



St. Joseph Catholic Church

FRANCISCANS OF MARY

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Sunday, December 15th, 2024

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*)

Eucharistic Adoration - All day on Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

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

Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Weekdays - Tuesday & Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:20 a.m.
Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. and from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 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 the Litany to St. Joseph.

First Thursday of the month / Spanish at 6:30 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.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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



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A SPIRITUAL DROP FROM OUR PASTOR "THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT"



The great poet of the Spanish Golden Age, Gustavo Adolfo Becquer, wrote in one of his most beautiful poems, "They are not the dead who in sweet calm peace enjoy their cold tomb, dead are those whose souls are dead and still live." I know many living people who are dead in life and when I contemplate them it gives me deep compassion because they die of sadness, others die of selfishness or envy, others are dying because they are proud, others are dying because their lives have no meaning, others are dying sitting in the armchair of eternal laziness, others are dying in alcohol, drugs, physical abuse or bitter loneliness that gags the heart. To be happy is so easy, it is only a matter of accepting that this life has problems but that these problems are temporary, they are not eternal, all this will pass away... The Child Jesus brings us with His tenderness much joy, the joy of knowing that we are not alone, the joy of knowing that eternal life exists, the joy of knowing that He loves me with infinite tenderness, the joy of knowing that with Him everything recovers color and meaning. Please rejoice and make others rejoice. Spread joy, the joy of the Gospel that came to break the sadness of sin.
God loves you with infinite tenderness, Happy Sunday!

El gran poeta del Siglo de oro español, Gustavo Adolfo Becquer, escribió en una de sus más hermosas poesías: "No son los muertos los que en dulce calma la paz disfrutaban de su tumba fría, muertos son los que tienen muerta el alma y viven todavía." Yo conozco mucha gente viva que están muertas en vida y cuando las contemplo me da una compasión profunda porque mueren de tristeza, otras mueren de egoísmo, otras están muriendo por ser orgullosas, otras están muriendo porque sus vidas no tienen sentido, otras mueren sentadas en el sillón de la eterna pereza, otras están muriendo en el alcohol, las drogas, el maltrato físico o la soledad amarga que amordaza el corazón. Ser feliz es tan fácil, solo se trata de aceptar que esta vida tiene problemas pero que estos problemas son pasajeros, son temporales, no son eternos, todo esto pasará... El Niño Jesús nos trae con su ternura mucha alegría, la alegría de saber que no estamos solos, la alegría de saber que existe vida eterna, la alegría de saber que Él me ama con ternura infinita, la alegría de saber que con Él todo recobra color y sentido. Por favor, alégrate y alegra a los demás. Esparce alegría, la alegría del Evangelio que vino a romper la tristeza del pecado. ¡Dios te ama con infinita ternura, Feliz domingo!

Fr. Osman Ramos, fm

Pastor

osmanramosguzman@hotmail.com



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Mass time & Date	Altar Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers
Saturday Dec. 21th - 5:00 p.m.	⇒ Ellen Heiny ⇒ Fatima Hurtado	⇒ Mike Keith	⇒ Marilyn Morton	⇒ Jay Benak ⇒ Chris Benak
Sunday Dec. 22nd - 10:00 a.m.	⇒ Valentina Mendoza ⇒ Adeline Heredia	⇒ Mandy McDonalds	⇒ Larry Gephart	⇒ Jeremiah Roger ⇒ Andrew Stroop
Domingo 22 de Dic. - 12:30 p.m.	⇒ Arisbeth Álvarez ⇒ David Granados	⇒ Celia Rodriguez ⇒ Victor Rodriguez	⇒ Zara Ortega	⇒ Ruben Barajas ⇒ Enrique Barajas ⇒ Julian Barajas ⇒ Moises Luna

WORD OF LIFE

3rd Sunday of Advent: Do You Feel Loved? Then Love!

"The crowds asked John the Baptist, 'What should we do?' He said to them in reply, 'Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise.'" (Lk 3:10-11)

There was a moment in which the people, who were listening to John the Baptist's preaching, understood that they had to do something. They considered that they had received enough incentive and asked the preacher what they should do because they were already convinced. John responded with the lesson of charity. If you feel loved, he said to them, love.

