

St. Gaspar del Bufalo Catholic Church

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"We must let it be known how the Blood of Christ cleanses the souls and sanctifies them, particularly by means of the sacraments."

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

AUGUST 17, 2025



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Office Hours

Tuesday and Thursday: 8:00am to 4:00pm

Confessions

20 Minutes before each Mass Saturday and Sunday Wednesday 8:30am to 9:00am Saturdays 9:00am to 10:00am except first Saturday of the Month.

You can also schedule a private one by calling the office.

Adoration

Wednesday 8:30am to 9:00am
Precious Blood Adoration
First Tuesday of the Month
6:00 pm to 7:00pm

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Through your generosity we have met our donor match of 400,000.00. As we continue to expand our reach, we humbly ask for your continued support to be able to complete the kitchen and ladies restrooms. We kindly ask that you take a moment to consider our campaign and the impact your support can make in the future. Please continue your prayers for our church leaders, unity among our members, and financial provision and resources to support our parish's spiritual growth and ministry. God Bless you!

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

EVERY DAY 3:00-4:00 EACH WEDNESDAY 3:00– 6:00 PM There is a sign up sheet on the table in the entrance.

Eucharistic adoration is spending time with Jesus who is truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. During adoration we watch and wait, we remain silent in his presence and open ourselves to His Graces. Spend one hour each week with Jesus. He reminds us of this invitation in the garden of Gethsemane" Could you not keep watch for one hour with me?"

The Knights of Columbus will meet at Immaculate Conception in Kendallville, on August 20, 2025. The Rosary will begin at 6:45 and the business meeting will follow.

| MASS INTENTIONS | | | | | |
|-----------------|---------|----------------------------|--|--|--|
| Saturday | 4:30 PM | + Living & Deceased K of C | | | |
| Sunday | 7:30AM | + Richard Krull | | | |
| | 10:00AM | People of the Parish | | | |
| Monday | 8:00 AM | NO MASS | | | |
| Tuesday | 8:00 AM | + Rita Garrett | | | |
| Wednesday | 8:00 AM | → Joseph Costello | | | |
| Thursday | 8:00 AM | + Sally Ueber | | | |
| Friday | 8:00 AM | † Jerry Hall | | | |

| August 10, 2025 Collections | | | | |
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| Weekly Collection | \$5,138.85 | | | |
| votives | \$84.50 | | | |
| Donations | \$625.00 | | | |
| Divine Golf | \$200.00 | | | |
| Capital Campaign | \$57,257.65 | | | |
| Online Giving (8-3 to 8-10) | \$1042.62 | | | |
| Festival | \$605.00 | | | |
| 39th Bishops Appeal | \$565.00 | | | |
| Total | \$65,518.62 | | | |
| Thank you for your generous giving | | | | |





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SEEKING **DONORS FOR BLOOD DRIVE**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23 ST.THERESE CATHOLIC CHURCH **PARISH HALL** 7:00 AM-12:00 PM

> sign up: Call Bruce Hall 260-433-1300 to schedule your appointment



Aug. 13, 6:30 p.m. Aug. 16, 6:30 p.m.

Aug. 21, 6:30 p.m. Sept. 3, 5:15 p.m. St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Angola (Bilingual) Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Warsaw (in spanish)

St. Pius X Parish, Granger

St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Plymouth



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A special note from Sharon Wilsey

Thank you to the Altar & Rosary Sodality and the guys and gals who set up the tables at the special breakfast honoring me on my 90th Birthday. I had nothing to do with it. God has truly blessed me. I guess he is not through with me yet. Love and prayers for all, **Sharon Wilsey**



FANCY FAIR and FAMOUS COOKIE BAR 2025

It is time to get your crafts together for the 2025 Fancy Fair and Cookie Bar

at the Patroness of America. The Fancy Fair will be held Saturday, October 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Table rental is \$25.00. Tables will be provided and set up for your convenience. The tables will be available on a first come first serve basis. In order to get your first choice of space, you will want to return your application with payment as soon as possible. Space fills up early so contact Terry Luebke, 9360 E 430 S. Wolcottville, IN 46795 or call 1-260-715-5750.

The Bible encourages us to use our talents to serve others and to Glorify God. Please prayerfully consider joining in the ministry here at St. Gaspar! We need ushers, lectors, and Eucharistic ministers! Contact Karen Edwards in the church office if you are willing to help in these ministries.



