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En humildad y pobreza viene, humildes y pobres le hemos de recibir.
A ser sacrificio viene, con sacrificio prepararemos la casa en que vivirá; y aunque es Niño y chiquito, es Dios, y muy grande, y por eso, no es pequeña cosa preparar posada al gran Dios

(San Juan de Avila)

In Loving Memory
Diana Canales Rodriguez
Beautiful and Loving
Friend, Grandmother, Mother, and Wife

The Son of God became a man to enable men to become the sons of God.

C.S. Lewis

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We fly to thy protection, O holy Mother of God. Despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL
St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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The time of Advent is a time of hope. Jesus wants us to love Him. It is His desire that we be holy, very much His own.

— St. Josemaria Escriva

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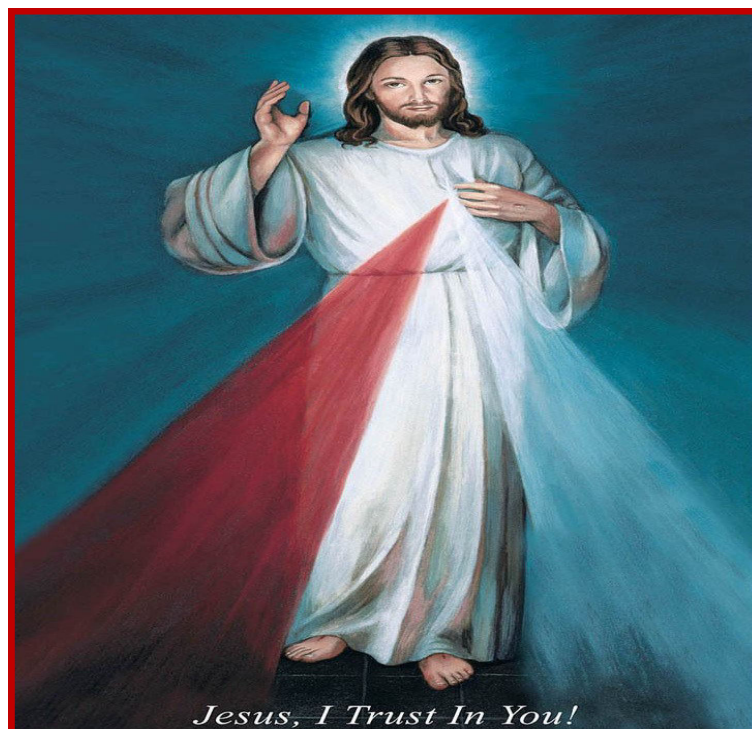
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Divine Mercy Catholic Church

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Catholic Church

9350 Amber Ave. Laredo TX, 78045



Jesus, I Trust In You!

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday: 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)
Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday Vigil Mass (English)
Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Mass (English)
12:00 noon Mass (Spanish)
4:00 p.m. Mass (Spanish)
6:00 p.m. Mass (Por Sanación - Spanish)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday to Friday: 6:00 p.m. - 6:20 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Saturday: 4:00 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.
For other times call office for an appointment

Timetable

Adoration Chapel:
Open Monday - Friday 9:00am-8:00pm

Every Wednesday: 7:00pm Holy Hour
Every Friday: 3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet Prayer
Every Sunday: 7:00pm - 8:00pm Hora de Misericordia (Sanación y Liberación)

First Saturday of the Month: 9:30am Apóstoles de Fatima - Rosario de Reparación al Inmaculado Corazón de María, Misa y Adoración.
First Sunday of the Month: 3:00 pm Prayer of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Sacraments

♦ **Baptisms:**
By appointment only. On the third Saturday of each month at 10:00 A.M. Contact the Parish Office for more information regarding preparation.

♦ **Marriage:**
By appointment only. Please contact the Parish Office at least six (6) months prior to the proposed wedding date to avoid any complications or scheduling conflicts.

♦ **Quinceañeras Mass:**
By appointment only. Please contact the Parish Office at least six (6) months prior to the proposed Quinceañera date. Must have received: Baptism, and First Communion. Must be enrolled in Confirmation Classes and/or Youth Group.

