



Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend



St. Joseph Catholic Church

LaGrange, IN



Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, September 6th, 2026



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Confessions

WEEKEND

- **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 p.m.

Spiritual Direction by appointment.

Parish Office Hours

- Tuesday and Wednesday from 4:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 4:30 to 8 p.m.
- **Monday & Friday CLOSED!**



Weekday Masses

- **English:** Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 9:30 a.m.
- **Spanish:** Thursday at 6:30 p.m.



Weekend Masses

- Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday English Mass at 10:00 a.m.
- Sunday Spanish Mass at 12:30 p.m.



Masses with the Anointing of the sick

- **ENGLISH:** First Wednesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. with Litany to St. Joseph.
- **SPANISH:** First Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m.



English Mass dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

- First Friday of the month with litany at the end at 9:30 a.m.



Eucharistic Adoration

- Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.



*God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ
and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. (2 Corinthians 5:19)*



Fr. Osman Ramos, F.M.

Spiritual Drop from our Pastor

XXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 6th, 2026

It brought me great joy to hear Father Raúl preach a few weeks ago about modesty in dress, especially when we come to celebrate the Eucharist. What would you say if one day I approached the altar to celebrate Holy Mass wearing flip-flops, shorts, a T-shirt, and with my hair uncombed? It would surely cause scandal, and many would ask, “How is it possible for that priest to celebrate Mass in such a manner?” Some might even feel deeply disappointed. Yet I would like to remind you that, through Baptism, you too share in the priesthood of Christ and have been made priests, prophets, and kings. I have received the ministerial priesthood; you share in the common priesthood of the people of God. Therefore, just as I must vest with dignity to celebrate Holy Mass as a minister of Jesus Christ, you too are called to present yourselves with dignity as members of a priestly people. God is infinitely greater than any important person in this world. Let us therefore give Him the place He deserves, not only in our hearts, but also in the respectful care of our bodies. Jesus always deserves our very best. I remember that, when I was a seminarian, I once cleaned a table halfheartedly. One of my formators walked by, corrected me firmly, and said, “Clean it well. For Jesus, always the best.” Those words remained engraved in my heart. Our bodies are temples and tabernacles of the Holy Spirit; let us care for them and come before the Lord with simplicity, modesty, and reverence—not to judge anyone, but to express outwardly the love we carry within, because He deserves our very best.

God loves you with infinite tenderness.

Happy Sunday!

Cuánta alegría me dio escuchar, hace algunas semanas, al padre Raúl predicar sobre la modestia en el vestir, especialmente cuando venimos a celebrar la Eucaristía. ¿Qué dirían ustedes si un día yo subiera al altar para celebrar la Santa Misa con chancletas, pantalones cortos, camiseta y el cabello despeinado? Seguramente sería un escándalo, y muchos se preguntarían: «¿Cómo es posible que ese sacerdote celebre la Misa de esa manera?». Incluso algunos podrían sentirse profundamente decepcionados. Sin embargo, quisiera recordarles que, por el Bautismo, ustedes también participan del sacerdocio de Cristo y han sido constituidos sacerdotes, profetas y reyes. Yo he recibido el sacerdocio ministerial; ustedes, el sacerdocio común del pueblo de Dios. Por eso, así como yo debo revestirme dignamente para celebrar la Santa Misa como ministro de Jesucristo, también ustedes están llamados a presentarse con dignidad como miembros de un pueblo sacerdotal. Dios es infinitamente más grande que cualquier persona importante de este mundo. Démosle, pues, el lugar que merece no solo en nuestro corazón, sino también en el cuidado respetuoso de nuestro cuerpo. Jesús merece siempre lo mejor. Recuerdo que, cuando era seminarista, una vez limpiaba una mesa de mala gana. Uno de mis formadores pasó, me corrigió con firmeza y me dijo: «Limpia bien. Para Jesús, siempre lo mejor». Aquellas palabras quedaron grabadas en mi corazón. Nuestro cuerpo es templo y sagrario del Espíritu Santo; cuidémoslo y presentémonos ante el Señor con sencillez, modestia y reverencia, no para juzgar a nadie, sino para expresar exteriormente el amor que llevamos dentro porque Él se merece lo mejor.

Dios te ama con ternura infinita.

¡Feliz Domingo!

