

**TWENTY-FOURTH  
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>**



**THE LORD IS KIND AND MERCIFUL, SLOW TO  
ANGER, AND RICH IN COMPASSION.**

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH  
LAPORTE, INDIANA**

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# 2025 - 2026 FINANCIAL REPORT

Holy Family Parish will submit to the Diocese of Gary the 2025/2026 Annual Report for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2025 and Ending June 30, 2026.

## **Cash Balance**

The Cash Balance as of July 1, 2025, which was based upon the 2025/2026 Annual Report, filed with respect to Holy Family Parish, was \$255,218.22. The 2025/2026 Annual Report indicates that Holy Family Parish had Revenue of \$1,685,532.62 and Disbursements of \$1,786,317.40. This results in a net decrease in cash of \$100,784.78 and a Cash Balance, as of June 30, 2026 of \$154,433.44.

This cash balance does not include funds held by the Diocese of Gary for the benefit of Holy Family Parish. These funds total \$ 3,088,963.37, which includes interest earned during the 2025/2026 Fiscal Year of \$112,148.40 and a deposit of \$25,000 (on behalf of the SH Food Pantry) to an account maintained by the Diocese of Gary on behalf of Holy Family Parish.

## **Revenues**

Revenues were generated mainly from Ordinary Collections, which totaled \$1,107,146.62. Rebates from the Catholic Services Appeal totaled \$56,285.00 and Special Collections totaled \$18,769.01.

## **Disbursements**

The most significant disbursement during the fiscal year was for compensation and benefits of Clergy and employees. Non-clergy salaries totaled \$399,314.55 Clergy Compensation, benefits, and coverage totaled \$146,560.83.

Holy Family Parish Quota expense totaled \$136,904.70, payable to the Diocese of Gary. Quota includes diocesan parish tax and insurance costs.

## **Faith Formation**

Faith Formation generated \$18,895.00 in revenues while incurring \$11,941.35 in expenses. These expenses do not include compensation and benefits of employees or other individuals providing services to the program.

If you would like to review the 2025/2026 Annual Report, please request a copy from the Parish Office or check our parish website.

# A Community that Worships Together

adoración en comunidad

## MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Homilies are available on our YouTube channel.

[www.youtube.com/c/HolyFamilyLaporte](http://www.youtube.com/c/HolyFamilyLaporte)

### Daily Mass

#### Monday, September 14

- 8:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart  
+Allan Benjamin by wife, Marcia

#### Tuesday, September 15

- 8:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart  
+Edward Andrews by Larry Andrews & Family

#### Wednesday, September 16

- 8:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart  
+Donna & Kevin Cochran by Louise Arndt
- 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph (Spanish)  
+Judy Cichon by David & Family

#### Thursday, September 17

- 8:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart  
+Janet Strom by Audrey Hagenow

#### Friday, September 18

- 8:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart  
+Betty Mikowski by Stearns Family

#### Saturday, September 19

- 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph  
+Bill Minich by Mary Caves

## Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Saturday, September 19, Vigil Mass

- 4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass at St. Peter  
+Deacon Robert Bucheit by Gary & Annette Fath

### Sunday, September 20

Reading 1 Isaiah 55:6-9

Reading 2 Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a

Gospel Matthew 20:1-16a

- 7:30 a.m. Mass at St. Peter  
+Kelly Kubit by Mom
- 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph  
+Kay Baumgartner by her kids
- 10:30 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart  
+Rudy Eversburg by Family  
& Holy Family Parishioners
- 12:00 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph  
+Abel Guzman Meza, y +Rafael Guzman by Familia Guzman

### 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)
- Thursday, 7:15 a.m. Sacred Heart (before 8 a.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

### Baptisms bautizos

Lilah Porras

### Marriages matrimonios

Alec Cullitan & Sophia Graf

### In Memoriam

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

John Starr

*Por favor, recen por el descanso de su alma.*

**MASS IN THE PARK** WITH BISHOP ROBERT MCCLORY

SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2026 @ 11 AM  
FOX PARK AMPHITHEATER

WORSHIP | FELLOWSHIP  
FOOD TRUCKS | BALLOONS  
BAND | FACE PAINTING  
LAWN GAMES | LOTERIA  
MUSIC | CORN HOLE

**SAVE THE DATE**

## INSTALLATION MASS

Congratulation on becoming the Pastor of our Parish. We are so happy you are here!

