



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."*

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C

MAY 4, 2025



*O Mary,
We crown thee
with flowers
today,
Queen of the
Angels and
Queen of the
May!*

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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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	4:30 PM	✝ Shirley Tobias
Sunday	7:30AM 10:00AM	People of the Parish ✝ Vandermeir Family
Monday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Tuesday	8:00 AM	✝ Rita Garrett
Wednesday	8:00 AM	✝ Joseph Costello
Thursday	8:00 AM	✝ Nick Chester
Friday	8:00 AM	✝ Living & Deceased K of C

April 27, 2025 Collections

Weekly Collection	2737.75
Donations	555.00
votives	110.00
Children's	5.00
SVDP	20.00
Capital Campaign	5,050.00
Home Missions	902.00
Online giving	1,616.68
Total	\$ 10,996.43

Thank you for your generous giving



We welcome Lainey Lynn Gibson into St. Gaspar Del Bufalo Catholic Church by the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Lainey's parents are Justin and Kelsey Gibson and her Godparents are Robert Edwards and Britney Wirick. Congratulations!

**One-
To-
One
DONOR
MATCH
up to
\$400,000.**

If you are making a donation towards the \$400,000.00 Pledge, Please specify on your check or by writing a note that it goes to that specific pledge. Thank you for your very generous gift giving!

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Because of your very generous giving, the matching donor amount doubled so far is **\$265,009.46** of the \$400,000. goal. God Bless you for helping St. Gaspar Parish reach our goal!

Join Father Louis, Deacon Ray and fellow parishioners on a pilgrimage to the Marian Shrines of Portugal, Spain and France September 8-18, 2025. The trip includes airport transfers from St. Gaspar's to the Detroit airport. Brochures are in the Narthex. Please register by April30th to obtain the group flight.

PLEASE JOIN US EVERY DAY THROUGH THE MONTH OF MAY FOR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION FROM 3:00 P.M. -4:00P.M. WE WILL BE PRAYING THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET AND PRAYING THE ROSARY.



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Please consider a donation to **Orange Township Helping Hands**. They are in need of personal hygiene products such as shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothpaste & toothbrushes. They are grateful for any donations of non perishable items as well! **God Bless you for your consideration!**

Ladies!




Join us in May for Kingdom Builders

God desires a unique, personal relationship with each of us. He invites us to bring Him all our struggles, so He can heal and raise us in His love. Ladies, join us in May and rise to claim your identity – Beloved Daughter of the King.

Tuesday, May 20, 2025
 from 7:00pm - 8:30pm
 St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church - Avilla



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WOMEN'S RELIGIOUS VOCATION DISCERNMENT RETREAT

The Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration are offering two opportunities for women discerning a religious vocation. High school students are invited to a "Day with Sisters" on May 10, 2025, and single women ages 18–35 are welcome at a Discernment Retreat from May 16–18, both at the Mother-house in Mishawaka, IN. These events include prayer, Adoration, talks, and time with the Sisters. To learn more or register, visit ssfpa.org/day-with-sisters and ssfpa.org/retreat. If you or someone you know is discerning a religious vocation, visit diocesefwsb.org/women-religious to find resources or to speak with Jessica Hayes, OV, our diocesan Advisor for Vocations to the Consecrated Life.

Did you know that wearing your Sunday best to church is a sign of honor for God? Our clothes speak respect for the sacred space of the church. Think of it not just for God, but also honoring the house where people gather to worship. It's about more than looking good; it's showing care for a place that holds hope, love, and spiritual community. The reverence you bring to church isn't only in your heart or voiced in prayer; it is also woven in what you choose to wear each Sunday. Your clothing can mirror the incarnation of Jesus—humbled—yet dignified offering an example that inspires others as they come together for Masses. As summer approaches let's be mindful of our Lord in how we dress for church. When choosing clothing for church, it's important to consider modesty, comfort, and the appropriateness of your attire for the occasion. Please dress in a respectful and appropriate manner, avoiding revealing outfits that are intended for the lake. Wearing our Sunday Best is a sign of honor for GOD and St. Gaspar Catholic Church!



A group of St. Gaspar parishioners gathered together to watch Elena Lock perform. Masterpiece, Created to Magnify was the worship event by dancers ages four to adult.

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR
 THE PRECIOUS BLOOD ADORATION
 TUESDAY, MAY 6, AT 6:00 P.M.**



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FAMILY, SO MUCH FOR
HELPING ME CELEBRATE
MY BIRTHDAY!
LOVE, BOB**



Thank you for your generous support for last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. As a parish, we raised \$ 902.00 to strengthen the Church at home and spread the Gospel across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/home-missions.

#iGiveCatholicTogether also accepts funds online for the collection—see usccb.igivecatholictogether.org



St. Vincent de Paul Society

Need assistance with rent/
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number and a brief explanation of need. A
Vincenian will return your call within 24
hours.

St. Gaspar Altar Rosary Sodality 2025 Meeting Dates-

Note Change of Dates

May 13	6 p.m.
June 10	6 p.m.
July	no meeting
August	no meeting
September 9	6 p.m.
October 14	6 p.m.
November 11	6 p.m.
December 9	6 p.m. this may change to 5 p.m.

