



St. Joseph Catholic Church



50 N. 100 E. | LaGrange, IN

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

SUNDAY, MARCH 8TH, 2026

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March is the month dedicated to
St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASSES

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

WEEKDAYS MASSES

- 9:30 a.m. - Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday (English).
- 6:30 p.m. - Thursday (Spanish).

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

- From 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday & Wednesday
- From 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Thursday and in the afternoon from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Monday & Friday: Closed!

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.

EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT

- 7:00 p.m. English Mass
- Followed by the Stations of the Cross
- **No First Friday Mass in the morning during the Lenten Season.**

CONFESSIONS

WEEKEND

- From 6:15 p.m. until last penitent on Saturday.
- From 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. on Sunday.

WEEKDAYS

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

- By appointment only.





SPIRITUAL DROP

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - CYCLE A

MARCH 8TH, 2026

Dear Friends in Christ,

A couple of weeks ago, I heard the confession of someone who goes to the Sacrament of confession often, but this time, he came to confess a very serious sin he committed many years ago and was very afraid and ashamed to confess.

Finally, he had the courage to do so in order to receive God's forgiveness. His crying and tears were so sincere and real that they remained engraved in my heart. Being holy is not easy, for it requires a total renunciation of ourselves so that God may take possession of us and reign there every single day of our lives. Lent is also a painful journey in which God asks us for a sincere and profound conversion, even in those areas where we may consider ourselves to be doing well. If Lent does not bring about a painful change in us, then most likely something is wrong in our spiritual life. Be sincere before God and allow yourself to be helped by his mercy, which forgives but also purifies,

to make us a new creation, a new person.
God loves you with infinite tenderness. Happy Sunday!

Queridos amigos en Cristo:

Hace un par de semanas escuché la confesión de alguien que se confiesa con cierta frecuencia, pero, esta vez, vino a confesar un pecado muy grave que cometió hace muchos años y que tenía mucho miedo y vergüenza de confesar; al fin tuvo el valor de hacerlo para recibir el perdón de Dios. Su llanto y sus lágrimas fueron tan sinceras y reales que se quedaron grabadas en mi corazón. Ser santo no es nada fácil pues requiere una renuncia total a nosotros para que Dios tome posesión de nosotros y reine ahí todos los días de nuestra vida. La cuaresma también es un camino doloroso en el que Dios nos pide una conversión sincera y profunda incluso en aquello que posiblemente nosotros consideremos que estamos bien. Si la cuaresma no está suponiendo un cambio doloroso para nosotros, muy probablemente algo está fallando en nuestra vida espiritual. Sincérate ante Dios y déjate ayudar por su misericordia que perdona pero que también purifica para hacer en nosotros una nueva creación, un hombre nuevo.

Dios te ama con infinita ternura. ¡Feliz domingo!

Fr. Osman Ramos, FM

Pastor



SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Thursday, March 19th
Bilingual Mass at 6:30 p.m.

- There will be a short procession around the church.
- Followed by a Mexican dinner and American desserts and drinks in the social hall.

Please note that there will be no 9:30 a.m. English Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, or confessions on this day.



Stations of the Cross (English)

Join us on Fridays during Lent beginning with the Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Stations of the Cross.

Please be advised that there will be no First Friday Mass in the morning during the Lenten season.

Vía Crucis (español)



Acompañenos comenzando con la Santa Misa de los jueves a las 6:30 p.m; seguido por el rezo del Vía Crucis.

Nota: No habrá Misa de inglés de 9:30 a.m. del primer viernes del mes durante la Cuaresma.

OCIA at St. Joseph

As our community journeys toward the joy of Easter, we invite you to join our elect (catechumens who have undergone the Rite of Election), in the powerful Lenten tradition of the Scrutinies. The Scrutinies are three Lenten rites for the elect, purifying their hearts for the Easter sacraments. Through prayer and exorcism, these rites heal what is weak and strengthen what is good, helping candidates turn from sin to embrace Christ as the Way, the Truth, and the Life. There are three scrutinies, typically celebrated on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of Lent. Please keep our catechumens in your prayers as they undergo their way to Easter.

