



Immaculate Conception St. Michael Parish

Parroquia Inmaculada Concepción San Miguel

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Rev. Armando Morales Martinez

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Carlos Roman

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Zenobia M. Ametewee-Operations Director

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Eduardo Aguado, Maintenance

OFFICE HOURS - HORAS DE OFICINA

Monday- *Lunes*: 9am - 4pm

Tuesday- *Martes*: CLOSED- *CERRADO*

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

Miércoles, Jueves y Viernes: 9am - 4pm

Saturday - *Sábado*: 9am-12pm

SCHOOL - ESCUELA

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Coordinadora de Educación Religiosa

CONVENT- *CONVENTO* - 8731 S. Exchange

Religiosas: *Hijas de María Inmaculada de Guadalupe*

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

8237 S. South Shore Drive - Chicago, IL 60617

Not available for celebrations/

No disponible para celebraciones

CONFESSIONS - *CONFESIONES*

Saturday / *Sábado*: 4:00pm- 5:00pm

MASS SCHEDULE-HORARIO DE MISA

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

8756 S. Commercial Ave

Chicago, IL 60617

Monday - Saturday / *Lunes - Sábado* :

8:00am - Bilingual Mass / *Misa Bilingüe*

Sunday / *Domingo*:

8:00am & 12:00pm- Spanish / *Español*

10:00am English / *Inglés*

HOLY ROSARY / *SANTO ROSARIO*

30 minutes before mass / *30 minutos antes de Misa*

SACRAMENTS / *SACRAMENTOS*

Baptisms - *Bautismos*

Registrations are taken during office hours.

Baptisms will take place every first and last Saturday of the month

Inscripciones durante las horas de oficina.

Bautismos cada primer Sábado y último Sábado de cada mes.

Weddings - *Bodas*

Contact the Office in advance. *Llamar a la Rectoría con anticipación.*

Fifteenth Celebrations - *Quinceañeras*

Call or visit the office. *Llamar o visitar la oficina.*

April 23, 2023
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Intentions For The Week



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Sunday April 23rd / Domingo 23 de Abril

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
TERCER DOMINGO DE PASCUA

- 8:00am** † Timoteo Alvarez,
† Rodolfo Robles,
† Timoteo Alvarez,
† Rodolfo Rivera Corvera,
† Maria Anaya,
† Raquel de Santiago,
† Eulalia Torres de Sandoval,
~ Amador Rivera Corvera (salud)
~ Victoria Chavez (Cumpleaños)
- 10:00am** ~ Juan Garcia (Mental and Physical Health)
- 12:00pm** † Salvador Sierra Jr. de parte de Paula Sierra,
† Manuel Diaz,
† Jose Rubio y Beatriz Olaguez
† Juana y Guadalupe Rubio
~ Abraham Dominici
(11 Cumpleaños y Bendición)
~ Ares Hernandez (Presentación - 3 años)

Monday April 24th / Lunes 24 de Abril

- 8:00am** † Por las almas del purgatorio,
~ Por los sacerdotes,

Tuesday April 25th / Martes 25 de Abril

Saint Mark, Evangelist

- 8:00am** † Por las almas del purgatorio,
~ Por los sacerdotes
~ St. Jude (In thanksgiving)

Wednesday April 26th / Miércoles 26 de Abril

- 8:00am** † Por las almas del purgatorio,
~ Por los sacerdotes

Thursday April 27th / Jueves 27 de Abril

- 8:00am** † Por las almas del purgatorio,
~ Por los sacerdotes

Friday April 28th / Viernes 28 de Abril

- 8:00am** † Uriel Rosas (2^{ndo} Aniversario),
† Por las almas del purgatorio,
~ Por los sacerdotes

Saturday April 29th / Sábado 29 de Abril

Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

- 8:00am** † Por las almas del purgatorio,
~ Por los sacerdotes
- 5:00pm** ~ Religious Education Students,
~ For all catechists

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION AND ST. MICHAEL PARISH ACTIVITIES / ACTIVIDADES

TUESDAY/MARTES APRIL 25TH

After 8AM Mass / Después de la Misa de las 8AM
Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament / Adoración
al Santísimo Sacramento

