

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 EASTER YEAR B

APRIL 6,2024



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Saint Vincent de Paul 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
6:00 pm to 7:00pm

March 31, 2024 Collections					
Weekly Collection	3478.00				
Children-weekly	5.00				
Emergency Fund	20.00				
Votives	85.00				
Donations	115.00				
Holy Day (Good Friday)	773.00				
St. Vincent DePaul	20.00				
cookbook	20.00				
T-shirt	32.00				
First offering	100.00				
Total	4648.00				
Thank you for your generous giving					

APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Our Catholic faith calls for us to uphold the value of human life and the dignity of the human person. The protection of children is the responsibility of the entire Church, including the faithful. The protection of children and youth from abuse and other harm is a respect life issue, and we must all do our part to uphold this ideal. Learn more at

diocesefwsb.org/prevent-child-abuse.



National Eucharistic Pilgrimage-How Will You Be Part of This Historic Journey? From May to July 2024, the Blessed Sacrament will be carried through the streets of our nation in the first-ever National Eucharistic Pilgrimage. You are invited to accompany Jesus publicly as he travels thousands of miles on his way to the 10th National Eucharistic Congress, which will take place in Indianapolis, at Lucas Oil Stadium, from July 17-21, 2024. On its way to the Congress, the pilgrimage will spend several days in July traveling through our Diocese. For more information, go to the Eucharisticpilgrimage.org.

Your Life—and the World—Will Never Be the Same!

This summer, Jesus is inviting you to encounter him in a new way. He wants to work wonders in and through you, making YOU a part of salvation history in ways you never could have imagined.

Ready to see what God has in store? Come and witness his transformative power at the National Eucharistic Congress. For the first time in nearly a century, The Catholic Church from every corner of the United States will gather in one place. Together, we will be healed, converted, formed, unified, and launched into a new chapter of Eucharistic mission—on fire with love for Jesus Christ. Learn more at EucharisticCongress.org.

WAY OF ST. JOSEPH WALKING PILGRIMAGE

Honor St. Joseph by participating in a family-friendly walking pilgrimage from St. Joseph Church, Mishawaka, to St. Joseph Church, South Bend, on Saturday, April 27. The Way of St. Joseph will begin at 9 a.m. at St. Joseph Church, Mishawaka, wind its way along the River Walk, and eventually end up at St. Joseph Church, South Bend. There will be three other on-ramps along the way for families for whom the entire pilgrimage would be too taxing. The event will end with a prayer service, food, and fellowship in the fenced-in parking lot and playground at St. Joseph Parish. The event is free, but registration is strongly recommended. For more information and to register, visit diocesefwsb.org/joseph-pilgrimage.

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 5"HE DESCENDED INTO HELL. ON THE THIRD DAY HE ROSE AGAIN"

Paragraph 2. ON THE THIRD DAY HE ROSE FROM THE DEAD

I. THE HISTORICAL AND TRANSCENDENT **EVENT**

The appearances of the Risen One

644 Even when faced with the reality of the risen Jesus the disciples are still doubtful, so impossible did the thing seem: they thought they were seeing a ghost. "In their joy they were still disbelieving and still wondering. "Thomas will also experience the test of doubt and St. Matthew relates forth only to the Father's divine realm. For this that during the risen Lord's last appearance in Galilee "some doubted." Therefore the hypothesis that the Resurrection was produced by the apostles' faith (or credulity) will not hold up. On the contrary their faith in the Resurrection was

born, under the action of divine grace, from their direct experience of the reality of the risen Jesus.

The condition of Christ's risen humanity

645 By means of touch and the sharing of a meal, the risen Jesus establishes direct contact with his disciples. He invites them in this way to recognize that he is not a ghost and above all to verify that the risen body in which he appears to them is the same body that had been tortured and crucified, for it still bears the traces of his Passion. Yet at the same time this authentic, real body possesses the new properties of a glorious body: not limited by space and time but able to be present how and when he wills; for Christ's humanity can no longer be confined to earth, and belongs hencereason too the risen Jesus enjoys the sovereign freedom of appearing as he wishes: in the guise of a gardener or in other forms familiar to his disciples, precisely to awaken their faith.

Knights of Columbus

A \$500.00 scholarship is available to members of St. Gaspar, Immaculate Conception. Blessed Sacrament or St. Joseph Parishes. The applicant must be a member of the graduating class of the current year and must be accepted to a college. university, trade or technical school. Please pick up a copy in the gathering area. The completed application must be returned to the K of C, PO Box 923, Kendallville, IN 46755 by April 30, 2024.

Do you have musical talents? We need you!

St. Gaspar Parish is in need of help in our music department. If you can play the piano or know of someone who could help us out at the Saturday evening Mass and/or Sunday morning 10:00 am Mass, please call the office. God Bless

IT'S AN INVITATION!

A 2014 PEW study found that 13% of all U.S. adults are former Catholics—and that was ten years ago! That means for every convert to the faith, there are at least 6.5 fallen- away Catholics.

It's time to bring them home!

Just like the good shepherd, we will call each of the lost sheep home as a part of the Invite One Back initiative.

The goal of this initiative is to guide people to intimate encounters with Jesus Christ and lead souls to salvation, allowing them to experience God's love, mercy, and goodness. To do that, we all need to invite back everyone who has left in a way that makes sure they feel seen and desired as an individual member of our parish family. Whom are we called to invite home? We will have refreshments for all after 10:00 a.m. Mass on April 7th.



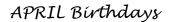
Please consider a donation to Orange Township Helping Hands. They are in need of personal hygiene products such as shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothpaste & toothbrush-

es. They are grateful for any donations of non perishable items as well! God Bless you for your consideration!



