



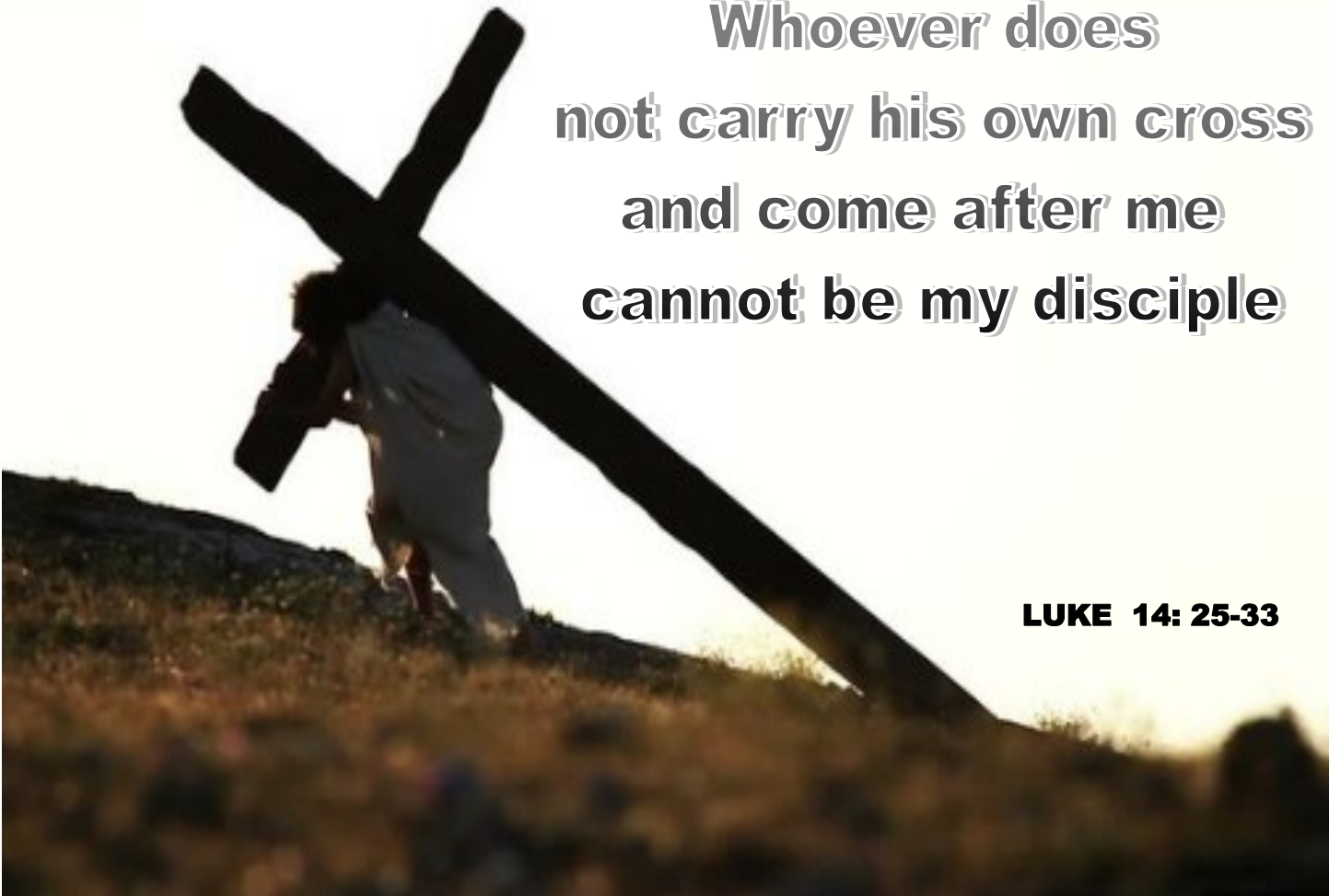
St. Gaspar del Bufalo Catholic Church

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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.”***

