

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 December 2024, due to our parishioners generosity, 68 families (145 adults and 70 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, Mary Helen Cano, Maggie Cisneros, Lalita Davila, Francisca Jimenez, Jorge Garcia, Maria Zepeda, , Es-thela Gonzales, Olivia Mueller, Guillermo Lara, Sr., Guillermo Lara, Jr., Gloria Rubalcaba, Griselda Ornelas, Debbie Cruz, Brandon Gonzales, Raul Riojas Juana Morales & Maria Felipa Posada. **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



**THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
January 26, 2025**

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).

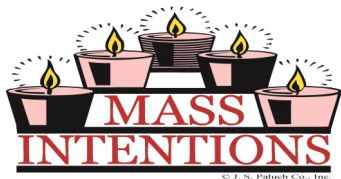
SACRAMENTS

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, January 25th
5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation (English)

+Velia Echazarreta Guzman
+Adela Garcia (1st Ann.)
+Penelope Lynn Gomez
+Ramiro & +Gloria Canales
Holy Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY January 26th

8:00 a.m. Misa en Español
Pro Populo

12:00 Noon Mass in English

Carlo Maldonado (Birthday)
+Roman & +Lilia Lopez
+David & +Olga Lopez
+Armando Lopez
+Armando Lopez, Jr.
+Daniel Guzman

MONDAY, January 27th

7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
Bella Moreno

TUESDAY, January 28th

7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
Holy Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY, January 29th

7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
+Dr. Israel Garza Lopez

THURSDAY, January 30th

7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
+Dr. Israel Garza Lopez
+Yolanda Gonzalez
+In Thanksgiving

Friday, January 31st

7:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass
+Dr. Israel Garza Lopez

Saturday, February 1st

5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation (English)
Holy Souls in Purgatory

TODAY'S WORD OF GOD January 26, 2025

The concept of a jubilee year had its origins in the ancient Near East. According to Leviticus, every fifty years debts would be forgiven, servants would be released, property would be restored to its original owner, and fields would lie fallow. When Jesus is invited to read in his hometown's synagogue, he finds the passage in Isaiah that speaks of the jubilee year, then announces that this passage is fulfilled then and there in him. Since Jesus is with us when we gather in his name, it is fulfilled here and now as well. As we are now celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope, may we find in Jesus the Hope that this jubilee year may be fulfilled in our hearing.

On this Sunday of the Word of God we hear scripture passages that affirm its paramount importance. In the first reading, Ezra reads from the Torah to the people of Jerusalem, gathered openly in public for one of the first times after their exile. In the Gospel, Jesus declares that the scripture passage from Isaiah is fulfilled in their presence. God's Word is celebrated and accomplished in these readings; may it be today as well.

PALABRA DE DIOS DE HOY 26 de enero de 2025

El concepto de un año de jubileo tuvo su origen en el Cercano Oriente. Según el libro del Levítico, cada cincuenta años las deudas serían perdonadas, los esclavos serían liberados, las propiedades serían restituidas a sus dueños originales y los campos debían descansar. Cuando Jesús es invitado a leer en la sinagoga de su pueblo, encuentra el pasaje de Isaías que habla del año de jubileo y luego anuncia que ese pasaje se cumple en ese momento en él. Ya que Jesús se encuentra entre nosotros cuando no reunimos en su nombre, ese mismo pasaje se cumple ahora en este momento. En este año en que celebramos el Jubileo con el tema de Peregrinos de la esperanza, encontremos en Jesús nuestra esperanza a fin de que en este año de jubileo se cumpla lo que oímos en las Escrituras.

En este Domingo de la Palabra de Dios escuchamos pasajes de las Escrituras que afirman la importancia crucial de esa palabra. En la primera lectura Esdras lee de la Torá al pueblo de Jerusalén reunidos públicamente en una de las primeras veces después de su exilio. En el Evangelio, Jesús declara que el pasaje de Isaías en las Escrituras, que ellos acaban de escuchar, se cumple en aquel mismo momento. La palabra de Dios se celebra y se cumple en esas lecturas; que también se cumpla hoy.

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.

REUNION SOCIAL DE FRANCISCANAS

Domingo, 26 de enero, a la 1:00 p.m., en el Salón de San Juan Diego

REUNION DE FRANCISCANAS

Martes, 28 de enero, a las 7:00 p.m., en el edificio de la escuela de I.H.M.

PASTORAL & FINANCE COUNCILS' MEETING

Wed. Jan. 29th, at 7:00 p.m., at the I.H.M. School Bldg.

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD - BLESSING OF CANDLES

You are welcomed to bring your baby Jesus and candles for a blessing during the masses on Sat. Feb. 1st and Sun., Feb 2nd.

BLESSING OF THE THROATS

Sat., Feb. 1st at 5:30 p.m. & Sun., Feb. 2nd. at 8:00 a.m. & 12:00 noon (After each Mass)

YOUTH BLAST 2025
ATTENTION YOUTH IN GRADES 9TH THRU 12TH

You are invited to Youth Blast 2025 on Saturday, February 22nd from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (with Mass included) at the Weslaco East High School. Fee is \$25.00 per person. The deadline for registration is February 5th. For more information contact Fr. Lui at the 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



Annual World Marriage Day will be celebrated on Saturday, February 22, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.

The Most Reverend Daniel E. Flores will celebrate Holy Mass at the Basilica of Our Lady of San Juan del Valle National Shrine on Saturday, February 22, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. for those couples celebrating a wedding anniversary of 10, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 or more than 60 years in the year 2025. Ribbons designating years of marriage and an anniversary certificate signed by the Bishop will be mailed to you.

To register, please click on this link <https://www.cdob.org/world-marriage-day>, scan the QR Code, call the Family Life Office at (956)784-5012, email Lydia Riojas, FLO Secretary, at familylife@cdob.org or contact the parish office at 956 423-0855 by Monday, February 10, 2025 at the latest.