This formula is still valid and contains, in itself, what is essential of the Divine Pedagogy used by Christ. If God is Love, if you really believe that He loves you, if you are convinced that the Christ Child of Bethlehem or the Crucified of Calvary is the Son of God Who was born and died for you, then you cannot remain indifferent or in mere contemplation. After discerning and being motivated, you should take action: you should love.

But, whom to love? First of all, those to whom you owe a debt of love: your loved ones. Once again, family presents itself as the first that should receive the gift of love. Next come friends, classmates or coworkers and, above all, those in need, whether it be physical or spiritual.

Most importantly, you should not forget that it is not about doing things for mere Christmas sentimentalism or an altruistic humanitarianism. In general, these motives, in and of themselves, are not strong enough and are fruitless. You owe a debt of gratitude to God. Pay it back through your neighbor.

Purpose: To whom do you owe a debt of love? Who is complaining because they think you are ungrateful? Who needs your affection, whether or not they have the right to receive it? Love them as Christ loves you.

Fr. Santiago Martin, FM
Founder of the Franciscans of Mary Community



PALABRA DE VIDA

Domingo III de Adviento: ¿Te sientes amado? ¡Ama!

"La gente preguntaba a Juan: 'Entonces, ¿qué hacemos?'. El contestó: 'El que tenga dos túnicas, que se las reparta con el que no tiene; y el que tenga comida, haga lo mismo.'" (Lc 3, 10-11)

Aquella gente que escuchaba la predicación del Bautista llegó un momento en que entendió que algo había que hacer. Consideraron que habían recibido suficientes motivaciones y le preguntaron al predicador que qué debían hacer, puesto que ya estaban convencidos. Juan les contesta con la lección de la caridad. Si te sientes amado, les dice, ponte tú a amar.

Esta fórmula sigue siendo válida y contiene en sí misma lo esencial de la pedagogía divina utilizada por Cristo. Si Dios es amor, si crees que de verdad Él te quiere, si estás convencido de que el Niño de Belén o el Crucificado del Gólgota es el Hijo de Dios que nace y muere por ti, entonces no puedes permanecer indiferente o en la mera contemplación. Tras contemplar, te llenarte de motivos, debes pasar a la acción, debes ponerte a amar.

Pero, ¿a quién amar? Ante todo, a aquellos con los que tengas alguna deuda de amor: los tuyos. La familia, una vez más, se nos presenta como la primera que debe recibir el don del amor. Después vienen los amigos, los compañeros de trabajo o de estudios y también, y sobre todo, aquellos que muestran en su cuerpo o en su espíritu la huella del dolor, de la necesidad.

No debes olvidar, y esto es lo importante, que no se trata de hacer las cosas por mero sentimentalismo navideño, o por un humanitarismo altruista. Generalmente estas motivaciones dan poco de sí y se agotan en una limosna barata. Tienes una deuda de gratitud con Dios. Pájala en el prójimo.

Propósito: ¿Con quién tengo deudas de amor? ¿Quién está quejoso porque piensa que soy un desagradecido? ¿Quién, tenga derecho o no, necesita de mi cariño?. Ámales como Cristo te ha amado.

P. Santiago Martin, FM
Fundador de los Franciscanos de Maria





Dear Parishioners,

This Advent, I invite you to consider the words of St. Josemaria Escriva, "We are not the source of light, we only reflect it."

As the days grow darker on our journey toward Christmas, I am reminded of how much light surrounds us during this season. From the gentle glow of Christmas trees to the colorful rays illuminating homes, these lights are a reminder of the true Light we are called to reflect. In these final days of Advent, let us consider how we can share this Light with others.

Through our work at Catholic Charities, the Light of Christ is brought to our most vulnerable neighbors during the coldest and darkest times of the year. Our food pantries, Christmas Programs, mental health ministries, and more than 20 other programs are lifelines for those in need, while offering the warmth of compassion.

As the Human Services Arm of the Church, Catholic Charities fulfills the charitable mission entrusted to us by the faithful in our Diocese. Simply put, we cannot do this without your support. 88 cents of every donated dollar goes towards our programming.

