

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 August 2024, due to our parishioners generosity, 51 families (101 adults and 51 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



**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
September 15, 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).

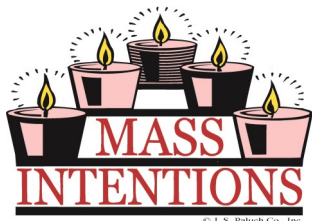
SACRAMENTS

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, September 14th

5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation

A.J. Maldonado (Birthday)
Lina Maldonado (Birthday)
+Ralph Jones
In Thanksgiving

SUNDAY September 15th

8:00 a.m. Misa en Español

+Regino Gonzalez
+Manuel Cruz & +Luz Rodriguez
+Ramon Quiroz, Jr.
+Luis Hernandez
+Edna Grimaldo

12:00 Noon Mass in English

Pro Populo

MONDAY, September 16th

7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass

+Gregoria Ruiz

TUESDAY, September 17th

7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass

+Alex Portales

WEDNESDAY, September 18th

7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass

+Charles Van Ameyden

THURSDAY, September 19th

7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass

+Bertha Alvarez

Friday, September 20th

7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass

+Rosario Portales

Saturday, September 21th

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

+Ralph Jones

**TODAY'S WORD OF GOD
September 15, 2024**

Yesterday we celebrated the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. That's quite a mouthful, but it means that by dying on the cross, which he willingly accepted, Jesus was exalted. In today's Gospel, Jesus confides in his disciples for the first time that he would be persecuted and killed. Then turning to the entire crowd, he tells them that they must take up their crosses, for it is in sacrificing their lives they can save them. Are you will to accept your cross, difficult as it may be? As you ponder that question, remember this: your cross, the cross Jesus calls you to shoulder, in linked to the Holy Cross itself, which is the most beautiful sign of our salvation.

Isaiah, attacked and rejected for speaking out, assuredly had a difficult cross to bear. But today we hear him insisting that he is willing to face all his opponents, for he trusts in GOD. James writes that faith must be put into action, which may lead to carrying a difficult cross. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the crowd that each person must take up his or her cross if they wish to save their life. As we listen to the readings, let us ponder which crosses we are reluctant to carry and pray for the strength and resolve to shoulder them.

**PALABRA DE DIOS DE HOY
15 de septiembre de 2024**

Ayer celebramos la fiesta de la Exaltación de la Santa Cruz. Significa que Jesús fue exaltado al morir en la cruz por propia voluntad. En el Evangelio de hoy Jesús le confía a sus discípulos por primera vez que será perseguido y que lo matarán. Y después se dirige a toda la multitud y le dice que deben cargar con sus propias cruces, porque es al entregar su vida que la salvarán. ¿Estás dispuesto a aceptar tu cruz, por muy difícil que sea? Al considerar esta pregunta recuerda esto: tu cruz, la cruz que Jesús te pide llevar sobre tus hombros, está vinculada a la Santa Cruz, la cual es el signo más hermoso de nuestra salvación.

Isaías, atacado y rechazado por expresarse, tuvo ciertamente una cruz difícil de cargar. Pero hoy lo oímos insistir en que está dispuesto a enfrentar a sus adversarios, pues confía en Dios. Santiago escribe que la fe ha de traducirse en obras, lo cual pudiera implicar una cruz difícil de cargar. En el Evangelio Jesús le dice a multitud que cada persona ha de cargar con su propia cruz, si quieren salvar su vida. Al escuchar estas lecturas, consideremos cuáles son las cruces que estamos renuentes a cargar y oremos para recibir la fuerza y la resolución de echárnoslas al hombro.

CHURCH NEWS

ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Classes will resume on Monday, September 16th at 6:00 p.m., at the I.H.M. School Bldg.
Theme: The Gospel of Mark.

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.



MONTHLY BREAKFAST BY THE GUADALUPANAS

Sunday, September 15th
9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.,
at the San Juan Diego Rm./School Bldg

LADIES' CLUB MEETING

Thursday, September 19th at 7:00 p.m.,
at the O.L. of Guadalupe Room (School Bldg.)

K OF C MEETING

Saturday, 21st at 9:00 a.m. in the IHM School Bldg.



Annual Fiesta de Amistad

Saturday, October 5th & Sunday, October 6th 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. Donation envelopes are at the entrance of church.

Volunteers will be needed to set up during week of Fiesta de Amistad. This will be on week of September 30th thru October 4th and taking down on Sunday, October 6th.

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



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

FIRST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

7:00 a.m. Mass; 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon
(12:00 Noon Benediction).



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.