

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Diocese of
Fort Wayne-South Bend

Sunday, December 7th, 2025

MASS TIMES

Saturday: English Vigil Mass of Sunday at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: English 10:00 a.m. / Spanish 12:30 p.m.

Weekdays: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday at 9:30 a.m.
and Thursday 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: From 6:15 p.m. until last penitent.

Sunday: From 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Weekdays: Tuesday & Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:20 a.m.
Thursday from 10:15 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. and
from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

ENGLISH MASS DEDICATED TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

First Friday of the month:

At 9:30 a.m. and coffee & donuts after Mass.

EUCHARTISTIC ADORATION

Thursday: From 10:00 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

By appointment.

MASSES WITH THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

First Wednesday of the month:

English at 9:30 a.m. with Litany to St. Joseph.

First Thursday of the month:

Spanish at 6:30 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Telephone number: (260) 463 - 3472

Tuesday & Wednesday: From 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Thursday: from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and
from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Monday & Friday: **Closed!**

Second Sunday of Advent



Segundo Domingo
de
Adviento



LETTER FROM BISHOP KEVIN C. RHOADES

For Catholic Charities' Christmas Envelope Collection

[An excerpt from Catholic Charities' 2025 Impact Report]

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

"Hope in the Lord! Hold firm, take heart and hope in the Lord!" These words of Psalm 27 resound in our hearts since Pope Francis chose hope as the theme for this Jubilee Year 2025. He wanted the whole Church and each one of us to be renewed in hope, our hope in God, at a time when there is increasing hopelessness in the world. As Christians, the ultimate reason for our hope is Jesus our Savior, His death and resurrection, and His promise of eternal life.

The theological virtue of hope is intimately linked to the other two theological virtues: faith and love. These three virtues are the foundational virtues of the Christian life. Without faith in God, we would be without hope since our lives would lack ultimate meaning and purpose. Without love, our faith would not be a living faith and our hope would be futile since at the end of our lives we will be judged on love.

Hope, rooted in faith and witnessed through love, is central to the mission of Catholic Charities. As disciples of Jesus Christ, we are called "to be tangible signs of hope for those of our brothers and sisters who experience hardships of any kind" (Pope Francis). All the works of Catholic Charities are ordered to the loving service of our brothers and sisters in need. This loving service engenders hope in the lives of those who are struggling because of poverty, mental illness, and other human sufferings. Our pro-life services engender hope in the lives of pregnant mothers in need of support. Our loving service of migrants and refugees engenders hope in the lives of those who had to leave their homelands because of violence, persecution, or severe poverty.

I am proud of the work of our Catholic Charities. Though we help tens of thousands of needy people in our diocese each year, I wish we could help more. Because of the mental health crisis in our country, we have significantly increased our counseling services, but there are still so many whom we are not able to serve due to lack of sufficient funding to hire more counselors. I am deeply grateful to all our donors whose generosity allows us to grow these services.

May God bless you this Christmas and may our diocesan patron saints, the Blessed Virgin Mary and Saint Matthew, intercede for you!

+ Kevin C. Rhoades

Bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend

Chairman of the Board, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend

Mass Intentions of December

Tuesday, December 2nd
- 9:30 a.m. +Purgatory souls

Wednesday, December 3rd
- 9:30 a.m. For Donna's Pineda health

Thursday, December 4th
- No religious services this day!

Friday, November 5th
- 9:30 a.m. Yuliana Martinez (B-day)

Saturday, December 6th
- 5:00 p.m. +Mary Mynhier

Sunday, December 7th
- 10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
- 12:30 p.m. +Nestor Rodriguez

Monday, December 8th
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
- 5:00 p.m. (English) People of the Parish
- 7:00 p.m. (Spanish) Por las almas del purgatorio

Tuesday, December 9th
- 9:30 a.m. People of the Parish

Wednesday, December 10th
- 9:30 a.m. For spiritual health of Kailey Sosa.