Enhorabuena por haberte convertido en el párroco de nuestra parroquia. ¡Estamos muy contentos de que estés aquí!

FATHER  
ROQUE



### OPENING HYMN

#### O God beyond All Praising

1. O God beyond all praising, we  
worship you today  
And sing the love amazing that  
songs cannot repay;  
For we can only wonder at every  
gift you send,  
At blessings without number and  
mercies without end.  
We lift our hearts before you and  
wait upon your word;  
We honor and adore you, our great  
and might Lord.

2. The flow'r of earthly splendor in  
time must surely die,  
Its fragile bloom surrender to you,  
the Lord most high;  
But hidden from all nature the eter-  
nal seed is sown,  
Though small in mortal stature to  
heaven's garden grown.  
For Christ, the man from heaven,  
from death has set us free,  
And we through him are given the  
final victory!

3. Then hear, O gracious Savior,  
accept the love we bring,  
That we who know your favor may  
serve you as our King;  
And whether our tomorrows be  
filled with good or ill,  
We'll triumph through our sorrows  
and rise to bless you still,  
To marvel at your beauty and glory  
in your ways,  
And make a joyful duty our sacrifice  
of praise.

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13 13 13 13 13 13; Gustav Holst, 1874-1934

### FIRST READING

Sirach 27:30-28:7

Cosas abominables son el rencor y la cólera; sin embargo, el pecador se aferra a ellas. El Señor se vengará del vengativo y llevará rigurosa cuenta de sus pecados.

Perdona la ofensa a tu prójimo, y así, cuando pidas perdón, se te perdonarán tus pecados. Si un hombre le guarda rencor a otro, ¿le puede acaso pedir la salud al Señor?

El que no tiene compasión de un semejante, ¿cómo pide perdón de sus pecados?

Cuando el hombre que guarda rencor pide a Dios el perdón de sus pecados, ¿hallará quien interceda por él?

Piensa en tu fin y deja de odiar, piensa en la corrupción del sepulcro y guarda los mandamientos.

Ten presentes los mandamientos y no guardes rencor a tu prójimo.

Recuerda la alianza del Altísimo y pasa por alto las ofensas.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

### SECOND READING

Romans 14:7-9

Brothers and sisters: None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

### GOSPEL

Matthew 18:21-35

En aquel tiempo, Pedro se acercó a Jesús y le preguntó: "Si mi hermano me ofende, ¿cuántas veces tengo que perdonarlo? ¿Hasta siete veces?" Jesús le contestó: "No sólo hasta siete, sino hasta setenta veces siete".

Entonces Jesús les dijo: "El Reino de los cielos es semejante a un rey que quiso ajustar cuentas con sus servidores. El primero que le presentaron le debía muchos talentos. Como no tenía con qué pagar, el señor mandó que lo vendieran a él, a su mujer, a sus hijos y todas sus posesiones, para saldar la deuda. El servidor, arrojándose a sus pies, le suplicaba, diciendo: 'Ten paciencia conmigo y te lo pagaré todo'. El rey tuvo lástima de aquel servidor, lo soltó y hasta le perdonó la deuda.

Pero, apenas había salido aquel servidor, se encontró con uno de sus compañeros, que le debía poco dinero. Entonces lo agarró por el cuello y casi lo estrangulaba, mientras le decía: 'Págame lo que me debes'. El compañero se le arrodilló y le rogaba: 'Ten paciencia conmigo y te lo pagaré todo'. Pero el otro no quiso escucharlo, sino que fue y lo metió en la cárcel hasta que le pagara la deuda.

Al ver lo ocurrido, sus compañeros se llenaron de indignación y fueron a contar al rey lo sucedido. Entonces el señor lo llamó y le dijo: 'Siervo malvado. Te perdoné toda aquella deuda porque me lo suplicaste. ¿No debías tú también haber tenido compasión de tu compañero, como yo tuve compasión de ti?' Y el señor, encolerizado, lo entregó a los verdugos para que no lo soltaran hasta que pagara lo que debía.

Pues lo mismo hará mi Padre celestial con ustedes, si cada cual no perdona de corazón a su hermano".

## OFFERTORY

### Seek Ye First

1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
And his righteousness,  
And all these things shall be added unto you;

Refrain:

Allelu, alleluia.  
Alleluia, alleluia,  
Alleluia, allelu, alleluia.