THURSDAY / JUEVES APRIL 27TH

Platicas de Bautismo 7:00pm

FRIDAY / VIERNES APRIL 28TH

Circulo de Oración 7:00pm

SABADO / SATURDAY APRIL 29TH

Citizenship Class / Clases de Ciudadanía 9:30am

Students of First Communion Retreat/
Retiro para Estudiantes de la Primera Comunión
12:00pm-6:00pm

Clases de Catecismo / Catechism Class 3:00pm

Confessions / Confesiones 4:00pm

Mass / Misa 5:00pm

EXPOSICION DEL SANTISIMO SACRAMENTO

Todos los martes tenemos exposición
del Santísimo Sacramento después de
la Misa de 8am hasta las 6:45 pm. Le
invitamos a pasar un rato de oración en
presencia de Jesús Sacramentado.



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Tuesday we have the exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament after the 8am mass until 6:45 pm. We invite
you to spend some time in prayer in the presence of
the Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

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The Living Way of the Cross: South Chicago's long-standing Good Friday celebration is full of emotion

By **Nell Salzman**
Chicago Tribune

Apr 08, 2023 at 7:23 pm



Luis Gomez plays the part of Jesus Christ as he carries the cross followed by hundreds of faithful during a reenactment of the Way of the Cross down the streets of the city's South Chicago community on Good Friday. (Antonio Perez / Chicago Tribune)

Susan Mota said that while growing up in South Chicago, she didn't care at first about Good Friday traditions.

She was forced into costumes and made to walk in the community's annual Good Friday procession. At 9 years old, she recalled, she would rather have just hidden in her closet.

"Then when I played Mary Magdalene, my perspective on the whole day shifted," said Mota, who is now 23. "She was the rebel. She didn't care."

Playing Mary Magdalene, a saint who Scripture says was a follower of Jesus, was what connected Mota to her faith and to the community of [Immaculate Conception and St. Michael Parish](#) at a young age.

"Just thinking about it brings me chills. It means something more to me," Mota said Friday, looking at the young girls who hula-hooped and ran around on the blue-checked basement floor of Immaculate Conception after this year's procession.

Mota now works at [Immaculate Conception Catholic Elementary School](#). Her mother, Sandra Mota, organizes the Via Crucis Viviente every year. Via Crucis Viviente, which translates to "Living Way of the Cross," encompasses 14 episodes in Jesus' life leading to his crucifixion and burial.



Portraying Jesus Christ, Luis Gomez leads a procession of hundreds of faithful during a reenactment of the Way of the Cross in the city's South Chicago community on Good Friday. (Antonio Perez / Chicago Tribune)

The community has held an annual Good Friday procession since 1977, and Sandra Mota has helped for the past 20 years. Born in Zacatecas, Mexico, Mota said that the community eagerly waits every year for Good Friday. People take off from work. They cook big meals to celebrate.

"To me, it's not a play. It's an event. And it makes me stronger every year," she said.

While [Pilsen's Good Friday procession](#) typically attracts thousands, South Chicago's crowd was tight-knit — closer to hundreds. Kids wore helmets and red capes, and stood on the top of a semitruck covered with a brown sheet. A hush came over the crowd as the reenactment started.

When Jesus was whipped and fake blood covered the back of his shirt, kids looked at each other wide-eyed. "Is he bleeding?" they said, turning to one another.

The procession began at Our Lady Of Guadalupe Catholic Church, 3200 E. 91st St., and moved to Immaculate Conception and St. Michael Catholic Church, 2944 E. 88th St.

The Rev. Pius Kokose, 55, is the pastor of Immaculate Conception. He's been a priest for almost 25 years, and said Holy Week is always one of his favorite weeks of the year.

He said he mostly serves migrant communities — from Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, Haiti, Nigeria, Puerto Rico and Colombia. Many people in this neighborhood come to Chicago with deep roots in Catholicism.

"The practice of their faith gives them hope. Especially migrant communities. They go through different types of suffering," he said.