In your parish envelopes, you will find a special collection envelope for Catholic Charities. This Christmas, we invite you to bring this envelope to Mass. While your gifts are recorded at your parish and remain anonymous to us, your support is a visible reflection of your love and generosity in the lives of those we serve.

As we approach the final days of Advent and ready ourselves for the birth of our Savior, I pray the light of the manger will be our source of strength and hope this Christmas Season.

Yours in Christ,

Dan Florin

CEO of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend

Priests v. Seminarians Basketball Game
December 27 @ Marian High School
Pregame Mass & Adoration
@ SSFPA Provencial House
More info at diocesefwsb.org/cupertino

Sacerdotes v. Seminaristas - Partido de Baloncesto
Viernes, el 27 de diciembre en Marian High School
Celebración de la Misa y Adoración al Santísimo en
SSFPA Provencial House
Para más información, visite el enlace:
diocesefwsb.org/cupertino

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE
Tuesday, December 24th

- No morning Mass!
- 9:00 p.m. Bilingual Mass

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NOCHE BUENA
El martes 24 de diciembre

- No hay Misa de 9:30 a.m.
- 9:00 p.m. Misa bilingüe

CHRISTMAS DAY
Wednesday, December 25th
(Holy Day of Obligation)

- 10:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass

NAVIDAD
El miércoles 25 de diciembre
(Dia de Precepto)

- 10:00 a.m. Misa bilingüe

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
Wednesday, January 1st
(Holy Day of Obligation)

- 10:00 a.m. English Mass

SOLEMNIDA DE MARIA, MADRE DE DIOS
El martes 31 de diciembre
(Dia de Precepto)

- 6:30 p.m. Misa de español

Parish Office will be CLOSED on the following days:
On December 24, 25, 26, and 31.
and January 1 & January 2

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 Secretary. We are here to pray for you and your needs!

PETICIONES DE ORACIÓN

Por favor, recuerden orar por aquellos que están enfermos o sufriendo.

Si tienen alguna petición de oración y desean publicarla en el Boletín, pónganse en contacto con la Secretaria Parroquial. ¡Estamos aquí para orar por usted y sus necesidades!

- ⇒ Kevin Beuret
- ⇒ Rene Rangel
- ⇒ Cristel Martinez
- ⇒ Fabiola Prado

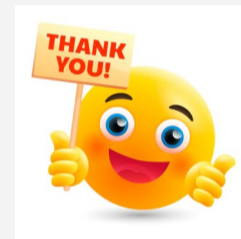


LAST WEEK COLLECTION

(Colecta de la semana pasada)

- Saturday and Sunday Masses	\$2,576.75
- Franciscans of Mary	\$124.00
- Votives	\$75.28
- Charity Box	\$20.00
- Flower Box	\$40.00
- Maintenance	N/A
- Priests of LaGrange	\$40.00
- Our Lady of Guadalupe donations	\$259.00
- Bishop's Appeal	\$1,050.00
- Hispanic Campaign	\$600.00
- Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception	\$927.00
- Retirement for Religious	\$1,054.00

Total: \$6,766.03



MASS INTENTIONS - 2024

Saturday, December 14th

- 5:00 p.m. +Elvira Albor

Sunday, December 15th

- 10:00 a.m. Deceased of the Parish

- 12:30 p.m. (Spanish) +Alex Bucio Cardenas

Tuesday, December 17th

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

Wednesday, December 18th

- 9:30 a.m. +Alex Bucio Cardenas

Thursday, December 19th (Eucharistic Adoration will begin at 4:45 p.m.)

NO morning Mass!

Due to the funeral Mass of Mary Mynhier at 10:30 a.m.

- 6:30 p.m. (Spanish) +Alex Bucio Cardenas



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.



~Franciscans of Mary - Schools of Gratitude~



Congratulations to the schools of gratitude, Handmaids of Mary who renewed their promises for the 4th time and St. Joseph for their 2nd time to the Franciscans of Mary on December 9th at the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. "Thanks to our Priests and to Fr. Santiago Martin for sharing their spirituality of gratitude."

