



MISSION

The mission of the Pharr Oratory of St. Philip Neri School System is to promote the formation of Christian character, Catholic lay leadership, Christian fellowship and community service by integrating the Gospel message with a liberal arts educational program in the spirit of joy of St. Philip Neri.

VISION

Every Oratory student believes the Gospel message and lives it by making a difference in the world, as each student journeys to his/her ultimate end, heaven.

MOTTO

EX UMBRIS ET IMAGINIBUS AD LUCEM
From the Shadows and Darkness Into the Light

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Since the beginning, our school community has always celebrated the birth of the child Jesus, our Savior, with a Christmas play right before departing for Christmas break. This year, students in grades PK through 3rd performed **Star** and students in grades 4th through 8th performed **A Charlie Brown Christmas**. We congratulate the students, parents, and staff for a faith-filled, outstanding performance. We thank our heavenly Father for the gifts he has given them and for the Catholic community we have come to form seeking goodness, truth and beauty. God be praised.

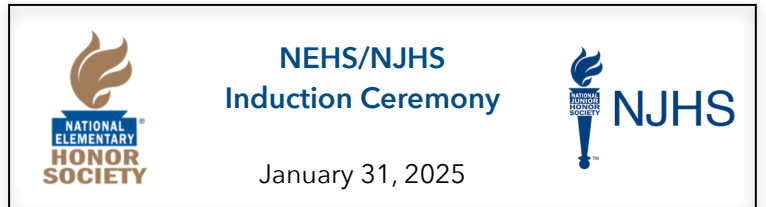
Desde el inicio, nuestra comunidad escolar siempre ha celebrado el nacimiento del niño Jesús, nuestro Salvador, con una obra de teatro navideña justo antes de partir para las vacaciones de Navidad. Este año los alumnos de PK a 3º representaron *Star* y los alumnos de 4º a 8º representaron *A Charlie Brown Christmas*. Felicitamos a los estudiantes, padres y personal por una actuación llena de fe. Agradecemos a nuestro Padre celestial por los dones que les ha dado y por la comunidad católica que hemos llegado a formar buscando la bondad, la verdad y la belleza. ¡Alabado sea Dios!

STAR



A CHARLIE BROWN CHRISTMAS





Profit/ Ganancia: \$12,213

Spirit Award 2025. Premio de Espiritualidad 2025

It is a special goal of the Diocese of Brownsville to foster lay involvement alongside the clergy in Catholic education. For this purpose and on the occasion of Catholic Education School Week, the Most Reverend Bishop Daniel E. Flores will sponsor the annual banquet honoring those Catholics who have shown outstanding leadership in the promotion of the Catholic tradition.

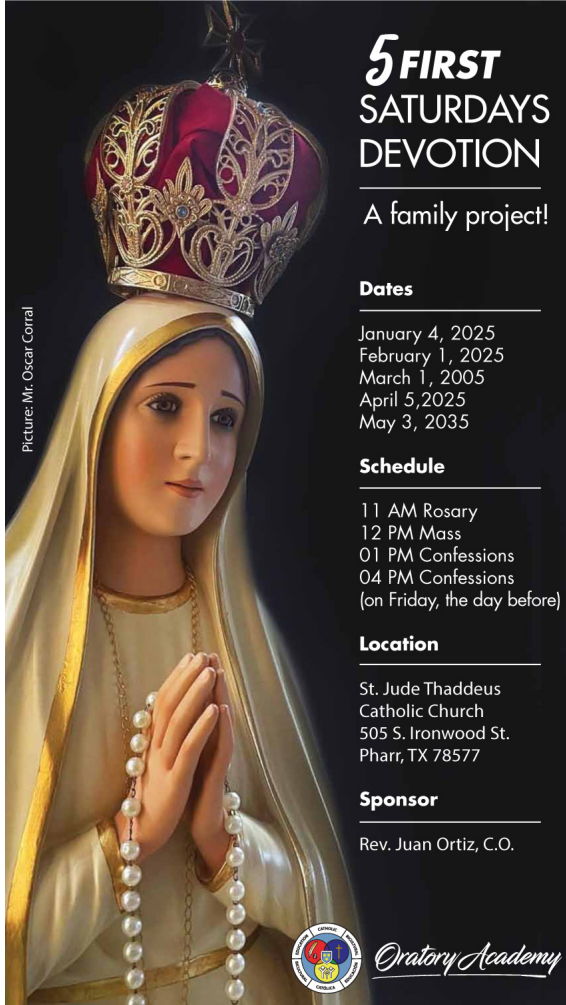
The Oratory Academy proudly congratulate Ronaldo "Ronnie" Cantu, who will receive the Spirit Award in recognition for his great contributions and self-sacrifice for Catholic education. This banquet will be held on January 24, 2025.

Premio de Espiritualidad 2025



Es una meta especial de la Diócesis de Brownsville fomentar la participación de los laicos junto con el clero en la educación católica. Con este propósito y en ocasión de la Semana Escolar de la Educación Católica, el Reverendísimo Obispo Daniel E. Flores patrocinará el banquete anual en honor a aquellos católicos que han demostrado un liderazgo sobresaliente en la promoción de la tradición católica.

