



## 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.”*

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY YEAR A

NOVEMBER 5, 2023



Merciful Father, this month, we remember our beloved dead, especially those who died in the past year. May they joyfully find a place of eternal rest with you their loving creator. Amen.

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Chairperson Finance Committee - Cathy Putman  
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*Please, send any info for Facebook to*  
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**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



**St. Gaspar del Bufalo  
40 HOUR DEVOTION  
November 19th-21st**

Beginning after the 10:00 am Mass. ALL ARE INVITED..... ALL ARE WELCOME!!

Forty Hours Devotion is a practice of continuous prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Stop by any parish any hour – day or night – when they are

offering this devotion to spend time in adoration.

**There is a sign up sheet in the gathering area.**

**We would like to have two people in the church at all times through out the 40 hours. Please prayerfully consider signing up for a couple of extra hours.**

**We are excited to announce we are bringing the Eucharistic Miracles from the Vatican Exhibit along with Quotes from Blessed Carlos Acutis.** The exhibit will

be in the Parish Hall for you to view beginning after Mass on November 18th– November 21st.

**October 29, 2023 Collections**

<b>Weekly Collection</b>	2902.00
<b>Donations</b>	200.00
<b>Votives</b>	45.86
<b>Adult Holy Day</b>	25.00
<b>Rosary Sodality</b>	4035.50
<b>ABA over goal</b>	700.00
<b>All Saints Day</b>	25.00
<b>St. Vincent DePaul</b>	20.00
<b>World Mission</b>	70.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>8023.36</b>

*Thank you for your generous giving*



**ALTAR & ROSARY SODALITY FANCY FAIR**

Thank you to all those who brought soup, pies, and cookies! Thank you to everyone who worked in the kitchen and the cookie bar. Also thank you again to our K of C for moving tables before and after the Fancy Fair! We are so blessed to have this great attraction in our Parish Community!

**DIOCESAN MARCH FOR LIFE PILGRIMAGE**

Young adults are invited to join Bishop Rhoades at the Indiana March for Life in Indianapolis on January 22, 2024. This one-day pilgrimage invites us to focus our efforts on state level advocacy and engagement to support pro-life legislation within our state, working for local efforts to support unborn children and mothers in need. The cost is \$65 and includes lunch. For more information and to register, go to [diocesefwsb.org/march-for-life](https://diocesefwsb.org/march-for-life).

**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

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| 11/3 Robert Krock    | 11/3 Robin Aspy      |
| 11/4 Larry Sievert   | 11/5 Trevor Fry      |
| 11/5 Blake Bowers    | 11/8 Frank Holt      |
| 11/10 John Kessen    | 11/11 Arlene Gran    |
| 11/11 Julie Holt     | 11/16 Jane Farrelly  |
| 11/17 Kelli Dukehart | 11/17 Keith Merriman |
| 11/20 Jeff Strong    | 11/20 Chris Blaize   |
| 11/20 Lindsey Sieber | 11/23 Dennis Bragg   |
| 11/26 Mary Edwards   | 11/28 Allen Baskett  |
| 11/29 Kathy Krock    | 11/30 Joseph Ryne    |
| 11/30 Tim Worman     | 11/30 Rick Pranger   |

**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 1. JESUS AND ISRAEL**

**III. JESUS AND ISRAEL'S FAITH IN THE ONE  
GOD AND SAVIOUR**

589 Jesus gave scandal above all when he identified his merciful conduct toward sinners with God's own attitude toward them. He went so far as to hint that by sharing the table of sinners he was admitting them to the messianic banquet. But it was most especially by forgiving sins that Jesus placed the religious authorities of Israel on the horns of a dilemma. Were they not entitled to demand in consternation, "Who can forgive sins but God alone?" By forgiving sins Jesus either is blaspheming as a man who made himself God's equal, or is speaking the truth and

his person really does make present and reveal God's name.<sup>590</sup> Only the divine identity of Jesus' person can justify so absolute a claim as "He who is not with me is against me"; and his saying that there was in him "something greater than Jonah, . . . greater than Solomon", something "greater than the Temple"; his reminder that David had called the Messiah his Lord, and his affirmations, "Before Abraham was, I AM", and even "I and the Father are one."

591 Jesus asked the religious authorities of Jerusalem to believe in him because of the Father's works which he accomplished. But such an act of faith must go through a mysterious death to self, for a new "birth from above" under the influence of divine grace. Such a demand for conversion in the face of so surprising a fulfilment of the promises allows one to understand the Sanhedrin's tragic misunderstanding of Jesus: they judged that he deserved the death sentence as a blasphemer. The members of the Sanhedrin were thus acting at the same time out of "ignorance" and the "hardness" of their "unbelief".

**Annual Bishop's Appeal**

St. Gaspar's goal for the 37th Annual Bishop's Appeal is \$23,848.33. THANKS TO ALL OF THOSE WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED! If you haven't done so, **please send in your ABA card. We are still under our goal!! The funds will be taken from our Parish if we do not meet our goal!** All funds over the goal will be returned to St. Gaspar for the needs of the parish.