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025



Whoever does
not carry his own cross
and come after me
cannot be my disciple

LUKE 14: 25-33

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	4:30 PM	✝ Kathleen Costello
Sunday	7:30AM 10:00AM	✝ Sue Gerardot People of the Parish
Monday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Tuesday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Wednesday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Thursday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Friday	8:00 AM	NO MASS

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Through your generosity we have met our donor match of 400,000.00. As we continue to expand our reach, we humbly ask for your continued support to be able to complete the kitchen and ladies restrooms. We kindly ask that you take a moment to consider our campaign and the impact your support can make in the future. Please continue your prayers for our church leaders, unity among our members, and financial provision and resources to support our parish's spiritual growth and ministry. God Bless you!

**THERE WILL BE NO MORNING MASS
September 8th through September 19th.
Father Louis will be on a pilgrimage.**

August 31, 2025 Collections

Weekly Collection	\$3461.25
votives	\$127.00
Donations	\$825.00
Children's	\$5.00
Capital Campaign	\$1,320.00
Online Giving (824-8-30)	\$585.00
SVDP sponsor Father	\$50.00
Catholic University	\$1,298.00
Assumption of Mary	\$40.00
Total	\$7753.25

Thank you for your generous giving

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Gaspar Parish
needs volunteers to
help with removing
staples from pews
that were purchased
for our new renovation.

If you can help, there will be an
informative meeting this Wednesday,
September 10th at 6:00 PM in The
Patroness of America meeting room. There
is a sign up sheet on the table in the chapel.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES – FORT WAYNE AND SOUTH BEND

All couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th or 70th wedding anniversary this year, along with their families, are invited to attend the Jubilee Anniversary Mass with Bishop Rhoades on Sunday, September 14, at 11 a.m. at St. Matthew Cathedral or Sunday, October 5 at 11:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception with a ticketed reception to follow. Anniversary couples will receive a commemorative certificate and two free tickets to the reception. Additional reception tickets for family and friends may be purchased for \$10 each. Children 10 and younger are free. To register, please go to diocesefwsb.org/anniversary-masses.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE
FORT WAYNE, INDIANA

Behold

REVELATION 21:5
I make all things new

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ADORATION • COMMUNITY

Conference Speakers



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Kendra Tierney Norton



Paco Gavrilides

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by Carey Landry & Carol Jean
Kinghorn-Landry

SATURDAY 10 | 4 | 2025
8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

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**FANCY FAIR and
FAMOUS COOKIE BAR
2025**



It is time to get your crafts together for the 2025 Fancy Fair and Cookie Bar at the Patroness of America. The Fancy Fair will be held Saturday, October 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Table rental is \$25.00. Tables will be provided and set up for your convenience. The tables will be available on a first come first serve basis. In order to get your first choice of space, you will want to return your application with payment as soon as possible. Space fills up early so contact Terry Luebke, 9360 E 430 S. Wolcottville, IN 46795 or call 1-260-715-5750.

The CCHS Alumni Annual Luncheon is scheduled for Sept. 17, 2025, at the Classic Cafe 4832 Hillegas Rd. Fort Wayne. Please contact Debby Block Andrews for more info, 260-466-5280. Reservations are a must.

*Attention! Ladies of St. Gaspar Parish!
Please join us for a Rosary meeting
Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 6:00 PM.*

We would like to extend a sincere thank you to all the individuals who assisted this summer at the Wolcottville Lunch and Activity Program. It was a huge success. There were 105 different children who enjoyed attending the program, and the team served a total of 672 meals. We are so grateful for the 41 adults who gave of themselves to make it all happen, donating a total of 234 hours. Thank you, Fr. Louis, Deacon Ray, and St. Gaspar's parishioners for making a difference in the lives of many local children. We appreciate you!!