Please join us in the social Hall April 13th at 7:00 pm

MASS INTENTIONS						
Saturday	4:30 PM	† Dennis Hogan				
Sunday	7:30AM	+ Phil Millus				
	10:00AM	People of the Parish	4			
Monday	8:00 AM	NO MASS				
Tuesday	8:00AM	+ Kathy Costello				
Wednesday	8:00AM	† Lina Rice				
Thursday	8:00 AM	+ Garza Family				
Friday	8:00 AM	+ Rita Garrett				





4/2 Barb Logan
4/4 Marcia Ringler
4/7 Ben Schortgen
4/12 Faith Vandermeir
4/13 Natalie McDonald
4/16 Kathryn Blaize
4/20 Ruth Singleton
4/23 Gary Shull
4/25 Margaret Scudder
4/26 Robert Wyatt
4/30 Jerry Goldsmith

4/6 Marta Hartman
4/10 Samuel Strater
4/13 Patrick Bragg
4/14 Margaret Distler
4/17 Terry Gust
4/19 Bryan Murray
4/23 Nancy Hulen
4/25Ross Schamberger
4/27 Kathleen Bragg

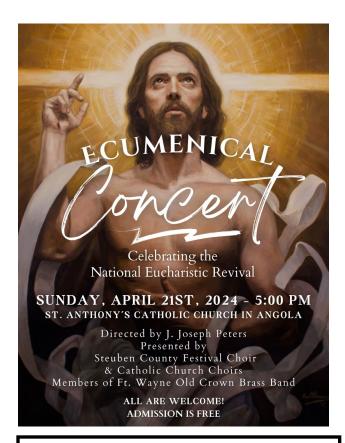


The Rosary Sodality will be meeting April 9, at 6:00 PM Please Join us!



St. Vincent de Paul Society
Need assistance with rent/
utilities? Contact SVDPS at
260-582-4375. Leave your name,
number and a brief explanation of
need. A Vincentian will return
your call within 24 hours.

April 13, 2024							
Altar Cloth: Kathy Pfister			Altar Flowers: Kar	Altar Flowers: Karen Edwards			
Ushers and Greeters		Altar Servers					
4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM		
Allen Basket	Kevin Strater	Tom Pfister	Grant Lake	Kaleb Strater	Matt Kelty or		
Margaret Basket	Tracy Strater	John O' Boyle	Cole Lake	Sam Strater	George Vandermeir		
Proclaimers: Saturday and Sunday		Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion					
4:30 PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4:30 PM	7:30AM	10:00AM		
Mandy Martin	Dan Tatman	Matt Lock	Karen Edwards	Robin Aspy	Terry Luebke		
	Sam Strater	Elena Lock	Gail Martin	Laura Weaver	Al Langsenkamp		
				Roberta O' Boyle	Terry Langsenkamp		
Proclaimer Daily Masses		Collections					
April 9	Mary Krouse		April 9	Mary Krouse	Nancy Goldsmith		
April 16	Bob Arnold		April 16	Laura Weaver	Vicki Domer		
April 23	Sharon Wilsey		April 23	Margaret Baskett	Roberta O'Boyle		
April 30	Maddie Lock		April 30	Mary Krouse	Nancy Goldsmith		
Please call Karen 260-336-1703, if you are unable to serve. Thanks							



BELOVED DAUGHTERS: A RETREAT FOR YOUNG WOMEN

Young women ages 16-22 are invited to a day retreat at the University of Notre Dame's Sacred Heart Parish Center on Saturday, April 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. to explore what it means to authentically follow God's call. Participants will hear life stories and gain wisdom from wives/mothers, the Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration, the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia, and consecrated virgin, Jessica Hayes, OV. Come and experience the joy of searching for holiness with other young women and discover God's invitation for your life. Register by Apr. 20 at diocesefwsb.org/beloved.

THE MARRIAGE COURSE ONLINE

What if setting intentional time aside one evening each week could transform your marriage? The Marriage Course is a weekly series based on a film series featuring "regular" couples and relationship experts from around the world. There is time built right into each session for you and your spouse to discuss each week's topic in the comfort and privacy of your own home using prompts. Both self-paced and scheduled options are available. To learn more, visit diocesefwsb.org/marriage-course

St. Charles Borromeo Parish.



4916 Trier Rd. in Fort Wayne will host an organ concert on Friday, April 12 at 7:30 PM in the main church. The Featured artist will be Dr. Jennifer Pascual, Dr. Pascual has held the post of Director of Music/

Organist at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City since 2003, and holds degrees from the Mannes College of Music in New York City, and The Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York. She has also served as an organist and choir director in the Dioceses of St. Augustine, FL, Rochester, NY, and the Archdiocese of Newark, NJ. In April 2008, Dr. Pascual had the privilege of overseeing all of the liturgical music for his holiness, Pope Benedict XVI during his Pastoral Visit to New York. She also had the honor of doing the same for the visit of Pope Francis to NYC in 2015. Dr. Pascual has recorded several professional CDs of her organ playing, and also hosts a radio talk and music show called, "Sounds from the Spires." Her program will include a variety of sacred and classical music, and there is no admission charge. A reception will be held following the concert to greet Dr. Pascual, and all are invited to attend, For more information, please contact Tim Robison, Co-Director of Music at St. Charles, 260-446-3118, or at robisont77@gmail.com.





Thank you for bringing your children and grandchildren to the St. Gaspar Easter Egg Hunt!

EASTER PRAYER
FOR CHILDREN
THIS Easter, let your
greatness and
goodness be a
reminder of Jesus'
sacrificial love. Lord,
protect them
everyday. And we
pray they follow your
will for their life and
become a light in this
world. In Jesus'
name, Amen.