Thursday, December 11th
- 9:30 a.m. For spiritual health of Aileen Sosa
- 6:30 p.m. +Alex Bucio Cardenas

Friday, December 12th
Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
5:30 p.m. (Spanish) +Guadalupe Botello

Saturday, December 13th
- 5:00 p.m. +Salud Avila

Sunday, December 14th
- 10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
- 12:30 p.m. +Ulises Rodriguez

Tuesday, December 16th
- 9:30 a.m. +Purgatory souls

Wednesday, December 17th
- 9:30 a.m. (Date available)

Thursday, December 18th
- 9:30 a.m. +Donna Botteron
- No Spanish Mass this day!
Due to the Advent Penitential Service!

Saturday, December 20th
- 5:00 p.m. +Timoteo Luna

Sunday, December 21st
- 10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
- 12:30 p.m. +Alberto Garcia

Tuesday, December 23rd
- 9:30 a.m. (Date available)

Wednesday, December 24th
No morning Mass!
Christmas Eve English Mass
- 5:00 p.m. +Edwin North

Thursday December 25th
Christmas Day Masses
- 10:00 a.m. (English) Osvaldo & Anna Mendoza (Anniv. #25 years of Matrimony)
- 12:30 p.m. (Spanish) People of the Parish

Saturday, December 27th
- 5:00 p.m. Pablo Hurtado (B-day)

Sunday, December 28th
10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
12:30 p.m. (Spanish) +Alberto Garcia

Tuesday, December 30th
- 9:30 a.m. Maria Anicua (B-day)

Wednesday, December 31st
- No Morning Mass!
New year's Eve Mass
- 5:00 p.m. (English) People of the Parish
- 7:00 p.m. +Alex Bucio Cardenas

Thursday, January 1st
Solemnity of Mary Mother of God
- 10:00 a.m. Angelina Montoya (B-day)
- No religious services in the evening.

REGULAR COLLECTION REPORT

Saturday & Sunday <ul style="list-style-type: none">\$1,769.02 Votives <ul style="list-style-type: none">\$20.00 Charity Box <ul style="list-style-type: none">\$12.00 Maintenance Fund <ul style="list-style-type: none">n/a Franciscans of Mary <ul style="list-style-type: none">\$541.00 Flowers <ul style="list-style-type: none">\$228.00	Donations Ceiling repair Fund <ul style="list-style-type: none">n/a Donation to Church <ul style="list-style-type: none">\$20.00 #39 Annual Bishop's Appeal <ul style="list-style-type: none">\$100.00 Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast <ul style="list-style-type: none">\$374.00
Total: \$3,064.02	

OFFERING MASS INTENTIONS

Remember that you can offer intentions for your deceased, sick relatives or for any other intention by coming to the Parish Office during office's hours. According to Canon Law, the bishops of a Providence determine the offering amount the offering amount that seems appropriate. The bishops of the Indiana Providence have determined that the appropriate offering is \$10.00.

OFRECER INTENCIONES PARA LA MISA

Recuerde que puede ofrecer intenciones por sus difuntos, familiares enfermos o por cualquier otra intención viniendo a la oficina Parroquial durante el horario de oficina. Según el Derecho Canónico, los obispos de una Providencia determinan el monto de la ofrenda que les parece apropiado. Los obispos de la Providencia de Indiana han determinado que la ofrenda apropiada es de \$10.00.



YOUTH GROUP

The youth group meets on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
All youth from 8th-12th grade are welcome to join us!
El grupo juvenil se reúne el segundo y cuarto domingo de cada mes, de 5 p. m. a 7 p. m.
¡Todos los jóvenes de 8.º a 12.º grado son bienvenidos!



YOUNG ADULT GROUP

The young adult group meets every Monday at 7 p.m. at the church. Young adults between the ages of 18 and 35 (single) are welcome to join us!
EL GRUPO DE JÓVENES ADULTOS
se reúne todos los lunes a las 7 p.m. en la iglesia.
¡Los jóvenes adultos de entre 18 y 35 años (solteros) son bienvenidos a participar!





WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Third Sunday of Advent



Mass Time & Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers
Saturday Vigil, December 13th at 5:00 p.m.	- Isabel Ballines - Regina Ballines - Ariana Garcia	- Ruben Jr. Hurtado	- Ellen Heiny	- Mike Keith - Anita Keith - Ruben Hurtado - Raul Ballines
Sunday, December 14th at 10:00 a.m.	- Paige McDonald - Brooklyn McDonald - Gaby Medina	- Delores Henderson	- Tom McCue	- Mandy McDonald - Barry McDonald - Jeremiah Rogers - Andrew Stroop
Domingo, 14 de diciembre a las 12:30 p.m.	- Alejandro Barajas - Andres Barajas - Maximiliano G.	- Raquel Luna - Yolanda Garcia	- Veronica Montoya - Maria Castro	- Adrian Barajas - Enrique Barajas - Julian Barajas - Ruben Barajas

PRAYER REQUEST

Please remember to pray for those who are sick or suffering. If you have any prayer request and you would like us to post it in the Bulletin please contact the parish office.

We are here to pray for you and your needs!

Please pray for:
Gloria Davis
Jose Luis Soto
Ignacio Soto



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

- **December 7th** - Class session.
- **December 8th** - All students are required to attend one of the following Holy Day Masses of Obligation for the Immaculate Conception: **5:00 p.m. (English)** or **7:00 p.m. (Spanish)**
(Mass calendars will be signed after all Masses.)

- **December 14th** - Class session.
- **December 21st - January 4th** - Christmas break.
- **January 11th** - Back to class.

IMPORTANT!

Additionally, on Sunday, January 11th, there will be a presentation of the program ***Theology of the Body*** for the parents of 7th-grade students at 11:15 a.m. in the Social Hall.

Attendance is **MANDATORY** for all parents at this meeting.



LAS POSADAS MEXICANAS

EN EL NOMBRE DEL CIELO

OS PIDO POSADA



**Del 15 al 23 de diciembre
de 6 p.m. a 8 p.m.
En el salón parroquial.**

**Las familias que gusten
anotarse para donar
aguinaldos por favor
comunicarse con Pedro
Flores al final de la Misa o
llamándole al
(269) 200 - 6672.**

SCHEDULE OF DECEMBER

Monday, December 8th
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
 (Holy Day of Obligation)

- 5:00 p.m. English Mass.
- 7:00 p.m. Spanish Mass.

Friday, December 12th
Solemnity of Our Lady of Guadalupe
 (All activities are in Spanish)

- 5:00 pm - Holy Rosary in Spanish.
- 5:30 pm - Solemn Spanish Mass.
- 6:45 pm - Serenata by La Banda Centenario.
- 7:00 pm - Procession around the Church.
- 7:30 pm - Mexican Dinner at the Social Hall.

Thursday, December 18th
Advent Penance Service

- Beginning at 6:30 p.m. until last penitent.
- There will be 5 priests available to hear confessions.
- No Spanish Mass this day!

Wednesday, December 24th
Christmas Eve

- No morning Mass this day!
- 5 p.m. - English Mass.

Thursday, December 25th
Christmas Day
 (Holy Day of Obligation)

- 10:00 a.m. - English Mass.
- 12:30 p.m. - Spanish Mass.
- No religious services in the evening.

***The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, Dec. 25th & 26th**

Wednesday, December 31st
New Year's Eve

- No morning Mass this day!
- 5 p.m. - English Mass.
- 7 p.m. - Spanish Mass.

Thursday, January 1st, 2026
Solemnity of Mary Mother of God
 (Holy Day of Obligation)

- 10:00 a.m. - English Mass.
- No religious services in the evening!

***Parish Office will be closed from January 1st & 2nd**

Please note:

- There will be **no religious services** from **January 5th to 9th** - the priests will be out of town.
- The Parish office will remain open during its regular hours.