People playing Roman soldiers lift the cross holding Luis Gomez, playing the part of Jesus, inside Immaculate Conception Church on Chicago's South Side on Good Friday, April 7, 2023. (Antonio Perez / Chicago Tribune)

Kokose is from Ghana, but he spent 10 years living in Paraguay. He speaks six languages, including Spanish. On Friday there was a liturgy in English at 3 p.m. and one in Spanish at 7 p.m..

"Jesus, you are beginning your suffering and walk," a young girl spoke into a microphone. "So do the people who migrate to this country. They walk long hours and days to get here. How many of them lose their lives on the way, looking for a better life?"

Sandra Mota said many people cry during Jesus' crucifixion.

Gabriela Zavala, 56, walked along the procession, proudly watching her 16-year-old son, who was dressed up.

"There is a lot of violence, and a lot of young people," Zavala said. "This tradition is very important because it helps our young people to be close to God."

Ivan Lopez, 27, who has been involved with the youth group at Immaculate Conception for the past 10 years, works at a juvenile detention center. Seeing the youths come together gives him hope. Kids learn communication skills and how to take care of each other, he said. They feel like they're part of something.

"It helps me sleep at night. It helps me stay connected to them. I learn from them, too," Lopez said.

Zavala said Good Friday is a day of color, of family togetherness. For migrant families in South Chicago, it's a chance to celebrate and reflect.

Susan Mota said she uses it as an opportunity to pray for all communities who are suffering.

"There's so many immigrants," she said. "And we only know so much about what they suffered through to get here. It's just another prayer for them."



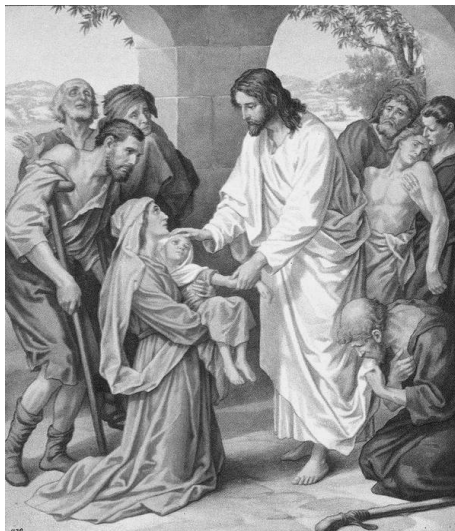
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PRAY FOR THE SICK - OREMOS POR LOS ENFERMOS

To add a name to the list, please call the rectory.

Jose Alvarado Jr.
Manuel Avila
Ofelia Avila
Cidronia Ruiz
Piedad Chavez
Victoria Chavez
Ramona Corral
Nicolas & Maria Gomez
Juvencio Gonzalez Garibay
Fidelia Juarez
Hector Marquez
Maria Mosqueda
Francisca Bugarin
Soledad L. Ruiz
Dolores Saldivar



Para agregar nombres a la lista, favor llamar a la rectoría.

Tarcisso Ruiz
Obdulia Santiago
Jose Topete Jr.
Martha Vaca
Jose Maria Velasco Gonzalez
Maria Concepcion Tamayo de Garcia
Maria de Angeles Ortiz
Ana Maria Ramirez de Hernandez
Maria Eugenia Becerra de Romero
Maria Garcia de Gonzalez
Pablo Saucedo
Marcos Chavez
Amador Rivera Corvera
Juan Garcia

Religious Education Program 2022 - 2023

Upcoming / Proximamente

APRIL / ABRIL

- 29** Catechism Class – Catecismo
Retreat / Retiro 12:00pm - 6:00pm
Students receiving First Communion
Alumnos recibiendo la Primera Comunión

MAY / MAYO

- 06** Last day of Catechism Class –
Ultimo día de Catecismo
Retreat / Retiro 12:00pm - 6:00pm
Students receiving Confirmation
Alumnos recibiendo la Confirmación
Reconciliation during retreat / reconciliación durante retiro
First Reconciliation / Primera Reconciliación 7:00pm
- 09** Rehearsal - Confirmation / Ensayo - Confirmación 6:00pm
- 10** Rehearsal - First Communion / Ensayo - Primera Comunión 6:00pm
- 12** Confirmation Celebration / Celebración de la Confirmación 6:00pm
- 13** First Communion Celebration / Celebración de la Primera Comunión 6:00pm

