

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 July 2024, due to our parishioners' generosity, 60 families (131 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 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, Griselda Ornelas, Debbie Cruz & Christina Martinez. **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



**TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
August 18, 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 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

First Friday: 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon.

(12:00 Noon Benediction).

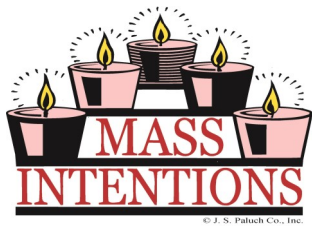
SACRAMENTS

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, August 17th
5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation
Elizabeth Gonzalez
+Martha Perez Garcia
+Wally Trevino
+Abraham Proenza
+Juan & +Cindy Pena

SUNDAY August 18th
8:00 a.m. Misa en Español
+Gregoria Ruiz
+Rosa Ruiz
+Piedad Rodriguez
+Antonio Ruiz, Jr.
+Edna Grimaldo

12:00 Noon Mass in English
Pro Populo

MONDAY, August 19th
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
+Bertha Alvarez
+Maria del Rosario Martinez

TUESDAY, August 20th
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
St. Joseph-In Thanksgiving
+Emma Galvan
+Arnoldo J. Galvan

WEDNESDAY, August 21st
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
Damian Guevara (Health)

THURSDAY, August 22nd-
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
Damian Guevara (Health)

Friday, August 23rd-
7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
Damian Guevara (Health)

Saturday, August 24th-
5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation (English)
Gabriel Gonzalez
+Luis D. Sanchez (Birthday)
+Nicholas David Sanchez(Birthday)
+Elias Trevino

TODAY'S WORD OF GOD August 18 2024

What a wonderful gift we have been given by our Lord! He has given himself—his very flesh and blood—for the life of the world. We are invited to this place each Sunday to receive this wondrous gift, which sustains us and nourishes us on our own journey to God's kingdom. How appropriate that the Greek word for this meal—*eukharistia*—means thanksgiving, reminding us how eternally thankful we are for the opportunity to receive the Body of Christ, our bread of life.

"Taste and see the goodness of the Lord," we sing in the psalm today, an invitation to the sumptuous banquet God lays out for us. Wisdom provides one of her own in the first reading, presenting knowledge and understanding as a meal we're all invited to eat. Calling himself the living bread come down from heaven, Jesus invites us all to eat his flesh and drink his blood, as we do in the Eucharist. As Paul advises the Ephesians, we give thanks always for this meal in which we physically taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

PALABRA DE DIOS DE HOY 18 de agosto de 2024

¡Qué don tan maravilloso nos ha concedido nuestro Señor! Él se ha entregado totalmente —su cuerpo y su sangre— para la vida del mundo. Cada domingo se nos extiende una invitación para venir a este lugar y recibir ese don excepcional, que nos sustenta y nos alimenta en nuestro caminar hacia el Reino de Dios. Cuán apropiado es que la palabra griega para esta comida —*eukharistia*— signifique acción de gracias, lo cual nos recuerda lo eternamente agradecidos que estamos por la oportunidad de recibir el cuerpo de Cristo, nuestro pan para la vida.

"Haz la prueba y verás qué bueno es el Señor". Así entonamos en el salmo de hoy como una invitación al suntuoso banquete que Dios prepara para nosotros. La sabiduría también nos extiende su propia invitación en la primera lectura al presentarnos la misma sabiduría y la prudencia como un banquete al cual todos estamos invitados. Jesús, identificándose a sí mismo como el pan vivo que ha bajado del cielo, nos invita a todos a comer su cuerpo y a beber su sangre tal como lo hacemos en la Eucaristía. Así como Pablo exhorta a los efesios, también nosotros damos siempre gracias por este banquete en el cual físicamente probamos y vemos lo bueno que es el Señor.

CHURCH NEWS

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.

FIESTA DE AMISTAD MEETING

Monday, August 19th at 7:00 p.m.
In the San Juan Diego Rm.

LADIES' CLUB MEETING

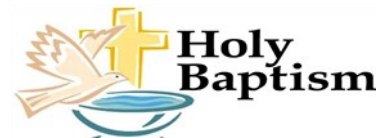
Thursday, August 22nd., at 7:00 p.m., at the O.L. of Guadalupe Room (School Bldg.)

SOCIAL MEETING OF FRANCISCANA'S

Sunday, August 25th, at 1:00 p.m., in the San Juan Diego Room

MARK YOUR CALENDARS OUR ANNUAL FIESTA DE AMISTAD

First weekend of October; Saturday,
5th and Sunday, October 6th



CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR HOLY BAPTISM!

Cameron Lucas Castillo
Jole Abraham Gonzales
Matthew Alexander Gonzalez
Emma Juliette Perez
Camila Sanchez

ALTAR FLOWER DONATION

Altar Flower Donations are being accepted. Flower donation can be made in memory of a loved one, in thanksgiving or for a special occasion. Please contact 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

CCD REGISTRATION FOR CHILDREN

The registration for Catechism in our parish, begins Monday, Aug. 12th, and will end on Friday, August 30th, at 12:00 Noon., at the Parish Office. Our office is open from Monday thru Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



CELEBRATING THE SACRED HEARTS NOVICES

Join us for an evening of song and entertainment.

August 31, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Hall

Fee: \$10.00
(Seminary Fundraiser)