

ALTAR FLOWERS

Requesting an Altar Flower Donation is a spiritual and supportive way to celebrate, honor, and remember loved ones, both living and deceased. The cost of weekly flowers is \$100, but it can be divided among others. **If you are willing to contribute towards the altar flowers please pick-up a Flower Donation envelope, fill out the requested information and drop the envelope in the collection basket, You can also contact the parish office for more information.** The colors and type of flowers will be determined by the Church Liturgical Calendar. *Note: There are no altar flowers during Lent.*

JULY	Juan & Sylvia Gomez
AUGUST	OPEN
SEPTEMBER	OPEN
OCTOBER	OPEN
NOVEMBER	OPEN
DECEMBER	OPEN



TABERNACLE CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle sits inside a red globe positioned by the Tabernacle and burns continuously to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ whenever the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in the Tabernacle in our Church. It is an emblem of Christ's abiding love and a reminder to the faithful to respond with loving adoration in return.

You now have an opportunity to sponsor a Tabernacle Candle if you would like to have the Tabernacle Candle burning for 7-days **In Memory of** or **In Honor of** someone. Each week a

Tabernacle Candle will be dedicated; the intention will be posted in the bulletin. **There are only two openings per week:** as there are two candles that burn at the tabernacle; one in the Chapel and one in the Church. The calendar for the tabernacle candles is open until the end of December. The donation per intention is \$10.00.

Please note: there will be NO intention the week Holy Week, Mother's Day, Father's Day, All Souls' Day, Christmas.



FLORES PARA EL ALTAR

Solicitar una donación de flores para el altar es una forma espiritual y solidaria de celebrar, honrar y recordar a los seres queridos, tanto vivos como fallecidos. El costo de las flores semanales es de \$100, pero se puede dividir entre otros. *Si desea contribuir con las flores para el altar, recoja un sobre para donaciones de flores, complete la información solicitada y depositelo en la canasta de recolección. También puede comunicarse con la oficina parroquial para obtener más información.* Los colores y el tipo de flores se determinarán según el Calendario Litúrgico de la Iglesia. *Nota: No se regalan flores para el altar durante la Cuaresma.*

VELA DEL TABERNÁCULO

La Vela del Santuario se encuentra dentro de un globo rojo colocado junto al Tabernáculo y arde continuamente para recordarnos la presencia sacramental de Jesucristo siempre que el Santísimo Sacramento se reserva en el Tabernáculo de nuestra Iglesia. Es un emblema del amor eterno de Cristo y un recordatorio para que los fieles respondan con amorosa adoración.

Ahora tiene la oportunidad de patrocinar una Vela del Tabernáculo si desea que arda durante 7 días **en memoria o en honor de** alguien. Cada semana se dedicará una Vela del Tabernáculo; la intención se publicará en el boletín. **Solo hay dos espacios disponibles por semana:** dos velas arden en el tabernáculo: una en la Capilla y otra en la Iglesia. El calendario para las velas del tabernáculo está abierto hasta finales de diciembre. La donación por intención es de \$10.00. **Atención: NO habrá intención la semana de Semana Santa, Día de la Madre, Día del Padre, Día de los Fieles Difuntos, Navidad.**

TRAVELING IMAGE OF DIVINE MERCY

In preparation for our centennial celebration in 2026, we have a image of Divine Mercy that will be traveling from home to home over the next year. The mission of this is to pray for all our parish families. **The sign-up sheet is currently listed through December 2025**

Currently the image is scheduled to be picked up at the church on Saturday or Sunday and dropped off back at the church by Saturday (around the time of confessions).

If you have not yet signed up to host the traveling image please consider doing so, see the sign-up book in the entry of the church. Fr. Roy would also like to join each family one evening of the week to pray with the Divine Mercy Image. When you sign-up please contact the parish office for more information.

Quinceañeras
Must be enrolled and actively participating in Religious Education Classes

Anointing of the Sick
Anytime; contact the parish office

Communion to the Sick / Homebound
Pastoral Visit: 1st Friday of the Month / Contact the parish office



Who is my neighbor?
Luke 10: 29

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 13, 2025

Immaculate Conception Church
Roman Catholic Diocese of Corpus Christi



Rev. Roy J Kalayil
Pastor

David D. Solis Jr.
davids@iccggregory.org
Administrative Asst.