Ministry Schedule

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Monday, December 8th
English Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers

- Emilia Mendoza
- Valentina Mendoza
- Gaby Medina
- Jeshua Nieves

Lector

- Nathan Stroup

Extraordinary Minister

- Marilyn Morton
- Joann Van Wagner
- Larry Gephart

Ushers

- Pat Mynhier
- Andrew Stroop

Music

- Kevin Ramer & Charlie Hire



Horario de Servidores

Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción

Lunes 8 de diciembre
Misa de español a las 7:00 p.m.

Monaguillos

- Ariana Garcia
- Gessuri Rangel
- Rene Rangel
- Isabel Ballines

Lectores

- Celina Gonzalez
- Maria Anicua

Ministro Extraordinario

- Veronica Montoya
- Maria Hernandez
- Manuel Jasso

Ujieres

- Judid Castañeda / Elena Garcia
- Adriana Alvarez / Jesus Luna

Musica

Coro de español



Knights of Columbus Family Christmas Party

The members of the Knights of Columbus need to RSVP for your Christmas party at St. James Restaurant by the 12th. The Christmas party will be on the 17th.

Horario de Servidores

Solemnidad a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Viernes 12 de diciembre
Misa de español a las 5:30 p.m.

Monaguillos

- Jazlyn Garcia
- Alondra Arroyo
- Anneli Arroyo
- Thalia Luna

Lectores

- Guadalupe Barajas
- Juliana Pineda

Ministro Extraordinario

- Pedro Flores
- Griselda Nieves
- Victor Rodriguez

Ujieres

- Feliciano Barajas / Aurelio Luna
- Adrian Barajas / Mario Sanchez

Musica

Coro de español



Solemnidad de la Virgen de Guadalupe

Viernes 12 de diciembre

La Parroquia San José - LaGrange, IN te invita a la celebración en honor a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Programa:

- 5:00 p.m. - Rezo del Santo Rosario.
- 5:30 p.m. - Misa Solemne en Español.
- 6:45 p.m. - Serenata con la Banda Centenario.
- 7:00 p.m. - Procesión alrededor de la Iglesia.
- 7:45 p.m. - Cena en el salón parroquial.



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

On Monday December 8th Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)

- 5:00 p.m. / English Mass
- 7:00 p.m. / Spanish Mass

On Wednesday, December 10th • Parish Christmas Party in the social hall from 5:00 p.m. to 9 p.m.

On Friday December 12th Solemnity to Our Lady of Guadalupe (All activities are in Spanish)

- 5:00 p.m. - Holy Rosary
- 5:30 p.m. - Solemn Mass in Spanish.
- 6:45 p.m. - Serenata by a Mexican Band.
- 7:00 p.m. - Procession around the Church.
- 7:45 p.m. - Dinner in the Social Hall.

On the weekend of December 13th & 14th • Special Collection to support Retirement Fund for Religious.

On Sunday, December 14th • Youth Group meets from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

On Thursday, December 18th Advent Penance Service

- Beginning at 6:30 p.m. until the last penitent.
- 5 priests will be available to hear confessions.

*New Schedule for Christmas Masses (Holy day of Obligation)

- December 24th - 5:00 p.m. English.
- December 25th - 10:00 a.m. English and 12:30 p.m. Spanish.

On Thursday, December 25th • Special Collection to support Catholic Charities.

*New Schedule for New Year's Masses (Holy day of Obligation)

- December 31st - 5:00 p.m. English and 7:00 p.m. Spanish.
- January 1st - 10:00 a.m. English.

ANUNCIOS PARROQUIALES

El lunes 8 de diciembre Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción (Día de Precepto)

- 5:00 p.m. Misa en Ingles
- 7:00 p.m. Misa en Español

Solemnidad de Nuestra S. de Guadalupe El viernes, 12 de diciembre

- 5:00 p.m. - Rezo del Santo Rosario.
- 5:30 p.m. - Misa Solemne en Español.
- 6:45 p.m. - Serenata con la Banda Centenario a la Virgen.
- 7:00 p.m. - Procesión alrededor de la Iglesia.
- 7:45 p.m. - Cena en el salón parroquial.