RICA en San José

Mientras nuestra comunidad se encamina hacia la alegría de la Pascua, los invitamos a unirse a nuestros elegidos (los catecúmenos que han recibido el Rito de Elección) en la poderosa tradición cuaresmal de los escrutinios. Los escrutinios son tres ritos cuaresmales que purifican el corazón de los elegidos para los sacramentos de Pascua. A través de la oración y el exorcismo, estos ritos sanan las debilidades y fortalecen las virtudes, ayudando a los candidatos a apartarse del pecado y a abrazar a Cristo como el Camino, la Verdad y la Vida. Hay tres escrutinios, que se celebran normalmente el tercer, cuarto y quinto domingo de Cuaresma. Les rogamos que mantengan a nuestros catecúmenos en sus oraciones mientras recorren su camino hacia la Pascua.



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE



Mass Time & Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharistic	Ushers
Saturday Vigil, March 14 th at 5:00 p.m.	- Regina Ballines - Isabel Ballines	- Nathan Stroop	- Ellen Heiny	- Aaron Keith - Pat Myhier - Raul Ballines - Ruben Hurtado
Sunday, March 15 th at 10:00 a.m.	- Gaby Medina - Freddy Caballero	- Delores Henderson	- Tom McCue	- Jeremiah Rogers - Andrew Stroop - Mandy McDonald - Barry McDonald
Domingo, 15 de marzo a las 12:30 p.m.	- Ariana Garcia - Alvaro Luna	- Yolanda Garcia - Norma Albor	- Salvador Nieves - Manuel Bernal - Manuel Jasso	- Julian Alvarez - Aurelio Luna - Javier Anicua - Erick Nieves



Knights of Columbus

Scholarships / Becas

The Knights are awarding scholarships to our parishioners who are graduating seniors from the High School. Applications are available at the entrance table.

Applications are DUE - April 30th



Los Caballeros de Colón están otorgando becas a nuestros feligreses que se gradúan de la escuela secundaria.

Las solicitudes están disponibles en la mesa de la entrada.

Aplicaciones se tiene que ENTREGAR el 30 de abril.

COMMUNION OF THE SICK

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



COMUNIÓN A LOS ENFERMOS

Si usted conoce a alguna persona enferma que desee recibir la Sagrada Comunión, por favor comuníquese con Griselda Nieves al (260) 585 - 9600 o Víctor Rodríguez al (260) 336 - 6142 .

REGULAR COLLECTION REPORT

Saturday & Sunday

- \$3,578.25

Votives

- \$71.75

Charity Box

- \$0.00

Maintenance

- \$151.00

Franciscans of Mary

- \$100.00

Donation-Wine & Hosts

- \$200.00

Donation-Ceiling repairs

- \$500.00

Black & Indian Missions

- \$21.00

Bishop's appeal Over-goal

- \$4,409.54

Total: \$9,031.54

MASS INTENTIONS OF MARCH & APRIL

Saturday, February 28th

- 5:00 p.m. Sofia Ceballos (B-day)

Sunday, March 1st

- 10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
- 12:30 p.m. +Nestor Rodriguez

Tuesday, March 3rd

- 9:30 a.m. +Maria del Refugio Alvarez

Wednesday, March 4th

- 9:30 a.m. For the living and deceased members of the Knights of Columbus

Thursday, March 5th

- 9:30 a.m. Jesus Montoya (B-day)
- 6:30 p.m. +Rogelio Muñoz

Friday, March 6th

- 7:00 p.m. Veronica Montoya (B-day)

Saturday, March 7th

- 5:00 p.m. +Freddy Ballines

Sunday, March 8th

- 10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
- 12:30 p.m. +Ulises Rodriguez

Tuesday, March 10th

- 9:30 a.m. Elvira Garcia B-day)