John Womack & Co.
Bookkeeper

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Friday
10:00am - 4:30pm

FAITH FORMATION

Noreen Saenz
reoffice@iccggregory.org
Director of Religious Ed.

David D. Solis Jr.
Asst. Director of Religious Ed.

Religious Ed. Office Hours
Wednesdays 4:30 - 8:45pm

WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY (Vigil) 5:30PM
SUNDAY (en Español) 8:00AM
10:00AM & 12:00PM

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday (en Español) 5:30PM

Wednesday – Friday 8:30AM

First Friday of the Month

Eucharistic Adoration 5:30PM

1st Friday Mass 6:30PM

WEEKLY PARISH ACTIVITIES

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET
Daily 3:00 pm Chapel

ST. JUDE NOVENA
Tuesdays 6:00 pm

BIBLE STUDY
Tuesdays 7:00PM (Español)
Thursdays 7:00PM (English)
R.E. building

NEW TO THE PARISH?

Interested in registering with us? Ask the ushers for a registration form, welcome to the parish. If you would like to become involved with one of the ministries or organizations here, you can find contact numbers on this bulletin

MASS INTENTIONS

ALL Mass intention requests should be submitted to the parish office. For Intentions to appear in the Bulletin they must be submitted by 4:00pm Tuesday. **Donation of \$5 per intention is suggested.**

EUCARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

The Chapel is available to anyone 24/7 if you would like to spend time to visit with Jesus in the Eucharist. To get the door code contact the parish office or Fr. Roy.

PASTORAL COUNCIL VICE-CHAIR
Mike Lopez 438.9054

FINANCE COMMITTEE VICE-CHAIR
Chris Flores 244.0245

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Jesus Garza 704-2269

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ALTAR SOCIETY
Nena Garcia 774.2604

LECTORS
Jesus Garza 704-2269

USHERS
Ramiro Peña 222-8857

BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE
Aurora Leal 229.6956

BLESSED MOTHER SOCIETY
Sylvia Gomez 228.0822

DIVINE MERCY APOSTLES
Sonya Torres 730.6165

HOUSE OF FAITH FOOD PANTRY
Diana Moreno 765.7696

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SACRED HEART SOCIETY
Amelia Flores 443.9811

ST. JUDE NOVENA
Jerry & Ofelia Rivera 876.7147

BL. CARLO ACUTIS YOUTH GROUP
Jesus Garza 704-2269



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Baptisms: By Appointment only	Reconciliation Confessions are heard on Saturdays from 4-5pm and on request	Marriage By appointment only: Contact parish office at least 6 months prior to proposed date.	Quinceañeras Must be enrolled and actively participating in Religious Education Classes	Anointing of the Sick Anytime; contact the parish office	Communion to the Sick / Homebound <i>Pastoral Visit: 1st Friday of the Month / Contact the parish office</i>
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Mass Intentions For The Week



SATURDAY July 12, 2025

5:30PM: †Guadalupe V Moreno (Rudy Moreno)
†Mary Neph (Family)
†Andrew Guerra (Alma Guerra & Family)
†Hermelinda Delgado Alcoser [5th ann.] (Alice Delgado)
†Alejandro, †Minerva, †Johnny Lopez (Esteban & Lydia)

†Margarito, †Alejandra Guerrero & †David Sanchez (Family)

SUNDAY July 13, 2025

8:00AM: †Richard Ortiz Sr. (Janie Ortiz & Family)
†Jose Vasquez (Familia Vasquez)
†Eloisa Lozano (Family)
†Irma & †Cristian Perales (Perales Family)
†Jose & †Juan Lara, †Jose Montes, †Tranquilino Garcia,
†Andrew & †Juan Martinez (Family)

†Maria de Consuelo Johnson, †Aurora Mendoza, †Jose Javier Mendoza (Family)

10:00AM: †Estefana Menchaca (Aldolfo Menchaca)
†Agapito & Maria Frances Torres (Noemi Espinosa & Family)
†Loy & †Paula Avila (Family)
†Ernest, †Roy & †Meisha Hinojosa (Family)

