

## Helping Hands Medical Mission

St. Thomas More and St. John Vianney Parishes



**Mission Location:** El Salvador.

**Time of Year and Length of Mission:** One week mission in late October or early November.

**Background:** Helping Hands Medical Missions (HHMM) is a Catholic, Dallas-based organization that conducts nine medical missions a year to Mexico, El Salvador, Venezuela, Brazil, Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Philippines, and Ghana. Since 2003 St. Thomas More Parish has partnered with HHMM to fundraise, collect medications and supplies, and staff the October/November HHMM El Salvador Mission. St. John Vianney Parish joined the effort in 2013.

**Description:** Missionaries work in small clinics, hospitals, schools, and churches where they provide medical care for thousands in need. Services include surgeries, eye care, consultations, and the distribution of medicines. The mission includes Daily Mass, prayer, meditation, and sharing the faith through home visits.

**Needed:** Physicians (all specialties), pharmacists, nurses, therapists, translators and lay volunteers.

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**LOVE**  
**YOUR NEIGHBOUR**  
**AS YOURSELF**

**Mark 12:31**

**Reach out to your brothers and sisters in need by participating in a medical mission**

**I was sick and you looked after me...**

**Matthew 25:36**



Catholic  
Medical Missions  
of the Archdiocese of  
Galveston-Houston

The following Catholic mission groups are located within the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston and provide medical care to God's impoverished people in various locations.

Each mission group has an ongoing need for volunteer medical professionals and non-medical volunteers. The only requirement is a heart of service.

With discernment and prayer, please consider assisting God's people on these missions. For more information please contact the individuals indicated for each organization.



## Sending Out Servants (SOS)

No parish affiliation



**Mission Location:** Quiché, Guatemala.

**Time of Year and Length of Mission:** A one week Vision Clinic Mission in the Spring, followed by a one week Cataract/Pterygia surgical Mission.

**Background:** Sending Out Servants (SOS) has been conducting one week medical, surgical and faith sharing missions to the Department of Quiché, Guatemala since 1998. The Vision Clinic Mission Team works in the town of Joyabaj, which is 98% indigenous. The Cataract/Pterygia Surgical Mission Team works at the local Hospital in Joyabaj.

**Description:** The SOS mission teams provide eye assessment and surgical services to very poor Mayan populations living in remote mountainous areas of Guatemala. Optometrists examine the patients. Patients are given Rx distance glasses, OTC reading glasses and Rx and OTC eye drops. The Optometrists refer patients for cataract and pterygia surgeries. Medical doctors provide general medical assessments. Surgeons and support staff provide cataract and pterygia surgeries.

**Needed:** Optometrists, ophthalmic techs, medical doctors, cataract surgeons, operating room nurses.

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## Medical Missionaries of Divine Mercy

St. Laurence Parish



**Mission Location:** Costa Rica and Laredo, Texas.

**Time of Year and Length of Mission:** Costa Rica: a week in April. Laredo: a week in November.

**Background:** Founded in 2002, Medical Missionaries of Divine Mercy (MMDM) is dedicated to medical and spiritual works of mercy. Since 2009 MMDM has conducted medical missions to Laredo, Texas, with outreach to nearby areas. Since 2014 MMDM has conducted missions to the indigenous in Costa Rica.

**Description:** Services include family medicine, pediatrics, internal medicine, dental care, vision and audiometric diagnosis, eye glasses, chiropractic and physical therapy. Spiritual programs include counseling, Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick, Mass, and healing prayer.

**Needed:** Physicians, pediatricians, physician assistants, registered nurses and practitioners, medical assistants and technicians, pharmacists, orthodontists, dentists, dental hygienists and assistants, ophthalmologists, optometrists and chiropractors, physical therapists, translators and lay volunteers.

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## St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church at The Woodlands



**Mission Location:** Communities of La Colonia, El Mirador, Las Brisas and La Esperancita in Honduras.

**Time of Year and Length of Mission:** One week mission in Mid-September.

**Background:** The Mission started in 2013 with the goal of helping the neediest in two remote villages in North East Honduras. Our vision was to help them by bringing medical and dental services and most importantly the Word of God. We have seen great progress in all of these areas and we have been moved by the growth of their faith and spirit through the reestablishment of the catechetical and sacramental aspects of their Catholic faith.

**Description:** Our missionaries work in outdoor clinics and churches providing medical and dental care for hundreds in need of attention. Services include: check-ups, consultations, dental extractions and restorations and the distribution of medicines and vitamins. The mission includes Daily Mass, prayer, the sacraments and faith sharing by home visits and catechesis.

**Needed:** Doctors, Nurses, Dentists, Dental Hygienists, Optometrists, Ophthalmologist, Teachers, Engineers, handymen, anyone with a servant's heart, Priests, Deacons and Nuns.

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