40 Days for Life campaign will take place from September 24th through November 2nd. 40 Days for Life is a powerful, peaceful initiative of prayer and fasting, community outreach, and peaceful vigil to stand for the dignity of life and offer hope and help to those facing crisis pregnancies. To sign up for vigil hours, you can:

- Visit: https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/ vigil-hours-signup.aspx?l id=515



Please remember to pray for those who are sick or suffering. If you have any prayer request and you would like us to post it in the Bulletin please contact Karen Edwards in the parish office. We are

here to pray for you and your needs! Brian Amstutz, Utah Bruns, George Dewald, Dean Domer, Kelli Dukehart, Dan Figel, Terry Gust, Marta Hartman, Charlene Hall, Jay Hayes, Setsuko Hooven, Maureen James, Susan Jones, Ed Keil, Beth Klein, Toni & Kent Kraner, Sandy Krull, Lisa Krull, Kelly LaHaine, Lanny Leppo, Ladonna Magsamen, Irene Martin, Sandy North, Deborah Redd, Sheila Reiter, Joan Robinson, Marilyn Schaefer, Larry Sievert, Patty Staseck, Kyla Tackett, Jeanne Tracey, Pat Vachon, and Jack Welsh,



8/2 Sara Lake 8/2 Ashley Wetzel

8/3 Therese Langsenkamp

8/4 Mathew Yoder 8/8 Marilyn Suever 8/9 Sharon Wilsev 8/10 June Beeber 8/11 Janeen Mayers 8/12 Jay Wetzel 8/13 Andrew Filler 8/15 Christopher Lake

8/15 Corey Schamberger

8/16 Leigh Pranger 8/17 Theresa Luebke 8/17 Michael Gephart 8/22 Valerie Ley 8/25 Katie Lev 8/26 Ann Bruns 8/29 Eugene Bruns

8/22 Sherri Recker 8/25 Emily Beckstedt 8/25 Samantha Lev 8/27 Teresa Gephart 8/29 David Singleton 8/29 Carl Beckstedt 8/31 Daniel Heingartner

8/16 Karen Edwards

8/17 Debra Edwards



Join us for the SVDP Walk for Hope—a day of community, SVdP compassion, and action! September 21st, 2025

We'll kick off the afternoon with a fun, familyfriendly tailgate at 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM featuring food, and fellowship. Check-in for the walk/run will open at 2:00 PM, and the walk will begin at 3:00 PM as we walk together to bring hope to our neighbors in need. Walk route options include: 5k, 1.5 miles, and 1/4 mile loop around the Parkview Field Concourse.

Why Walk?

Every step you take and every dollar you raise will directly impact individuals and families in Northeast Indiana who are struggling with poverty, hunger, and crisis situations. 100% of the proceeds go back into our community to provide critical assistance with food, rent, utilities, transportation, and more.

How You Can Help:

Register to walk and invite your friends & family! Fundraise to make an even bigger impact—set a goal and rally your network.

Donate if you can't attend but want to support the cause.

Let's come together to lift up those who need it most. Your support helps us bring hope where it's needed the most!



Allen County War Memorial Coliseum

We are excited to share our keynote speaker Kirk Cameron, well known actor and author. He is known by millions as "Mike Seaver" from the 1980's hit sit-com, "Growing Pains." Kirk is also known for his family-focused films. "Fireproof" and recent film, "Life Mark." Recently he produced his "American Campfire Revival" urging the family of faith to return to principles that will bring blessing and protection to America! St. Gaspar Parish would like to fill a table at the Right to Life Banquet. If you would like to attend, the tickets are \$50.00 per person 8 people per table. Please contact the parish office (260) 854-3100 if you are interested in attending.

Visit ichooselife.org/banquet or call our office at 260-471-1849 for more information.

New Catholic Gift Shop Opening September 6!

We're excited to announce the grand opening of **The Little Flower Catholic Shop** on **Friday**, **Sept. 6**, located on Illinois Road in Fort Wayne, across from Target.
The shop offers beautiful Catholic gifts, books, custom rosaries, T-shirts, soy and beeswax candles, and handmade items from local Catholic artisans.