2. Ask, and it shall be given unto you,  
See, and you shall find,  
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you;

3. You do not live by bread alone,  
but by ev'ry word,  
That comes forth from the mouth of God;

4. Where two or three are gathered in my name,  
There am I in their midst;  
And what so ever you ask I will do;

Text: Matthew 6:33, 7:7; adapt. by Karen Lafferty, b 1948 Tune: SEEK YE FIRST, Irregular; Karen Lafferty, b. 1948 Copyright 1972, Universal Music—Brentwood Benson Publishing/CCCM Music

## COMMUNION HYMN

### Taste & See

Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.  
O taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord,  
of the Lord.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times.  
Praise shall always be on my lips;  
my soul shall glory in the Lord  
for God has been so good to me.

2. Glorify the Lord with me.  
Together let us all praise God's name.  
I called the Lord who answered me;  
from all my troubles I was set free.

3. Worship the Lord, all you people.  
You'll want for nothing if you ask.  
Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
in God we need put all our trust.

Text: Psalm 34; James E. Moore, Jr., b.1951, © 1983, GIA Publications, Inc.

## 2nd COMMUNION HYMN

### Christ Be Our Light

1. Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
light for the world to see.

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.  
Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your church gathered today.

2. Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.  
Make us your living voice.

3. Longing for food, many are hungry.  
Longing for water, many still thirst.  
Make us your bread, broken for others,  
shared until all are fed.

4. Longing for shelter, many are homeless.  
Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
Make us your building, sheltering others,  
walls made of living stone.

5. Many the gifts, many the people,  
many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another,  
making your kingdom come.

Text: Bernadette Farrell, b. 1957 Tune: Bernadette Farrell, b. 1957  
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## CLOSING HYMN

### Faith of Our Fathers

1. Faith of our fathers! Living still  
In spite of dungeon, fire and sword:  
O how our hearts beat high with joy,  
Whene'er we hear that glorious word:  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death.

2. The martyrs, chained in prisons dark,  
Were still in heart and conscience free:  
And truly blest would be our fate,  
If we, like them, should die for thee.  
Faith of the martyrs, holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death.

3. Faith of our mothers! Mary's pray'rs  
Shall win all nations unto thee;  
And through the truth that comes from God,  
We all shall then indeed be free.  
Faith of our mothers, holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death.

4. Faith of our fathers! We will love  
Both friend and foe in all our strife:  
And preach thee, too, as love knows how,  
By kindly words and virtuous life.  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death.

Text: 88 88 88; Frederick W. Faber, 1814–1863, alt.  
Music: Henri F. Hemy, 1818–1888; adapt. by James G. Walton, 1821

### Mass Check-ins

**Cards are located in the main entrance narthex (one per student).  
Place in collection basket when done!**

**ALL Faith Formation students are expected to participate in Mass Check-ins.**

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| <br><b>HOLY FAMILY PARISH</b><br>Be a Family - Be Disciples<br>Mass Attended:<br>Please circle one<br>4:30 pm      7:30 am<br>9:00 am<br>10:30 am      12:00 pm |  | <b>Faith Formation CHECK-IN</b><br>Name (first & last): _____<br>Date:    /    /<br>Child's Class: _____<br>Please circle one<br>Communion      Confirmation<br>Prep      Prep<br>(level 1, 2, or 3)      (level 1, 2, or 3)<br>Life in the Church      (grades 4-6) |
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### tarjetas de asistencia a misa

**Las tarjetas están disponibles en la entrada (una para cada estudiante).**

**Pónganlas en la canasta durante el coleccion.**

**Se requiere que TODOS los estudiantes participen.**



Holy Family  
Faith Formation

# MANDATORY PARENT MEETING

All parents/guardians are **required** to attend  
**one** Parent Meeting.

Students will attend class as scheduled, while  
parents/guardians meet in the SJ school cafeteria.

## PINK DAY

**WEDNESDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 9TH**

For parents of students in:

- Pre-K
- Kindergarten
- Communion Prep 1-3
- Fundamental
- Life in the Church 4-6

## GREEN DAY

**WEDNESDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 16TH**

For parents of students in:

- Confirmation Prep 1  
(7<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Confirmation Prep 2  
(8<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Confirmation Prep 3  
(9<sup>th</sup> grade)



Please attend the meeting that  
corresponds with your child's Faith  
Formation class schedule **PINK** or **GREEN** day.

