

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
December 27, 2020

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Parish Administrator

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Monday—Friday
8:30 AM to 1:00 PM
2:30 PM—5:00 PM
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IHM PARISH GIFT SHOP

Monday—Friday 8:30am—4:00pm
1 Customer at a time in Gift Shop

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The child grew and became strong,
filled with wisdom;
and the favor of God was upon him.

Luke 2:40

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY / SABADO

5:30PM (English)

SUNDAY / DOMINGO

8:30AM (English)

10:30AM (Español)

12:30 PM (Español)

MONDAY—FRIDAY

12:00 PM (Español)

CONFESSIONS / CONFESIONES

By appointment only

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursdays: 8:00AM-11:40AM
(livestream on Facebook only)

Every First Friday: 10:30am-11:30am
(visitors welcome)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes Online Only

FACEBOOK

www.facebook.com/immaculateheartofmarysa

Mission Statement

Immaculate Heart of Mary is a home for all! We strive to bring people to God through the celebrations of the sacraments and the Word of God while addressing the special and spiritual needs of the parish: the poor, the youth, the elderly, the physically challenged, the family and maintaining a multi-cultural heritage.

Inmaculado Corazón de María es un hogar para todos! Nos esforzamos para llevar a la gente a Dios a través de la celebración de los sacramentos y la palabra de Dios, respondiendo a las necesidades especiales y espirituales de la parroquia: los pobres, los jóvenes, los ancianos, los discapacitados, la familia y manteniendo un patrimonio multi-cultural.

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My eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all the peoples.
— *Luke 2:30-31*

**La Sagrada Familia de Jesús, María y José
27 de diciembre de 2020**

Mis ojos han visto a tu Salvador, al que has preparado para bien de todos los pueblos.
— *Lucas 2:30-31*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Those who honor their parents will be greatly blessed and will atone for sins

(Sirach 3:2-6,12-14) *or Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3.*

Psalm — Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways (Psalm 128) *or Psalm 105.*

Second Reading — Be thankful; do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus (Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]) *or Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19.*

Gospel — The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom (Luke 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]).

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Los que honran a sus padres recibirán bendiciones y pagarán sus pecados (Sirácide 3: 3-7, 14-17) *ó Génesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3.*

Salmo — Dichoso el que teme al Señor, y sigue sus caminos (Salmo 128 [127]) *ó Salmo 105 (104).*

Segunda lectura — Vivan una vida de amor sincero, sean agradecidos, hagan todo en el nombre del Señor Jesús (Colosenses 3:12-21) *ó Hebreos 11:8, 11-12, 17-19.*

Evangelio — María y José llevan a Jesús al templo para consagrarlo al Señor (Lucas 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]).

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We continue to celebrate Christmas with the Feast of the Holy Family during this pandemic time. I would like to share with you a part of Pope Francis' homily for this Feast Day in 2019.

“And truly, today is a beautiful day... Today we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family of Nazareth. The term “holy” places this family within the sphere of holiness, which is a gift from God but, at the same time, is free and responsible adherence to God's plan. This was the case for the family of Nazareth: they were totally available to God's will.

Mary, Joseph, Jesus: The Holy Family of Nazareth which represents a choral response to the will of the Father: the three members of this family help each other reciprocally to discover God's plan. They prayed, worked, communicated. And I ask myself: you, in your family, do you know how to communicate or are you like those kids at the table, each one with their mobile phone, while they are chatting? In that table there seems to be a silence as if they were at Mass... But they do not communicate between themselves. We must resume dialogue in the family: parents, children, grandparents, and siblings must communicate with one another ... This is today's homework, right on the day of the Holy Family.” Furthermore, on this Feast of the Holy Family, we celebrate who we are: “Children of God.” We celebrate our blessedness as God's chosen ones and our desire to live more fully in God's presence. We pray that our families might be ground in God's grace and peace. We seek to do what God wants of us and to go out of our way to love one another, to be good parents. With the New Year we pray for peace and good health in our world, in our families, in our city as we honor Mary, the Mother of God.

Benjamin Romero Arrieta, C.M.F.
Claretian Missionaries

Querido Hermanos & Hermanas,

Seguimos celebrando la Navidad con la Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia durante esta época de pandemia. Me gustaría compartir con ustedes una parte de la homilía del Papa Francisco para esta Fiesta en el año 2019.