Jovenes Latinos Unidos Youth Group 2023

Upcoming / Proximamente

APRIL / ABRIL

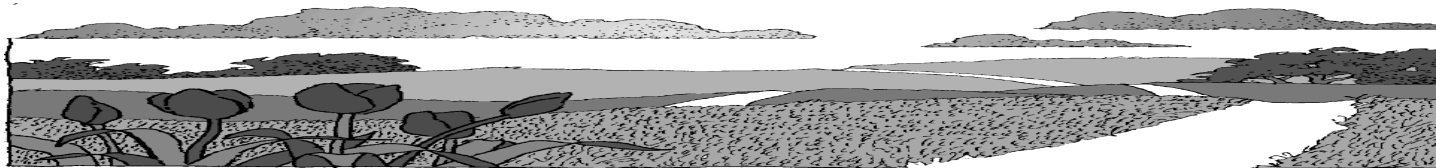
- 24** No Meeting / No hay reunion

MAY / MAYO

- 01** Meeting / Reunion
Youth Group Alumni and Members - 10th Anniversary Planning Meeting for / Ex-Alumnos y Miembros - Reunión de planificación del décimo aniversario
- 08** Mañanitas to Moms / Mañanitas a las Mamás
- 15** Meeting / Reunión
- 21** Mass / Misa 12:00pm
- 22** Meeting / Reunión
- 29** No Meeting / No hay reunion (Memorial Day)

SAVE THE DATE / GUARDEN LA FECHA

10th Anniversary Celebration
Celebración Decimo Aniversario
September / Septiembre 30, 2023



FINANCIAL REPORT / REPORTE FINANCIERO

Immaculate Conception St. Michael Parish Collection April 16, 2023

Sunday Collection.....	\$2,522.90
Second Collection - School Fund.....	\$834.70
Weekday Collection (April 10 – April 15).....	\$223.25
Easter Flowers.....	\$20.00
Poor Fund.....	\$11.00
Building Fund	\$35.00
Donations - Divino Niño Jesus.....	\$359.00

Thank you for your generous support. You and your family are in our prayers.
Gracias por su generoso apoyo. Ustedes y sus familia están en nuestras oraciones.



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ATTENDANCE / ASISTENCIA

April 16, 2023

8:00AM (MASS) - 130
10:00AM (MASS) - 76
12:00PM (MASS) - 277

TOTAL ATTENDANCE – 483

Thank you for your attendance, your prayers, and your generous financial support. God bless you.

Muchas gracias por su asistencia, su oracion y generoso apoyo financiero. Dios les bendiga y los siga protegiendo a ustedes y a sus familias.

ELECTRONIC DONATIONS

Scan the QR code for another way to contribute.

DONACIONES ELECTRONICAS

Escanee el codigo para hacer su ofrenda electronicamente como otra opción.

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FINANCIAL REPORT / REPORTE FINANCIERO FISH FRY / VENTA DE PESCADO 2023

INCOME AND EXPENSES

<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Sales and Donation*	\$12,905.20
Expenses	\$2,744.73
Net Income	\$10,160.47

Thank you to all that supported our Fish Fry Event, the ones who placed their orders, the ones who made their donations. Thanks be to God it was a success!!! We give special thanks to our volunteers who where in our kitchen every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, preparing the food, serving and delivering to the people who made their orders. It was very nice to see our volunteers working for our parish. God bless you and reward you for all your efforts!!!

If you missed this year's fish fry and Lenten dishes, we invite you next Sunday April 30th.

