

IMPORTANT COMMUNICATION FROM THE OFFICE OF THE DICESAN BISHOP

Protecting God's Children' and 'Touching Safety'

Due to the present situation and the restrictions of the civil authorities to prevent the spreading of the coronavirus and until approved by Bishop Flores there will be no in-person presentations of "Protecting God's children" or "Keeping the Promise Alive." Until CCD resumes there will be no "Touching Safety" lessons provided. This applies to the 5-year refresher requirements or the initial training that is required to minister to minors."

IMPORTANTE COMUNICACION DE LA OFICINA DEL OBISPO DIOCESANO

Protegiendo al Pueblo de Dios

Debido a la situación actual y las restricciones de las autoridades civiles para evitar la propagación del coronavirus y Hasta que el obispo Flores lo apruebe, no habrá presentaciones en persona de 'Proteger a los hijos de Dios' o 'Mantener la promesa viva.' Hasta que se reanude el CCD, no se brindarán lecciones de 'Seguridad al tocar.' Esto se aplica a los requisitos de actualización de 5 años o la capacitación inicial que se requiere para ministrar a menores.

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 examples of what is provided to families and persons in need: Flour, Sugar, Oil, Beans, Canned Food, Oatmeal, Pasta, Rice, etc. **In the month of August, due to the generosity of our parishioners, 58 families (130 adults and 47 children) with a total of 177 persons, 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 2:00 p.m.). 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 Coronavirus patients, families and care givers, and for the Health Community System, especially doctors, nurses, etc. **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 list.**

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH



TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sept. 13th, 2020

Parish Staff

Msgr. Luis Javier García, J.C.L., Pastor
Rev. George Gonzalez, PhD, In Residence
Rev. Fr. Ernesto Magallón, in Residence
Annita M. VanNess, Bookkeeper
Mike Salinas, Secretary
Blas Hernandez, Handy Man
Sam Rosales, Sacristan

Councils

Pastoral Council
Finance Council
Scholarships' Committee
2020 Spring Fiesta' 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: 9am. to 2pm. (Mon-Fri)

Web-page: www.ihmc-hgn.org

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays:

Tuesday-Friday: 7:30 a.m. Daily Mass

First Friday: 7:30 a.m. Mass

Saturdays: 5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation for
Sunday in English

Sundays: 8:00 a.m. Misa en Español,
10:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass (Mostly in English)
12:00 Noon Mass in English

Holy Days of Obligation: 7:00 am & 6:30 pm

Confessions: by appointment only...

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: First
Fridays of each month, from 8:00 to 11:50 a.m., with
Benediction at 12:00 Noon.

SACRAMENTS

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 active members of IHM, attend Sunday
Mass (regularly) and CCD Classes for the last two
years, at this parish. Please, no exceptions.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



SATURDAY, Sept 12th

5:30pm. Mass of Anticipation in English:
Garcia Pelayo Family

SUNDAY, Sept. 13th

8:00 a.m. Misa en Español:
+Regino & Mariquita Gonzalez
12:00 Noon Mass in English:
Pro Populo

MONDAY, Sept. 14th No Daily Mass:

TUESDAY, Sept. 15th

7:30 a.m. Bilingual Mass:
Garcia Garcia Family

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 16th

7:30 a.m. Bilingual Mass:
Doctors, Nurses and Health Community

THURSDAY, Sept. 17th

7:30 a.m. Bilingual Mass:
For Vocations for the Priesthood

FRIDAY, Sept. 18th

7:30 a.m. Bilingual Mass:
+Maria del Rosario Martinez

SATURDAY, Sept 19th

5:30 p.m. Mass of Anticipation in English:
+Hector Rodriguez

THIS SUNDAY'S WORD OF GOD September 13th, 2020

We gather each weekend with family, friends, and neighbors to worship God, a God of mercy, a God of healing, a God always willing to forgive. We are called to do the same. We are called to reconcile with our family members, our friends, our neighbors, just as God reconciles with us when we turn away. May the nourishment we receive at the Lord's Table of the Eucharist strengthen us as we face the challenge of forgiving each other.