Questions?  
Contact Mary Wellinski  
219.380.6303



*Ladies!*

Join us in September  
for Kingdom Builders

*Train of Glory ~ Sometimes our life can feel like a train station of  
chaos; we are coming and going, but never truly arriving anywhere.  
Ladies, there is power and majesty awaiting you. Join us in  
September to board the train of His glory!*

➔ **Monday, September 14, 2026, 6p-7:30p** ➔  
**Holy Family Parish, St. Peter Ministry Center**  
**1102 Michigan Ave, La Porte, IN**  
Presentation - 6pm  
Adoration, Praise & Worship, Benediction - 6:45pm



*Kingdom Builders*

[www.BuildingThroughHim.com](http://www.BuildingThroughHim.com)



**NEW TIME &  
LOCATION!**

# KERMÉS & MOVIE NIGHT

**SEPTEMBER 19TH | 5 PM - 8 PM**

**ST. PETER'S CHURCH**  
**1101 MICHIGAN AVE. LAPORTE, IN**



**MEXICAN FOOD FOR SALE**  
Comida de venta  
**CASH ONLY – Solo efectivo**



**FREE MOVIE & POPCORN!**  
¡Película y palomitas gratis!



**FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**  
¡Diversión para toda la  
familia!



**BRING YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS, & LAWNCHAIRS!**

# Fortify Night

FELLOWSHIP + FOOD + MUSIC + DISCUSSION

JOIN FR. ROQUE AND FR. ALEX  
EACH MONTH REGARDING A DIFFERENT  
TOPIC ABOUT OUR FAITH

**ST. PETER MINISTRY RESOURCE CENTER**  
**6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

SESSION 9:

**Monday,  
September 21st**

\*AGES 18+

# YOUNG ADULT GROUP

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

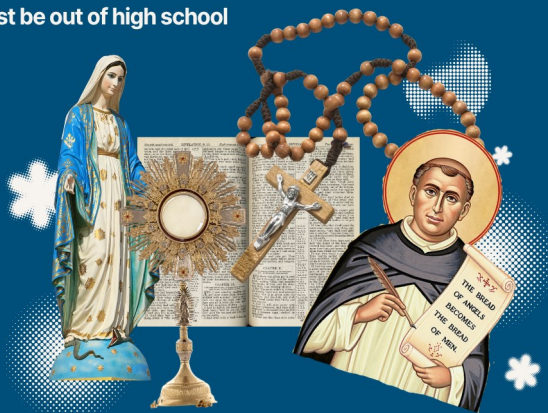
St. Peter's Ministry Center

1110 Michigan Ave.

LaPorte, IN 46350

MEETINGS EVERY **1ST & 3RD**  
**THURSDAYS** OF THE MONTH

\*Must be out of high school



For more information, contact: **John Paul Wellinski - (219) 851-7639**  
**Drew Noveroske - (219) 380-4552**

LES INVITAMOS A NUESTRO

# MINISTERIO DE MATRIMONIOS

Invitacion Especial Para Parejas!

El Ministerio de Matrimonios tiene el gusto de invitar a todos los matrimonios a compartir un tiempo muy especial de comunión, enseñanza y bendición.

◇ Tendremos como invitada especial a:

La hermana Maria Egenia Gomez Duque  
*Misionera Sierva del divino Espiritu*

◇ Fecha: 20 de Septiembre

◇ Hora: 5:30pm

◇ Lugar: Iglesia de San Pedro

No faltes. Ven con tu esposo(a)!

Creemos que sera una noche de mucha bendición para cada matrimonio y familia.

◇ Los esperamos con mucho cariño!

Para más información, comunícate con **Salvador y Elizabeth Martinez**

SIGN UP  
TO HELP!

