



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.”

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD YEAR B

JANUARY 7, 2024



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Chairman Parish Council - Kevin Strater
Chairperson Finance Committee - Cathy Putman
St Gaspar On-Line Giving Site:
<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

6:00pm to 7:00pm

HAPPY 2024!

The Parish would like to extend a huge **THANK YOU!** to **Kevin and Tracy Strater and family** for organizing, cooking, and serving the New Years Day pork and sauerkraut meal. Thank you to everyone that brought food and those who helped with the clean up! The Parish enjoyed the wonderful food and fellowship!



St. Vincent de Paul Society

Need assistance with rent/utilities?

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.

There will be a collection for the Legacy of Hope Campaign next weekend. The donations will go to the Fort Wayne St. Vincent de Paul chapter to help with the St. Vincent de Paul thrift store. Donations in any amount are welcome and very much appreciated! **God Bless You!!**

December 31, 2023 Collections	
Weekly Collection	2412.00
Donations	200.00
Votives	35.00
Christmas	324.00
Solemnity of Mary	408.00
Altar & Rosary	40.00
Children Weekly	10.00
First Offering for env.	215.00
Catholic Charities	20.00
Total	3646.00

Thank you for your generous giving

THEOLOGY ON TAP: WINTER 2024 – FORT WAYNE

Young people in their 20s and 30s are invited to the Winter 2024 Theology on Tap Series titled "Light in the Darkness." The series is set to explore mental health and the Catholic tradition, love and intimacy, finances, truth, and evil through engaging speakers from the community. The weekly series runs every Tuesday from January 16 through February 13. The event takes place at 2Toms Brewing Company, located at 3676 North Wells Street. Doors, food, and cash bar open at 7. Weekly talks begin at 7:30 p.m. Come for the food and drink, explore your faith, and invite a friend. Check out the speaker line-up and more info at diocesefwsb.org/tot-fw.



Honoring the Lord with Our Gifts: You can create a tradition of giving in your family to the parish which supports you. To learn more about making a legacy gift to your parish endowment fund, please contact us at 260-399-1436 or www.ccfnei.org.

It's Simple. It's Stewardship. It's Forever.



2024 REKINDLE THE FIRE ON SALE SOON!

ALLEN COUNTY COLISEUM FT. WAYNE, INDIANA | FEBRUARY 24TH, 2024

TICKETS ONLINE REKINDLETHEFIRE.NET

Registration is quick and easy at REKINDLETHEFIRE.net or you may register through the mail:

Secretariat for Evangelization and Special Ministries
915 South Clinton

P.O. Box 390
Fort Wayne, IN 46801

Registration Fee \$60.00

QUESTIONS? Joe Witulski (260) 452-6875

**FROM THE CATECHISM:
PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH
SECTION TWO I. THE CREEDS
CHAPTER TWO I BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST,
THE ONLY SON OF GOD.**

Article 4

**"JESUS CHRIST SUFFERED UNDER
PONTIUS PILATE, WAS CRUCIFIED, DIED
AND WAS BURIED"**

Paragraph 2. JESUS DIED CRUCIFIED

**"The Lamb who takes away the sin of the
world"**

608 After agreeing to baptize him along with the sinners, John the Baptist looked at Jesus and pointed him out as the "Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world". By doing so, he reveals that Jesus is at the same time the suffering Servant who silently allows himself to be led to the slaughter and who bears the sin of the multitudes, and also the Paschal Lamb, the

symbol of Israel's redemption at the first Passover. Christ's whole life expresses his mission: "to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

**Jesus freely embraced the Father's
redeeming love**

609 By embracing in his human heart the Father's love for men, Jesus "loved them to the end", for "greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." In suffering and death his humanity became the free and perfect instrument of his divine love which desires the salvation of men. Indeed, out of love for his Father and for men, whom the Father wants to save, Jesus freely accepted his Passion and death: "No one takes [my life] from me, but I lay it down of my own accord." Hence the sovereign freedom of God's Son as he went out to his death.

40TH



Please join us to celebrate the 40th Ordination of our Very Reverend Bishop KEVIN C. RHODES. The date for the celebration is February 11, 2024 after the 10:00 AM Mass. The Rosary will provide the meat and a cake. Each family is asked to bring a

side or a salad. There is a sign up sheet in the gathering area. The deadline to sign up is February 2.

