

Men’s Club  
50/50 Drawing Will Start Sunday, January 4, 2026

- 1. Make a \$52.00 check out to St. Joseph Catholic Church.
- 2. Put in the Memo Line: Men’s Club 50/50.
- 3. Put you Parish Number on your check.
- 4. Put your check in a blank envelope, envelopes are on the bulletin board.
- 5. Deposit envelope in Sunday collection basket.

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La rifa 50/50 del Club de Hombres ya esta por comenzar!!  
Fecha de inicio: Domingo 4 de Enero del 2026. Los pasos a seguir son:

- 1. Si pagará por los 6 meses por adelantado; Haga el cheque de \$52.00 a nombre de: St. Joseph Catholic Church.
- 2. En la seccion de *memo*, indique que es para: Men’s Club 50/50.
- 3. Incluya tambien su numero de miembro de la parroquia en el cheque.
- 4. Coloque el cheque en un sobre. Habrá sobres en blanco disponibles en el *bulletin board*.
- 5. Deposite el sobre en la canasta de la colecta el domingo.

Gracias, contamos con su participación.

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<b><u>Nativity of the Lord</u></b>		
(Christmas)		
Wed. Dec., 24		6:00 pm
(Children’s Program at 5:45 pm)		
Thurs., Dec. 25		10:00 am
<b><u>Holy Family</u></b>		
Sun., Dec. 28		11:00 am
<b><u>Mary, Holy Mother of God</u></b>		
(New Years)		
Wed., Dec. 31		5:45 pm
(Communion Service)		
Thurs., Jan 1		10:00 am

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
DECEMBER 21, 2025

The Carpenter’s Bench

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Sacraments

**Reconciliation:** Monday at 8:30 a.m. and Saturday at 3:30 or by appointment.  
**Marriage:** Pre-marriage counseling with the priest is required at least six months in advance of proposed wedding date. Call the Parish Office 317-244-9002 to schedule an appointment.  
**Infant Baptism:** Preparation classes are required; please call the Parish Office 317-244-9002 to register.

**Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA):** Call the Parish Office at 317-244-9002 to learn more about becoming Catholic.

**Bulletin Deadline**  
For publication in next weekend’s bulletin email items to [stjosephschurch@hotmail.com](mailto:stjosephschurch@hotmail.com) by noon on Monday.

**Suggestions**  
Please leave your suggestions for fostering fellowship at St. Joseph’s in the box on the Narthex literature rack.

**Hospital Ministry**  
Please notify the Parish Office 317-244-9002 of hospital admissions, so that Pastoral Care may be provided.

**Communion for Shut-ins**  
Please call the Parish Office 317-244-9002 if you would like to receive Holy Communion.

**Parish Council Meeting**  
Held monthly at 7 P.M. in the Meeting Room September through May.

**Mass is Celebrated**  
at 10:00 A.M. at Neighbor Care every Tuesday, in the Ballroom.

**Vietnamese Mass Schedule**  
Sun. 9:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.

Parish Staff

**Administrator** — Rev. Minh Dường  
E-mail.....[mduongindy@gmail.com](mailto:mduongindy@gmail.com)  
*Emergency* .....317-760-7664  
**Parish Secretary** — Patty Arthur  
E-mail.....[patty.arthur@aol.com](mailto:patty.arthur@aol.com)  
**Accountant and Music Coordinator**  
Mike McKay.....317-445-9720  
**Coordinator of Faith Formation**  
Judy Meyers .....317-502-3020  
E-mail.....[judy.meyers1973@gmail.com](mailto:judy.meyers1973@gmail.com)

**Children’s Religious Education**  
Pre-school—grade 12, Sept. to May  
Sun.—9:30 to 10:50 a.m.

**Children’s Sacraments**  
Call the Parish Office 317-244-9002 for information to register your child.

**New Parishioners**  
If you are new in the parish, please call the parish office and speak with the Parish Secretary about Parish Registration.