12:00PM: †Lelia Guzman (Family)
†Juan C Flores Jr. (Juan & Josie Flores)
†Adrian G Flores (Family)

Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY July 15, 2025

5:30PM: Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY July 16, 2025

8:30AM: Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY July 17, 2025

8:30AM: Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY July 18, 2025

8:30AM: Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY July 19, 2025

5:30PM: †Guadalupe V Moreno (Rudy Moreno)
†Manuel Z Hernandez (Alice Hernandez Vega)
†Eloisa Lozano (Family)
†Esteban, & †Candelaria Ortiz (Esteban & Lydia)

†Margarito, †Alejandra Guerrero & †David Sanchez (Family)
Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY July 20, 2025

8:00AM: †Jose Vasquez (Familia Vasquez)
†Irma & †Cristian Perales (Perales Family)

†Jose & †Juan Lara, †Jose Montes, †Tranquilino Garcia,
†Andrew & †Juan Martinez (Family)

†Maria de Consuelo Johnson, †Aurora Mendoza, †Jose Javier Mendoza (Family)

10:00AM: †Estefana Menchaca (Aldolfo Menchaca)
†Loy & †Paula Avila (Family)

12:00PM: †Lelia Guzman (Family)
†Juan C Flores Jr. (Juan & Josie Flores)

†Adrian G Flores (Family)
Divine Mercy Apostles

July 19/20	Lector	Extra Ordinary Ministers	July 26/27	Lector	Extra Ordinary Ministers
5:30PM	David	Louis, Juan	5:30PM	Chelo	Juan, Alma
8:00AM	Esteban	Amparo, Armando	8:00AM	Armando	Carmen, Janie
10:00AM	Brenda	Ophelia, Terri	10:00AM	Gabriel	Cindy, Terri F
12:00PM	Gabby	Lupe A., Josie	12:00PM	Jesse C	Lucy,

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Envelope Collection	\$2,407.00
Loose Collection	\$1,141.00
Building Maintenance Fund	\$786.00
Online Giving	\$380.00
Collection Total - July 5/6	\$4,714.00

*Thank you for your faithfulness, your generous support, and sharing of your gifts with Immaculate Conception Church.
May God bless you now and forever.*

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OUR PARISH WEBSITE'S ONLINE
GIVING PAGE



Special Collections for the Month of July

12/13 - Emergency Collection:
Flood Victims in Kerrville

19/20 - Solidarity Fund for Church in Africa



† Belief - Trust - Faith †

Prayer is the most powerful against trials, the most effective medicine against sickness and the most valuable gift to someone we care for. Please pray for the sick of the parish, especially:

Names remain on the prayer list for two (2) months; after which they are removed, to add/remove a name contact the parish office.

Victoria Arredondo,	Fernim Hernandez	Julia Rodriguez,
Rosa Barrera,	Jorge Hernandez,	Sergio Rodriguez,
Elisa Claudio,	San Juanita Hinojosa,	Yolanda G. Rodriguez,
Pedro Costilla Sr.,	Jaime Jimenez,	San Juanita Saenz,
Johnny Cruz,	Guadalupe Z. Lucio	Bernice Sanchez,
Adela Escobedo,	Loli Lugo,	Adan Salazar,
Anna Flores,	Jim Malloy,	Gracie Salazar,
Aurora Flores,	Mary Malloy,	Raymond Smith,
Eudelia Flores,	Adolfo Menchaca Jr.,	B Solis,
Guadalupe Flores,	Kasen Merrill	Gloria Treviño,
Juanita Flores,	Lupe Moreno,	Joe Treviño,
Luis Flores,	Angie Ochoa,	Lile Trevino,
Danny Garza,	Ramiro Perales,	Sara Treviño,
Esmeralda Hernandez,	Jerry Rivera Sr.,	Gerri Zambrano
	Irene Rodriguez,	

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US THIS WEEKEND

It is important to remember that most of the people we read about in sacred scripture were very human and experienced a full range of emotions. It is with this knowledge that we see scripture come to life. Today in the first reading, Moses is sassy because he is frustrated with the people. Some just can't seem to understand that God was very clear about his law and commandments: "This command...is not too mysterious and remote for you."