"How often must I forgive?" Saint Peter asks Jesus, "As many times as seven times?" Jesus shocks Saint Peter with his answer, telling him a parable that dramatically illustrates the importance of forgiveness. In the first reading this weekend, Sirach too teaches us a lesson contrasting vengeance and forgiveness. Saint Paul reminds us, "We are the Lord's," so as we reflect on this week's readings, let us hear what the Lord is calling us to do.

PALABRA DE DIOS DE ESTE DOMINGO 13 de septiembre, 2020

Todos los fines de semana nos reunimos con familiares, amigos y vecinos para rendir culto a Dios, un Dios de misericordia, de salvación y siempre dispuesto a perdonar. También nosotros estamos llamados a ofrecer misericordia y perdón, y a mostrarles a otras personas el camino de la salvación. Estamos llamados a reconciliarnos con los miembros de nuestra familia, con nuestros amigos y vecinos, igual que Dios nos reconcilia con él cuando nos hemos alejado de su presencia. Que el alimento que recibimos en la mesa del Señor nos de fortaleza para enfrentar el reto de perdonarnos los unos a otros.

Le pregunta San Pedro a Jesús, "¿cuántas veces tengo que perdonar? ¿Hasta siete veces?". "No solamente siete veces, sino hasta setenta veces siete", responde Jesús. La respuesta de Jesús impacta, en gran manera, a San Pedro, a quien Jesús le responde con una parábola que ilumina dramáticamente la importancia del perdón. En la primera lectura de este fin de semana, Siracide también nos da una lección, haciendo un contraste entre la venganza y el perdón. San Pablo nos recuerda que "Somos del Señor", por tanto, poniendo atención a las lecturas de esta semana, veamos qué nos pide Dios que hagamos.

CHURCH NEWS

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

To plan a celebration of any of the sacraments, please schedule an appointment, in person, with the pastor, Msgr. Luis Javier Garcia. Please make an appointment with enough time, to plan accordingly.

VIRTUAL BIBLE CLASSES IN ENGLISH (ON ZOOM)

Mondays at 6:30 p.m. and Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. For more information and to register, please contact (Dr.) Bertha Campos thru text or WhatsApp at (956) 793-8181

Raffle

ANNUAL "SPRING" RAFFLE WINNERS

1st Prize (\$500.00): Lupita Rangel
2nd Prize (\$200.00): Rick Prieto
3rd Prize (\$100.00): Jose Acosta
4th Prize (\$50.00): Gene Montes, Jr..

Congratulations to each and every one of the winners!!!

All winners are active parishioners of this parish, I.H.M.

NEW OFFICE HOURS NUEVAS HORAS DE OFICINA

Monday thru Friday
Lunes a Viernes

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



MASS SCHEDULE BEGINNING JULY 26TH:

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 (Tuesday thru Friday):

7:30 a.m. Bilingual Mass



VERY MUCH NEEDED

Our support and contributions to the parish are very much needed, at this very difficult time. We need to meet our parish's financial responsibilities. Please, let's not forget to send our contributions and donations by mail, or drop them at the parish office. **Please DO NOT send cash by mail or put it in the mail box of the parish office...** the area is not that safe... Thanks for your kindness and generosity!!!



CCD CLASSES FOR CHILDREN

This year the 2020-2021 CCD Classes will be offered **virtually** (thru the Internet) every Wednesday, at 7:00 p.m., beginning on Wednesday, Oct. 7th. Registration for CCD is taking place from Saturday, Aug. 15th thru Tuesday, Sept. 22nd. You may register your children at the Parish Office during office hours (from 9:00 a.m. thru 2:00 p.m.). Registration fee is \$25.00 per child. Third graders and tenth graders need a copy of their Baptismal Certificate to be registered.