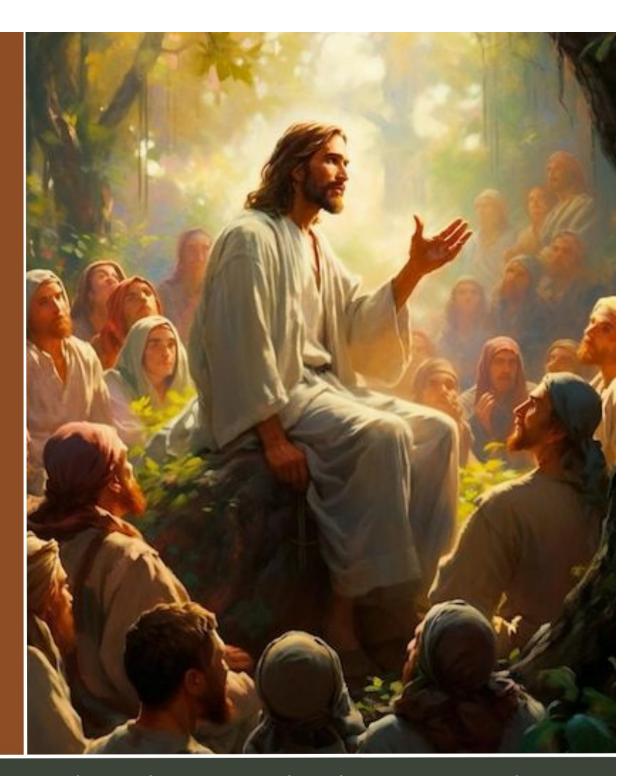
Holy Family Parish



If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts

AUGUST 3rd

18th SUNDAY
In Ordinary Time

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT HOLYFAMILYLAPORTE.ORG



Dear Friends,

As our Summer winds down, I would like to inform you that the Diocese of Gary is undertaking a Pastoral Planning Process in the coming months. Along with 40 other parishes in Northwest Indiana, Holy Family is asked to take part.

What does this entail?

Each of the four grouping areas in the diocese (LaPorte/Starke, Porter, North Lake, and South Lake) will hold a series of six meetings:

- Four private meetings with diocesan representatives, consultants from Catholic Leadership Institute, priests from each parish, and three selected key parish leaders from each parish
- Two general parish sessions open to all parishioners
- For the LaPorte/Starke grouping, general parish sessions will be held at the Sacred Heart Activity Center, 201 Bach Street, on:
 - Thursday, September 11, 2025 at 6:00 PM
 - Thursday, October 30, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Who are the selected key parish leaders?

Each pastor has been asked to select three individuals who represent their community. I have asked the following members of our parish to serve in this role:

- Madalyn Jozaitis mjozaitiseholyfamilylaporte.org
- Donna Lanoue <u>gdl2670eyahoo.com</u>
- Vince Talerico <u>vincentjosephtalerico@gmail.com</u>

Why is the diocese initiating this process?

As of this writing, there are 50 priests currently assigned to parishes in the Diocese of Gary. Of those, 9 are members of religious orders (e.g. Franciscans, Missionaries of the Precious Blood, and Association of the Immaculate Conception). That leaves 41 active diocesan priests. Among them, 8 are currently serving past the retirement age of 70. If current trends continue and we ordain every seminarian that is eligible, we expect to have, at maximum, 33 diocesan priests under age 70 by 2030. To give you perspective, we had 112 diocesan priests serving our parishes in the year 2000.

What does this mean?

This shortage of priests will require serious decisions. Bishop McClory has initiated this process to help him discern how to best shepherd the diocese with the resources we have. Consolidation may be a necessary factor - some parishes may merge, close, or share priests to meet pastoral needs.

LaPorte already consolidated in 2021. Why do we have to repeat this process?

This pastoral planning process will take place among the remaining 41 parishes and communities in the diocese that have not yet undergone pastoral planning (excluding Merrillville, Michigan City, and Hammond/Whiting/East Chicago, all of which have recently participated in their own local processes). While it is true that LaPorte underwent the diocese's first recent consolidation in 2021, we have been asked to collaborate in the LaPorte/Starke process. LaPorte is surrounded to the east, west, and south by rural parishes that are served by priests past or near the retirement age. Therefore, an adequate and prudent planning process should include the input and collaboration of Holy Family Parish.

What will happen next after this process?

After the meetings this Fall, Bishop McClory will review the findings and recommendations from each of the four grouping areas of the diocese. Final decisions will be shared in 2026.

