

## INSPIRED BY Music



On a cold rainy Saturday, the Jazz Ensemble from Saint Augustine High School had a special gig south of the border. The Saints' Jazz ensemble consists of two Saxophones, a trumpet, a set of drums, a lead guitar, a base guitar and of course a piano. The Jazz Ensemble plays at events at Saints and is an outreach for young musicians as they travel to the elementary schools of the Diocese of San Diego during the year to inspire future musicians. The musicians loaded up the Campus Ministry van and all their gear and set out for

an adventure. Some of the musicians have been attending the service visits to the Casa Hogar every month for four years but this time they brought their instruments to share their passion for music with the children of the Hogar. Their audience was looking forward to a break from the monotony of a rainy weekend at Casa Hogar La Gloria. The live music was a special treat for all the kids but the chance to play with the instruments and give them a test drive was the highlight of the afternoon. Each of the older kids took a turn on each of the instruments.



**"I WILL NOT LEAVE YOUR ORPHANED. I WILL COME BACK TO YOU." (JOHN 14:18)**



ermo MacFarland, President of the Casa Hogar La Gloria, A.C., eloquently spoke to those gathered to celebrate the amazing group of souls who have made significant contributions to the lives of the children who have passed through the gates of the Casa Hogar over the past 40 years. Those gathered included past and present employees and benefactors, a group of teenagers from San Diego, and supporters from the greater Tijuana area. Mr. MacFarland acknowledged the persistence of the founders and challenged the young adults in attendance to examine their hearts and recognize their responsibility to continue this mission. The care for these children

placed with us by the Mexican government for reasons of abuse, neglect and in need of shelter, food and education will be continued by those who have witnessed the joy in the faces of these kids.



These words rang out at the mass for the Virgin of Guadalupe held on December 10 at the Casa Hogar La Gloria. Father Kirk Davis, OSA and Father John Keller, OSA presided over a lovely mass with a choir of our own children. After the mass, Mr. Guill-



## MISSION

Our Mission is to give each child in our care a secure home and loving family in which to develop and grow. Hogar Infantil, Inc. is committed to providing for children in need and does so by providing support to the children's home, Hogar Infantil La Gloria.

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## THE FACILITIES

The kitchen upgrade is complete and the place is looking wonderful. Thanks to a generous grant from The St. Augustine Foundation the entire kitchen area has been redone with a new freezer, walk-in refrigerator and a brand new range with 6 burners and a griddle. New dry goods storage has been built by repurposing some office space and the results are tremendous. Our provisions closets are



stocked up for the winter this year and we are grateful for all the donations.

This winter has been especially rainy in Tijuana this year. It has been perfect weather to test the roof repairs and new electrical work. We have some drainage issues that must be remedied but all in all the property is well situated on top of a hill and water always finds the lowest point.

