



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.”

FOURTH SUNDAY YEAR A

JANUARY 29, 2023



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 10:00 am 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: Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

Seek the LORD, all you humble of the earth, who have observed his law; seek justice, seek humility; perhaps you may be sheltered on the day of the LORD's anger. But I will leave as a remnant in your midst a people humble and lowly, who shall take

refuge in the name of the LORD: the remnant of Israel. They shall do no wrong and speak no lies; nor shall there be found in their mouths a deceitful tongue; they shall pasture and couch their flocks with none to disturb them.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 146:6-7,8-9,9-10

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

or:

R. Alleluia.

The LORD keeps faith forever,
secures justice for the oppressed,
gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets captives free.

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

or:

R. Alleluia.

The LORD gives sight to the blind;
the LORD raises up those who were bowed

down. The LORD loves the just;
the LORD protects strangers.

R. Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

or:

R. Alleluia.

The fatherless and the widow the LORD sustains,

but the way of the wicked he thwarts.

The LORD shall reign forever;

your God, O Zion, through all generations.

Alleluia.

READING 2: 1Corinthians 1:26-31

Consider your own calling, brothers and sisters. Not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. Rather, God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise, and God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong, and God chose the lowly and despised of the world, those who count for nothing, to

reduce to nothing those who are something, so that no human being might boast before God. It is due to him that you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, as well as righteousness, sanctification, and redemption, so that, as it is written, "Whoever boasts, should boast in the Lord."

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12a

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

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"**

II.... BORN OF THE VIRGIN MARY

494 At the announcement that she would give birth to "the Son of the Most High" without knowing man, by the power of the Holy Spirit, Mary responded with the obedience of faith, certain that "with God nothing will be impossible": "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be [done] to me according to your word." Thus, giving her consent to God's word, Mary becomes the mother of Jesus. Espousing the divine will for salvation wholeheartedly, without a single sin to restrain her, she gave herself entirely to the person and to the work of her Son; she did so in order to serve the mystery of redemption with him and dependent on him, by God's grace: As St.

Irenaeus says, "Being obedient she became the cause of salvation for herself and for the whole human race." Hence not a few of the early Fathers gladly assert. . . : "The knot of Eve's disobedience was untied by Mary's obedience: what the virgin Eve bound through her disbelief, Mary loosened by her faith." Comparing her with Eve, they call Mary "the Mother of the living" and frequently claim: "Death through Eve, life through Mary."

Mary's divine motherhood

495 Called in the Gospels "the mother of Jesus", Mary is acclaimed by Elizabeth, at the prompting of the Spirit and even before the birth of her son, as "the mother of my Lord". In fact, the One whom she conceived as man by the Holy Spirit, who truly became her Son according to the flesh, was none other than the Father's eternal Son, the second person of the Holy Trinity. Hence the Church confesses that Mary is truly "Mother of God" (Theotokos).

St. Gaspar Parish would like to announce the proposed marriage:
GROOM: **Curtis A. Roloff**
Residence: Wisconsin, U.S.A
Parents: Eric Fredrick Roloff & Marjorie Alice Papcke
And
BRIDE: **Vanessa B. Barcarse**
Residence: Abagao, Lai-Io, Cagayan
Parents: Sosonte Barcarse & Rosario Bolanio
They will be married in the Philippines on April 29, 2023



Please join the Knights of Columbus February 5th after the 7:30 am Mass for Biscuits & Gravy. The breakfast is a

free will donation with the donations going towards a new sign.



Please join us for Trivia Night February 17, 2023 at 7:00 pm. Dress up in your favorite Mardi Gras attire, and bring an appetizer to

share. The cost is \$100.00 per table (10 people per table) Please Call the office at 854-3100, text Karen at 336-1703 or contact Kevin Strater at 260-894-1073.

The February Pilgrimage Site for Eucharistic Revival is St. Gaspar del Bufalo.

Please consider signing up (two hours) on Tuesday or Thursday through the month of February to welcome other parishes to our church. They will learn about the history of St. Gaspar and St. Gaspar Parish. They will also learn about our churches beautiful stained glass windows that depict the seven sacraments and the seven lettings of the precious blood of Jesus. There is a sign up sheet in the gathering area. Thank you!

Upcoming Events: Mass at 11:00 am February 4th at Our Lady Patroness of America Center.
February 7th Adoration 6:00 pm

REKINDLE THE FIRE
Join hundreds of Men on February 18,2023. South Bend, Indiana. Tickets are on sale at REKINDLETHEFIRE.NET . The cost is \$60.00

| MASS INTENTIONS | | |
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| Saturday | 4:30PM | † Rose Worman |
| Sunday | 7:30AM | † Bob and Joan Weaver |
| | 10:00AM | † |
| Monday | NO MASS | |
| Tuesday | 8:00AM | † Donald Fischer, Jr |
| Wednesday | 8:00AM | † Rose Worman |
| Thursday | 8:00AM | † Suzanne Arnold |
| Friday | 8:00AM | † Sue Gerardot |

| January 22, 2023 Collections | |
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| Weekly Collection | 2611.00 |
| Donations | 65.00 |
| Children | 5.00 |
| Votives | 36.00 |
| Emergency Fund | 10.00 |
| Altar & Rosary | 5.00 |
| Franciscan's of Mary | 30.00 |
| Sunday Breakfast | 306.00 |
| Envelopes | 10.00 |
| Cemetery | 300.00 |
| Latin America | 25.00 |
| Total | 3403.00 |
| <i>Thank you for your generous giving</i> | |

There are a few baby bottles left for the annual Baby Bottle Fundraiser. If you have not picked up on yet, they are in the gathering area. Please bring back your filled baby bottle the weekends of **February 11, 18, and 25**. A donation may be made online at Christchildfw.org or by mailing to Christ Child Society of Fort Wayne, PO Box 12708 Fort Wayne, IN 46864

| FEBRUARY 2023 MINISTRY SCHEDULE | | | | | |
|---|--------------------|---|--|-----------------|-------------------|
| Altar Cloth: Mary Krouse | | | Altar Flowers: Karen Edwards | | |
| 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 Vandermier |
| 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 2/5(both) 2/12 & 2/19 | Margaret Basket | Cathy Putman | John Cazier |
| | Dan Tatman | Ben Shortgen 2/12 & 2/26 (both readings) | | | |
| Proclaimer Daily Masses | | | Collections | | |
| January 31 | Elena Lock | | January 31 | Laura Weaver | Vicki Domer |
| February 7 | Tim Worman | | February 7 | Mary Krouse | Roberta O'Boyle |
| February 14 | Georgwe Vandermier | | February 14 | Margaret Basket | Nancy Goldsmith |
| February 21 | Sharon Wilsey | | February 21 | Laura Weaver | Vicki Domer |
| February 28 | Elena Lock | | February 28 | Margaret Basket | Roberta O'Boyle |
| Please call Karen 260-336-1703, if you are unable to serve. Thanks | | | | | |