

## 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 September due to the generosity of our parishioners, 75 families (173 adults and 100 children) with a total of 273 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. For Petra Galvan, Rene R. Rodriguez, a Young Lady. **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



## THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOV. 8th, 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](http://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, Nov. 7th:

#### **5:30pm. Mass of Anticipation in English:**

Luz Elia Salinas

### SUNDAY, Nov. 8th:

#### **8:00 a.m. Misa en Español:**

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

+Victor Villegas; +Juan O. Luna;  
+Regino & Mariquita Gonzalez  
+Abel Toscano

### MONDAY, Nov. 9th:

No Daily Mass

### TUESDAY, Nov. 10th:

#### **7:30 a.m. Bilingual Mass:**

+Juan G. Gonzalez

### WEDNESDAY, Nov. 11th **VETERANS' DAY**

#### **7:30 a.m. Bilingual Mass:**

+Kathleen Durant  
+Eddie Van Halen

### THURSDAY, Nov. 12th

#### **7:30 a.m. Bilingual Mass:**

+Maria Celia Salinas

### FRIDAY, Nov. 13th

#### **7:30 a.m. Bilingual Mass:**

For All Souls in Purgatory  
Michelle Hernandez  
Gloria Sanchez

### SATURDAY, Nov. 14th

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

Margot D. Salinas  
In Thanksgiving

## THIS SUNDAY'S WORD OF GOD

### November 8, 2020

At the beginning of the liturgical year the readings focus upon the end times and the last judgement. This year, those themes begin this week. We are reminded that we cannot know either the day or the hour. Therefore, we should always be prepared. Gathered together to celebrate the Eucharist this week, let us consider our readiness for the Lord's coming at the end of time.

In this week's Gospel, five wise virgins bring extra oil for their lamps so that they will remain burning well into the night, while five foolish virgins, having neglected to bring more oil, carry lamps that flicker out. The wisdom that the five foolish ones disregard was available to all who desired it, resplendent and unfading. Let us use that wisdom now as we listen to the word of God, considering what we can do to brighten the path to God's kingdom.

### LA PALABRA DE DIOS DE ESTE DOMIN- GO

#### 8 de noviembre, 2020

Las lecturas al final del año litúrgico se concentran en el final de los tiempos y en el juicio final. Este año esto temas comienzan esta semana. Se nos recuerda que no podemos saber ni el día ni la hora; así es que siempre hemos de estar preparados. Reunidos hoy para celebrar juntos la Eucaristía, consideremos nuestra preparación para la venida del Señor al final de los tiempos.

En el evangelio de esta semana cinco vírgenes traen aceite suficiente para sus lámparas a fin de que sigan iluminando hasta bien entrada la noche, mientras que otras cinco vírgenes descuidadas no trajeron suficiente aceite y por tanto sus lámparas se estaban apagando. La sabiduría radiante e incorruptible que no usaron las cinco vírgenes descuidadas estaba a la disposición de toda persona que la deseara. Usemos la sabiduría para escuchar la palabra de Dios. Nosotros también esperamos ansiosos el día en que ustedes compartían la mesa del Señor con nosotros. Ahora, vayan en paz.

# CHURCH NEWS

## SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS DURING PANDEMIC SEASON

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: (Dr.) Bertha Campos thru text or WhatsApp at (956) 793-8181



## CONFESSIONS DURING THE PANDEMIC SEASON

Beginning on Friday, Dec. 4th, we will be having confessions during the Pandemic season every Friday at 10:00 a.m., at the Blessed sacrament Chapel Patio. Those of you who come to confession at this time, would need to check at the parish office front desk to proceed to the chapel patio for confession.

## Special Meeting

### SPECIAL MEETING FOR PARISH ORGANIZATIONS' PRESIDENTS OR LEADERS

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 24th, at 7:00 p.m., at the I.H.M. School Building.



## MASS SCHEDULE DURING PANDEMIC

### 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!!!



**BLESSINGS TO THOSE WHO SERVED!!!**