



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.”***

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026



The Unforgiving Servant

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Gaspar Del Bufalo
Please, send any info for Facebook to
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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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	4:30 PM	✠ Jerry Schoenle
Sunday	7:30AM 10:00AM	People of the Parish ✠ Dennis Hatfield
Monday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Tuesday	8:00 AM	✠ Rose Worman
Wednesday	8:00 AM	✠ Al Langsenkamp
Thursday	8:00 AM	✠ Suzanne Arnold
Friday	8:00 AM	✠ Intentions of Lock Family

Join us for

BIBLE STUDY

Our next Bible study,

Life Everlasting: Heaven, Hell, Death, and Judgement will begin on Thursday October 1st after Mass or Monday October 5th at 6:00 PM.

The deadline for signing up is this Tuesday! This 5 session study explores why the last things are not to cause fear, but to inspire hope and deeper trust in God's promise of eternal life. Cost for the book is \$16.00. Contact the parish office to order a book.

Please join us for **Eucharistic Adoration**
Thursday evenings from 6:00 PM -6:30 PM.

Lector Workbooks for 2027 are here!

If you are a Proclaimer please pick up your workbook in the sacristy after Mass.

**THERE WILL BE NO MORNING MASS
SEPTEMBER 22- 25th. ALSO, NO
MORNING MASS ON TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 6TH.**

Women in Scripture Retreat

It's not too late to register for the women's retreat on Saturday, September 26th. Sign up in the Narthex, at the table. The cost is \$25 payable by check or cash at 8:30 AM on September 26th. Mass begins at 9:00 AM.

September 6, 2026 Collections

Weekly Collection	\$5,562.00
Votives	\$101.00
Capital Campaign	\$1,283.78
Capital Campaign (online)	\$60.00
Online Giving (August 30- Septeber 5)	\$635.00
Donations	\$575.00
Bishop's Appeal	\$1,600.00
Rosary—Bricks	\$2,800.00
Rosary-Bake Sale	\$754.00
TOTAL	\$13,370.78

Thank you for your generous giving

PILGRIMAGE

We are tentatively planning a pilgrimage to Medjugorje from September 20-29, 2027. Estimated cost for double room is \$3,100.00 per person or \$3,400.00 for a single room. More details will be coming soon.

St. Gaspar Parish offers sympathy to Therese Freiburger and her family on the loss of her husband, Jeff. May he rest in the peace of Jesus Christ our Savior.



PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER SUPPORTING THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL

Registered households should have received a mailing from Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades inviting you to consider a donation to this year's Annual Bishop's Appeal, which funds roughly half of our Diocesan operating budget.

Please prayerfully consider helping us invite thousands of Catholics in Northeast Indiana to encounter Christ and each other. To make a gift, donate online at diocesefwsb.org/aba, donate in person in the parish office, or donate by returning the pledge card included in your mailing. St. Gaspar's extends an invitation to our summer parishioners to help us reach the \$24,467.95 goal for the 39th Annual Bishop's Appeal. Please consider making a contribution by picking up an envelope located on the table at the back of the chapel.

We sincerely appreciate your support!



St. Vincent de Paul Society

Need assistance with rent/utilities?
Need a ride to church? 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. **Do you know someone who is sick or homebound? Please contact us if they would like a visit.**

Fifth Annual Walking Pilgrimage

from Kendallville



September 13th
1:00 pm

to Our Lady,
Patroness of
America Center



Concluding with Benediction and a cookout
beginning at 5:00 pm

For details and to RSVP visit: PatronessofAmerica.org

Registration Open: St. Cyril Institute Fall 2026 Term

Registration is now open for the Fall 2026 term of the St. Cyril of Jerusalem Catechetical Institute. This semester features five courses, including two ideal for first time students and one course offered in Spanish. Parish staff, catechists, ministry leaders, and anyone interested in growing in their understanding of the Catholic faith are encouraged to explore the course offerings and register.

