

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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 Diocese of
Fort Wayne-South Bend

Sunday, November 30th, 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!

First Sunday of Advent



Primer Domingo de
Adviento

A SPIRITUAL DROP FROM OUR PASTOR

First Sunday of Advent- Cycle A - Sunday, November 30th, 2025

We are beginning a new liturgical year in our Catholic Church, which is an excellent time to start afresh in our spiritual lives and be completely transformed into what God wants us to be: saints. As this beautiful liturgical season begins (my favorite time of the year, by the way), I want to share an important announcement that many of you may already have heard. It concerns the Diocesan Synod that our Bishop, Kevin Rhoades, has convened for the year 2026. According to Canon 460 of the Code of Canon Law, "The diocesan synod is an assembly of priests and other faithful chosen from a particular Church, who assist the Bishop of the diocese for the good of the entire diocesan community." Bishop Rhoades has called this synod so that, together with the Holy Spirit, we can reflect, pray, and listen to all the people of God who walk as pilgrims in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. The synod will unfold in several phases of consultation. The first, held last October, involved all the priests of the diocese. We now enter the parish phase, which each pastor has been asked to organize in a way best suited to his community. After much thought and prayer, I have decided that our parish will begin this phase of prayer and discernment on the weekend of January 24-25, 2026. On that weekend, we will begin praying together the official Synod Prayer prepared by the Diocese, which will be distributed to all parishioners in due course. At the same time, we will invite everyone who wishes to participate in our parish consultation to register; the consultation will take place on Saturday, February 28. The synod is above all, a sacred time for listening - listening to one another with respect, humility, and openness to God's Spirit. It is not about changing the doctrine of the Church, as Pope Leo XIV has repeatedly emphasized, but about listening to one another to learn how we can face the current challenges of the world, our Diocese, and our Parish community. At the conclusion of our consultation, a summary of our reflections will be prepared and sent to Bishop Rhoades. Guided by the reports he receives from all the parishes of the Diocese, he will prayerfully discern how to act and the decisions that should be made. If you would like to learn more about this important diocesan initiative, I invite you to check the next that includes a video that our Bishop has recorded: <https://diocesefwsb.org/synod/>

Iniciamos un nuevo año litúrgico en nuestra Iglesia Católica, el cual es un tiempo excelente para volver a empezar desde cero en nuestra vida espiritual y transformarnos por completo en lo que Dios quiere que seamos: Santos. Comenzado este tiempo litúrgico (mi preferido del año, por cierto) quiero anunciarles algo que probablemente muchos de ustedes ya han escuchado. Se trata del Sínodo Diocesano que nuestro Obispo Kevin Rhoades ha convocado para el año 2026. Según el número 460 del Código de Derecho Canónico "El sínodo diocesano es una asamblea de sacerdotes y de otros fieles escogidos de una Iglesia particular, que prestan su ayuda al Obispo de la diócesis para bien de toda la comunidad diocesana". Nuestro Obispo ha querido convocar este sínodo para reflexionar y escuchar a todo el pueblo de Dios que peregrina en la Diócesis de Fort Wayne-South Bend. El sínodo tendrá varias fases de consultas, la primera fue con todos los sacerdotes el pasado mes de octubre, ahora viene la fase parroquial que cada Párroco decidirá como hacerla y llevarla a cabo. En nuestro caso, he decido empezar la fase de Oración y discernimiento el finde semana del 24 y 25 de enero de 2026. Esto significa que empezaremos a rezar la Oración oficial del Sínodo que nuestra Diócesis ha preparado y que se distribuirá a todos ustedes en su debido momento, a la vez estaremos invitando a todas las personas que quieran inscribirse para participar en nuestra gran consulta parroquial que será el sábado 28 de febrero de 2026. El sínodo es sobre todo y ante todo un gran tiempo de escucharnos mutuamente con respeto y apertura. No se trata de cambiar la doctrina de la Iglesia como el Papa León XIV ha dicho varias veces, sino de escucharnos para saber cómo podemos enfrentar los retos actuales del mundo, de nuestra Diócesis y de nuestra Parroquia. Al final de la consulta se hará un resumen general y se enviará al Obispo quien discernirá iluminado por todos los reportes que reciba de todas las parroquias como debe actuar y qué debe decidir. Si quieren saber más sobre este importante evento diocesano, les invito a que visiten el siguiente enlace que incluye un vide que el mismo Obispo ha grabado: <https://diocesefwsb.org/synod/>

God loves you with infinite tenderness.
Happy Sunday!

Fr. Osman Ramos, FM
Pastor



Mass Intentions of December

Saturday, November 29th
 - 5:00 p.m. In thanksgiving to God for the blessings received by the Cruz Jimenez family.