“Y verdaderamente, hoy es un día hermoso... Hoy celebramos la fiesta de la Sagrada Familia de Nazaret. El término “santo” sitúa a esta familia en el ámbito de la santidad, que es un don de Dios, pero, al mismo tiempo, es la adhesión libre y responsable al plan de Dios. Este fue el caso de la familia de Nazaret: estaban totalmente disponibles a la voluntad de Dios.

María, José, Jesús: La Sagrada Familia de Nazaret que representa una respuesta coral a la voluntad del Padre: los tres miembros de esta familia se ayudan recíprocamente para descubrir el proyecto de Dios. Oraron, trabajaron, se comunicaron. Y me pregunto: tú, en tu familia, ¿sabes comunicarte o eres como esos niños en la mesa, cada uno con su teléfono celular, mientras charlan? En esa mesa parece haber un silencio como si estuvieran en misa... Pero no se comunican entre sí. Debemos reanudar el diálogo en la familia: padres, hijos, abuelos y hermanos deben comunicarse entre sí ... Esta es la tarea de hoy, justo en el día de la Sagrada Familia ". Además, en esta Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia, celebramos quienes somos “Hijos e Hija de Dios”. Celebramos nuestra bienaventuranza como elegidos de Dios y nuestro deseo de vivir más plenamente en la presencia de Dios. Oramos para que nuestras familias se basen en la gracia y la paz de Dios. Buscamos hacer lo que Dios quiere de nosotros y hacer todo lo posible para amarnos unos a otros, para ser buenos padres y madres. Con el Año Nuevo oramos por la paz y la buena salud en nuestro mundo, en nuestras familias, en nuestra ciudad mientras honramos a María, la Madre de Dios.

Rev. Benjamin Romero Arrieta, C.M.F.
Misionero Claretiano

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Simón Gonzales	Melanie Rodriguez	Eddie Salinas
Sandra Burks	Susie Peña	Ismael Rodriguez
Ángela Díaz	Marcelino Rangel	Carmelita Najar
Olga Bustamante	Mike Alcalá	Elia DeHoyos
Santiago Delgado	María Chavez	Roy Ehlers
Nicholas Rodriguez	Makency Garcia	Peggy Lee Haynes

ALTAR FLOWERS

Donations for the Altar flowers may be made to the Parish in memory of a loved one, a birthday, anniversary or special occasion.



SANCTUARY LIGHT

Please contact the Parish office to place your special intentions for the Sanctuary Light



PARISH NEWS

BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursday, December 31st 4:00pm—5:00pm: We will have the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament inside the Church. Spend time with Our Lord in the Blessed Eucharist! 5:30pm Mass following adoration.

*****Jueves 31 de diciembre de 4:00 pm a 5:00 pm:** Tendremos la exposición del Santísimo Sacramento dentro de la Iglesia. ¡Pase tiempo con Nuestro Señor en la Santísima Eucaristía! 5:30 pm Misa posterior a la adoración.

HAPPY NEW YEAR/PRÓSPERO AÑO NUEVO

Thursday—December 31, 2020

5:30 P.M.—New Year's Eve Vigil Mass—Bilingual

Friday—January 1, 2021

12:00 P.M.—Spanish Mass



OFFICE CLOSED

On Friday, January 1, 2021 the Parish office will be closed for New Year's Day. We will reopen January 4th.

*****La oficina estará cerrada el 1 de Enero, 2021.
La oficina reabrirá en 4 de Enero 2021.**

PEW PLAQUE DEDICATIONS

Here's your chance to leave a lasting mark or memory in honor of family, or a loved one or commemorate a special event! Pew Plaques are still available for purchase. A portion will go towards our Restoration Fund to help with the cost of future restorations and projects. For more information please contact the Parish office at (210) 226-8268.

¡Tienes la oportunidad de dejar una marca duradera o un recuerdo en honor a la familia, a un ser querido o conmemorar un evento especial! Las placas en nuestras bancas todavía están disponibles para la compra. Parte de los ingresos se destinará a nuestro Fondo de Restauración para ayudar con el costo de futuras restauraciones y proyectos. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con la oficina de la parroquia al (210) 226-8268.

2020—BAPTISMS

CLASES DE BAUTISMO Jueves, 14 de Enero 6:30-9pm

BAUTISMO EN GRUPO Sábado, 16 de Enero 9am

REGISTRARSE PARA EL: Viernes, 8 de Enero

CLASES Thursday, February 18th (English) 6:30-9pm

GROUP BAPTISM Saturday, February 20th at 9am

REGISTRATION BY: Friday, February 12th

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!

For Registration requirements call the office, visit our website at www.ihmsatx.org or email admin@ihmsatx.org Register in the Parish office Monday–Friday 8:30am-1pm & 2:30pm-5pm.