SECOND COLLECTION

TODAY we take up the collection for the Catholic Communications Campaign. (CCC) Your support helps CCC fulfill its mission of love to share the gospel message of hope with people in the United States using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money we collect remains here in the Fort Wayne/South Bend Diocese to fund local communications efforts. The other half supports the communications activities of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and other projects across the United States. Be part of this campaign to spread the gospel message! Support the collection today! Learn more at www.usccb.org/cc.

SVdP Walk for Hope

SUPPORT THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
TO HELP NEIGHBORS IN NEED



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH 2026

Parkview Field
1301 Ewing Street, Fort Wayne

- 12:30-2:30pm - Tailgate Party
 - Join us for food, fellowship, and music in the Parkview Field parking lot
- 2:00pm - Walk Registration begins
- 2:40pm - Presentation at Parkview Field
- 3:00pm - Walk/Run Begins
 - Route Options: 3 Miles, 1.25 miles or 1/3 mile

To sign up or donate, visit:
runsignup.com/Race/IN/FortWayne/SVdPWalkForHope

For event questions,
contact Lara Schreck at 260-456-3561 x120 or
Olivia Conn at olivia@svdpfortwayne.org

**DONATE HERE
TO SUPPORT
NEIGHBORS IN NEED:**



SIGN UP TO WALK:



NEXT SUNDAY!

It's not too early to donate or sign up to walk
through the walk website:

https://runsignup.com/Race/IN/FortWayne/SVdPWalkForHope?blm_aid=0

Personal Hygiene

The Rosary Sodality is sponsoring a food drive to help Orange Township Helping Hands. If you would like to participate, we will have paper sacks (we will provide) to take home, fill it up with All soaps: dish, laundry shampoo, deodorant and personal hygiene products and bring it back to St. Gaspar the first weekend in October and it will be taken to Helping Hands. Next month, we will fill the sack with an item that will be determined.

Thank you for your generous giving!

Celebrate Your Wedding Anniversary with Bishop Rhoades

Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th, or 70th wedding anniversary are invited to join Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades for a special Anniversary Mass this fall. Masses will be celebrated on Sunday, September 27, at 11:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne and Sunday, October 18, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Matthew Cathedral in South Bend. Anniversary couples will receive a commemorative certificate and two complimentary tickets to a reception following Mass. **Learn more and register at diocesefwsb.org/anniversary-masses.**



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, Mary Auman, Georgiana Becker, Joyce Bell, Joan Brown, Utah Bruns, George Dewald, Dean Domer, Kelli Dukehart, Dan Figel, Carmen G., Terry Gust, Marta Hartman, Charlene Hall, Dan & Jane Heingartner, Setsuko Hooven, Maureen James, Susan Jones, John & Cheri Kessen, Beth Klein, Melanie Kocavar, Toni & Kent Kraner, Sandy Krull, Kelly LaHaine, Lanny Leppo, Kiersten Logan, Irene Martin, Nathaniel Murray, Lori North, Ryan O' Fallon, Betty Olry, Deborah Redd, Sheila Reiter, Dave Reynolds, Joan Robinson, Marilyn Schaefer, Carol Sievert, Larry Sievert, Daniel Staseck, John Staseck, Patty Staseck, Jala Stout, Jim Taylor, Jeanne Tracey, Lisa Vandervoort, and Jack Welsh.

Come celebrate Our Lady of Fatima with the **Fort Wayne–South Bend Diocesan Division of the World Apostolate of Fatima (Blue Army)** at our **Annual Holy Mass & Breakfast!**

Saturday, October 3, 2026 Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

Morning Schedule 7:30 AM – Confessions 8:00 AM – Holy Rosary & First Saturday Devotions 9:00 AM – Holy Mass with Bishop Joseph N. Perry, Fr. Glenn Kohrman & Fr. Robert Garrow After Mass, join the **Marian Procession** to the Grand Wayne Center for breakfast and a keynote address by **Bishop Joseph N. Perry.**

Tickets Available Now: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/annual-october-breakfast> RSVP (optional): christine@fatimafwsb.org