 Felicidades a las escuelas de agradecimiento Siervas de María que renovaron sus promesas por cuarta vez y a la escuela de San José por segunda vez a los Franciscanos de María el 9 de diciembre en la festividad de la Inmaculada Concepción. "Gracias a nuestros Sacerdotes y al P. Santiago Martin por compartir su espiritualidad del agradecimiento."



St. Joseph Parish
LaGrange, IN



St. Joseph Parish offers sympathy and prayers to the families of Mary Mynhier for her eternal rest. She passed away on Monday, December 9th, 2024.

On Wednesday, December 18th

- From 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. / Visitation in the social hall of the parish.

On Thursday, December 19th

- 9:30 a.m. Mass is CANCELED!
- 10:30 a.m. / Funeral Mass of Mary Mynhier
- Eucharistic Adoration will begin at 4:45 p.m. this day!

O' Lord, let the perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, Amen.



St. Joseph Parish
LaGrange, IN



St. Joseph Parish offers sympathy and prayers to the families of Daniel Nieto for his eternal rest. He passed away on Friday, December 6, 2024.

O' Lord, let the perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, Amen.



The Knights of Columbus wishes to thank those who donated toys to Gilbault so the kids can have a joyful Christmas.

The Knights of Columbus Christmas Party

On Wednesday, December 18th

at St. Gaspar parish in Rome City, IN.

Everyone is welcome to come with their families.

Educación Religiosa

- ⇒ Del 22 de diciembre al 5 de enero
- ⇒ **NO hay clases de Ed. Rel. / Vacaciones de Navidad**
- ⇒ El domingo 12 de enero / regreso a clases

ANNOUNCEMENTS



ANUNCIOS

Today! It's the third Sunday of Advent and also known as the Bambinelli Sunday!

⇒ Special blessing of the baby Jesus at the end of all Masses.

On Wednesday, December 18th

⇒ From 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. / Mary Mynhier's Visitation in the social hall our parish.

On Thursday, December 19th

⇒ **No morning Mass!**
 ⇒ 10:30 a.m. / Funeral Mass of Mary Mynhier
 ⇒ 4:45 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration will begin.

On Tuesday, December 24th / Christmas Eve

⇒ **No morning Mass!**
 ⇒ 9:00 p.m. Bilingual Mass
 ⇒ Special Collection for the Catholic Charitie, thank you for your support.

On Wednesday, December 25th / Christmas Day (Holy Day of Obligation)

⇒ 10:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass.
 ⇒ Special Collection for the Catholic Charitie, thank you for your support.

On Wednesday, January 1st Solemnity of the Mary Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)

10:00 a.m. English Mass

On Friday, January 3rd

⇒ 9:30 a.m. Mass in honor to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
 ⇒ Coffee and donuts after Mass in the gathering area.

Religious Education

⇒ From December 22nd through January 5th
 ⇒ **No Rel. Ed. Classes - Christmas break**
 ⇒ Sunday, January 12th - Back to class

Parish Office will be CLOSED on the following days:

⇒ **On December 24, 25, 26, and 31.**
 ⇒ **On January 1st & January 2nd, 2025**

Hoy, "Es el Tercer Domingo de Adviento y tambien conocido como el domingo de Bambinelli"

⇒ Bendición especial al niño Jesus al final de Misa.

Las Posadas

⇒ Comienzan este lunes 16 de diciembre al 23 de diciembre a las 6 pm en el salón parroquial. Las familias que gusten anotarse para donar aguinaldos por favor comunicarse con Pedro Flores al (269) 200 - 6672.

El miércoles 18 de diciembre

⇒ **No habrá posada por que tendremos el velorio de Mary Mynhier en el salón parroquial por la tarde.**

El sábado 21 de diciembre

⇒ **Tampoco no tendremos posada estará ocupado el salón parroquial para un evento.**

El jueves, 19 de diciembre

⇒ **No hay Misa de 9:30 a.m.**
 ⇒ 10:30 a.m. / Misa Funeral de Mary Mynhier
 ⇒ 4:45 p.m. / El Padre expondrá al Santísimo.

