

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 respeto, 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 2024, due to our parishioners' generosity, 52 families (112 adults and 44 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, Luisita Jimenez, 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, & Clementina Gonzalez. **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



**FOURTH SUNDAY
IN LENT
March 10, 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 Benedic-
tion).

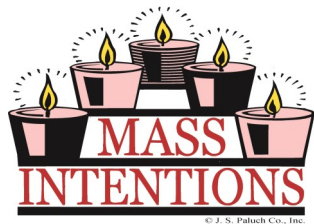
SACRAMENTS

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. Par-
ents 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 ap-
pointment 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, March 9th
5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation (English)

+Margaret M. Elizondo
 +Msgr. James H. Hyland
 +Bryan Marrup

SUNDAY, March 10th
8:00 a.m. Misa en Español
 Pro Populo

12:00 Noon Mass in English

+Petra Sosa
 +Juan O. Luna
 +Ana Maria Martinez
 Manuela Flores

MONDAY, March 11th
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
 +Jean Davison

TUESDAY, March 12th
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
 +Rodolfo Rodriguez

WEDNESDAY, March 13th
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
 +Jose & San Juanita Pena

THURSDAY, March 14th
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
 +Gregoria Ruiz

FRIDAY, March 15th
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
 +Rosa Ruiz

SATURDAY, March 16th
5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation (English)

Velia Echazarreta Guzman
 +Jean Davison
 +Victoriano Posada
 +Victor Manuel Hernandez
 +Refugio Posada

TODAY'S WORD OF GOD
March 10, 2024

From the first days of creation, humans took advantage of their free will and sinned against God. But God so loved the world that God sent the Son to be born into the world, to suffer and die to atone once and for all for our and for all our sins, and to be raised up so that all may have eternal life. The Holy Spirit draws us here each week to allow us to express our love for God in the way that we worship God and the way that we treat each other. On this *Laetare* ("Rejoice!") Sunday, we are reminded to God's unparalleled love and mercy and ultimate purpose for us all.

Our readings today invite us to make a choice. Centuries before Christ, the people of Judah chose to turn away from God and Jerusalem was allowed to be destroyed. But the psalmist pleaded that the people never forget the holy city. Jesus tells Nicodemus that those who prefer darkness to light condemn themselves, but those who live in the truth come to the light, where we can do the good works that Paul says flow from God's grace. May God's word inspire us to live in the truth of our faith, where God offers us everlasting mercy and love.

PALABRA DE DIOS DE HOY
10 de marzo 2024

Desde los primeros días de la creación los seres humanos han abusado de su libre albedrío y han pecado contra Dios. Pero Dios amó tanto al mundo que entregó a su Hijo al mundo, donde nació, sufrió y murió para expiar, de una vez por todas, nuestros pecados y para ganar la vida eterna para todos con su resurrección. El Espíritu Santo nos convoca aquí cada semana a fin de que podamos expresar nuestro amor por Dios mediante nuestra adoración a Dios y nuestro comportamiento entre nosotros. Este domingo de *Laetare* ("Alégrate") nos trae a la memoria el amor y la misericordia incomparables de Dios, y el destino definitivo que Dios tiene para todos nosotros.

Las lecturas de hoy nos invitan a elegir. Siglos antes de Cristo el pueblo de Judá eligió alejarse de Dios y Jerusalén llegó a ser destruida. Pero el salmista rogó para que el pueblo nunca se olvidara de la ciudad santa. Jesús le dice a Nicodemo que los que eligen la oscuridad en vez de la luz se condenan ellos mismos, pero los que viven en la verdad se acercan a la luz, donde podemos hacer las obras buenas que, como dice Pablo, fluyen de la gracia de Dios. Que la palabra de Dios nos inspire a vivir en la verdad de nuestra fe, donde Dios nos ofrece eternamente su misericordia y su amor.



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. Cost of book is \$25.00. 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.

NO CCD

No CCD on March 10th and March 17th. Please mark your agendas/calendars.

REUNION DE CABALLEROS DE SAN JOSE

Jueves, 14 de marzo a las 7:00 p.m. en el edificio de la escuela de I.H.M.

K. OF C. GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, March 16th, at 7:00 p.m., at the I.H.M. School Bldg.



MONTHLY BREAKFAST BY THE GUADALUPANAS

Sunday, March 17th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., at the San Juan Diego Rm./IHM School Bldg

Annual Spring Fiesta
Mark your calendars!!

The Annual Spring Fiesta will be on April 13 & April 14th Monetary Donation are being accepted and are greatly appreciated for the booths. Donation envelopes are available or contact Parish Office.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS

Sunday, March 10th. Let's remember to set our clocks and watches with the new hour.

NURSING HOME MINISTRY

Volunteers needed for the Nursing Home Ministry. For more information, please call our 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

CONFESSIONS – CONFESIONES (During Lent)

Mon./Lunes-Queen of Peace, 9:00 am & 5:30 pm

Tues./Martes- IHMC, 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm & 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Wed./Miercoles-Queen of Peace, 9:00 am & 5:30 pm

Thurs./Jueves- IHMC, 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm & 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Fri./Viernes-Queen of Peace - 9:00 am & 5:30 pm

LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday of Lent, beginning on the 16th of February, after Ash Wednesday, at 6:30 p.m. We all are invited to join the rest of our parish community.

Leading the Lenten Stations of the Cross:

March 8th: Caballeros de San José

March 15rd: Guadalupanas

March 22nd- Choir Groups

March 29th Good Friday - 10:00 AM

CCD Teachers & students