**Mass Schedule**  
**Weekend**  
Saturday.....4:00 p.m.  
Sunday ..... 11:00 a.m.

**Weekday**  
Monday.....9:00 a.m.  
Tues., Thurs., & Fri.....5:45 p.m.

**Communion Service Wed..... 5:45 p.m.**  
**Confession**  
Mon. 8:30 a.m. and Sat. 3:30 p.m.

**Devotions**  
**Rosary**  
*Prayed before Mass on Sunday.*  
**First Friday Devotion and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
4:00 p.m.  
5:45 p.m. Mass

Next Weekend’s Ministry Schedule

The Holy Family	Altar Servers	Cantors	Readers
Dec 27 4:00 PM	Isaak & Ashley		Schedule  Is  Pending
Dec 28 11:00 AM	Sebastian, Nate, Julie & Jimena	TBA	

FOURTH SUNDAY  
OF ADVENT

The Lord  
has not  
forgotten us

**Saint Joseph’s Church Cleaners**  
Dec 22—Marilyn Howard, Cozette Lowder  
Dec 29—Andrea Maxson, Terry Maxson, Bev Silnes  
Jan 5—Doris Akalusi, Faith Chukwuma  
Jan 12—Joselin Arvizo, Priscilla Arvizo  
Jan 19—Theresa Farrell  
Jan 26—Diane Whitis, Rhonda Cawthon

**Saint Joseph’s Lawn Crew**  
  
Thank you so much for your dedication  
in maintaining our parish grounds, they  
always look so beautiful.

This Week’s Mass Intentions			
SAT	Dec 20	4:00 PM	+Stephanie Jones
SUN	Dec 21	11:00 AM	+Alph & Carrie Berger
MON	Dec 22	9:00 AM	+Joan Metzger (Pronounced JoAnn)
TUES	Dec 23	5:45 PM	+Sophie B. Engels
WED	Dec 24	6:00 PM	+Corey Arthur
THUR	Dec 25	10:00 AM	+William C. Engels
FRI	Dec 26	9:00 AM	Living & Deceased Members of the Doughty & Arthur Families
+ Denotes person is deceased			

**Next Weekend’s Mass Intentions**  
SAT, Dec 27 at 4:00 PM - +Ana Maria Torres  
SUN, Dec 28 at 11:00 AM - +Myrna Cirilo Copiling

**OFFICE HOURS**  
  
Tuesday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Thursday: 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.  
  
Our Parish Secretary is also available  
Monday through Friday at 317-244-9002  
from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
  
You may also leave a voice message  
other times and your call  
will be returned as soon as possible.  
  
**OFFICE HOURS MAY VARY**

**Please Pray For...**  
  
Prayer Chain — Offering prayer  
for anyone who asks or needs  
the loving support of caring  
members of the parish. All  
information is confidential. Call  
your request for prayer to  
Shirley and the chain will begin  
immediately.

Shirley Verhonik  
317-241-8979



Happening This Week

Dec 20 3:30 Confession or by appointment  
4 p.m. Mass  
Dec 21 11 a.m. Mass  
Dec 22 8:30 Confession or by appointment  
9 a.m. Mass  
Dec 23 10 a.m. Mass at Neighbor Care  
Dec 24 6 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass  
Dec 25 10 a.m. Christmas Day Mass  
Dec 26 9 a.m. Mass—This is a one time, time  
change  
Dec 27 3:30 Confession or by appointment  
4 p.m. Mass  
Dec 28 11 a.m. Mass  
  
Daily Mass - Mon. 9 a.m., Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 5:45  
Communion Service - Wed. 5:45  
  
Visit our online calendar for more activities:  
[www.stjosephindy.org/Calendar](http://www.stjosephindy.org/Calendar)

**IMPORTANT**  
**MASS TIME CHANGE**  
Friday, December 26  
Mass will be at 9:00 AM

**Collection Report**  
Budget is \$3240 per week.  
Dec 21, 2025 - NO REPORT THIS WEEK  
Was \_\_\_\_\_ budget

**SCRIP CARD SALES**  
**Support St. Joseph’s**  
**Altar Society**  
  
We purchase the cards at a discount, so that when  
you make your purchase from us you’re supporting  
our fundraiser for free!  
**For special orders call or text:**  
Maria Fredrick: 317-287-4485  
Diane Whitis: 317-241-3842

**Funeral Contact**  
Patty Arthur.....317-339-6503  
**SVDP Helpline**.....317-687-0169  
(Spanish).....317-687-0167  
(Donations).....317-687-1006  
**Hurting from Abortion?**  
Call.....317-452-0054  
**Pregnant? Need Help?**  
Call.....833-937-4968

We are inviting parishioners to join in  
praying the Rosary before Sunday Mass at  
St. Joseph’s. The Rosary begins at  
10:39 a.m. to ask Mary to intercede for  
Unborn babies and their mothers  
and fathers. If you are at home,  
please join us also.



**Third Thursday**  
**Adoration**  
**THURSDAY, JANUARY 15**  
**11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.**  
  
**Flame of Love Devotion**  
**begins at 4:30**  
  
**Questions:**  
**Call Bev at 317-362-2682**