With Gratitude,
Tony and Lori Starkey
Eva Woodworth-Program Coordinator

THANK YOU TO:

Father Louis
Deacon Ray Krouse
Mary Krouse
Mike Uszak
George Vandermeir
Betty Vandermeir
Carol Sievert
Karen Spoltman
David Spoltman
Margaret Baskett
Allen Baskett

Luanne Shull
Terry Luebke
Annette Stemmler
John Stemmler
Terry Gust
Rebecca Lock
Maddie Lock
Michael Klein
Bob Berghoff
John O' Boyle

**You are invited to attend a
Regional Christ Renews his Parish
retreat for women on September
13th and 14th or for men on
September 20th and 21st at
Immaculate Conception parish in
Auburn. Each retreat is a 30 hour
break from the chaos where you
can disconnect from the world
and connect with God. Think of it
as a spiritual vacation; just you,
your faith and a sisterhood of
women or a brotherhood of men
seeking the same renewal. Each
retreat is open to adults over the
age of 21 and is free of cost with
meals provided. To register
contact crhpice@gmail.com
or call (260)925-3930 .**



**Monday, September 15,
2025**

Blessed Sacrament Catholic
Church 2290 North State

Road 9 Albion, IN 46701 12:30 PM-5:30 PM



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, Utah Bruns, George Dewald, Dean Domer, Kelli Dukehart, Dan Figel, Terry Gust, Marta Hartman, Charlene Hall, Jay Hayes, Setsuko Hooven, Maureen James, Susan Jones, Ed Keil, 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, Larry Sievert, Patty Staseck, Kyla Tackett, Jeanne Tracey, Pat Vachon, and Jack Welsh,



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 Kelty	



Join us for the **SVDP Walk for Hope**—a day of community, compassion, and action!
September 21st, 2025

We'll kick off the afternoon with a fun, family-friendly tailgate at 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM featuring food, and fellowship. Check-in for the walk/run will open at 2:00 PM, and the walk will begin at 3:00 PM as we walk together to bring hope to our neighbors in need. Walk route options include: 5k, 1.5 miles, and 1/4 mile loop around the Parkview Field Concourse.

Why Walk?

Every step you take and every dollar you raise will directly impact individuals and families in Northeast Indiana who are struggling with poverty, hunger, and crisis situations. 100% of the proceeds go back into our community to provide critical assistance with food, rent, utilities, transportation, and more.

How You Can Help:

Register to walk and invite your friends & family! Fundraise to make an even bigger impact—set a goal and rally your network.

Donate if you can't attend but want to support the cause. Let's come together to lift up those who need it most. Your support helps us bring hope where it's needed the most!

Runsignup.com/Race/Donate/IN/FortWayne/SVDPwalkforhope

Next week our special collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects Catholics with Christ in the United States using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money we collect remains here in the Diocese of Fort Wayne/ South Bend to fund local communications efforts. The other half supports the communication activities of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops and some projects across the United States and abroad. Your support spreads the gospel message! Learn more at www.usccb.org/cc.

PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER SUPPORTING THIS YEARS 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!

Wish your marriage was as hot as the temperature outside? You deserve a Marriage Encounter Experience! Give - and receive - the gift of a more passionate, connected, and loving marriage. Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience at St. Charles Parish, Fort Wayne. Saturday and Sunday, September 27th-28th. There's no group discussion. It's just about the two of you learning to be the best, most loving and thriving couple you can be. Enjoy a weekend with your loved one and return to the comfort of your own home overnight. Apply at www.wwme-ni.org, or contact Jeff and Brenda with any questions at: application@wwme-ni.org or 260-484-1664.

Other upcoming experience:

February 28-Mar 1,
2026 St Elizabeth Ann
Seton Parish,
Fort Wayne, IN.