Please pray for our Bishop, priests, and key parish leaders as we begin our efforts.

- Read the above message again for clarity's sake. Misinformation and false rumors are a great disservice to all of
- Stay informed and attend the public meetings listed above if you are able.
- · Contact me or any of the key parish leaders listed above if you have feedback or questions throughout this process.

God bless, Fr. Nate



A Community that Worships Together

adoración en comunidad

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Homilies are available on our YouTube channel. www.youtube.com/c/HolyFamilyLaporte

Daily Mass

Monday, August 4th

8:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart

+ Czestaw Yablonski by Chocianowicz Family

Tuesday, August 5th

8:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart

+ Connie Tobar by Scott & Roxann Zoborosky

Wednesday, August 6th

8:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart

+Steve Chmielewski by Janet Ebsch

7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph

+Jose Perez-Aguirre y +Francisco y +Enedina Hernandez by Kimberly Moreno

Thursday, August 7th

8:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart

+ Ethel Harrison by Lois Rejak

Friday, August 8th

8:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart

+ Donald Kabacinski by Mike & Lori Williams

Saturday, August 9th

8:30 a.m. Mass at St Joseph

+ Jerry & Marlene Krcilek by Ron & Shirley Richie

Marriages matrimonios

Luz Cantu and Victor Cantu

In Memoriam

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Doris Bennitt Ed Kuta

Por favor, recen por el descanso de su alma.

Low Gluten Host

To all Parishioners requiring a low gluten host: Before Mass please notify the sacristan of your need. At Sacred Heart and St. Peter's, low gluten hosts will be distributed by the EEM on the choir side of the Church. At St. Joseph, the celebrant distributes them.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 9th, Vigil Mass

4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass at St. Peter

+ Wayne Brewer by Family

Sunday, August 10th

Reading 1 Wisdom 18:6-9

Reading 2 Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

Luke 12:32-48

7:30 a.m. Mass at St. Peter

+ Ray Hamilton by Karen

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph

+ Kirt Lawson by Dan & Jan Edquist

& Holy Family Parishioners

10:30 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart

+ All Deceased members of the Layman & Mrozinski Families

+ Guadalupe Perez y +Susano Perez by Julia Camarillo

CONFESSION & ADORATION SCHEDULE

Confession | Confesión

- Tuesday, 7:15 a.m. Sacred Heart (before 8 a.m. Mass)
- Wednesday, 6:15 p.m. St. Joseph (before 7 p.m. Mass)
- Saturday, 9:00 a.m. St. Joseph
- Saturday, 3:00-4:00 p.m. St. Peter

Eucharist Adoration | Adoración

- Monday Friday, 7 a.m. Before 8 a.m. Mass, Sacred Heart (Livestream)
- St. Joseph Adoration Chapel, 8 am-5 pm





PARISH OFFICE WILL HAVE THEM AVAILABLE BEGINNING MONDAY, JUNE 23RD.



FORMATION REGISTRATION

Inscripciónes para catecismo

CLASSES BEGIN: SEPT. 3RD Clases comienzan: 3 de Sept.



REGISTRATIO Open from 4 - 7 PM

cafetería de San José

AUGUST 27

AUGUST 20

TUITION 1 CHILD - \$100

PER ADDITIONAL CHILD +\$50

50% DOWN PAYMENT DUE AT REGISTRATION

50% del pago se debe el momento de la inscripción



AUGUST 13

NEW STUDENTS & NON-PARISHIONERS:

You MUST bring your child's baptismal certificate to registration.

Nuevos estudiantes y no-parroquianos: Usted DEBE traer el certificado de bautismo de su hijo a la inscripción.

Considera hacerte catequista o voluntario para catecismo este año!

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5TH @5:30 PM

SACRED HEART ACTIVITY CENTER

La junta será el martes 5 de agosto a las 5:30 PM en el Sagrado Corazón.

Join Us!

- Review the Curriculum Revisa el curriculum
- **Ask Questions** Haga preguntas
- Meet other Volunteers Conozca a otros voluntarios

(219) 362-2815



Interested in becoming Or have never received a Sacrament?

CONSIDER JOINING OCIA!

WHAT DOES OCIA STAND FOR?

OCIA stands for **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults**

WHAT IS OCIA?

 OCIA is meant to assist those wishing to enter into the fullness of the Catholic faith. OCIA is all about developing a relationship with Jesus Christ.