MASS INTENTIONS

SEPTEMBER



- **Tuesday, September 1st**
9:30am: Purgatory souls
 - **Wednesday, September 2nd**
No morning Mass!
 - **Thursday, September 3rd**
9:30am: For the health of Julio Rico
6:30pm: +Freddy Ballines Mora
 - **Friday, September 4th**
9:30am: Rosa Isela Valdespino (Healing)
 - **Saturday, September 5th**
5pm: +Juan Sanchez
 - **Sunday, September 6th**
10am: People of the Parish
12:30pm: +Nestor Rodriguez
 - **Tuesday, September 8th**
9:30am: +Mike Vanderbeck
 - **Wednesday, September 9th**
9:30am: Gabriel Montoya (B-day)
- **Thursday, September 10th**
9:30am: Adam Brady
No Spanish Mass this day!
 - **Saturday, September 12th**
5pm: +Carlos Heredia
 - **Sunday, September 13th**
10am: People of the Parish
12:30pm: +Ulises Rodriguez
 - **Tuesday, September 15th**
9:30am: +Matthew Offerle
 - **Wednesday, September 16th**
9:30am: +Juan Sanchez
 - **Thursday, September 17th**
9:30am: Maria Lopez (B-day)
6:30pm: +Enrique Hernandez y
+Guadalupe Botello
 - **Saturday, September 19th**
5pm: +John Matura
- **Sunday, September 20th**
10am: People of the Parish
12:30pm: +Perfecto Garcia
 - **Tuesday, September 22nd**
9:30am: Griselda Nieves (B-day)
 - **Wednesday, September 23rd**
9:30am: Gamaliel Garcia (B-day)
 - **Thursday, September 24th**
9:30am: Open date
6:30pm: Valentina Mendoza (B-day)
 - **Saturday, September 26th**
5pm: Familia Hernandez Botello
 - **Sunday, September 27th**
10am: People of the Parish
12:30pm: +Alberto Garcia
 - **Tuesday, September 29th**
9:30am: Zenaida Soto (B-day)
 - **Wednesday, September 30th**
9:30am: +Mary Ellen Hart

A Note from the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

With great joy, I announce that we will now have two kneelers permanently placed in front of the Sanctuary. First, I want to thank our parishioner Christine Benack and another anonymous Hispanic parishioner who generously donated their labor, skill, and effort in crafting these kneelers. They will remain there primarily for those who wish to receive the Most Sacred Body of Our Lord Jesus Christ kneeling. In addition, they will be available for anyone who wishes to come and pray before the Tabernacle or before the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar during Eucharistic Adoration. Kneelers are valuable because they help the faithful express humility, adoration, and awareness that the Eucharist is truly Jesus Christ, not merely ordinary bread. The Church teaches that external gestures should manifest interior faith and reverence before God present in the Eucharist. Nevertheless, a kneeler is an aid to reverence, not the source of reverence. The Church permits the faithful to receive Communion either kneeling or standing. Both kneeling and standing can belong to the Church's worship when they truly express communion with Christ and adoration of God.

Fr. Osman Ramos, FM
Pastor



Nota del Párroco

Queridos feligreses:

Con gran alegría les anuncio que ahora contaremos de manera permanente con dos reclinatorios frente al Altar. En primer lugar, quiero agradecer a nuestra feligresa Christine Benack y a otro feligrés hispano anónimo, quienes donaron generosamente su trabajo, habilidad y esfuerzo en la elaboración de estos reclinatorios. Los reclinatorios permanecerán allí principalmente para quienes deseen recibir de rodillas el Santísimo Cuerpo de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Además, estarán disponibles para cualquier persona que desee acercarse a rezar ante el Sagrario o ante el Santísimo Sacramento durante la Adoración Eucarística. Los reclinatorios son valiosos porque ayudan a los fieles a manifestar humildad, adoración y la conciencia de que la Eucaristía es verdaderamente Jesucristo, y no un simple pan ordinario. La Iglesia enseña que los gestos externos deben manifestar la fe interior y la reverencia ante Dios presente en la Eucaristía. Sin embargo, el reclinatorio es una ayuda para la reverencia, no la fuente de la misma. La Iglesia permite a los fieles comulgar ya sea de rodillas o de pie; ambas posturas forman parte del culto de la Iglesia cuando expresan con autenticidad la comunión con Cristo y la adoración a Dios.