♦ **Anointing of the Sick:**
Please call the Parish Office when someone is seriously ill so that we can provide spiritual care.

Mission Statement

Divine Mercy Catholic Church strives to create a parish that reflects unity by witnessing, teaching and proclaiming the love of our Lord Jesus Christ; to educate our community through the teachings of the Catholic Church by spreading the message of mercy; to dedicate ourselves to the mission of Christ through the celebration of the sacraments, evangelization and services to others.

Clergy and Staff

Father Michael A. De Leon, Pastor
Father Toribio "Toby" Guerrero, Parochial Vicar
Father Jerry Gutierrez, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Mario Guerra
Deacon Gerardo Mares
Deacon Michael Santasieri

Aby Acosta Administrative Assistant
Imelda Castro Administration / Office Assistant
Veronica D Garcia.. Coordinator of Religious Education

Parish Office Hours

Mon. to Thur. 9:00am - 12:00pm & 1:30pm - 5:00pm

Parish Office (956)726-0210
Religious Education Office (956)726-0210 ext. 113

Welcome New Parishioners



We are glad you were led by God to join us!
If you are new to Divine Mercy Parish, we invite you to register as a parishioner.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

05:00pm † Margarita Martinez
† Norma G. Garcia
† Dario Salazar
† Enrique & Olga Guajardo

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

10:00am Mario & Bea Peña (46th Wedd. Aniv.)
Daughters of Divine Mercy Petitions
† Juan F. Morales
† Mercedes Canche
12:00pm † Natalia Cabrera
† Fr. Michael O'Flynn
† Juan Carlos Ramirez
† Cesar Augusto Quiroga
04:00pm Divine Mercy Parishioners
06:00pm Jerry & Leticia Dominguez (Wedd. Aniv.)
Roberto Castañeda Jr. (Blessings)
Christian Barraza (Health)



MONDAY, DECEMBER 18

06:30pm Por la Paz del Mundo
Por las Benditas Animas del Purgatorio

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

06:30pm † Ramiro Garcia
† Roberto Garcia

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

06:30pm † Serafina Magdalena Gomez Marroquin
† Fr. Michael O'Flynn
07:00pm Holy Hour / Hora Santa

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21

06:30pm † Angel Derly Barrera
† Fr. Michael O'Flynn

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22

03:00pm Rezo de la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia
06:30pm † Roberto Veloz Jr.
† Javier Aviña



Sanctuary Candle



The Sanctuary Candle burns for
Por los Enfermos de Nuestra Parroquia
From December 16 — December 23, 2023

Last Week Offertory Collection

05:00pm Saturday Mass	\$ 1008.00
10:00am Sunday Mass	\$ 1,209.00
12:00pm Sunday Mass	\$ 1,952.00
04:00pm Sunday Mass	\$ 809.00
06:00pm Sunday Mass	\$ 1,448.00
Sunday Collection Online	\$ 176.00
Building Fund	\$ 255.00
Online Building Fund	\$ 0.00
2nd Collection (non-parochial)	\$ 1,138.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 1,620.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 1,020.00
TOTAL	\$10,635.00



Monthly Dedications (Devotions)

Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary

Fourth Sunday of Advent

On Gaudete Sunday a theme of joy runs through our readings. Isaiah, returning to the promised land after years of exile, describes the wonders God will accomplish. In the psalm we sing that our souls rejoice in our God. Paul closes his letter to the Thessalonians by reminding them to rejoice always. Finally, we hear John the Baptist testify that he is not worthy to even untie the sandal strap of the One who is coming, the light, the Christ. May the joy we hear in God's word rub off on us.



El domingo de Gaudete un tema de alegría recorre nuestras lecturas. Isaías, al regresar a la tierra prometida después de años de exilio, describe las maravillas que Dios realizará. En el salmo cantamos para que nuestras almas se regocijen en nuestro Dios. Pablo cierra su carta a los tesalonicenses recordándonos que se regocijen siempre. Finalmente, escuchamos a Juan el Bautista testificar que no es digno ni siquiera de desatar la correa de las sandalias del que viene, la luz, el Cristo. Que el gozo que escuchamos en la palabra de Dios se nos contagie.



