

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!

Archbishop Thompson will be here to celebrate Mass with us on Sunday, February 8, 2026.

Let's give him a good old fashioned St. Joseph welcome!



The Most Reverend Charles C. Thompson
Archdiocese of Indianapolis
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14 January 2026

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The parishes of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis will take up the annual **Collection for the Church in Latin America**, on January 24-25, 2026. For more than 50 years, this collection has given Catholics in the United States an opportunity to share faith in unity with our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout Latin America and the Caribbean Islands.

The year 2025 marked the 60th anniversary of the promulgation of *Dei Verbum*, the document on Divine Revelation issued during the Second Vatican Council. In that document the Council Fathers call for all Christian faithful to have "easy access to Sacred Scripture" so that they might more deeply know and love God through understanding and meditating on the Scriptures (no. 22).

To commemorate this important anniversary and help the bishops fulfill their mission to proclaim the Word of God to all people, the Catholic Biblical Federation used funds received through the *Collection for the Church in Latin America* to gather 130 participants for a Bible conference in Mexico City. This gathering of pastoral ministry leaders from countries throughout Latin America came together to discuss the teachings of *Dei Verbum* and for the opportunity to collaborate with and encourage one another in the critical ministry of making the Word of God available to everyone.

Your support of the *Collection for the Church in Latin America* helps church leaders throughout Central and South America and the Caribbean to fulfill their mission to preach the Word of God and to awaken a love for Scripture. Please be as generous as you are able.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

+ *Charles C. Thompson*

Most Reverend Charles C. Thompson
Archbishop of Indianapolis

FESTIVAL BARN

We have begun collecting donations again. **NO CLOTHES or FURNITURE.** Please call Bob Palmer at 317- 222-1073 after 1 p.m.

DO NOT LEAVE ITEMS OUTSIDE THE BARN

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 18, 2026

The Carpenter's Bench

The Weekly Bulletin of Saint Joseph Catholic Church



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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 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 Dũng
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Emergency317-760-7664
Parish Secretary — Patty Arthur
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Mike McKay.....317-445-9720
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Judy Meyers317-502-3020
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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

Saturday4:00 p.m.

Sunday11:00 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

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Altar Servers	Cantors	Readers	Petitions
Jan 24 4:00 PM	Emiliano & Pablo		Luke Ferris Linda Hinsley	
Jan 25 11:00 AM	Isack, Angel & Ashley	Bill & Tim	Veronica Gomez Antonio Dorantes (SP)	Doris Akalusi

Saint Joseph’s Church Cleaners
Jan 19—Theresa Farrell
Jan 26—Maria Ester Mendoza
Feb 2—Diane Whitis, Rhonda Cawthon
Feb 9—Maria Fredrick
Feb 16—Susanne McFerran, Maria Fredrick

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	Jan 17	4:00 PM	+Ana Maria Torres
SUN	Jan 18	11:00 AM	+Stephanie Jones
MON	Jan 19	9:00 AM	Nga’s Family Health, Peace & Souls in Purgatory
TUES	Jan 20	5:45 PM	Trung—Thanksgiving for God’s Blessings
WED	Jan 21	5:45 PM	Communion Service
THUR	Jan 22	5:45 PM	+Sophie B. Engels
FRI	Jan 23	5:45 PM	+William C. Engels

+ Denotes person is deceased

Next Weekend’s Mass Intentions
SAT, Jan 24 at 4:00 PM - +Maria A. Rodriguez
SUN, Jan 25 at 11:00 AM - +Corey Arthur

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

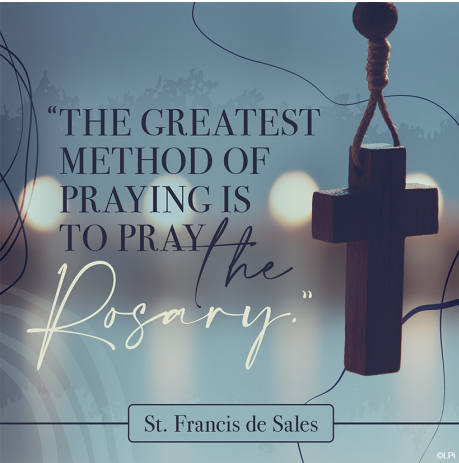
Jan 17 3:30 Confession or by appointment
4 p.m. Mass
Jan 18 11 a.m. Mass
Jan 19 8:30 Confession or by appointment
9 a.m. Mass
Jan 20 10 a.m. Mass at Neighbor Care
Jan 21 5:45 Communion Service
Jan 22 6 p.m. Free Meal
Jan 24 3:30 Confession or by appointment
4 p.m. Mass
Jan 25 11 a.m. Mass
Daily Mass - 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

Collection Report

Budget is \$3240 per week.
Jan 11, 2026 - \$2717 – 53 envelopes
Solemnity of Mary:
\$35 - 2envelopes
Total - \$2752 Was 488 UNDER budget

50/50 Report

1/11/2026 - #265 Ramon Quintana
WAS NOT played
NO WINNER for \$66
1/18/2022 drawing will be for \$101



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, FEBRUARY 19
11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Flame of Love Devotion begins at 4:30
Questions:
Call Bev at 317-362-2682

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