Sometimes we use the mystery of God to justify our disobedience to God's will. We say things like, "Well, I mean, I know it says that in the Bible, but it was also written a long time ago," or, "I need more justification for that Church teaching." The words of Moses cut deep, "Um, it is obvious. What more evidence do you need?" Obedience to God's will and law can be hard; we may not like the answer that we get to the questions we ask God.

Certainly, the crowd didn't like the answer Jesus gave to their question, "Who is my neighbor?" Samaritans and Jews did not get along. They believed in different things, worshipped differently, and had a general disdain for each other. To assign a good Samaritan as the hero of Jesus's parable was not the answer people expected, but the message was obvious: You love everyone, regardless of whether they wronged you, it is inconvenient, or they are not on your side.

If you've been questioning God's will, take a step back today and drop your pride. The answer may have been in front of you the entire time.

The word *mystery* is often misunderstood. From both the French and Latin, the word *mystery* has to do with a "hidden presence" or "secret rite." It has always been linked with the sacred. While it's a popular cliché to say that "**God works in mysterious ways**," today's first reading from Deuteronomy literally says the exact opposite: "For this command I give you today is not too mysterious." What Moses is sharing in Deuteronomy is that while God is a mystery, his commands really are simple. **They're just not easy.**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha

Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34 — 11:1

Tuesday: St. Bonaventure

Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Our Lady of Mt Carmel

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27

Thursday:

Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9; 24-27; Mt 11:28-30

Friday: St. Camillus de Lellis

Ex 11:10 — 12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8

Saturday:

Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Mt 12:14-21

Sunday: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

Es importante recordar que la mayoría de las personas sobre las que leemos en las Sagradas Escrituras eran muy humanas y experimentaban una amplia gama de emociones. Es con este conocimiento que vemos que las Escrituras cobran vida. Hoy, en la primera lectura, Moisés se muestra impertinente porque está frustrado con el pueblo. Algunos simplemente no parecen comprender que Dios fue muy claro sobre su ley y sus mandamientos: "Este mandato... no es demasiado misterioso ni remoto para ustedes".

A veces usamos el misterio de Dios para justificar nuestra desobediencia a su voluntad. Decimos cosas como: "Bueno, sé que dice eso en la Biblia, pero también fue escrito hace mucho tiempo", o "Necesito más justificación para esa enseñanza de la Iglesia". Las palabras de Moisés fueron profundas: "Es obvio. ¿Qué más pruebas necesitan?". Obedecer la voluntad y la ley de Dios puede ser difícil; puede que no nos guste la respuesta que recibimos a las preguntas que le hacemos a Dios.

Ciertamente, a la multitud no le gustó la respuesta que Jesús dio a su pregunta: "¿Quién es mi prójimo?". Los samaritanos y los judíos no se llevaban bien. Creían en cosas diferentes, adoraban de forma distinta y se despreciaban mutuamente. Asignar a un buen samaritano como el héroe de la parábola de Jesús no era la respuesta que la gente esperaba, pero el mensaje era obvio: Amas a todos, sin importar si te hicieron daño, si es inconveniente, o si no están de tu lado.

Si has estado cuestionando la voluntad de Dios, da un paso atrás hoy y deja de lado el orgullo. Puede que la respuesta haya estado frente a ti todo el tiempo.

La palabra *misterio* a menudo se malinterpreta. Proviene tanto del francés como del latín, y se refiere a una "presencia oculta" o un "rito secreto". Siempre se ha vinculado con lo sagrado. Si bien es un cliché popular decir que "**Dios obra de maneras misteriosas**", la primera lectura de hoy del Deuteronomio dice literalmente lo contrario: "Porque este mandamiento que te doy hoy no es demasiado misterioso". Lo que Moisés comparte en Deuteronomio es que, si bien Dios es un misterio, sus mandatos son realmente sencillos. **Simplemente no son fáciles.**

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Lord, slow my steps this week so that I may take the time to get to know each and every person I come into contact with. Teach me how to treat everyone with your love and mercy. May I seek to console and befriend, not to judge or hate. Open my ears to hear how you are challenging me this week and keep me mindful of your example in all that I say and do. Amen.

CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK

This week, when you see someone in need of help, help them! It's as simple as that. Treat all you meet with love and mercy.

Special Prayer Intention of Pope Leo XIV for July
For formation in discernment.

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