Sunday, November 30th
 - 10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
 - 12:30 p.m. +Alberto Garcia

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) (Date available)
 7:00 p.m. (Spanish) Por las almas del purgatorio

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

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

Thursday, December 11th
 - 9:30 a.m. For the 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 Spanish Mass
 - 5:00 p.m. +Edwin North

Thursday December 25th
Christmas Day English Mass
 - 10:00 a.m. Osvaldo & Anna Mendoza
 (Anniv. #25 years of Matrimony)

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
 - 9:30 a.m. (Date available)
New year's Eve Spanish Mass
 5:00 p.m. +Alex Bucio Cardenas

REGULAR COLLECTION REPORT

<p>Saturday & Sunday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$3,403.23 <p>Votives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$65.00 <p>Charity Box</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> n/a <p>Maintenance Fund</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$145.00 <p>Franciscans of Mary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$92.00 <p>Flowers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> n/a 	<p>Donations Ceiling repair Fund</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> n/a <p>Social Hall Rentals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$500.00 <p>Social Hall Insurance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$190.00 <p>#39 Annual Bishop's Appeal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$300.00 <p>Catholic Campaign for Human Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1,311.00
<p>Total: \$6,006.23</p>	

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
Second Sunday of Advent



Mass Time & Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers
Saturday Vigil, December 6th at 5:00 p.m.	- Fatima Hurtado - Jeshua Nieves	- Mike Keith	- Lupita Hurtado	- Pat Mynhier - Aaron Keith
Sunday, December 7th at 10:00 a.m.	-----	- Diana Mendoza	- Kelly Payne	- Anna Mendoza - Osvaldo Mendoza
Domingo, 7 de diciembre a las 12:30 p.m.	-----	- Maria Anicua - Alejandra Garcia	- Pedro Flores - Celia Rodriguez - Victor Rodriguez	- Feliciano Barajas - Moises Luna - Alejandro Flores - Humberto Garduño

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.

CHRISTMAS AT GIBALT



These gifts are for children that they don't have a home. If you would like to donate some toys from the list, please bring them to church and deposit them in the big wood box that it will be located in the gathering area.

Due date is December 7th.

Estos regalos son para niños que no tienen un hogar. Si usted desea donar algunos juguetes de la lista, por favor traerlos a la Iglesia y depositarlos en la caja grande de madera que esta en el área de la entrada.

Fecha limite es 7 de diciembre.

SCHEDULE OF DECEMBER

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

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

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.
- There will be 5 priests available to hear confessions.
- **No Spanish Mass this day!**

Wednesday, December 24th
Christmas Eve

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

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

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

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

Wednesday, December 31st
New Year's Eve

- 5 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.





BYOB CHRISTMAS PARTY

On Wed. December 10th
5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
In the Social Hall of our Parish



- COST: \$20 per person PAID IN ADVANCE.
- MENU: CHICKEN OR SALISBURY STEAK, MASHED POTATOES, GREEN BEANS, SALAD, PIE BYOB.
- SIGN UP in the church's vestibule after each Mass thru NOVEMBER 23. Sorry NO walk-ins.
- No need to bring a gift... just yourselves & BYOB
- CHRISTMAS GIFT BOX for our 3 priests will also be in the vestibule until after morning Mass on DECEMBER 10.
- Doors open at 4:30 p.m. for fellowship.

"PEREGRINACIÓN DE LA CARIDAD A TIERRA SANTA"



Acompaña al
P. Santiago Martín, FM
a la Peregrinación de la Caridad
del 5 al 15 de marzo, 2026.



Inscripciones:
peregrinacion@frmaria.org

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.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

On, Monday, December 1st

- The young adult group invites you to participate by helping to make piñatas in the social hall at 6 p.m.

On Tuesday, December 2nd

- We are going to have the Anointing of the sick on Tuesday morning Mass instead of Wednesday because Fr. Osman will be out of town attending to his personal Advent Retreat from December 1st to 5th.

On Wednesday, December 3rd

- We are going to have a guest priest, Fr. David Langford will celebrate 9:30 a.m. English Mass.
- No morning confessions this day!**

On Thursday, December 4

- There will be **no morning or evening religious services**, as the priests will be attending the Advent Retreat for Priests in Syracuse, IN.
- The parish office will remain open during its regular hours.

On Friday, December 5th

- 9:30 a.m. English Mass in honor to the Sacred Heart of Jesus with Litany at the end. After join us for coffee & donuts at the gathering area.

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Monday, December 8th

(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.
- Please sign up at the end of all English Masses.

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 25th

- Special Collection to support Catholic Charities.

ANUNCIOS PARROQUIALES

Mañana lunes 1 de diciembre

- El grupo de jóvenes adultos les invita a participar ayudando hacer piñatas en salón parroquial a las 6 p.m.

El domingo 30 de noviembre

- Segunda colecta para la Festividad a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe solo en la Misa de español de 12:30 p.m.

El jueves 4 de diciembre

- NO** habrá servicios religiosos por la mañana ni por la tarde, ya que los sacerdotes asistirán al Retiro de Adviento para sacerdotes en Syracuse, IN.
- La oficina parroquial permanecerá abierta en su horario habitual.

El viernes 5 de diciembre

- 9:30 a. m. Misa en inglés en honor al Sagrado Corazón de Jesús con letanía al final. Después, acompáñenos a tomar café y donas en el área de reunión.

El domingo 7 de diciembre

- Segunda colecta para la Festividad a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe solo en la Misa de español de 12:30 p.m.

Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción

Lunes, 8 de diciembre

(Día de precepto)

- 5:00 p.m. - Misa en inglés
- 7:00 p.m. - Misa en español



Solemnidad de Nuestra S. de Guadalupe

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 de Guadalupe.
- 7:00 p.m. - Procesión alrededor de la Iglesia.
- 7:45 p.m. - Cena en el salón parroquial.



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 25 de diciembre

- Colecta especial para apoyar a Catholic Charities.

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!