



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.”

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR B

DECEMBER 10, 2023

A voice of one crying out in the desert,
Prepare the way of the Lord

Matthew 3:3

Faith

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades
Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend
Pastor - Rev Louis Fowoyo

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Deacon Ray Krouse
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Secretary - Karen Edwards
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Housekeeping – Tom Pfister
Chairman Parish Council - Kevin Strater
Chairperson Finance Committee - Cathy Putman

St Gaspar On-Line Giving Site:
<https://www.osvhub.com/st-gaspar-church/funds>

Saint Vincent DePaul 260-582-4375

LOOK US UP ON FACEBOOK
Gaspar Del Bufalo
Please, send any info for Facebook to
Pam Neu: msnneu@yahoo.com

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

6:00pm to 7:00pm



Please join us for breakfast with St. Nick! The Knights of Columbus and The Rosary Sodality are working together to host a pancake and sausage breakfast!

Be sure to bring your children and grandchildren to the breakfast, December 17th, after the 10:00 am Mass. Santa will be there for pictures and activities.

Pick up a cookbook today! The cost is \$10.00 This is a great Christmas gift idea!

Annual Bishop's Appeal

Thank you to everyone who pledged for the Annual Bishop's Appeal. **We have met our Goal!**

The first statements will be mailed in early January. Payments should be made directly to the Diocese. Checks can be made out to the "Annual Bishop's Appeal". [You can still pledge online on the diocesan website at www.diocesefwsb.org/aba.](http://www.diocesefwsb.org/aba)

FR *Louis Fowoyo*

December 3, 2023 Collections

Weekly Collection	3859.00
Donations	50.00
Children	5.00
Votives	51.00
Sanctuary Flowers	130.00
Rosary Sodality	115.00
Annual Bishops Appeal	250.00
K of C Breakfast	209.00
St. Vincent de Paul	20.00
Bible Study	81.00
Roman Missal	60.00
Solemnity of Mary	10.00
Total	4840.00

Thank you for your generous giving

CHRISTMAS at GIBALT

On behalf of the girls and boys, and the Knights of Columbus, Thank you for all the gifts you donated for Christmas at Gibault. Thank you for the support you have shown. We appreciate you so much! May God bless you for your generosity!



DECEMBER 24 – 25, 2023 CHRISTMAS MINISTRY

4:30 p.m. Christmas Vigil Mass

Ushers: Jerry & Nancy Goldsmith
Lectors: Mandy Martin & Tracy Strater
Servers: Paige and Natalie McDonald
Ex. Eucharistic Ministers: Kevin Strater, John Kessen and Roberta O'Boyle

10:00 p.m. Christmas Vigil Mass

Ushers: Pam Nue and Maddie Lock
Lectors: Matt and Elena Lock
Ex. Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Ray Krouse, Mary Krouse, and Laura Weaver
Servers: Grant and Cole Lake

9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass

Ushers: Gary Shull and Dave Singleton
Lectors: Michelle Barranda and Ben Schortgen
Ex. Eucharistic Ministers: Al and Terry Langsenkamp and Cathy Putman
Servers: Matt Kilty

**FROM THE CATECHISM:
PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH
SECTION TWO I. THE CREEDS
CHAPTER TWO I BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST,
THE ONLY SON OF GOD.**

Article 4

**"JESUS CHRIST SUFFERED UNDER
PONTIUS PILATE, WAS CRUCIFIED, DIED
AND WAS BURIED"**

**Paragraph 2. JESUS DIED CRUCIFIED
II. CHRIST'S REDEMPTIVE DEATH IN GOD'S
PLAN OF SALVATION**

"Jesus handed over according to the definite plan of God"

599 Jesus' violent death was not the result of chance in an unfortunate coincidence of circumstances, but is part of the mystery of God's plan, as St. Peter explains to the Jews of Jerusalem in his first sermon on Pentecost: "This Jesus (was)

delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God." This Biblical language does not mean that those who handed him over were merely passive players in a scenario written in advance by God.

