



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.”

SEVENTH SUNDAY YEAR A

FEBRUARY 19, 2023

LOVE Your Enemies,

PRAY

for those who

Persecute You.



Send a hundred Angels to those who offend you.

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

First Tuesday of the Month

6:00pm to 7:00pm

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St Gaspar On-Line Giving Site:

<https://www.osvhub.com/st-gaspar-church/funds>

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READING 1: Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18

The LORD said to Moses, "Speak to the whole Israelite community and tell them: Be holy, for I, the LORD, your God, am holy. "You shall not bear hatred for your brother or sister in your heart. Though you may have to

reprove your fellow citizen, do not incur sin because of him. Take no revenge and cherish no grudge against any of your people. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:
Ps 103: 1-2,3-4,8,10,12-13

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills. He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger and abounding in kindness. Not according to our sins does he deal with us, nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

As far as the east is from the west, so far has he put our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

READING 2: 1Corinthians 3:16-23

Brothers and sisters: Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person; for the temple of God, which you are, is holy. Let no one deceive himself. If any one among you considers himself wise in this age, let him become a fool, so as to become wise.

For the wisdom of this world is foolishness in the eyes of God, for it is written: *God catches the wise in their own ruses*, and again: *The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are vain*.

So let no one boast about human beings, for everything belongs to you, Paul or Apollos or Cephas, or the world or life or death, or the present or the future: all belong to you, and you to Christ, and Christ to God.

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:38-48

Jesus said to his disciples: "You have heard that it was said, *An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth*. But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil. When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well. If anyone wants to go to law with you over your tunic, hand over your cloak as well. Should anyone press you into service for one mile, go for two miles. Give to the one who asks of you, and do not turn your back on one who wants to borrow. "You have heard that it was said, *You shall*

love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father, for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what recompense will you have? Do not the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet your brothers only, what is unusual about that? Do not the pagans do the same? So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect."

The Knights of Columbus will be having pancakes and sausage after 7:30 am Mass on Sunday February 19th (this weekend) Please join us!

February 12, 2023 Collections	
Weekly Collection	5159.50
Donations	1200.00
Votives	74.70
Emergency Fund	20.00
Holy Day Env.	650.00
Altar & Rosary	1450.00
Franciscans of Mary	200.00
Trivia Night	160.00
1st Off. Envelopes	50.00
Church in Latin Am.	50.00
Black & Indian Missions	50.00
Catholic Relief Serv.	50.00
Holy Land (Good Friday)	50.00
Home Missions	50.00
Catholic Comm.	50.00
Peter's Pence	50.00
Retirement for Religious	50.00
Catholic Univ. of America	50.00
World Mission Sunday	50.00
Catholic Campaign for human dev.	50.00
Catholic Charities-May	50.00
Catholic Charities-Christmas	100.00
Roof	2000.00
Sanctuary Flowers Easter	110.00
Sanctuary Flowers Christmas	100.00
Total	11884.20
<i>Thank you for your generous giving</i>	

PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH
SECTION TWO I. THE CREEDS
CHAPTER TWO I BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST, THE ONLY SON OF GOD
Article 3 "HE WAS CONCEIVED BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, AND WAS BORN OF THE VIRGIN MARY"
Paragraph 2. "CONCEIVED BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND BORN OF THE VIRGIN MARY"

Mary's virginal motherhood in God's plan

502 The eyes of faith can discover in the context of the whole of Revelation the mysterious reasons why God in his saving plan wanted his Son to be born of a virgin. These reasons touch both on the person of Christ and his redemptive mission, and on the welcome Mary gave that mission on behalf of all men.

503 Mary's virginity manifests God's absolute initiative in the Incarnation. Jesus has only God as Father. "He was never estranged from the Father because of the human nature which he assumed. . . He is naturally Son of the Father as to his divinity and naturally son of his mother as to his humanity, but properly Son of the Father in both natures."

504 Jesus is conceived by the Holy Spirit in the Virgin Mary's womb because he is the New Adam, who inaugurates the new creation: "The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven." From his conception, Christ's humanity is filled with the Holy Spirit, for God "gives him the Spirit without measure." From "his fullness" as the head of redeemed humanity "we have all received, grace upon grace."

SAVE THE DATE: REVIVE! FORT WAYNE As part of the Eucharistic Revival, there will be a Revive city-wide mission night on Wednesday, Apr. 12, at Bishop Dwenger High School, led by Damascus Missionaries. It will be a night with praise and worship, an inspirational speaker, and Eucharistic Adoration. Renew your own faith and invite a friend to come with you to encounter our God who is living and active. To reserve your seat, register at diocesefwsb.org/revive.

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU This Lenten season, each Catholic parish in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend will have confessions available on Tuesday, March 14, from 6-8 p.m. If you have been reluctant to participate in this sacrament, have been away for some time, or just find it difficult to get to a Saturday afternoon confession time, this is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with Christ and His Church. Learn more at diocesefwsb.org/light.


We need a volunteer to usher the month of March. Please contact the Parish office at 854-3100 if you can help. Thank you!

MASS INTENTIONS		
Saturday	4:30PM	† Ginny Roesler
Sunday	7:30AM	People of the Parish
	10:00AM	† Jim Neu
Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	8:00AM	† Dennis Hogan
Wednesday	8:00AM	† Alan Douglas
Thursday	8:00AM	† Rose Worman
Friday	8:00AM	† Lina Rice

Helping Hands is in need of can goods and non perishable items! As well as diapers and wipes. Please place the items in the Hall Thank you and God Bless you for your generosity!

Knights of Columbus will be cooking up some fish for our first weekend of lent. Please join us for a fish fry Friday February 24 from 4:00– 7:00 pm. The suggested cost is \$10.00 per person.

We will have a collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe at the Ash Wednesday services. The flyer in the bulletin this weekend has information about it. Please be as generous as you can. There is a second collection for the Black and Indian Missions next weekend (February 26) Please use your envelopes. God Bless you! Give and the Gifts will be given to you! Luke 6:38



Please turn in your filled baby bottles by February 26. There is a box in the gathering area to place them in. If you find it more convenient to make a donation they can be made by mailing to Christ Child Society of Fort Wayne, online at Christchildfw.org or by mailing to Christ Society of Fort Wayne, PO Box 12708, Fort Wayne, IN 46864 Thank you!

FEBRUARY 2023 MINISTRY SCHEDULE					
Altar Cloth:			Altar Flowers:		
Ushers and Greeters			Altar Servers		
4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Chris Lake	Lynn Weaver	Bob Distler	Grant Lake	Kaleb Strater	George Vandermeir
Sara Lake	Laura Weaver	Meg Distler	Cole Lake	Sam Strater	
Proclaimers: Saturday and Sunday			Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		
4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Karen Edwards	Tim Worman	Kelly Payne 2/19	Margaret Basket	Cathy Putman	John Cazier
	Dan Tatman	Ben Shortgen 2/26			
Proclaimer Daily Masses			Collections		
February 28	Elena Lock		February 21	Laura Weaver	Margaret Basket
March 7	Tim Worman		February 28	Roberta O'Boyle	Margaret Basket
March 14	George Vandermeir		March 7	Mary Krouse	Nancy Goldsmith
March 21	Sharon Wilsey		March 14	Laura Weaver	Vicki Domer
Please call Karen 260-336-1703, if you are unable to serve. Thanks					