 adults and 49 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 Coronavirus patients, families and care givers, for the Health Community System, Regina Peña, Angela Paita, Pepe Forina, Luisita Jimenez, Mary Helen Cano, Maggie & Ramon Cisneros, Lalita Davila, Francisca Jimenez, Jorge Garcia, Maria Zepeda, Alicia Hernandez, Esthela Gonzales & Cristina Gamez. **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



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 12th, 2023

Parish Staff

Msgr. Luis Javier García, J.C.L., Pastor
Rev. George Gonzalez, PhD, In Residence
Rev. Fr. Ernesto Magallón, in Residence
Annita M. VanNess, Bookkeeper
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:

Tuesday-Friday: 7:30 a.m. Daily Mass
First Friday: 7:30 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:

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

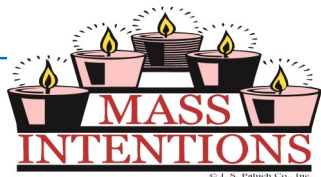
SACRAMENTS

Confessions: Saturdays at 10:30 a.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.



TODAY'S WORD OF GOD March 12th, 2023

We hear the Chosen People grumble in today's first reading, for they are thirsty and have no idea how long their journey through the desert will last. "Is the LORD in our midst or not?" they complain. Here in this place, where we gather with God's people to worship the Lord, to listen to God's word, and to receive the Lord's body and blood, we can be assured that the Lord is in our midst. Jesus has quenched our deepest thirst with living water, with water welling up to eternal life. Together let us give witness to our faith that God remains always in our midst.

The woman in today's Gospel comes to the well to draw water, something she had probably done every day of her life as far back as she could remember. But on this day she encounters the Messiah and her whole life changes. We have an opportunity right now to encounter the Lord in the word of God. May our lives be changed by the words we hear today.

PALABRA DE DIOS DE HOY 12 de marzo, 2023

Oímos hoy en la primera lectura al pueblo escogido refunfuñar, porque tienen sed y no tienen idea de cuánto tiempo durará su viaje por el desierto. "¿Está o no está el Señor en medio de nosotros?" se quejan en forma de pregunta. Aquí en este lugar donde nos reunimos como pueblo de Dios para adorar al Señor, para escuchar la palabra de Dios y recibir el cuerpo y la sangre del Señor, tenemos la seguridad de que el Señor está en medio de nosotros. Jesús ha saciado nuestra sed más intensa en el manantial de la vida eterna. Todos juntos demos testimonio de nuestra fe en que Dios permanece siempre en medio de nosotros.

La mujer en el Evangelio de hoy viene al pozo para sacar agua, algo que probablemente ha hecho todos los días de su vida desde que ella misma recuerde. Pero este día se encuentra con el Mesías y toda su vida cambia. Nosotros tenemos una oportunidad ahora mismo de encontrarnos con el Señor en la palabra de Dios. Que nuestra vida cambie por las palabras que escuchamos hoy.



NO CCD

Today, Sunday, March 12th and Sunday, March 19th, Spring Break.

LENTEN MISSIONS FOR ADULTS IN ENGLISH

Monday thru Wednesday, March 13th, 14th & 15th, at 6:30 p.m., in church, with Fr. Rodolfo Franco, Pastor of Saint Francis Xavier Parish, La Feria, Texas.

CABALLEROS DE SAN JOSÉ

Juércoles, 16 de marzo, a las 7:00 p.m., en el edificio de la escuela de I.H.M.

K. OF C. GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Saturday, March 18th, at 9:00 a.m., at the I.H.M. School Bldg.

BREAKFAST BY GUADALUPANAS

Sunday, March 19th, from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m., at the I.H.M. School Bldg.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASSES RESUME

Monday, March 20th, at 6:30 p.m., at the I.H.M. School Bldg.

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

Martes 21 de marzo, a las 6:30 p.m., en el edificio de la escuela de I.H.M.

LADIES' CLUB MEETING

Thursday, March 23th, at 7:00 p.m., at the I.H.M. School Bldg.

FIRST CONFESSION & FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS' MEETING

Saturday, March 25th, at 10:00 a.m., at the I.H.M. School Bldg.

ALTAR SERVERS' MEETING

Saturday, March 25th, at 11:00 a.m., in church.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN PROGRAM FOR ALL CCD CHILDREN & PARENTS

Sunday, March 26th, at 11:00 a.m., at the I.H.M. School Bldg.

SPRING FIESTA MEETING

Thursday, March 30th, at 7:00 p.m., at the I.H.M. School Bldg.

I.H.M. PARISH GARAGE SALE

Saturday, 1st of April, 2023. The organizers of this Fundraiser are asking for donations...all new items, or items that are in good status, for our next Garage Sale. Please bring all donations to the parish office (Monday to Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please, no undergarment...



REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE AND CONFESSIONS (DURING PANDEMIC & LENT)

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 (Tuesday thru Friday):

7:30 a.m. Bilingual Mass

CONFESSIONS: Sat. at 10:30 a.m.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

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

VERY IMPORTANT TIPS FOR LENT

Let's remember that we are obliged to Fast and Abstain from red meat (beef, chicken, deer, rabbit, turkey, etc., on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. However, we can have any kind of sea food...

Again, Abstinence every Friday of Lent.



LENTEN, BILINGUAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday of Lent, beginning on the 24th of February, at 6:30 p.m. We all are invited to join the rest of our parish community for this Lenten devotion.

Leading:

March 17th: Ladies' Club

March 24th: Caballeros de San José

March 31st: Guadalupanas

Good Friday: Msgr. & CCD Teachers

OUR LENTEN OFFERING CANS

Traditionally we save the money we would spend on what we gave up for Lent, as part of our penance and Almsgiving during this holy season, to share it with the poor and needy. Let's bring back to church our Lenten Offering Cans, after Easter Sunday.

SATURDAY, March 11th Lent

5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation

+Bishop Raymundo Pena

+Luis Garcia Pelayo

+Ngo Hai Trieu

SUNDAY, March 12th Lent

8:00 a.m. Misa en Español:

Pro Populo

12:00 Noon Mass in English:

+Leo & Vidal Garcia Pelayo

+Juan O. Luna

+Cecilia Longoria

+Victoriano Posada

MONDAY, March 13th Lent

No Daily Mass

TUESDAY, March 14th Lent

7:30 a.m. Bilingual Mass

+Felipa & +Aristeo Garcia

+Jose de Jesus Garcia Pelayo

+Alfredo Garcia Pelayo

+Margarita Hernandez

WEDNESDAY, March 15th Lent

7:30 a.m. Bilingual Mass

+Laura & +Jesus Michel

+Sara & +Roberto Gutierrez

+Roque Garcia Pelayo

THURSDAY, March 16th Lent

7:30 a.m. Bilingual Mass

+Rosario Mendivil

+Rodolfo Garcia Pelayo

+Maria del Consuelo Garcia Pelayo

FRIDAY, March 17th Lent (Abstinence)

7:30 a.m. Bilingual Mass

+Camerino Garcia Pelayo

+Rev. Pablo Garcia Pelayo

SATURDAY, March 18th Lent

5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation

+Bishop Raymundo Pena

+Vidal Garcia Pelayo

+Ngo Hai Trieu

+Msgr. John Muirhead