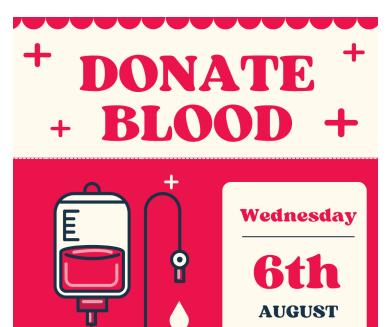
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ANY QUESTIONS? | PREGUNTAS?





Save someone's life with a drop of your blood!

@ SACRED HEART **CAMPUS**



Campaña de donación de sangre 6 de Agosto

Done sangre para salvar la vida de alguien

12-5

redcross.org/give-blood





AUGUST 7:00 PM ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH ARE INVITED TO JOIN OUR NEW WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB! GROW IN FAITH, COMMUNITY, & SPIRITUAL WISDOM THROUGH MEANINGFUL BOOKS.

EVERY THURSDAY BEGINNING @7:00 PM

ST. PETER'S MINISTRY CENTER - JOHN PAUL II ROOM

ANY QUESTIONS? CONTACT ASHLEY SHARKEY (765) 749-4758

EMMAUS

MISSIONARY DISCIPLESHIP CONFERENCE

You are witnesses of these things. -Lk 24:48





Dr. Mary Healy

AUGUST 9th 2025

Porter County Expo Center

English Breakout Sessions

Adam Antone - Mental Health Meg Hunter-Kilmer - The Saints

Dr. Mary Healy - Healing

Dr. Edward Sri - Missionary Discipleship and Evangelization

Don't miss this chance to grow in faith and be part of a vibrant community of believers dedicated to living and sharing the Good News!

5 Tarifa Para Estudiantes Student Rate

(Secundaria, Preparatoria, Universidad)

5 c/u por 2 o Más Adultos Family Rate

Each for 2 or More Adult Registrations



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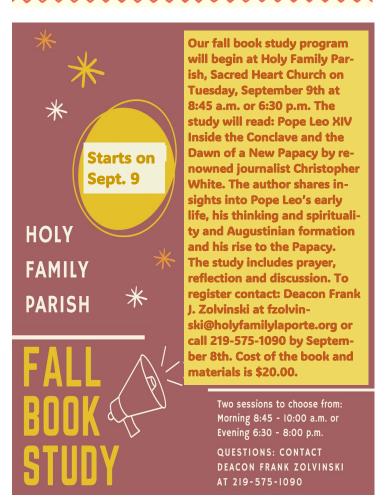


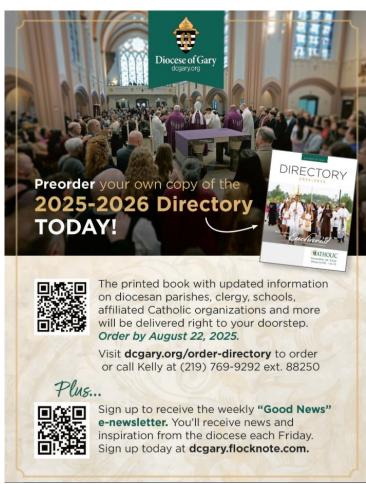


Holy Communion will now be brought to Catholic patients at Northwest LaPorte Hospital every Wednesday afternoon by Holy Family Parish's new Hospital Ministry. We will receive a list of patients who have registered on admission as being Catholic, but feel free to contact us also.

La Sagrada Comunión será ahora llevada a los pacientes católicos en el Hospital Northwest LaPorte todos los miércoles por la tarde por el nuevo Ministerio del Hospital de la Parroquia de la Sagrada Familia. Recibiremos una lista de los pacientes que se han registrado en la admisión como ser católico, pero siéntase en contacto con nosotros también.

CALL OR TEXT MAGGIE LEROY AT 219-363-0086 IF NEEDED.







SUNDAY AUG. 3, 2025 11AM-6PM CST

Family Fun: Kid-Zone with Magician, Face Painting, Games, & Bounce Houses Live Irish Music: Celtic Roots, Doolin' Clan, Kennedy's Kitchen Food & Drink: All You Can Eat Barbecued Ribs, Chicken, Corned Beef, Hotdogs, Pulled