Holy Family Faith Formation Presents

# TRUNK OR TREAT

October 25th 3 pm - 5 pm

St. Peter's Church Parking Lot



cars &  
candy  
needed!

scan  
me



Diocese of Gary

# 10<sup>th</sup> VOCATIONS BLACK TIE | WHITE COLLAR gala

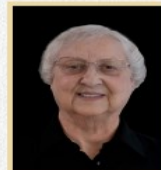
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2026

AVALON MANOR BANQUET CENTER | MERRILLVILLE, IN

## EVENT PROGRAM DETAILS

- 6:00 PM - OPEN BAR & APPETIZERS
- 7:00 PM - DINNER & PROGRAM
- LIVE AND SILENT AUCTION
- MUSIC AND DANCING UNTIL 10:30 PM

Individual Dinner Cost is \$100 per person  
Priests and Religious attend free of charge



THIS YEAR'S GUARDIAN ANGELS AWARD RECIPIENT  
**SANDY BUTLER**  
MARY, MOTHER OF MERCY PARISHIONER  
PRIESTLY VOCATIONS SUPPORTER

To Register for the BLACK TIE | WHITE COLLAR GALA

<https://onecau.se/btwc26>



For more information, please contact JoAnne Rosenow at 219.769.9292  
or email [jrosenow@dcgary.org](mailto:jrosenow@dcgary.org).



## DIOCESE OF GARY

9292 BROADWAY  
MERRILLVILLE, IN 46410-7088

219-769-9292

Bishop of Gary

April 2026

Dear Catholic men of the Diocese of Gary,

For nearly seventy years, the Diocese of Gary and the Knights of Columbus have worked together for God's glory and for the good of souls. The Knights of Columbus have continued to witness to the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. I am writing to express my gratitude for the Knights of Columbus and the good they bring to our parishes and communities.

The new initiative, "Fishers of Men," calls Catholic men to respond generously to Christ's invitation and to take an active role in the life of the Church. This effort is not simply about increasing membership, it is about forming men who are rooted in prayer, committed to virtue, and ready for service. Alongside this initiative, the Knights are strengthening their Evangelization and Faith Formation (EFF) program, including the COR movement, which provides opportunities for prayer, reflection, and fraternity, helping men grow in their relationship with Christ and one another.

The Church in Northwest Indiana exemplifies a diverse community united in worship and in service. The Knights of Columbus contribute to this mission through initiatives such as the Ultrasound Initiative, which has placed over 1,000 ultrasound machines in pregnancy centers nationwide, aiding women in choosing life. Additionally, their support for Special Olympics Indiana enables 2,500 athletes to participate in the Summer Games annually, fostering inclusivity and community spirit. The Knights are also committed to maintaining the public crucifixes located throughout the Diocese of Gary.

To all Catholic men in the Diocese of Gary, I ask that you prayerfully consider membership in the Knights of Columbus. When brothers come together in the Holy Name of Jesus, under the inspiration of Blessed Michael McGivney, the founder of the Order, men find the support they need from other men to be missionary disciples in the family, the workplace, the community, and the parish.

Asking God's blessings upon you through the intercession of Blessed Michael McGivney, I am

**JOIN NOW**

**TO JOIN:** <http://www.koc.org/join>

**YOUR LOCAL COUNCIL IS 1542**

**OR CALL AT (206) 769-9553 TO SPEAK  
TO OUR GRAND KNIGHT**

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. McClory  
Bishop of Gary






# UNIQUE CHANCE

HOLY FAMILY PARISH FALL RAFFLE

An evening of fun, refreshments, and prizes

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8**  
**ST. PETER MINISTRY CENTER**  
**DOORS OPEN AT 6PM**

**ADULTS — \$5**  
 INCLUDES 4 TICKETS, DESSERTS & DRINKS

**CHILDREN — \$3**  
 INCLUDES DESSERTS & DRINKS

**ANY QUESTIONS? CONTACT:**  
 Sue Zolvinski (219) 575-1135  
 Donna Wagner (219) 363-1516

## Donations Needed!

### NEW DECORATIVE ITEMS OR HOMEMADE CRAFTS WANTED

Please bring the items to the St. Peter Ministry Center lower level, on tables that will be identified with signs.

#### Donation Drop-off Times:

Saturday, September 26th: 9 am - 11 am  
 Saturday, October 3rd: 9 am - 11 am  
 Monday, October 6th: 9 am - 11 am

#### Want to lend a hand?

If you're able to help set up items during any of our drop-off times, feel free to join us!




**Message from Fr. Roque Meraz & the Director of Safety and Security**

### PARKING INFORMATION

**INFORMACIÓN SOBRE EL ESTACIONAMIENTO**

For the safety of everyone, please keep in mind the following conditions when parking in the Holy Family Parish parking lots.