La Academia Oratoria se enorgullece en felicitar a Ronaldo «Ronnie» Cantú, quien recibirá el Premio de Espiritualidad en reconocimiento a sus grandes contribuciones y abnegación por la educación católica. Este banquete se celebrará el 24 de enero de 2025.




5 FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION
A family project!

Dates
January 4, 2025
February 1, 2025
March 1, 2025
April 5, 2025
May 3, 2025

Schedule
11 AM Rosary
12 PM Mass
01 PM Confessions
04 PM Confessions
(on Friday, the day before)

Location
St. Jude Thaddeus
Catholic Church
505 S. Ironwood St.
Pharr, TX 78577

Sponsor
Rev. Juan Ortiz, C.O.

 Oratory Academy

Picture: Mr. Oscar Corral

January Cultural Excursion

In order to fully understand our Western cultural heritage, we have to see it embodied in the art and music that helped to make it great. Memoria Press' art program begins in the early grades, where students are familiarized with great Western art and music in simple lessons. In order to offer enrichment opportunities our students in grades PK-8 will attend the Valley Symphony Orchestra at the McAllen Performing Arts Center on January 30, 2025.

The schedule and logistic will be send soon!



Excursión Cultural de Enero

Para comprender plenamente nuestro patrimonio cultural occidental, tenemos que verlo plasmado en el arte y la música que contribuyeron a hacerlo grande. El programa de arte de Memoria Press comienza en los primeros grados, donde los alumnos se familiarizan con el gran arte y la música occidentales en sencillas lecciones. Con el fin de ofrecer oportunidades de enriquecimiento nuestros estudiantes de PK-8 asistirán a la Orquesta Sinfónica del Valle en el Centro de Artes Escénicas de McAllen el 30 de enero de 2025.

¡El horario y la logística serán enviados pronto!

Sweet Bread with Grandparents (1/23/25)

The founder of the Catholic Grandparents Association stresses the important role grandparents can play in passing on the faith and keeping prayer at the heart of family life.

Pan dulce con los Abuelos (1/23/25)

El fundador de la Asociación de Abuelos Católicos subraya el importante papel que pueden desempeñar los abuelos en la transmisión de la fe y el mantenimiento de la oración en el centro de la vida familiar.

Resources:

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city/news/2020-01/the-vital-role-of-grandparents-in-church-and-family-life.html#:~:text=The founder of the Catholic,the heart of family life>



JANUARY

1, 2, 3	· Christmas Break
4	· First Five Saturdays Devotion
6, 13, 20, 27	· Junior Legion of Mary Grades 4-8
10, 17, 24, 31	· Mass
13	· Third Quarter Begin
15, 29	· Women's Prayer Group
23	· Sweet bread with Grandparents
24	· Spirit Award Banquet
27	· Peter Piper Pizza Night (Diocesan Fundraiser Project)
27-31	· Catholic School Week
27-29	· Book Fair
30	· Valley Symphony Orchestra - Cultural Excursion
31	· NJHS & NEHS Induction Ceremony

FEBRUARY

1	· First Five Saturdays Devotion
7, 21, 28	· Mass
3, 10, 24	· Junior Legion of Mary Grades 4-8
7	· Group Picture/Parents Night Out
12	· Women's Prayer Group
14	· Diocesan Teacher In-service (No School)
17	· President's Day (No School)
28	· Noche de Alegria (Mandatory Major Fundraiser Project)

MARCH

1	· First Five Saturdays Devotion
3, 10, 17, 24, 31	· Junior Legion of Mary Grades 4-8
5	· Ash Wednesday Mass at 10 AM
5, 19	· Women's Prayer Group
6	· 5th Grade Vocation Day
7	· Diocesan Walk-A-Thon
14, 21, 28	· Mass
14	· Lent Retreat/Kinder & 8th Grades Cap and Gown Picture
7, 14, 21	· Via Crucis
19	· Fourth Quarter Begin
21	· Father/Son Retreat
28	· Early Release/Teacher In-service

APRIL

1-4	· Camp Allen 1-4 April 2025
3	· La Quinta Mazatlan Cultural Excursion Grades PK-2
4, 11, 25	· Mass
4, 11	· Via Crucis
5	· First Five Saturdays Devotion
7, 28	· Junior Legion of Mary Grades 4-8
9, 30	· Women's Prayer Group
14-22	· Easter Break

MAY

2, 9, 16, 23	· Mass
3	· First Five Saturdays Devotion
5-9	· Teacher Appreciation Week
5, 12, 19	· Junior Legion of Mary Grades 4-8
9	· Mother's Day Mass/ Spring Raffle (Mandatory Fundraiser Project)
14	· Women's Prayer Group
23	· Academic Awards Grades 4-8/Spiritual Awards Grades PK-8
23	· Grade 8th Mass & Graduation
24	· Kindergarten Mass & Graduation
28	· Academic Awards Grades PK, 1-3
29	· Early Release/Last Day of School

TENTATIVE