Committees:

Funerals- Laura W., Vicki D., Carol S.
First Communions, Baptisms- Margaret B, Maddie L.
Cookbooks- Pam N.
Flowers- Vicki D., Maddie L., Pam N., Margaret B.
Deacon Ray's Ordination- Rebecca L., Elena L., Laura W.
May Crowning- Karen E.
Corpus Christi Lunch- Tami K., Chris Strong
Father's Day Appreciation Breakfast- Tami K., Rebecca L., Elena L., Karen E.
July's Second Collection for Rosary- Elena L., Therese L., Laura W.
Parish Picnic Help- Chris S., Rebecca L., Karen E.
Father's Ordination- Therese L., Rebecca L., Maddie L., Tami K., Chris S., Pam N.
Father's Birthday- Maddie L., Karen E.
Fancy Fair- Terry L., Vicki D., Rebecca L., Karen S., Chris S., Karen E.
Christmas Party- Mary K., Chris S., Pam N.
Santa and Mrs. Claus- Luanne S, Terry L.

Carnations will be available for a
donation for the Mother's of the
Parish. Please consider a donation for the
Right to Life for this beautiful project.

Mother's Day Carnation Project 2025

**Our Annual Mother's Day Carnations
Fundraising Project will take place
on Sunday, May 11th.**



Each year Right to Life of Northeast Indiana partners with area churches to honor the calling of motherhood with beautiful flowers. This easy project is a great way to show your church's dedication to the pro-life mission. This is one of Right to Life of Northeast Indiana's biggest fundraisers of the year.



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! Nikki Becker, Utah Bruns, George Dewald, Martha Dewald, Dean Domer, Kelli Dukehart, Dan Figel, Terry Gust, Marta Hartman, Charlene Hall, Jay Hayes, Setsuko Hooven, Maureen James, Susan Jones, 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, Dom Schortgen, Larry Sievert, Patty Staseck, Jeanne Tracey, Pat Vachon, and Jack Welsh.



5/1 Bob Arnold	5/2 Sandy North
5/2 Suzanne Bennett	5/2 Alesia Farris
5/2 Adam Merriman	5/3 Stanislaw Koczorowska
5/3 Griffen Kline	5/4 Donna Rauch
5/5 Brian Bowers	5/10 John Staseck
5/11 Edwards Berleman	5/12 John Cazier
5/13 Jane Bowers	5/16 Jim Gust
5/16 Elizabeth Klein	5/17 Kendall Billows
5/21 Floyd Miller	5/21 Rebecca Lock
5/23 Theodore Jacquay	5/24 Catherine Havert
5/24 Janice Berleman	5/27 Jonathan Sieber
5/28 Betty Vandermeir	5/28 Kevin Konrath
5/29 Jan Reeves	5/31 Mycal Mansfield

PARISH COUNCIL WILL MEET TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2025 AFTER THE PRECIOUS BLOOD ADORATION.

May 10-11 2025

Altar Cloth: Kathy Pfister

Altar Flowers: Karen Edwards

Ushers and Greeters

Altar Servers

4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Tony Ley	Jim Gunkel	Bob Distler	Cole Lake	Kaleb Strater	Chelsea Seibert
Regina Ley	Jenny Gunkel	Meg Distler	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	Bob Arnold	Ben Schortgen	Deacon Ray Krouse	Dave Putman	Al Langsenkamp
	Tim Worman	Matt Lock	Margaret Baskett	Cathy Putman	Terry Luebke
			Macharri Vorndran Jones	Robin Aspy	Mary Krouse

Proclaimer Daily Masses

Collections

May 6	Sharon Wilsey		May 6	Margaret Baskett	Terry Luebke
May 13	Maddie Lock		May 13	Mary Krouse	Nancy Goldsmith
May 20	Elena Lock		May 20	Laura Weaver	Vicki Domer
May 27	Tim Worman		May 27	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 1. THE CHURCH IN GOD'S PLAN

III. THE MYSTERY OF THE CHURCH

The universal Sacrament of Salvation

776 As sacrament, the Church is Christ's instrument. "She is taken up by him also as the instrument for the salvation of all," "the universal sacrament of salvation," by which Christ is "at once manifesting and actualizing the mystery of God's love for men. "The Church "is the visible plan of God's love for humanity," because God desires "that the whole human race may become one People of God, form one Body of Christ, and be built up into one temple of the Holy Spirit."

IN BRIEF

777 The word "Church" means "convocation." It designates

the assembly of those whom God's Word "convokes," i.e., gathers together to form the People of God, and who themselves, nourished with the Body of Christ, become the Body of Christ.

778 The Church is both the means and the goal of God's plan: prefigured in creation, prepared for in the Old Covenant, founded by the words and actions of Jesus Christ, fulfilled by his redeeming cross and his Resurrection, the Church has been manifested as the mystery of salvation by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. She will be perfected in the glory of heaven as the assembly of all the redeemed of the earth (cf Rev 14:4).

779 The Church is both visible and spiritual, a hierarchical society and the Mystical Body of Christ. She is one, yet formed of two components, human and divine. That is her mystery, which only faith can accept.

780 The Church in this world is the sacrament of salvation, the sign and the instrument of the communion of God and men.

O BEAUTIFUL MOTHER - Saturday, May 10 th from 1:00-2:15pm at Catholic Cemetery on Lake Avenue in Fort Wayne. Join the Ecce Young Adult Choir at the outdoor Marian grotto for the rosary, prayers, and Marian hymns to honor our Blessed Mother and to pray for ALL of our mothers, living and deceased. Bring your own blankets and chairs for sitting on the lawn, and you may bring fresh or potted flowers to place before the statue of Our Lady. There will be reserved parking near the grotto for the handicapped. In case of rain, the event will be held in the Resurrection Mausoleum on site. Email Jessica Schuster with questions: jessica.schuster.155@gmail.com



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