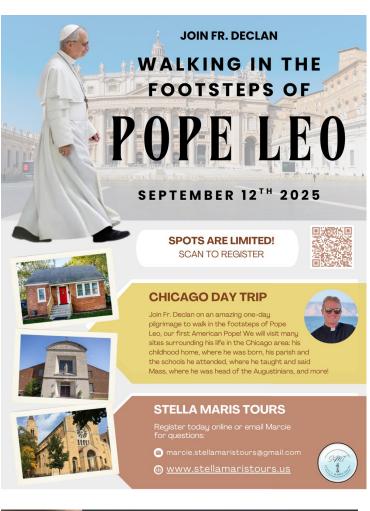


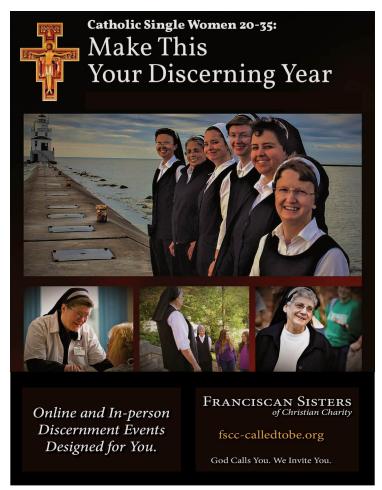






Single and Catholic? Join 400+ singles coming from all over the US (and beyond) at the 20th Anniversary National Conference for Single Catholics in Denver, Colorado on August 22nd-24th, 2025! (Can't travel? Join the virtual option with online socials and small group discussions). This is your chance to connect with like-minded singles of all ages. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass with Archbishop Samuel Aquila, adoration, fellowship and more. (Use the promo code PARISH25 for a discount.) Visit NationalCatholicSingles.com for more information and to register.





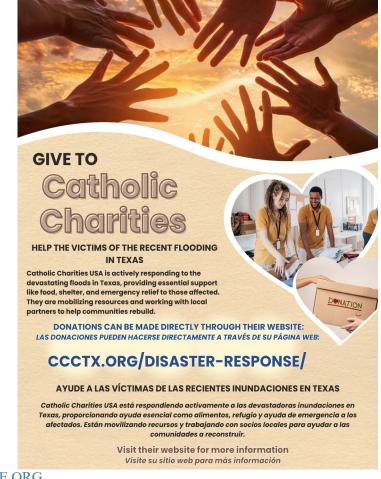


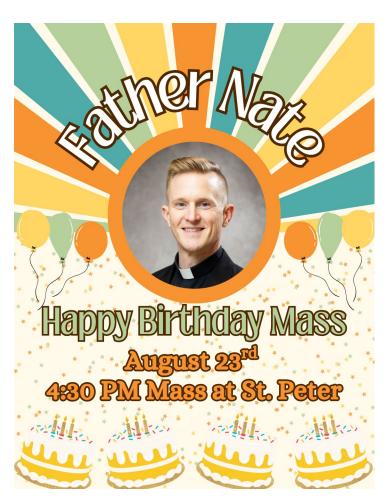
PRAY FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Each church has a cross that you can take home and pray for vocations. Sign up on the clipboard in the narthex for the week you want. The cross will be at the church on the table designated for you to pick up on Saturday or Sunday. Bring it back the following Saturday evening and leave it for the next person.

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE VOCATIONS CROSS MINISTRY?

CONTACT JAN EDQUIST 219-575-1597









A Summer Blessing

May you walk with God This summer In whatever you do Wherever you go

Walking with God means...
Walking with honesty
And with courage,
Walking with love
And respect
And concern for the feelings
of others

May you talk to God This summer And every day and In every situation Talking with God means...
Praying words of praise
For the beauty of creation
Saying prayers of thanks

Saying prayers of thanks For friends and good times, Asking God's help

Asking God's help In all your decisions Expressing sorrow When you have failed

May you talk with God Every day. Amen. – Author unknown

Prayer Shawl

"Just a simple prayer shawl Made with prayers for you To cover you with blessings For times you're going through."

The talented hands of the Prayer Shawl Ministry have made beautiful prayer shawls for anyone in the parish who is ill or suffering in anyway. They may be given to members of our parish for a family member or a loved one who is in need of extra comfort.

The prayer shawls are a loving sign you can give someone to show they are being thought of and prayed for.

The shawls are available at the Parish Center.

Prayer Squares

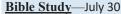


The prayer squares that are made by the Prayer Shawl Ministry with attached prayer cards are available in the narthex of all three churches. The squares are a reminder to pause and pray and we hope they will provide comfort to those in need of prayer. Please

feel free to take one for yourself or someone you feel is need of prayer.

This Week at Holy Family Parish

Meetings and Small Groups



Explore the Word of God with your friends on Wednesday mornings - immediately after the 8am Mass at Sacred Heart. If you have ever thought of joining a Bible Study, now is a good time to begin.

