

## 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](http://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](http://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, 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 OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 7, 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](http://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).

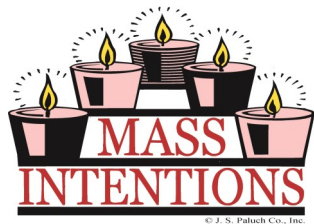
## SACRAMENTS

**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, April 6th**

#### **5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation**

+Maria Dionicia Gutierrez  
+Jean Davison  
+Manuel Delgado, Sr.  
Gene Montes (Health)

### **SUNDAY April 7th**

#### **8:00 a.m. Misa en Español**

Pro Populo

#### **12:00 Noon Mass in English**

+Alberto Barajas  
+Juan O. Luna  
+Emma M. Gonzalez

### **MONDAY, April 8th**

#### **7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass**

St Joseph -In Thanksgiving

### **TUESDAY, April 9th**

#### **7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass**

+Mario Amador

### **WEDNESDAY, April 10th**

#### **7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass**

St Joseph -In Thanksgiving

### **THURSDAY, April 11th**

#### **7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass**

For Priestly Vocations

### **Friday, April 12th.**

#### **7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass**

For Faithful Departed

### **Saturday, April 13th**

#### **5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation (English)**

+Flavio & +Maria Inez Zuvieta  
+Martha P. Garcia  
Vicente Rodriguez-Birthday  
Barbara Sondock-Birthday

## **TODAY'S WORD OF GOD** **April 7, 2024**

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day Still basking in the glory of Easter, today we celebrate God's unparalleled mercy. Out of mercy for all of us, Jesus died on the cross, atoning for our sins, past, present, and future. Out of mercy for those whose faith is weak or doubt is strong, Jesus comes to reassure us of his eternal presence. Out of mercy for those who cannot see him, Jesus blesses them in their faith. This Easter season, let us rejoice, for the risen Lord is in our midst, forever bestowing God's divine mercy upon us.

The glory of the Resurrection permeates God's word on this joyous day that continues our Easter celebration. No longer are the disciples confused and adrift, as they were when first seeing the empty tomb. In the first reading, we hear that the entire community of believers bears witness to the Resurrection by what they do and how they live. They treat each other with mercy and love, as Jesus did when he appeared to all the disciples, even Thomas, who had doubted. Let us join in praise, for God's mercy endures forever.

## **PALABRA DE DIOS DE HOY** **7 de abril 2024**

Todavía con el regocijo de la gloria de Pascua, celebramos hoy la misericordia incomparable de Dios. Por su misericordia para con nosotros, Jesús murió en la cruz por la expiación de nuestros pecados, presentes y futuros. Por su misericordia para con aquellos cuya fe es débil o cuyas dudas son fuertes, Jesús viene a asegurarnos que su presencia es eterna. Por su misericordia para con aquellos que creen en él sin verlo, Jesús los bendice por la fe que tienen. Regocijémonos en este tiempo paschal, pues el Señor está en medio de nosotros y siempre prodigando su divina misericordia sobre nosotros.

La resurrección del Señor impregna con su gloria la palabra de Dios en este día dichoso en que continuamos nuestra celebración de la Pascua. Ya los discípulos no están confundidos y sin rumbo, como estaban al ver el sepulcro vacío. En la primera lectura escuchamos que toda la comunidad de creyentes daba testimonio de la resurrección por su manera de actuar y su forma de vivir. Se tratan entre sí con misericordia y amor, tal como hizo Jesús cuando se apreció a todos los discípulos, aún a Tomás, que había dudado. Unámonos para alabar a Dios, pues su misericordia es eterna.

## **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.

### **K OF C BURGER SALE**

Saturday, April 6th., from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Parish main parking lot (corner of Tyler and "C" Street).

### **PASTORAL & FINANCE COUNCILS' MEETING**

Wed., April, 10th at 7:00 p.m., at the I.H.M. School Bldg.

### **SPRING FIESTA MEETING**

Wed., April 10th, at 7:00 p.m., at the I.H.M. School Bldg.

### **REUNION DE CABALLEROS DE SAN JOSE**

Jueves, 11 de abril las 7:00 p.m. en el edificio de la escuela de I.H.M.

### **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.

### **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 or to the parish office during office hours.



## **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



## **ANNUAL SPRING FIESTA** **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**

The Annual Spring Fiesta will be on **April 13 & April 14<sup>th</sup>** from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Come, Join us!!! Bring your family and friends!!

**Monetary Donation** are being accepted and are greatly appreciated for all booths.

**Volunteers** needed to set up during week of Spring Fiesta on week of April 8th thru April 14th and taking down on Sunday, April 14th. Please contact parish office.