A heartfelt **THANK YOU!** to all who volunteered with the Wolcottville Summer Lunches. There was an outpouring of local support and for that we are so grateful. St. Gaspar's members were an integral part of the success again this year with a large number who gave of their time each week: Margaret and Allen Baskett, Bob Berghoff, Terry Gust, Michal Klein, Kathy Korzeski, Mary Krouse, Rebecca Lock, Luann and Gary Shull, Carol Sievert, Karen and Dave Spoltman, Mike Uzak, Betty and George Vandermeir. Bless each one of you for loving on our children and making a huge difference in their lives. We appreciate you!!!

With gratitude,

Eva Woodworth-Program Facilitator

Tony and Lori Starkey-Program Coordinator

Total meals served: 1214

Children registered: 169, averaging 25 per day

Volunteers: 36

Total volunteers hours: 448



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/2 David Billows	9/5 Krista Duesler
9/5 Stephanie Fry	9/11 David Spoltman
9/12 Michael Roesler	9/14 Margaret Baskett
9/16 Lori Starkey	9/17 Kimberly Merriman
9/17 Jeffery Cybulski	9/18 George Dewald
9/18 Joseph Didier	9/20 Kathleen Dinges
9/20 Gail Martin	9/22 James Dinges
9/25 Mary Arend	9/25 Elena Lock
9/26 Sharon Clevenger	9/26 Linda Cybulski
9/26 Cathy Leppo	9/26 Bailee Grayless
9/27 Paula Whitesell	9/29 Robert Edwards
9/30 Matthew Kely	



September 23 through November 1

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated **40-day campaign that aims to end abortion** locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of an abortion clinic.

If you are interested in participating or would like more information about scheduling a prayer time contact Jordyn Garcia Assistant Director of Education at

www.ichooselife.org

Office: 260-252-4150 ext 1008

Cell :260-600-4178

September 19-20, 2026					
Altar Cloth: June Beeber			Altar Flowers: Karen Edwards		
Ushers and Greeters			Altar Servers		
4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4:30 PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Mike Edwards	Jeff Strong	Matt Lock	Cole & Grant Lake	Sam Strater	Michael Klein
Karen Edwards	Geri Brown	Rebecca Lock	Sawyer Christner		Brayden & Chelsea Siebert
Proclaimers: Saturday and Sunday			Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		
4:30 PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4:30 PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Traci Blaize	Sharon Wilsey	John Edwards	Karen Edwards	Laura Weaver	Bob Distler
		Terry Gust	Gail Martin	Dave Putman	Meg Distler
			Macharri Vorndran Jones	Lori Starkey	Terry Luebke
Proclaimer Daily Masses			Collections		
September 15	Sharon Wilsey		September 15	Nancy Goldsmith	Mary Krouse
September 22	Maddie Lock		September 22	Barb Logan	Barb Tatman
September 29	Tim Worman		September 29	Terry Luebke	Margaret Baskett
October 6			October 6	Nancy Goldsmith	Mary Krouse
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 6. MARY - MOTHER OF CHRIST, MOTHER
OF THE CHURCH**

III. MARY - ESCHATOLOGICAL ICON OF THE CHURCH

972 After speaking of the Church, her origin, mission, and destiny, we can find no better way to conclude than by looking to Mary. In her we contemplate what the Church already

is in her mystery on her own "pilgrimage of faith," and what she will be in the homeland at the end of her journey. There, "in the glory of the Most Holy and Undivided Trinity," "in the communion of all the saints," The Church is awaited by the one she venerates as Mother of her Lord and as her own mother.

In the meantime the Mother of Jesus, in the glory which she possesses in body and soul in heaven, is the image and beginning of the Church as it is to be perfected in the world to come. Likewise she shines forth on earth until the day of the Lord shall come, a sign of certain hope and comfort to the pilgrim People of God.



The Knights of Columbus meeting this month will be at St. Gaspar on Wednesday September 16th starting at 6:30pm with the Rosary.



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