Fourth Annual Walking Pilgrimage

from Kendallville

SEPTEMBER 14TH
beginning at 1:30

to Our Lady,
Patroness of
America Center

Scan for
details:



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



Rosary Sodality Members will be selling rosaries after each mass the weekend of Sept 13/14. These rosaries are a commemorative sacramental for Fr Louis' 40th ordination anniversary celebration on Sat., Oct 4. He will bless them after mass. They can be used for the living rosary which will follow mass. Prices for each rosary range from \$8.43-\$13.89. Small bills and coins appreciated.

September 13-14, 2025

Altar Cloth: June Beeber

Altar Flowers: Carol Sievert

Ushers and Greeters

Altar Servers

4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Chris Lake	Jeff Strong	Gary Shull	Cole & Grant Lake	Sam Strater	Chelsea Seibert
Melody Uszak	Dave Johnson	Matt Lock	Sawyer Christner		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
Erik Fowerbaugh	Sharon Wilsey	Ben Schortgen	Margaret Baskett	Roberta O'Boyle	Bob Distler
		Julia Luebke	Macharri Vorndran Jones	Robin Aspy	Meg Distler
			volunteer	Steve Smith	Terry Luebke

Proclaimer Daily Masses

Collections

September 9	NO MASS		September 9	Margaret Baskett	Terry Luebke
September 16	NO MASS		September 16	Margaret Baskett	Nancy Goldsmith
September 23	Elena Lock		September 23	Laura Weaver	Vicki Domer
September 30	Tim Worman		September 30	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 3. THE CHURCH IS ONE, HOLY, CATHOLIC,
AND APOSTOLIC**

Toward unity

III. THE CHURCH IS CATHOLIC

What does "catholic" mean?

830 The word "catholic" means "universal," in the sense of "according to the totality" or "in keeping with the whole." the Church is catholic in a double sense: First, the Church is catholic because Christ is present in her. "Where there is Christ Jesus, there is the Catholic Church." In her subsists the fullness of Christ's body united with its head; this implies that she receives from him "the fullness of the means of

salvation" which he has willed: correct and complete confession of faith, full sacramental life, and ordained ministry in apostolic succession. the Church was, in this fundamental sense, catholic on the day of Pentecost and will always be so until the day of the Parousia.

831 Secondly, the Church is catholic because she has been sent out by Christ on a mission to the whole of the human race: All men are called to belong to the new People of God. This People, therefore, while remaining one and only one, is to be spread throughout the whole world and to all ages in order that the design of God's will may be fulfilled: he made human nature one in the beginning and has decreed that all his children who were scattered should be finally gathered together as one.... the character of universality which adorns the People of God is a gift from the Lord himself whereby the Catholic Church ceaselessly and efficaciously seeks for the return of all humanity and all its goods, under Christ the Head in the unity of his Spirit.

DIOCESAN SYNOD ANNOUNCEMENT AND EVENING PRAYER

Bishop Rhoades invites all the lay faithful to a Vespers service at St. Matthew's Cathedral on Sunday, September 14, at 5:30 p.m. for the formal Announcement of our Diocesan Synod and evening prayer. This synod is the first in our Diocese in 100 years. Please consider joining as one diocesan community to prayerfully begin this journey together of prayer, listening, and discernment. For those who are unable to attend, the event will be livestreamed at diocesefwsb.org/stream.

Did you know that the Rosary is prayed every day before Mass here at St. Gaspar? Join us a half an hour before Mass to draw closer to God through Mary's intercession.



St. Vincent de Paul Society

Need assistance with rent/utilities?
Need a ride to church?

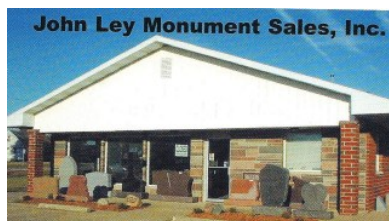
Contact SVDPS at 260-582-4375.

Leave your name, number and a brief explanation of need. A Vincentian will return your call within 24 hours.

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