PRIVATE BAPTISMS

Please remember that baptisms are a community event as we are welcoming the Child into the Catholic Community. Private baptisms should only be requested for medical emergencies and military deployment urgencies.

STEWARDSHIP: DECEMBER 13, 2020

MASS	LOOSE	ENVELOPES	TOTALS
5:30 PM	\$55.00	\$185.00	\$240.00
8:30 AM	\$302.00	\$69.00	\$371.00
10:30 AM	\$222.00	\$148.00	370.00
12:30 PM	\$90.00	\$288.00	\$378.00
Personal Delivery	\$0.00	\$260.00	\$260.00
TOTALS	\$669.00	\$950.00	\$1619.00

Other Income: \$1696.73

Online Giving: \$96.80

Total Weekly Income \$3412.53

Due to early submission of the Bulletin, the Collection amounts for last week will be available in next week's bulletin.

Thank you for your Generosity.



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26

5:30 p.m. Sp. Int.—Holy Souls in Purgatory

†—Ana Karen Lira

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27

8:30 a.m. Sp. Int.—Holy Family

Sp. Int.— All Mighty God

†—Olga Gonzalez

10:30 a.m. †—Leonor Jimenez

†—Sara G. Sanchez

†—Jose Luis Rossello

12:30 p.m. †—Jose Luis Mercado, Genereso

†—Juan Rafael Mercado

†Ann.—Maria Guadalupe Hernandez

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28

12:00 p.m. † B/D—Melissa Herrera Jenkins

B/D—Mary Alice Herrera

Sp. Int.—La Familia Rodriguez

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29

12:00 p.m. †—Amy Costel

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30

12:00 p.m. †—Amy Costel

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31 New Year's Eve

5:30p.m. ALL PARISHIONERS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2021 New Year's Day

12:00 p.m. Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God



Jesus is Born!



Christmas is one of the most important days in the year. We know that it's Jesus' birthday, but let's think a bit more about what that means...

Who is Jesus? He is God. He is also a real man. When Adam and Eve sinned they lost the privilege of going to Heaven. Now people needed to pay back for their sins, but no sacrifice they could make could ever be big enough. Only a perfect man could make a perfect sacrifice. And because God loved us so much He became a man to die for us!



Now think about God, Who made Himself a little baby, coming down to our world. He had a poor mother and foster father, and He was born in a little barn, far away from their home. The first people who came to visit were the rough men who lived in the fields, looking after their sheep.

God loved us so much that He made Himself into a poor baby. Doesn't that just make you want to love Him more? Today or in the next few days, spend some time looking at a creche (a nativity scene) and think about Baby Jesus and how much God loves us.

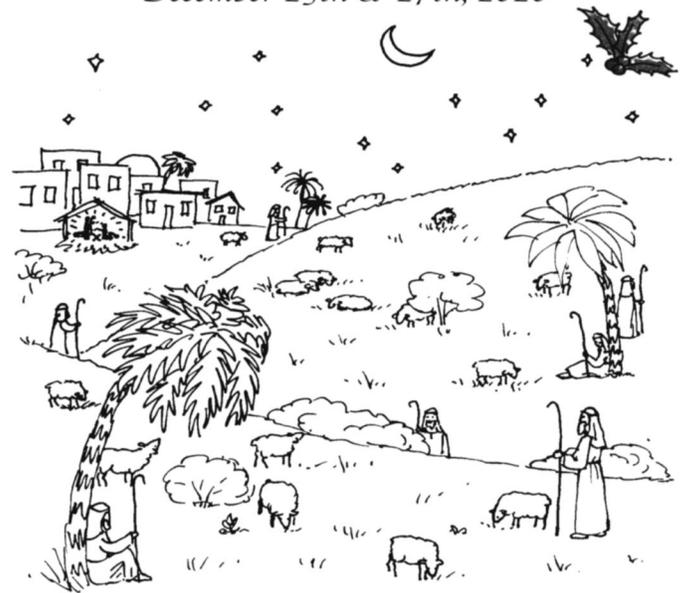


Answer to front page: there are seven shepherds hiding in the picture.
4, 7, 5, 1, 2, 3, 6.

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The Kids' Bulletin

Christmas Day and Feast of the Holy Family
December 25th & 27th, 2020



During the night of the first Christmas, the shepherds were out in the fields watching their sheep before the angels came to tell them that the Saviour was born.

Can you find all the shepherds in this picture?

How many are there?

You can colour in the picture too!

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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

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Thank you!**