



## Sacred Heart Catholic Church

1731 LaPorte Avenue Whiting, IN 46394/ [www.sacredheartwhiting.com](http://www.sacredheartwhiting.com)

Office Hours: Monday through Friday 9:00 am — 4:00 pm or by Appointment at 219.659.0733

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21<sup>st</sup> Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
August 24, 2025

### Narrow door to successful living:

Thousands upon thousands of young boys grow up bouncing basketballs and dreaming of a life in the National Basketball Association — the professional ranks. But only a handful are chosen each year. Woe to the young man or young woman who is talented at sports but neglects his or her education! Thousands upon thousands of new businesses are started each year, but only a small number of people in our society become super-successful in material terms. The higher one goes up the scale, the smaller the numbers become. Thousands upon thousands of young couples each year stand at the altars of churches like this one and pledge their love to one another, but, on the average, half these marriages will end in divorce. Many couples will stay together only for convenience, for appearances, or for the children. Only an estimated 10% will find true fulfillment in their marriages. The door to any kind of successful living is a narrow one. —That is why Jesus reminds us in today's Gospel: *"Strive to enter by the narrow door, for many I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able."* — *Successful living requires making hard choices. It requires dedication and sacrifice. How can Christian Faith demand any less?* (<https://frtonyshomilies.com/>)

*People we see today who are successful in their lives may have made so many sacrifices in their lives, stepping out of their comfort zones. Even within our faith community, you have made so many sacrifices for your children, families, and for your parents. God will reward you for sure. Let us adopt the narrow door in our lives.*

**-Fr. Jay Nuthulapati-**

*"Strive to enter through the narrow door..."*  
Luke 13:24

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### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for the 2025-2026 School Year is now open. Registration forms are available in Church or at the Office. For more information, please call the Parish Office at 219.659.0733. Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 24th.

LEARNING...  
LOVING...  
LIVING...  
**JESUS!**



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## Puerta estrecha hacia una vida exitosa:



Miles y miles de jóvenes crecen jugando al baloncesto y soñando con una vida en la NBA, el baloncesto profesional. Pero solo unos pocos son elegidos cada año. ¡Ay del joven o la joven que tiene talento para los deportes pero descuida su educación! Miles y miles de nuevos negocios se crean cada año, pero solo un pequeño número de personas en nuestra sociedad alcanza el éxito material. Cuanto más se asciende en la escala, menos se reduce el número. Miles y miles de parejas jóvenes se presentan cada año en los altares de iglesias como esta y se prometen amor, pero, en promedio, la mitad de estos matrimonios terminan en divorcio. Muchas parejas permanecen juntas por conveniencia, por las apariencias o por los hijos. Se estima que solo un 10% encontrará la verdadera plenitud en su matrimonio. La puerta a cualquier tipo de vida exitosa es estrecha. Por eso Jesús nos recuerda en el Evangelio de hoy: «Esfuércense por entrar por la puerta estrecha, porque les digo que muchos intentarán entrar y no podrán». — Vivir con éxito requiere tomar decisiones difíciles. Requiere dedicación y sacrificio. ¿Cómo puede la fe cristiana exigir menos? (<https://frtonyshomilies.com/>)

*Las personas que vemos hoy que tienen éxito en sus vidas pueden haber hecho muchos sacrificios, saliendo de su zona de confort. Incluso dentro de nuestra comunidad de fe, ustedes han hecho muchos sacrificios por sus hijos, familias y padres. Dios los recompensará sin duda. Adoptemos la puerta estrecha en nuestras vidas.*

**P. Jay Nuthulapati**

**6th Annual Ice Cream Social**  
6to Social Anual de Helados

**Sunday Sept. 14th**  
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Rain or Shine

**Food Raffles Kids' Games Bingo Cake Walk And Much More!**

**Sacred Heart Church**  
1731 Laporte Avenue Whiting, IN 46394  
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(219) 659-0733

Ice Cream Social Committee is looking for **volunteers**. If you can spare some time to help out, it would be greatly appreciated. Next **Planning meeting** will be on **Monday, August 25th at 6:00 pm, Rose Room.**

**For more information, please call Olivia at 219-678-3700 or the Parish Office at 219-659-0733**

### MASS SCHEDULE ON THE ICE CREAM SOCIAL EVENT:

- ⇒ **Saturday, September 13th, 6:00 pm (English)**
- ⇒ **Sunday, September 14th, 10:00 am- (Bilingual). There will be one mass only.**