- **DO NOT** park in Accessible Parking spaces unless you have a state issued license plate or parking placard.
  - *NO* se estacione en espacios de accesibilidad sino tiene una licencia o placa de acceso emitida del estado.
- **DO NOT** block the entrance/exits to the church parking lots.
  - *NO* bloquee la entrada/salida de los estacionamientos de la iglesia.
- **DO NOT** park in posted NO Parking areas.
  - *NO* se estacione en las zonas prohibidas.
- **DO NOT** park in driveway access.
  - *NO* se estacione en el acceso al camino de entrada.
- **DO NOT** block fire lanes.
  - *NO* bloquee los carriles de bomberos.

Your cooperation is essential, as parking in these areas impedes emergency vehicles access to our facilities that may respond to an emergency at our churches.

**VEHICLES ARE SUBJECT TO TOWING!**  
**¡VEHÍCULOS ESTÁN SUJETOS A REMOLQUE!**




## Rachel's Vineyard

**Healing the pain of abortion — one weekend at a time.**

**Northwest Indiana Retreat - 2026**  
**September 25-27**  
**Confidential registration**  
 219-552-2944 or [nwinrv@outlook.com](mailto:nwinrv@outlook.com)  
[www.helpafterabortion.net](http://www.helpafterabortion.net)

## This Week at Holy Family Parish

### Meetings and Small Groups

#### Prayer Shawl Group

Meeting is third Tuesday of each month at 10:30am, St. Peter Resource Center to knit shawls for those who need love, hope, and prayers. Contact: Patty Steele 219-575-0466.

Men Growing in Discipleship See information on a previous page.

Nourish for Caregivers Next Meeting October 7th, 6:30pm.

Nourish is a 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 take place at 130 Bach Street (former Sacred Heart Rectory). Contact: Deacon Frank J. Zolvinski – 219-575-1090.

Explore the Word of God—Every Wednesday

Two Opportunities

- 1) Wednesday mornings 9:00-10:30am  
Read and discuss the Gospel according to Matthew.
- 2) Wednesday evenings 6:30-8:00pm  
Read and discuss next Sunday's readings.

Both groups meet upstairs at the Ministry Center (Mother Theresa Room). All are invited and encouraged to attend. Bring your Bible and your desire to understand what God has given us in His Holy Scripture! The discussions are lively, enjoyable, and informative!

Fit Shepherds Every Saturday, 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 Every Saturday -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 Edquist, 219-575-1597.

## 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.

Looking for opportunities to help others? Find ways to serve in our community on our website:  
[www.holyfamilylaporte.org](http://www.holyfamilylaporte.org)

## Stewardship of Sacrificial Giving

donación sacrificada

|                        |               |
|------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Date:</b>           | <b>9/6/26</b> |
| Regular Collection     | \$23,943.05   |
| Building & Maintenance | \$198.00      |
| Assumption             | \$25.00       |

## Food Pantry Hours & Locations

### St. Vincent DePaul Society

(101 C St) Food Pantry is open every Monday from 3:00-5:00 pm. Clothing and small household items Annex is open every Monday from 3:00-5:00 pm and every Wednesday from 11am-2pm.

### Sacred Heart Food Pantry

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



## Call out to our backyard farmers:

It's that time of year and we're hoping your gardens are flourishing. 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 behind 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!



## Men Growing in Discipleship

### Men's Small Group Study Series

- Men join us as we continue our journey into the discipleship of Jesus. It doesn't matter where you are on the journey, only that you desire to share it with your brothers! We have 2 opportunities each month.
- The 1st meetings are the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at the St. Peter Ministry Center, John Paul II room, 7 PM.
- Second Saturday Adoration, Rosary, and Fellowship meets at St. Peter Church 8 AM. We spend 1/2 hour in Adoration & offering the Rosary for our intentions. Then move to the ministry center for coffee & fellowship.
- Contact Victor Stearns at [219-363-4313](tel:219-363-4313) for more information.

## 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.*

# Holy Family Parish Team

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## We want to pray for you!

To submit a prayer request, scan the QR code or fill out the request form online:

[www.holyfamilylaporte.org/prayer-request](http://www.holyfamilylaporte.org/prayer-request)

To call in a prayer request, contact Donna Wagner at 219-363-1516 or Jean at 219-716-3414.



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