Store hours are Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The first 10 customers to make a purchase will receive a free handmade Holy Family Chaplet, and free cookies will be available on opening day!

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For more information, call **260-402-3437**. Come support this new local Catholic business and find something beautiful to inspire your faith and build your domestic church!



| | | August 2 | 23-24, 2025 | | | |
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| Altar Cloth: Shar | on Wilsey | | Altar Flowers: Margaret Baskett | | | |
| | Ushers and Greete | ers | Altar Servers | | | |
| 4.30PM | 7:30AM | 10:00AM | 4.30PM | 7:30AM | 10:00AM | |
| Tony Ley | Jim Gunkel | Tom Pfister | Cole & Grant Lake | | Chelsea Seibert | |
| Regina Ley | Jenny Gunkel | Matt Lock | Sawyer Christner | Sam Strater | Brayden Seibert | |
| Proclaimers: Saturday and Sunday | | | Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion | | | |
| 4:30 PM | 7:30AM | 10:00AM | 4:30 PM | 7:30AM | 10:00AM | |
| Sara Lake | Tracy Strater | Deb Sieber | Gail Martin | Laura Weaver | Deacon Ray Krouse | |
| | Sam Strater | Elena Lock | Karen Edwards | Steve Smith | Bob Distler | |
| | | | Margaret Baskett | Kevin Strater | Meg Distler | |
| | | | Macharri Vorndran Jones | Lori Starkey | Al Langsenkamp | |
| | | | volunteer | volunteer | Therese Langsenkamp | |
| | | | volunteer | volunteer | Mary Krouse | |
| Proclaimer Daily Masses | | | Collections | | | |
| August 19 | Tim Worman | | August 19 | Margaret Baskett | Terry Luebke | |
| August 26 | Mary Krouse | | August 26 | Mary Krouse | Nancy Goldsmith | |
| September 2 | Bob Arnold | | September 2 | Laura Weaver | Vicki Domer | |
| September 9 | NO MASS | | September 9 | Margaret Baskett | Terry Luebke | |
| Please call Karen 260-336-1703, if you are unable to serve. Thanks | | | | | | |

FROM THE CATECHISM:

PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH SECTION TWO I. THE CREEDS CHAPTER THREE ARTICLE 9 "I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY CATHOLIC CHURCH"

Paragraph 3. THE CHURCH IS ONE, HOLY, CATHOLIC, AND APOSTOLIC

Toward unity

820 "Christ bestowed unity on his Church from the beginning. This unity, we believe, subsists in the Catholic Church as something she can never lose, and we hope that it will continue to increase until the end of time." Christ always gives his Church the gift of unity, but the Church must always pray and work to maintain, reinforce, and perfect the unity that Christ wills for her. This is why Jesus himself prayed at the hour of his Passion, and does not cease praying to his Father, for the unity of his disciples: "That they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be one in us, . . . so that the world may know that you have sent me." The desire to recover the unity of all Christians is a gift of Christ and a call of the Holy Spirit.

821 Certain things are required in order to respond adequately to this call:

- a permanent renewal of the Church in greater fidelity to her vocation; such renewal is the driving-force of the movement toward unity;
- conversion of heart as the faithful "try to live holier lives according to the Gospel"; for it is the unfaithfulness of the members to Christ's gift which causes divisions:
- prayer in common, because "change of heart and holiness of life, along with public and private prayer for the unity of Christians, should be regarded as the soul of the whole ecumenical movement, and merits the name 'spiritual ecumenism;"
- -fraternal knowledge of each other:
- ecumenical formation of the faithful and especially of priests:
- dialogue among theologians and meetings among Christians of the different churches and communities;
- collaboration among Christians in various areas of service to mankind. "Human service" is the idiomatic phrase. 822 Concern for achieving unity "involves the whole Church, faithful and clergy alike." But we must realize "that this holy objective the reconciliation of all Christians in the unity of the one and only Church of Christ transcends human powers and gifts." That is why we place all our hope "in the prayer of Christ for the Church, in the love of the Father for us, and in the power of the Holy Spirit."

Did you know that the Rosary is prayed every day before Mass here at St. Gaspar? Join us a half an hour before Mass to draw closer to God through Mary's intercession.



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St. Vincent de Paul Society
Need assistance with rent/utilities?
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