We still need to fill Holy Hour time slots for our Adoration Chapel. Jesus is always with you, do not leave him alone while His Eucharistic presence is present.

Todavía necesitamos llenar los espacios de Hora Santa para nuestra Capilla de Adoración.

Jesús siempre está contigo, no le dejes solo mientras está aquí Su Presencia Eucarística.

Please call / Por favor llame a: Becky Juarez (956)282-4467

2023 Catholic Sharing Appeal As of November 2023

Divine Mercy Church

Parish Goal: \$31,525.00

Total Amount Pledged: \$22,795.00

Total Amount Received: \$18,015.00

Total Number of Pledges: 122

Thank you for your support.

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Announcements

¿QUÉ ES EL DOMINGO DE GAUDETE QUE HOY CELEBRAMOS?

Gaudete significa "regocijense", y es el nombre que recibe este III Domingo de Adviento.

Toma dicho nombre debido a la antifona de entrada para la Misa, que menciona:

Gaudete in Domino semper. Interum dico: Gaudete (Regocijense siempre en el Señor. Repito: regocijense).

Este domingo es especialmente bello, pues la liturgia hace una pausa para recordar que el Señor está cerca.



Si haz tenido la oportunidad de experimentar un retiro como:

ACTS

Cursillo de Cristiandad

Curso Nueva Vida

¡Ven a compartir tus nuevas experiencias!

¡Ven a seguir alimentando el fuego de tu espíritu!

¡Ven a la Iglesia de Divine Mercy!

TODOS LOS MIERCOLES

Misa 6:30pm

Adoración 7:00pm

Grupo Nueva Vida 7:45pm Salón #1



Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule

Dec. 24, 2023 CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS

8:00pm - Christmas Vigil Mass (English)

Dec. 25, 2023 MISA DE GALLO

12:00am (Medianoche) - Christmas Mass (Spanish)

Dec. 25, 2023 CHRISTMAS DAY

8:00am - Misa del Día (Spanish)

10:00am - Mass of the Day (English)

Dec. 31, 2023 Vigil Holy Mary Mother of God

8:00pm - Vigil Mass (English)

Jan. 1, 2024 Holy Mary Mother of God

6:30pm - Misa del Día (Spanish)

Announcements

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

GAUDETE SUNDAY

The word "Gaudete" is Latin for "Rejoice." In times when the focus of our anticipation is often on the negative and fearful, this celebration is a reminder that God who loves us is still in charge and that we await his coming not with fear, but with tremendous joy.



CHRISTMAS BREAK FOR CCD STUDENTS
No classes from December 18th, 2023 through
January 9th, 2024
Classes resume on January 10th, 2024

THE EPIPHANY PROJECT

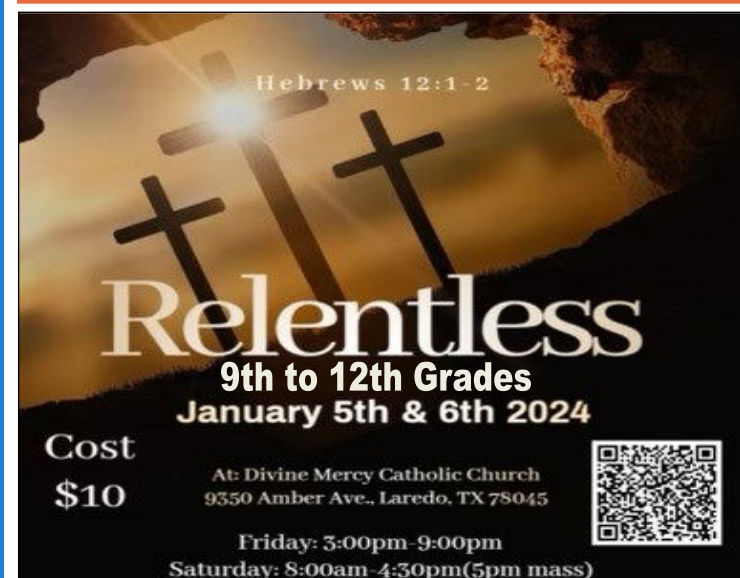
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