Del 15 al 23 de diciembre Posadas Mexicanas

- De 6 p.m. a 8 p.m. en el salón parroquial.
- Todos estan cordialmente invitados a venir con sus familias.

El domingo 14th de diciembre

- Colecta especial para apoyar el Fondo de Jubilación para Religiosos.
- El Grupo Juvenil se reúne de 5 p.m. a 8 p.m.

El jueves 18 de diciembre Servicio Penitencial de Adviento

- Comenzado a las 6:30 p.m. hasta el ultimo penitente.
- Habrá 5 sacerdotes disponibles confesando.
- ¡No hay Misa de español este día!

*Nuevo horario para las Misas de Navidad (Día de precepto)

- 24 de diciembre - 5:00 p.m. en inglés.
- 25 de diciembre - 10:00 a.m. en inglés y 12:30 p.m. en español.

El jueves 25 de diciembre

- Colecta especial para apoyar a las Caridades Católicas.

*Nuevo horario para las Misas de Año Nuevo (Día de precepto)

- 31 de diciembre - 5:00 p.m. en inglés y 7:00 p.m. en español.
- 1 de enero - 10:00 a.m. en inglés.

PARISH STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

Pastor: Fr. Osman Ramos, FM
(osmanramosguzman@hotmail.com)

His office hours are: Thursdays
from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30p.m. / 5p.m. to 8p.m.

Parochial Vicars:

Fr. Raúl Marroquin, FM (raul@frmaria.org)

Fr. Jorge Sis, FM (jorge@frmaria.org)

If you want to talk to any priest, please make an appointment by calling at the Parish Office

Parish Secretary & DRE: Lupita Hurtado
(secretary@saintjosephlagrange.org)

Her office hours are: Tues., Wed., from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Thurs. from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. & in the afternoon from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Business Manager: Anna Mendoza
(accountant@saintjosephlagrange.org)

Her office hours are: Tues. and Thurs. from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and Wed. / 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Sacristan & Cleaning: Veronica Montoya
Saturday evening Pianist: Kevin Ramer

KEY VOLUNTEERS

Pianist of Sunday morning:
Elizabeth Rogers

Cantors:
Charlie & Megan Hire (Saturday)
John Romer (Sunday)

Spanish Choir:
Luz Piña & Miguel Muñoz

Youth Ministry Coordinators:
Ruben Jr. Hurtado, Diana Mendoza
and Nathan Cook

Parish Council President
Nathan Stroup

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

To request information for Baptism, Quinceañeras Masses, Weddings, house blessings, Anointing or Communion of the sick, funeral Masses or Masses for 25th, 50th, 60th wedding anniversaries, and also information about social hall rental please call the parish secretary during office hours at (260) 463 -3472.

INFORMACIÓN SACRAMENTAL

Para solicitar información para Bautizos, Misas de Quinceañeras, Bodas, Bendiciones de casas, Unción y Comunión a los enfermos, Misas de funerales o Misas de aniversario de bodas de 25, 50, 60 años y también información para rentar de salón parroquial por favor llame a la secretaria parroquial durante el horario de oficina al (260) 463 -3472.

St. Joseph's Christmas Giving Tree**Share your blessings with others!**

Please take a color-coded tag... or several

We ask that all gifts:
Be returned by December 14th
Be placed around the Giving Tree
Include the **original** color-coded tag

God bless your generosity!

¡Árbol de Navidad de la Caridad!

¡Comparte tus bendiciones con los demás!

Por favor, toma una etiqueta con código de color... o varias.

Pedimos que todos los regalos:
Se devuelvan antes del 14 de diciembre.
Se coloquen alrededor del Árbol de los regalos.
Incluyan **la etiqueta original** con código de color.

¡Dios bendiga tu generosidad!

**Dear Parishioners,**

If you would like to make a donation for the works of charity of our Franciscans of Mary priests, you can contact our Parish Secretary. Thank you for your generosity!