Wednesday, March 11th

- 9:30 a.m. +Efen Caballero

Thursday, March 12th

- 9:30 a.m. Adam Brady
- 6:30 p.m. +Ana Maria Rangel

Friday, March 13th

- 7:00 p.m. +Martin Rios

Saturday, March 14th

- 5:00 p.m. Erick Muñoz (B-day)

Sunday, March 15th

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

Tuesday, March 17th

- 9:30 a.m. Yolanda Garcia (B-day)

Wednesday, March 18th

- 9:30 a.m. +Santiago Martinez

Thursday, March 19th

Solemnity of St. Joseph
- No morning Mass
- 6:30 p.m. +Jose Carmona

Friday, March 20th

- 7:00 p.m. +Purgatory Souls

Saturday, March 21st

- 5:00 p.m. +Karleen Offerlee

Sunday, March 22nd

- 10:00 a.m. People of the Parish
- 12:30 p.m. +Perfecto Garcia

Tuesday, March 24th

- 9:30 a.m. +Purgatory Souls

Wednesday, March 25th

- 9:30 a.m. Angelica Garcia (Birthday)

Thursday, March 26th

- 9:30 a.m. +Jose Luis Anicua
- 6:30 p.m. +Perfecto Garcia

Friday, March 27th

- 7:00 p.m. +Purgatory Souls

Saturday, March 28th

- 5:00 p.m. Family Garcia Hernandez

Palm Sunday, March 29th

- 10:00 a.m. Emilia Mendoza (B-day)
- 12:30 p.m. +Ulises Rodriguez

Holy Tuesday, March 31st

- 9:30 a.m. +Purgatory Souls

Holy Wednesday, April 1st

- 9:30 a.m. For the living and deceased members of the Knights of Columbus

Holy Thursday, April 2nd

- No morning Mass!
- 6:30 p.m. Dolores Paniagua (B-day)

Good Friday, April 3rd

- 3:00 p.m. / No intention this day!

Holy Saturday, April 4th

- 9:00 p.m. Carolina Alfaro (B-day)

Easter Sunday, April 5th

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - MARCH CALENDAR

- March 1st - Class / Religious Education Mass for all students at 10 a.m.
- March 8th - Class
- March 15th - Class / Tornado drill
- March 22nd - Class
- March 29th - Class



“IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES to attend”

On Saturday, March 14th

- Confirmation Retreat at Marian High school in South Bend, IN from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. We ask for your prayers for our 8th students and catechists who are attending.

On Wednesday, March 18th

- First Communion Spanish parents' meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the social hall. It is important your attendance.!!

On Friday, March 27th

- All students from our Religious Education program are invited to come with their parents to pray the Stations of the Cross beginning with the Holy Mass at 7 p.m.
- This is a Religious Education event for Lent, and we are expecting all students participation.

Religious Education Mass



Dear Students and Parents,

Thank you to all the students who attended Holy Mass last Sunday, and to the parents for your continued support. We also want to extend our gratitude to Fr. Raul for the beautiful celebration and to all the catechists who helped coordinate the Mass.

God bless you all,
Lupita Hurtado, DRE

**WE NEED
your
SUPPORT!**

Dear parishioners,
As we approach **Palm Sunday and Holy Week**, we are seeking donations to help decorate our altar with palm leaves and flowers. If you would like to contribute, please bring your monetary donation to the parish office during our regular business hours. We greatly appreciate your support and generosity. God bless you!

Queridos feligreses:

A medida que se acerca el **Domingo de Ramos y la Semana Santa**, estamos buscando donaciones para ayudar a decorar nuestro altar con hojas de palma y flores. Si desean contribuir, por favor traigan su donación monetaria a la oficina parroquial durante nuestro horario de oficina. Agradecemos enormemente su apoyo y generosidad. ¡Que Dios los bendiga!



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

The raffle for the trip to Orlando, Florida

- It will take place on Sunday March 8th, following the Spanish Mass. We will announce the winner in our next bulletin. Good luck to everyone!