**We are asking donors/ sponsors for our Raffle Baskets.**

**Raffle Basket items needed:**

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|-------------------------|------------------|
| • Chicago Bulls         | • Beer/Wine      |
| • Chicago Blackhawks    | • Grill/ BBQ     |
| • Candy (no chocolates) | • Bath/Spa Day   |
| • Popcorn/Movie night   | • Girl Basket    |
| • Board Games/Puzzles   | • Boy Basket     |
|                         | • Coffee/Kitchen |

**Please leave these items in Church, Rectory or in the Parish Office on or before September 5th.**

Calling bakers to pull out your favorite dessert recipes and help us make this year once again the best year for the Ice Cream Social. **We are in need of cakes, cookies or brownies for the Cake Walk/Bake Sale.** Please **bring your delicious baked goods to the Rose Room on Saturday, September 13th between 10:00 am and 12:00 noon.** We appreciate for sharing your baking talents.

September 13th , 3:00 pm– Setting up and decorations

## MASS SCHEDULE/ HORARIOS DE MISA

### Sunday/Domingo

8:30 am English/ Inglés  
10:30 am Spanish/ Español

### Wednesday/Miércoles

8:30 am Bilingual

### Friday/ Viernes

8:30 am Bilingual

*Mass at 8:30 am and Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament follows until 12:00 noon.*

*Misa las 8:30 am luego sigue Adoración y Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento hasta la 12:00 pm.*

### CONFESSIONS/ LA CONFESIONES

Sunday/ Domingo: 8:00 am- 8:30 am  
Sunday/ Domingo: 10:00 am- 10:30 am

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK INTENCION DE LA MISA PARA LA SEMANA

### 08/24/2025 Sunday/Domingo

**8:30 am**

† Timothy Cassoday  
† Fr. Frank Torres  
† Ann Marie Novak  
† Mary T. Sinal

\*For all the Sacred Heart Parishioners, living and the deceased /Por todos los Feligreses del Sagrado Corazon, vivos y los difuntos

**10:30 am**

† James Funchik

### 08/27/2025 Wednesday/Miercoles

**8:30 am**

† William Dugan  
† Rosalie Eisenhammer

### 08/29/2025 Friday/Viernes

**8:30 am**

\* John Salazar, Birthday Blessings

## OUR STEWARDSHIP/ NUESTRO CORRESPONSABILIDAD

08/10/2025– Ordinary Sunday /Colecta Ordinario

**1,862.00**

Online Giving for the month of July 2025

**\$2,630.00**

*Thank you for your continued participation, support and donations. God bless us all!*

*Gracias por su continua participación, apoyo y donaciones. ¡Dios nos bendiga a todos!*



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Parish Goal— \$17,456.99  
Amount Paid— \$8,481.00  
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vs. Paid— \$8,975.99

Thank you for your continued participation, support and sacrificial giving. Please prayerfully consider a special gift to support and meet our goal this year 2025.



## PARISH ANNUAL MISSION

Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Whiting Indiana



WITH FR. ANDREW SUMMERSON

**"Mary: Mother of the Church,  
Mother of Whiting, and Searcher  
for the Lost!"**

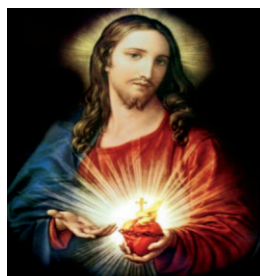
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 at 10:00 AM—  
1ST DAY OF THE MISSION WILL BEGIN WITH  
LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 AT 6:30 PM—  
2ND DAY OF THE MISSION

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 AT 6:30 PM—  
3RD DAY OF THE MISSION

### ABOUT FR. ANDREW:

Fr. Andrew Summerson is pastor at St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church in Whiting. He holds a doctorate in Theology from the Augustinianum in Rome, where Pope Leo used to live. He and his wife Laura, a journalist, have narrated papal events for Vatican Radio and produced documentaries for EWTN. He is the author and editor of numerous books and articles, such as *Divine Scripture and Human Emotion* and *Maximus the Confessor*, *Eastern Catholic Theology in Action* (Catholic University of America Press, 2024), and *The Pastoral Theology of the Early Church* (Catholic University of America Press, 2026). You can read about his conversion story in *By Strange Ways: Theologians and Their Paths to the Catholic Church* (Ignatius Press, 2022). He loves being Catholic in Whiting and hosting processions larger than the Pierogi Fest Parade.



**Sacred Heart of Jesus,  
I place all my trust in you.**

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, for whom it is impossible not to have compassion on the afflicted, have pity on us miserable sinners and grant us the grace which we ask of you, through the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, your tender mother and ours.

Say the Hail, Holy Queen and add: "Saint Joseph, foster father of Jesus, pray for us." AMEN

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