Gracias a todos los que apoyaron nuestra venta de pescado frito comprando y haciendo sus donaciones. ¡Gracias a Dios fue todo un éxito! Un agradecimiento muy especial a todos los voluntarios que estuvieron trabajando arduamente en nuestra cocina todos los Miércoles, Jueves y Viernes preparando la comida, sirviendo y llevandola a los domicilios. Dios les bendiga. Fue muy bonito ver a los voluntarios trabajando para nuestra parroquia. Dios les bendiga y les recompense todos sus esfuerzos.

Si perdieron la venta del pescado y platillos cuaresmales, le invitamos a una venta de comida el proximo domingo 30 de Abril.

*Sales and donation does not include donations of ingredients, drinks and disposables.

*Venta y donación no incluye donaciones de ingredientes, bebidas y desechables.





Immaculate Conception School
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Upcoming Events

Próximos Eventos

- **April 23, 2023**
Family Mass / Misa Familiar
10:00AM

- **April 24, 2023**
Mass / Misa
8:00AM

- **April 28, 2023**
Teacher's Professional Development
Desarrollo Profesional para Maestros
NO SCHOOL / NO HAY CLASES



APRIL: \$200 per child

Registration is now OPEN

For the school year 2023-2024

Call now for more
information:
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25 years uniting hearts
in South Chicago

Colecta de Caridades Católicas en el Día de las Madres

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Archdiocese of Chicago

Catholic Charities Collection on Mother's Day

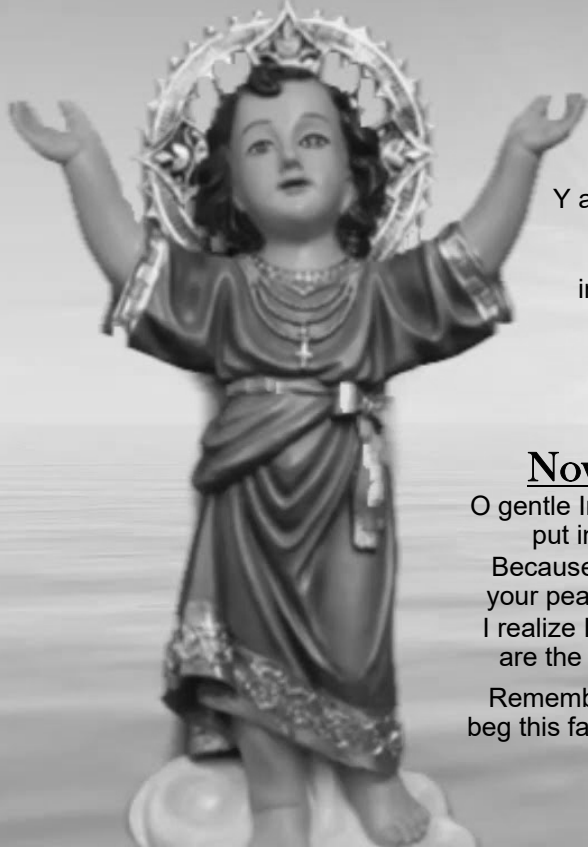
Immaculate Conception St. Michael Parish joins Catholic Charities in support of mothers and babies across Cook and Lake counties! Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago helps families access a broad array of supports and services. Each day, Catholic Charities serves thousands of women and their children through their Family Support Program, and other behavioral health, domestic violence support, and basic needs programs.

For Eva and her young daughter, the St. Sabina Food Pantry operated by Catholic Charities is a lifeline for nutritious produce and meat. She's grateful to the staff who help her secure healthy food that is keeping her small family fed in uncertain economic times. As she navigates this stage, finding her footing as a young parent, Eva recently shared, "I'm thankful that I have someplace to go where I can be helped and respected." Catholic Charities helps hundreds of mothers like Eva every day throughout Cook and Lake counties. Please support the Second Collection on Mother's Day, May 14, or anytime at www.catholiccharities.net/donate.

¡La parroquia de Inmaculada Concepción San Miguel se une a Caridades Católicas en apoyo de madres y bebés en los condados de Cook y Lake! Caridades Católicas de la Arquidiócesis de Chicago ayuda a las familias a acceder a una amplia gama de apoyos y servicios. Cada día, Caridades Católicas atiende a miles de mujeres y sus hijos a través de su Programa de Apoyo Familiar y otros servicios de salud conductual, apoyo a la violencia doméstica y programas de necesidades básicas.