El miércoles 25 de diciembre

⇒ Colecta Especial para apoyar a las Caridades Católicas. Gracias por su generosidad.

⇒ **El martes 24 de diciembre / Nochebuena**

⇒ **No hay Misa de Ingles de 9:30 a.m.**
 ⇒ 9:00 p.m. Misa Bilingüe
 ⇒ Colecta especial para las Caridades Católicas, gracias por su apoyo.

El Miércoles 25 de diciembre / Navidad (Día de Obligación)

⇒ 10:00 a.m. Misa Bilingüe.
 ⇒ Colecta especial para las Caridades Católicas, gracias por su apoyo.

El martes 31 de diciembre

Solemnidad de María Madre de Dios (Dia de Precepto)

⇒ 6:30 p.m. Misa de español

El jueves 2 de enero, 2025

⇒ 6:30 p.m. Misa de español con Unción a los enfermos

El viernes 3 de enero, 2025

⇒ 9:30 a.m. Misa de ingles en honor al Sagrado Corazón de Jesús y después de Misa café y donas en el área de reunión.

⇒ **La Oficina Parroquial estará CERRADA los siguientes días:**
 ⇒ **Los días 24, 25, 26 y 31 de diciembre.**
 ⇒ **El 1 y 2 de enero, 2025**

ST. JOSEPH PARISH - FRANCISCANS OF MARY**STAFF:****Pastor:** Fr. Osman Ramos, FM - (osmanramosguzman@hotmail.com)

His office hours are: Wednesday and Thursday from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

(If you want to talk to him, please make an appointment by calling at the Parish Office)

Parochial Vicars:

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

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

(If you want to talk to them, please make an appointment by calling at the Parish Office)

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

Her office hours are: Tuesday - 4pm to 8 pm & Wednesday & Thursday - 10am to 12pm / 4pm to 8pm

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

Her office hours are: Tuesday and Thursdays from 10am to 12pm and Wednesday from 5pm to 8pm

Sacristan & Cleaning: Veronica Montoya**Maintenance:** Tom McCue**Saturday evening Pianist:** Kevin Ramer**VOLUNTEERS:**

Sunday morning Pianist: Elizabeth Rogers

Spanish Choir Coordinators: Luz Piña / Miguel Muñoz

Dear Parishioner,

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!

**Campana****“Nuestra familia ama y cuida a nuestra Parroquia”**

Si aun no han participado, todavía pueden hacerlo. Tenemos sobres disponibles en la oficina parroquial por si necesitan. También pueden hacer su donación por internet entrando a nuestra pagina:

www.saintjosephlagrange.org

¡Agradecemos mucho de su apoyo y ayuda!

Recuerden que la mitad de este dinero se usará para terminar de pagar la deuda económica a la Diócesis y la otra mitad para los gastos básicos de nuestra parroquia.

**Annual Bishop's Appeal #38**

Dear Parishioners,

As your pastor, I'm reaching out to you once again to ask for your generous support.

Our parish has many repair needs and expenses that we must make, and we simply couldn't do anything without your help. We

still need to reach our goal! **There are only 31 families who have participated, and we have 225 who have not yet participated.** You can donate from \$1.00, \$5.00, or whatever you can. The important thing is to participate and reach our goal together!

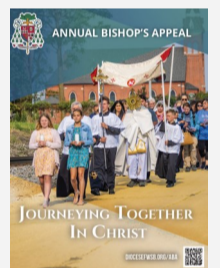
Queridos feligreses,

Como su párroco, me dirijo a ustedes una vez más para pedirles su generoso apoyo. Nuestra parroquia tiene muchas necesidades de reparación y gastos que debemos hacer, y simplemente no podríamos hacer nada sin su ayuda.

¡Todavía necesitamos alcanzar nuestra meta!

Solo hay 31 familias que han participado, y tenemos 225 que aún no han participado. Pueden donar desde \$1.00, \$5.00, o lo que puedan. ¡Lo importante es participar y llegar juntos a nuestra meta!

Att: Fr. Osman Ramos, FM - Pastor

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