On the weekend of March 14th & 15th

- We have a special collection to support Catholic Relief Services. Thank you for your support!

Thursday, March 19th / Solemnity of Saint Joseph

- Join us in celebrating our Patron Saint with a bilingual Mass at 6:30 p.m. Immediately following, there will be a short procession around the church, followed by a Mexican dinner and American desserts in the social hall.
- **Please note that there will be no 9:30 a.m. English Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, or confessions on this day.**

On Friday, March 20th

Lakeland schools will host a Multi-lingual family event with resources for parents and their children.

The event will be held here at the church in the social hall from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. All parents are welcome to come with their kids.

On the weekend of March 21st and 22nd

- We have Olive Wood sales from Holy Land during all weekend Masses.

On Wednesday, March 25th

- We have a guest priest; Fr. Jerry will celebrate 9:30 a.m. English Mass.
- **No confessions this day.**

On Thursday, March 26th

- Lent Penance Service beginning at 6:30 p.m. until last penitent.
- We will have 4 priest available to hear confessions.

On Sunday March 29th

- Palm Sunday - All Masses will be celebrated at their regular schedule.
- **No confessions this day!**

La rifa del viaje a Orlando, Florida

- Se llevará a cabo hoy domingo después de Misa de español. Anunciaremos el ganador en nuestro próximo boletín. ¡Buena suerte a todos!

Mañana lunes 9 de marzo

- Consulta del synodo en español de 5:30 p.m. a 8 p.m. en el salón parroquial. Esperamos contar con la participación de nuestra comunidad Hispana para esta importante reunión.

El domingo 15 de marzo

- Tenemos una colecta especial para apoyar a Catholic Relief Services. ¡Gracias por su apoyo!

El viernes 20 de marzo

- Las escuelas de Lakeland organizarán un evento familiar multilingüe con recursos para padres e hijos.
- El evento será aquí en la Iglesia en el salón parroquial de 5 p.m. a 8 p.m. Todos son bienvenidos asistir con sus hijos.

El jueves 19 de marzo / Solemnidad de San José

- Acompañenos a celebrar a nuestro Santo Patrono con Misa bilingüe a las 6:30 p.m. y, justo después, habrá una breve procesión alrededor de la iglesia, seguida de una cena mexicana y postres estadounidenses en el salón parroquial.
- **Tenga en cuenta que este día no habrá Misa de inglés de 9:30 am, Adoración Eucarística ni confesiones.**

El fin de semana del 21 y 22 de marzo

- Olive wood estará vendiendo artículos de tierra Santa durante todas las Misas del fin de semana.

El jueves 26 de marzo

- Servicio de penitencia de Cuaresma a partir de las 6:30 p.m. hasta el último penitente.
- Tendremos cuatro sacerdotes disponibles para escuchar confesiones.

El domingo 29 de marzo

- Domingo de Ramos - Todas las Misas se celebrarán en su horario regular.
- **¡No habrá confesiones este día!**

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: Verónica 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
 If you have any questions or concerns
 about our Parish please contact him.



FISH FRY
 Mexican Style Dinning in or Carry-out!

MENU
 4 Fish fried or carpa,
 French fries, coleslaw,
 rice and tartar sauce.

Cost: \$15.00 per plate

Every Friday during Lent,
 St. Joseph Parish - LaGrange, IN
 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the social hall.




Taking of Habit
 of the priests Osman Ramos, Raul Marroquin & Jorge Sis
 Franciscans of Mary

Honor us with your presence!
APRIL 15th,
2026
 05:00 PM

 St. Anthony of Padua Parish
 700 W Maumee St., Angola IN

-  Holy Mass celebrated by the
 Most Reverend Bishop Kevin Rhoades
-  Rite for the Renewal of Vows and
 the bestowal of the Religious Habit
-  Reception after Mass
 RSVP required for the Reception



If you would like to stay
 for the reception after Mass,
 please RSVP
 by scanning the QR code above
 or calling the parish office at
 260-665-2259
 Please RSVP by April 6.



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!