

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 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



**SECOND SUNDAY
IN LENT
February 25, 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).

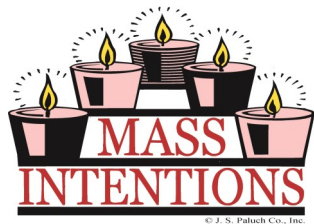
SACRAMENTS

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, February 24th
5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation (English)

Dell Robert Smith
+Clementina DeLeon
+Charlie Van Ameynen
Gene Montes

SUNDAY, February 25th
8:00 a.m. Misa en Español
Pro Populo

12:00 Noon Mass in English
Joe & Irma Solis
+Juan O. Luna
+Edna Grimaldo
Special Intentions

MONDAY, February 26th
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
Our Parish Families

TUESDAY, February 27th
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
For the Sick

WEDNESDAY, February 28th
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
For the Homeless

THURSDAY, February 29th
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
Victoria Miranda (Health)

FRIDAY, March 1st
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
In Thanksgiving

SATURDAY, March 2nd
5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation (English)
Gene Montes
+Velia Echazarreta Guzman
+Jose Torres
+Jose Infante, Sr. (10 yr Ann.)

TODAY'S WORD OF GOD
February 25, 2024

As we continue our Lenten journey today, we hear stories of two significant journeys in the history of our faith. Abraham travels to a distant land with his precious son, Isaac, where his devotion and obedience to God will be put to their greatest test. Jesus leads his closest disciples up a high mountain where he will be transfigured in glory. May our practice of the Lenten disciplines of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving transform us into more loving and devoted disciples.

Old Testament meets New Testament in today's Gospel, which features Jesus, the center of the New Testament, with two of the main figures from the Hebrew scriptures, Moses and Elijah. The two people who perhaps best represent the law and the prophets of old join with the Son of God, who himself said that he had come to fulfill the law and the prophets. In the company of Moses and Elijah, Jesus is transfigured, giving his disciples a brief taste of his glory. May that glorious vision sustain us during this penitential season.

PALABRA DE DIOS DE HOY
25 de febrero 2024

En tanto que continuamos con nuestra travesía cuaresmal, escuchamos hoy los relatos de dos travesías significantes en la historia de nuestra fe. Abraham se dirige a una tierra distante con su hijo amado Isaac, donde su devoción y obediencia a Dios se pondrían a la prueba mayor. Jesús lleva a sus discípulos hacia un monte alto donde se transfigurará y ellos verán su gloria. Que nuestra práctica de las disciplinas cuaresmales del ayuno, la oración y la limosna nos transforme en discípulos más amantes y entregados.

El Antiguo Testamento y el Nuevo testamento se encuentran en el Evangelio de hoy, en el cual vemos a Jesús, el centro del Nuevo Testamento, con dos de los personajes principales de las Escrituras hebreas: Moisés y Elías. Las dos personas, que tal vez representen mejor la ley y los profetas de la antigüedad, acompañan al Hijo de Dios que dijo que había venido a cumplir la ley y las enseñanzas de los profetas. Acompañado de Moisés y Elías, Jesús se transfigura y les da así a sus discípulos un anticipo de su gloria. Que esa visión gloriosa nos sustente durante este tiempo penitencial.

CHURCH NEWS



SPANISH LENTEN REFLECTION
with Bishop Daniel E. Flores, S.T.D. on
Monday, March 4 at 7 PM at
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION
CLASSES**

Classes will resume on Monday, Feb. 26th 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.

FRANCISCANAS' SOCIAL MEETING
Sunday, February 25th, at 1:00 p.m. at the
IHM School Bldg

**REUNION MENSUAL DE
FRANCISCANAS**

Martes, 27 de febrero, a las 7:00 p.m.,
en el edificio de la escuela de I.H.M.

SPRING FIESTA MEETING
Tuesday, Feb. 28th, at 7:00 p.m., at
the I.H.M. 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.**



Volunteers needed for the Nursing Home
Ministry. 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:

Feb. 16th: Franciscanas

Feb. 23th: K. of C.

March 1th: Ladies' Club

March 8th: Caballeros de San José

March 15rd: Guadalupanas

March 22nd: Choir Groups

March 29th: Good Friday