600 To God, all moments of time are present in their immediacy. When therefore he establishes his eternal plan of "predestination", he includes in it each person's free response to his grace: "In this city, in fact, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take place." For the sake of accomplishing his plan of salvation, God permitted the acts that flowed from their blindness.

"He died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures"



**The Knights of Columbus
Corpus Christi Council # 7839**

Invites you and yours to our
Family Pot Luck Christmas Dinner
Wednesday December 20, 2023

ICC Hall Kendallville Gathering – 6:00 pm Dinner – 6:30 pm. Gift Exchange – Following Dinner. Knights please bring a \$15.00 gift for a man & ladies please bring a \$15.00 gift for a woman. The council will provide the gifts for all children. Please RSVP to make sure we have enough gifts for them. The Council will provide a meat, drinks, and place setting. If possible, we ask that everyone please bring a side and/or a dessert to share with the group. RSVP to Mike Tackett by Friday, December 15th. mtackett@berrymarketing.com or 614-309-8644

**ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION
SCHOOL**



Night of Giving
GALA

Saturday, January 27, 2024
6:30 pm
Registration begins at 6pm

Tickets \$75 each
Table Sponsorship \$750
dschmittstmaryavilla.org
260.897.3481
Kruse Plaza
5634 Opportunity Blvd.
Auburn IN



Knights of Columbus
**FOURTH
DEGREE**
Patriotic degree of the Order.

The 4th DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will be selling their famous peanut brittle again this year after all masses for the next few weekends or until they sell out. The funds that are raised will be used for the ongoing support of the Women's Care Center in Auburn and also to a Diocese Seminarian. The cost will be \$9.00 for a package of 3 pieces. Please support this worthwhile project. For additional information contact: Dave Putman at (260)854-3798



**Check out our
St. Gaspar
T-Shirts!**

If you would like a St. Gaspar t-shirt there is an order form in the gathering area. We do not have a price yet because the number of t-shirts ordered will determine the final cost.

MASS INTENTIONS		
Saturday	4:30PM	✝ Bill Gephart
Sunday	7:30AM	✝ Gerhard & Eileen Krull
	10:00AM	People of the Parish
Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	8:00AM	✝ Rita Garrett
Wednesday	8:00AM	✝ Phil Millus
Thursday	8:00AM	✝ Dennis Hogan
Friday	8:00AM	✝ Lina Rice

Please join us for our Penitential Service December 21 at 6:00 pm

Thank you to everyone who came to the Knights of Columbus Breakfast.
 Thank you to the Knights and those of you who made casseroles.
 God bless you!



Gary & Luanne Shull, Carol Sievert, daughter Christine, and Patches along with Father Louis delivered gifts from the St. Gaspar Miracle Tree.

December 17, 2023 MINISTRY SCHEDULE					
Altar Cloth: Kathy Pfister			Altar Flowers: Mary Krouse		
Ushers and Greeters			Altar Servers		
4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Jerry Goldsmith	Jeff Strong	Pam Neu	Grant Lake	Kaleb Strater	Matt Kelty or
Nancy Goldsmith	Dave Singleton	Maddie Lock	Cole Lake	Sam Strater	George Vandermeir
Proclaimers: Saturday and Sunday			Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		
4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Sara Lake	Bob Arnold	Matt Lock	Margaret Baskett	Deacon Ray Krouse	VOLUNTEER
	Tim Worman	Elena Lock	Karen Edwards	Robin Aspy	Terese Langsenkamp
			John Kessen	Kevin Strater	Al Langsenkamp
Proclaimer Daily Masses			Collections		
December 12	Sharon Wilsey		December 12	Laura Weaver	Vicki Domer
December 19	Maddie Lock		December 19	Margaret Baskett	Roberta O'Boyle
December 26	Elena Lock		December 26	Mary Krouse	Nancy Goldsmith
January 2	NO MASS		January 2	Laura Weaver	Vicki Domer

Please call Karen 260-336-1703, if you are unable to serve. Thanks