**We sincerely appreciate your generosity!**

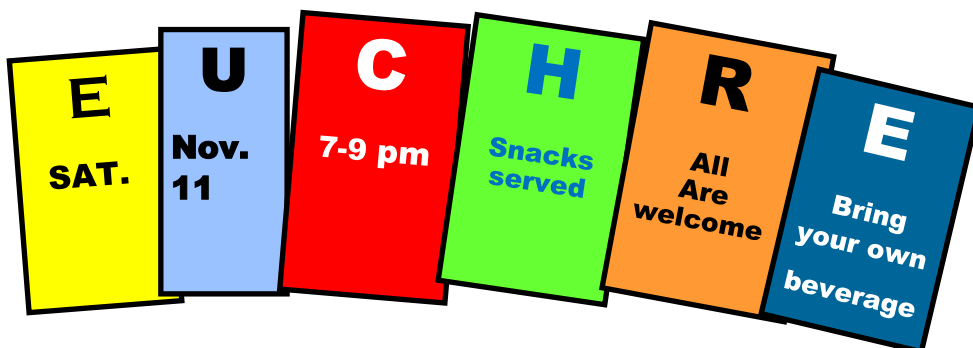
FR *Louis Fowyo*

**40 Hours Devotion at the Cathedral**

December 3, 4, 5

All are invited to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne, for 40 Hours Devotion. Join us for prayer and worship of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. Eucharistic Adoration will be held Sunday, December 3 from 1-5 p.m., Monday, December 4 from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m., and Tuesday, December 5 from 9 a.m.- 6 p.m. Evening prayer and a reflection by Fr. Paolo Degasperi will take place each evening at 6:30 p.m. Confessions will follow on Sunday and Monday until 9 p.m. Join us Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. for Evening Prayer and Benediction followed by a reception in the Cathedral Center. Please visit [cathedralfw.org](http://cathedralfw.org) to sign up for an adoration hour.

**Have you checked out the cookbooks yet? A great Christmas gift idea! The cost is \$10.00.**



**Christmas at Gibault 2023**

The collection box has been placed in the gathering area for the gifts for Gibault. There is a list of items needed attached to the box if you need to view the list again.

**Thank you for making a difference!**

MASS INTENTIONS		
Saturday	4:30PM	† Landes Brothers
Sunday	7:30AM	People of the Parish
	10:00AM	† Vandermeir Family
Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	8:00AM	† Eddie Long
Wednesday	8:00AM	† Karen Trowbridge
Thursday	8:00AM	† Kathy Costello
Friday	8:00AM	† Sue Chester

**Please join us for The Precious Blood Adoration Tuesday, November 7th at 6:00 pm.**

**The Parish Council will meet Tuesday, November 7th at 7:00 pm.**

**The Rosary Sodality will meet November 14th at 6:00 pm.**

**Children's Christmas Party**

SATURDAY DECEMBER 2, 2023 9:00 A.M.

AT BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH HALL ALBION IN

All youth, parents, grandparents, and guardians from Immaculate Conception (ICC), St. Gaspar, St. Joseph, and Blessed Sacrament Churches are invited to the Children's Christmas Party

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 7839

Please bring an unwrapped gift for a Gibault School child ages 12 – 17

Please arrive around 8:45 a.m.

Program begins at 9:00 a.m. sharp and ends by Noon

Parents, grandparents, and guardians are expected to stay and enjoy the event with their children

Program

Welcome

Keep Christ in Christmas

A Little Bit about Gibault School

Indiana Wild Presentation

Mid-Morning Snack

Christmas Sing Along

Special Visitor Bearing Gifts

Please rsvp your reservations including the number, boy or girl, and age of the children attending to: Mike Fitzgibbon

at 260 349-2403 or Email to mjtfitz@aol.com



November 12, 2023 MINISTRY SCHEDULE					
Altar Cloth: Rebecca Lock			Altar Flowers: Carol Sievert		
Ushers and Greeters			Altar Servers		
4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Mike Uszak	Kevin Strater	Matt Lock	Grant Lake	Kaleb Strater	Matt Kelty or
Melody Uszak	Tracy Strater	Gary Shull	Cole Lake	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
Traci Blaize	Ed Keil	Michelle Barranda	Deacon Ray Krouse	Deacon Ray Krouse	Deacon Ray Krouse
	Sharon Wilsey	Elena Lock	Gail Martin	Laura Weaver	Mary Krouse
			Mandy Martin	Roberta O'Boyle	Terry Luebke
Proclaimer Daily Masses			Collections		
November 7	Maddie Lock		November 7	Margaret Baskett	Roberta O'Boyle
November 14	Elena Lock		November 14	Mary Krouse	Nancy Goldsmith
November 21	Tim Worman		November 21	Laura Weaver	Vicki Domer
November 28	Mary Krouse		November 28	Nancy Goldsmith	Roberta O'Boyle
<b>Please call Karen 260-336-1703, if you are unable to serve. Thanks</b>					