<u>Scripture Discussion</u>—July 30—Explore next Sunday's Readings before you hear them at Mass. Participants marvel at how well the Old Testament and New Testament Readings correlate. Join us on Wednesday evenings (6:30-8:00pm) at St. Peter Ministry Center, Mother Theresa Room.

Fit Shepherds Sat. August 2, 6:30am - 7:30am, Boston Middle School Track, by the corner of 1st and C street. Fit Shepherds aims to help every man in our community be in the best physical and spiritual shape of his life. Meetings every Saturday morning at 6:30am at the Boston Middle School outdoor track. All men 16 and older are welcome.

Fiat Fitness Sat. August 2

Women's exercise group that meets each week for prayer, movement, and fellowship. Women at all levels of fitness are welcome. Every Saturday, 7:15am - 8:15am, St. Peter Ministry Resource Center. Contact: Jan Edguist, 219-575-1597.

Nourish for Caregivers August 6

Faith based support group that aims to provide support and assistance to anyone caring for a parent, spouse, child or loved one in their home. Meetings the 1st Wednesday of the month, 6:30pm, 130 Bach Street (former Sacred Heart Rectory). Contact: Deacon Frank J. Zolvinski – 219-575-1090.

Men Growing in Discipleship August 6

Meetings are at 7:00pm on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month at the St. Peter Resource Center to continue our journey into the discipleship of Jesus. Contact: Victor Stearns at 219-363-4313.

The Men of Holy Family Parish August 9th

Adoration, Rosary, and fellowship. Second Saturday of the month, 8 AM at St. Peter Church.

Our Lady of the Snows Circle August 18th

The August meeting will be Monday, August 18th, 11:00 am at the home of Rhea Ferrell. Call with questions at 219.575.1576.

<u>Parkinson's Support Group</u> – meets on Wed. <u>August 6th, 10am</u> Meetings are at the St. Francis House 130 Bach St. If you have Parkinson's disease, it can be helpful to talk to fellow sufferers in the community. For more information contact: Bob Wellinski bwellinski@holyfamilylaporte.org

Support Holy Family Parish



Do you want to support Holy Family Parish and our Mission to form disciples who serve? Use the QR code to make a contribution. | *Utilice el código QR para hacer una contribución*.

Our Sincere Thanks

The family of Mona Pavey would like to express their appreciation to Fr. Nate, Fr. Alex, Deacon Frank, Deacon Bob Wellinski, Funeral Choir, Bereavement Committee, Funeral Luncheon team, and the Prayer Shawl committee.

Special thanks to everyone for your prayers and support.

The Pavey Family

Shout out to our backyard farmers:

It's summer and we're hoping your backyard gardens are doing well. As in the past, if you would like to share your produce with our Sacred Heart Food Pantry patrons, we will take any donations on Tuesdays, between 11:30 and 12:45. Please bring your donations to our food pantry located in the garage of the Francis House (the former rectory). Your continued support of our ministry allows us to provide fresh produce to our neighbors in need. Blessings to all! *The St. Francis Committee*

HOURS & LOCATIONS

St. Vincent DePaul Society

(108 C St): Food Pantry is open every Monday from $\underline{3:00-5:00}$ pm. Clothing and small household items Annex is open every Monday from $\underline{3:00-5:00}$ pm and every Wednesday from 11am-2pm. We will also open by appointment (call 219-369-3347) to offer assistance or to receive donations.

St. Vincent dePaul/St. Joseph would like to thank Kabelin's Ace Hardware and Al's Supermarket for their donations to our food pantry! We appreciate your support as we help our neighbors in need!

Sacred Heart Food Pantry

(130 Bach St) Open every Tuesday, 1-2pm.



Mark your calendars for Unique Chance on Thursday, October 9th!

More information to follow. A planning meeting is scheduled for *Wednesday, August 13th*, at 10:30am at St. Peter Resource Center. All are welcome to attend. Any questions Contact Sue Zolvinski at 219-575-1135 or Donna Wagner at 219-363-1516. Hope to see you there.

Stewardship of Sacrificial Giving

donación sacrificada

Date:	7/20/25	7/27/2025
Regular Collection	\$15,781.83	\$14,538.56
Building & Maintenan	ce \$518.00	\$290.00
Food Pantry	\$435.00	\$306.00
Assumption of Mary	\$100.00	\$10.00
Memorial Gift Fund	\$100.00	

Holy Family Parish Team

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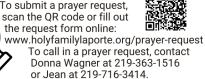
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