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Ministry Schedule

SATURDAY 5:00 PM
September 12, 2026



Lector: **Ruben Jr. Hurtado**
Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister: **Kelly Payne**
Altar Servers: **Fatima Hurtado, Isabel & Regina Ballines**
Ushers: **Aaron Stroup, Nathan Stroup, Mike & Anita Keith**

SUNDAY 10:00 AM
September 13, 2026

Lector: **Delores Henderson**
Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister: **Larry Gephart**
Altar Servers: **Gaby Medina & Valentina Mendoza**
Ushers: **Maria & Alejandro Medina,**

DOMINGO 12:30 PM
13 de septiembre, 2026

Lectores: **Alexandra Hernandez & Mariela Gomez**
Ministro Extraordinario de la Eucaristía: **Veronica Montoya**
Monaguillos: **Alondra Gonzalez & Arisbeth Alvarez**
Ujieres: **Oswaldo Albor, Erick Nieves, Julian Alvarez, Aurelio Luna**

Regular Collection Report

Saturday & Sunday	\$3,111.69
Franciscans of Mary	\$69.00
Votives	\$68.00
Charity Box	\$20.00
Catholic University of America	\$1,136.00
Youth Group Retreat	\$300.00

Total:
\$4,704.69

Thank you for your Contribution!
¡Gracias por su contribución!



St. Joseph
Youth Group.

All 7th through 12th graders are invited to join our Catholic Youth Group for faith, fellowship, and fun!

We gather on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of every month from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Church.

If you are looking to grow deeper in your relationship with Jesus, explore your faith, and build lasting Catholic friendships, come check us out.

GRUPO JUVENIL - SAN JOSÉ

¡Invitamos a todos los estudiantes de 7.º a 12.º grado a unirse a nuestro Grupo Juvenil Católico para compartir la fe, compañerismo y diversión!

Nos reunimos el segundo y cuarto domingo del mes en la Iglesia de 5pm a 8pm.
¡Los esperamos!



St. Pier Giorgio Frassati
Young Adult Group

Are you seeking deeper faith, spiritual growth, and authentic Catholic community?

The St. Pier Giorgio Frassati Young Adult Group invites all young adults (ages 18–35) to join us every Monday at 6:00 PM at St. Joseph Church.

Come draw closer to God through prayer, discussion, and fellowship as we walk together in faith.

GRUPO DE JOVENES ADULTOS
SAN PIER GIORGIO

Les invita a sus reuniones semanales los lunes a las 6pm en la iglesia.

Jovenes de entre 18 y 35 años solteros son bienvenidos !Les esperamos!

Concierto EUCARÍSTICO de Alabanza

Ven a gozar
de una Noche Eucarística inolvidable
donde el **Amigo** que nunca falla
te quiere **CONSOLAR**

VIERNES
18 DE SEPTIEMBRE
5:30 PM



Santuario Diocesano de
Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

225 Gilliam Dr, Warsaw, IN

**“VENGAN A MÍ
los que están
CANSADOS Y AGOBIADOS”**

Mateo 11,28



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

LET'S PREPARE YOUR CHILDREN'S
HEARTS TO RECEIVE JESUS!

Rel. Ed. Classes



Classes begin: Sunday, September 13



Time: 11:00 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.



Dear Families:

We are delighted to begin a new year of catechesis and to accompany your children on their journey of faith as they prepare for the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. Our Religious Education Program will begin on **Sunday, September 13, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. in the social hall.** We sincerely thank you for your trust in choosing our parish for the spiritual formation of your children. We count on your valuable support and commitment throughout this program. May God bless each of your homes!

Lupita Hurtado, DRE

¡PREPAREMOS EL CORAZÓN
DE TUS HIJOS PARA
RECIBIR A JESÚS!

Detalles del Programa:



Inicio de clases: 13 de septiembre



Horario: 11am to 12:20pm

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

Queridas familias:

Estamos encantados de comenzar un nuevo año de catequesis y de acompañar a sus hijos en su camino de fe mientras se preparan para los sacramentos de la Primera Comunión y la Confirmación.

Nuestro programa de educación religiosa comenzará **el domingo 13 de septiembre de 11:00am a 12:20pm, en el salón parroquial.**

Les agradecemos sinceramente la confianza depositada al elegir nuestra parroquia para la formación espiritual de sus hijos.

Contamos con su valioso apoyo y compromiso a lo largo de este programa.

¡Que Dios bendiga a cada uno de sus hogares!