Para Eva y su pequeña hija, la despensa de alimentos de St. Sabina operada por Caridades Católicas es un salvavidas para productos nutritivos y carne. Está agradecida con el personal que la ayuda a obtener alimentos saludables que mantienen alimentada a su pequeña familia en tiempos de incertidumbre económica. Mientras navega por esta etapa, encontrando su equilibrio como madre joven, Eva compartió recientemente: "Estoy agradecida de tener un lugar a donde ir donde puedo ser ayudada y respetada". Caridades Católicas ayuda a cientos de madres como Eva todos los días en los condados de Cook y Lake. Por favor apoya a la Segunda Colecta el Día de la Madre, 14 de mayo, o en cualquier momento en www.catholiccharities.net/donate.

Devoción al Divino Niño Jesús / Devotion to the Divine Infant Jesus



Novena de la Confianza al Divino Niño Jesús

Niño amable de mi vida. Consuelo de los cristianos. La gracia que necesito pongo en tus benditas manos. **Padre nuestro...**

Tú que sabes mis pesares pues todos te los confío da la paz a los turbados y alivio al corazón mío. **Dios te salve María...**

Y aunque tu amor no merezco, no recurriré a ti en vano pues tu eres hijo de Dios y auxilio de los Cristianos. **Gloria al Padre...**

Acuérdate Niño Santo que jamas se oyó decir qué alguno haya implorado sin tu auxilio recibir. Por eso con fe y confianza, humilde y arrepentido, lleno de amor y esperanza, este favor yo te pido

Pedir la gracia que se desea y decir siete veces:

DIVINO NIÑO JESUS BENDICENOS.

Novena of Confidence to the Divine Infant Jesus

O gentle Infant Jesus, light of my life. You are the consolation of all Christians. I put in your holy hands this particular grace that I need. **Our Father...**

Because You know all my sorrows, I entrust them to you. Sweet Jesus, give your peace to all those who are confused and relief to my heart. **Hail Mary...**

I realize I do not deserve your love. Nevertheless, I come to you because you are the only begotten Son of God and the help of all Christians. **Glory be...**

Remember O Holy Infant that none have recourse to you in vain. Therefore I beg this favor of you with faith and confidence, with humility and repentance, full of hope and love.

Ask the favor you need and pray seven times:

DIVINE INFANT JESUS BLESS US.

WELCOME

Immaculate Conception St. Michael Parish welcomes all the pilgrims and thank you for visiting our parish and for your endless devotion. At this parish we are blessed to have the devotion to the Divine Infant Jesus. We appreciate your continuous support and hope that you come to visit whenever you can. May the Divine Infant Jesus bless you and your family.

We invite you to take the Divine Infant Jesus Pilgrim statue to your home to pray with family.

Join us every first Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm for a mass in honor of the Divine Infant Jesus.

BIENVENIDOS

La parroquia Inmaculada Concepción y San Miguel les da la bienvenida a todos los peregrinos y da las gracias por visitarnos y por su gran devoción al Divino Niño Jesús. Apreciamos su apoyo y esperamos que nos visite cuando le sea posible. En nuestra parroquia estamos bendecidos por tener esta Hermosa devoción. Que el Divino Niño Jesús y nuestra Madre Santísima Inmaculada los bendiga a ustedes y a su familia.

Le invitamos a llevar al Divino Niño Peregrino a su hogar, para orar en familia.

Tendremos una misa cada primer miercoles del mes a las 7:00pm en honor al Divino Niño Jesús. Los esperamos.

PARISH GIFT SHOP

Come visit our parish gift shop located near the entrance of the church basement. We've got a variety of religious articles for sale. We now take card and cash payments.

TIENDA DE ARTICULOS RELIGIOSOS

Venga a visitar nuestra tiendita parroquial ubicada cerca de la entrada del sótano de la iglesia. Tenemos una amplia variedad de artículos religiosos a la venta. Ahora tomamos pagos de tarjeta y efectivo.