Thank You! to all who helped make this Advent & Christmas Season Special at St. Gaspar's , Including.... Those who volunteer their time, talent, and treasure. **Thank You!** to Cathy Putman & Luanne Shull for once again hosting the Helping Hands Giving Tree & The Miracle Tree of Noble County. **Thank You!** to each person or family who donated an item or two to place under the tree. **Thank You!** to our Knights of Columbus and those who donated gifts to make Christmas brighter for the children of Gibalt. The Knights and the Rosary Sodality brought many smiles to the children of the Parish with their breakfast with Santa, Mrs. Clause, & their Elf. **Thank You!** to those who decorate our church for Christmas and keep the plants alive! Your dedication and hard work is very much appreciated! **Thank You!** St. Vincent de Paul Society members for sending Christmas cards to our sick and homebound . **Thank You!** to those in our music ministry for bringing the beautiful music to lift our prayers to our Lord. **Thank You!** to all of our Liturgical Ministers; Ushers, Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers & Deacon Ray Mary Krouse, who serve the parishioners of St. Gaspar's in the liturgies and sacraments.

May the Lord bless each and every one of you!

THANK YOU

to your parish for your generosity during this year's **Catholic Charities Christmas Envelope Collection!** Your gift will help all those in need as Christ calls us to do.

If you would still like to make your annual donation, visit www.ccfwsb.org/donate.



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

There will be coffee and doughnuts after the 7:30 am Mass this weekend 1/7/2024. Please join us!

******Back by popular demand! Please join us for EUCRE or "THE GAME" Saturday, January 20th at 7:00 PM.**

NOTRE DAME FOLK CHOIR TO PERFORM IN FORT WAYNE The Notre Dame Folk Choir will begin a tour of the Midwest in January that will bring them to Fort Wayne. They will perform a concert at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Sunday, January 15, at 11:30 a.m. For more information about the choir, visit folkchoir.nd.edu/events. The Notre Dame Folk Choir is one of the principal liturgical choirs on the campus of the University of Notre Dame, and performs every Sunday during the academic year at the noon liturgy in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

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| 1/2 Martha Dewald | 1/2 Margery Taylor |
| 1/2 John Edwards | 1/3 Julie Ryne |
| 1/3 Tina Konrath | 1/3 Patty Staseck |
| 1/4 Anna Merriman | 1/4 Brooklyn McDonald |
| 1/9 Michael Scudder | 1/14 Faith Budreau |
| 1/15 Richard Schaffer | 1/15 Greg Bennett |
| 1/16 Tom Kennerk | 1/16 Tony Starkey |
| 1/19 Tom Beeber | 1/19 Sydney Grayless |
| 1/22 Paul Hartman | 1/23 Jonathon Bragg |
| 1/26 Todd Duesler | 1/27 Nicholas Klein |
| 1/28 Austin Farris | |

January 14, 2023 MINISTRY SCHEDULE					
Altar Cloth: Sharon Wilsey			Altar Flowers: Karen Edwards		
Ushers and Greeters			Altar Servers		
4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Chris Lake	Dave Putman	Tom Pfister	Paige McDonald	Kaleb Strater	Matt Kelty or
Sara Lake	Cathy Putman	John O'Boyle	Natalie McDonald	Sam Strater	George Vandermeir
Proclaimers: Saturday and Sunday			Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		
4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Gail Martin	Sam Strater	Michelle Barranda	Deacon Ray Krouse	Deacon Ray Krouse	Deacon Ray Krouse
	Tracy Strater	Elena Lock	Karen Edwards	Laura Weaver	Al Langsenkamp
			Maragret Baskett	Roberta O'Boyle	Terese Langsenkamp
			John Kessen	Robin Aspy	Mary Krouse
Proclaimer Daily Masses			Collections		
January 9	No Mass		January 9	Margaret Baskett	Roberta O'Boyle
January 16	NO MASS		January 16	Mary Krouse	Nancy Goldsmith
January 23	NO MASS		January 23	Laura Weaver	Vicki Domer
January 30	NO MASS		January 30	Margaret Baskett	Roberta O'Boyle
Please call Karen 260-336-1703, if you are unable to serve. Thanks					