Lupita Hurtado, Directora de Educación Religiosa

Parish Announcements

Anuncios de la Parroquia

From September 7th through 11th

- Our priests will be away attending their annual retreat; we ask that you keep them in your prayers.
- This week we will have visiting priests celebrating Masses in the morning, and Thursday’s Eucharistic Adoration is canceled and no confessions or Spanish Mass in the afternoon.

Tuesday, September 8th & Wednesday, September 9th

Fr. Ryan Timossi will hear confessions and celebrate 9:30am Mass.

Thursday, September 10th

Fr. Pius will celebrate 9:30am Mass. There is no confessions, and Spanish Mass in the afternoon.

On the weekend of September 12th & 13th

- Bishop’s Appeal Kick-off Weekend.
- Special collection to support Catholic Communication Campaign.
- Religious Education classes begin on Sunday, Sep. 13th from 11am to 12:20pm.

On the weekend of September 19th & 20th

Annual Bishop’s Appeal Pledge Weekend.

From September 21st through 27th

Fr. Raul will be in Houston, TX helping to celebrate Masses as a guest priest at St. Pius V Parish.

Wednesday, September 23rd

Fr. Jery will celebrate 9:30am Mass, due to Fr. Raul is away. No cofessions this day!

PARISH OFFICE

Please note that the Parish office will be closed on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. for the next 6 weeks due to the secretary is attending Faith Formation.

Friday, October 2nd

9:30am - English Mass in honor to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



Del 7 al 11 de septiembre

- Nuestros sacerdotes estarán ausentes, haciendo su retiro anual; les pedimos que los tengan presentes en sus oraciones.
- Por lo tanto, esta semana contaremos con sacerdotes invitados que celebrarán las Misas por la mañana, y se suspenderá la adoración eucarística del jueves y no habrá Confesiones ni Misa por la tarde.

Martes, 8 de septiembre, y miércoles, 9 de septiembre

El P. Ryan Timossi escuchará confesiones y celebrará la Misa de las 9:30am.

Jueves, 10 de septiembre

El P. Pío celebrará la Misa a las 9:30am. No habrá confesiones, ni Misa de español por la tarde.

El fin de semana del 12 y 13 de septiembre

- Es el inicio de la Campaña del Obispo.
- Tendremos una colecta especial para apoyar la Campaña de Comunicación Católica.
- Las clases de Educación religiosa comienzan el domingo 13 de septiembre, de 11am a 12:20pm.

Viernes 18 de septiembre

Concierto Eucarístico en la Parroquia de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe en Warsaw, IN a las 5:30pm. Todos estan cordialmente invitados a venir al concierto y la entrada es completamente GRATIS.

El fin de semana del 19 y 20 de septiembre

Fin de semana de compromiso de la Apelación del Obispo

Del 21 al 27 de septiembre

El P. Raúl estará en Houston (Texas) ayudando a celebrar Misas como sacerdote invitado en la parroquia de San Pío V.

Miércoles, 23 de septiembre

El P. Jery celebrará la Misa de las 9:30am, ya que el P. Raúl estára ausente. ¡Este día no habrá confesiones!

OFICINA PARROQUIAL

Ten en cuenta que la oficina parroquial cerrará los miércoles a las 7pm durante las próximas seis semanas, ya que la secretaria asistirá a un curso de formación en la fe.

Viernes, 2 de octubre

9:30am - Misa en inglés en honor al Sagrado Corazón de Jesús.

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 Marroquín, 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 :30 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Thurs.
from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. & in the afternoon from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Business Manager: Maria G. Barajas
(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: Verónica Montoya
Maintenance: Erick Nieves
Saturday evening Pianist: Kevin Ramer

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!



KEY VOLUNTEERS

Pianist of Sunday morning:
Elizabeth Rogers

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

Spanish Choir:
Luz Piña & Miguel Muñoz

St. Joseph - Youth Group:
Ruben Jr. Hurtado
Diana Mendoza
St. Pier Giorgio - Young Adult group:
Claudia Muñoz Montaña

Parish Council President
Nathan Stroup
If you have any questions or concerns
about our Parish please contact him.

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.



Communion of the Sick

Comunión a los enfermos



Bringing Christ's love
and comfort.

If you know anyone who is sick
and would like to receive Holy
Communion, please contact
Larry Gephart (260) 585 - 4245



Llevando el amor
y consuelo de Cristo.

Si usted conoce a alguna persona
enferma que desee recibir la
Sagrada Comunión, por favor
comuníquese con Griselda
Nieves al (260) 585 - 9600