



## 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 SECOND SUNDAY YEAR A

SEPTEMBER 3, 2023



*“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.  
For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it”.*

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

**August 27, 2023 Collections**

<b>Weekly Collection</b>	3294.87
<b>Donations</b>	1585.00
<b>Votives</b>	60.51
<b>Children Weekly</b>	5.00
<b>Altar &amp; Rosary Sodality</b>	195.00
<b>Emergency Fund</b>	30.80
<b>Adult Holy Day</b>	10.00
<b>St Vincent De Paul</b>	340.65
<b>Copier</b>	60.36
<b>Catholic University</b>	1400.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>6982.19</b>

*Thank you for your generous giving*

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

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|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 9/1 Greg Sheets        | 9/2 David Billows     |
| 9/5 Krista Duesler     | 9/5 Stephanie Fry     |
| 9/8 Lawrence Ivan      | 9/11 David Spoltman   |
| 9/12 Michael Roesler   | 9/12 Joyce Sheets     |
| 9/14 Margaret Baskett  | 9/16 Lori Starkey     |
| 9/17 Kimberly Merriman | 9/17 Jeffery Cybulski |
| 9/18 George Dewald     | 9/20 Kathleen Dinges  |
| 9/20 Sam Lash          | 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 Paula Whitesell   | 9/26 Bailee Grayless  |
| 9/27 Paula Whitesell   | 9/29 Robert Edwards   |
| 9/30 Matthew Kelty     |                       |

**St Vincent DePaul (SVDP) conference is now active for St Gaspar.**



The Friends of the Poor Walk is a national event to raise awareness and funding for the SVDP. And this is a great opportunity for us to raise local awareness and funding to start our new conference here at St Gaspar.

Would you please consider becoming a sponsor for the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Friends of the Poor Walk event? This is our opportunity to show what a great parish St Gaspar is and sponsor the new SVDP conference as we will participate in the walk! The walk is scheduled for Sunday Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 at Parkview Victory Field in down town Ft Wayne. Everyone is invited to attend and/or walk. And of course, everyone is welcome to join as a member the new SVDP at St Gaspar.

It is very easy to donate: There will be a table with SVDP donation box at church exits or On line at fopwalk.org choose Ft Wayne District FOP Walk

**LABOR DAY Celebration ST. MARY'S LABOR DAY FESTIVAL**

Nelson's Barbecue Chicken, Pork Chops, and Baked Potatoes  
Monday, September 4th  
from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. 228 N Main St, Avilla, IN .  
Country Store—Vendors—Ice Cream Sundaes



Every Parish across the country is invited to host the Jesus and the Eucharist study during the Year of the Parish Revival. This seven session series will unveil God's saving work in the Eucharist.

There is no cost and no homework. You may participate on Monday evenings at 6:00 pm or Thursday mornings after Mass starting in October. Please RSVP to Mary Krouse 260-437-8512.

**ROSARY SODALTY CARRY IN DINNER  
SEPTEMBER 12th AT 5:00 PM**

**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"**

571 The Paschal mystery of Christ's cross and Resurrection stands at the center of the Good News that the apostles, and the Church following them, are to proclaim to the world. God's saving plan was accomplished "once for all" by the redemptive death of his Son Jesus Christ.

572 The Church remains faithful to the interpretation of "all the Scriptures" that Jesus gave both before and after his Passover: "Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Jesus' sufferings took their historical, concrete form from the fact that he was "rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes", who handed "him to the Gentiles to be mocked and scourged and crucified".

573 Faith can therefore try to examine the circumstances of Jesus' death, faithfully handed on by the Gospels and illuminated by other historical sources, the better to understand the meaning of the Rede.



**OUR LADY  
PATRONESS OF  
AMERICA  
ANNIVERSARY  
PILGRIMAGE  
Sunday, September 24,  
2023**

Second annual walking pilgrimage from Kendallville to the Oratory of the Holy Family.

- \* Celebrates the Anniversary of the First purported Apparition of Our Lady.
- \* Pilgrimage Route is along the new, beautiful Fishingline Trail.
- \* First bus leaves the Oratory at 12:30 pm for the longest walk of 7.3 miles and later times for shorter walks.
- \* Followed by 4:30 pm Benediction and Cookout.

Go to [PatronessofAmerica.org/pilgrimwalk](http://PatronessofAmerica.org/pilgrimwalk) for more information and to RSVP.

**ATTENTION PROCLAIMERS: The new workbooks for 2024 have arrived. Please pick up a workbook in the sacristy after Mass. Thank you for sharing your talents!**

**Annual Bishop's Appeal**

St. Gaspar's extends an invitation to our summer Parishioners to help us reach the 23,848.33 goal for the 37th Annual Bishop's Appeal. Please consider making a contribution by picking up an envelope located on the window ledge of the gathering area or in the hall by the bulletins.

**We sincerely appreciate your support!**



**September Pilgrimage**

**Feature**— the Parish year pilgrimage activity featured this month for adults and teens is to watch Bishop Cozzens Short Course on the Eucharist (2 hours). For children, (a) view "Fr. Bart

reads 'Father Ben gets ready for Mass'" (younger children, 7 min) and (b) watch cartoon "The Eucharist as Sacrifice and Communion" (older children, 8min). Complete six or more of the activities linked on [diocesefwsb.org/eucharist](http://diocesefwsb.org/eucharist), mark your passport", and receive a free gift from Full of Grace Gifts in Mishawaka or Good Shepherd Books & Gifts in Fort Wayne.

**Please remember to pray for all those who have requested our prayers:**

- Jim Baumer, Brad Beck, Nick & Sue Chester, Joe Costello, Todd & Krista Duesler, Roger Domer, Kelli Dukehart, Mary Edwards, Dan Figel, Shirley Frazee, Arlene Gran, Cathy Growcock, Theresa Guenin, Sr. Joan Hastreiter, Cathy Havert, Jane Heingartner, Tom Kingseed, Sally Krause, Mary Ellen Kress, Dave & Sandy Krull, Dick Krull, Ladonna Magsamen, Dick & Wanda Maroney, Sandy North, Linda Okleshen, Deborah Redd, Heather Richardson, Joan Robinson, Marilyn & Dick Schaefer, Margaret Schenkel, Pat & Win Vachon, Cathy Young, and Jean Zimmerman.



**PRAYER  
REQUESTS**

MASS INTENTIONS		
<b>Saturday</b>	4:30PM	✠ Ray & Lamoille O'Neill
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30AM	People of the Parish
	10:00AM	✠ Harold & Francis Parker
<b>Monday</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00AM	✠ Phil Millus
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:00AM	✠ Suzanne Arnold
<b>Thursday</b>	8:00AM	✠ Rosemary Grist
<b>Friday</b>	8:00AM	✠ Ginny Roesler

**ATTENTION**  
**Religious Education Program 2023-2024**  
 We would like to offer CCD again this year. If you have a child in 1st-8th grade that you would like enrolled in our Parish's religious Education program for 2023-2024, or if your child(ren) is in need of Sacramental Preparation classes for Reconciliation (confession) of First Holy Communion, please email the Parish office at [info@stgasparrc.org](mailto:info@stgasparrc.org) or call the office at 260-854-3100 Tuesday and Thursday 8:00 –4:00 pm.  
**RCIA**  
 Also If you or someone you know would like to become Catholic, please contact us.

**Please join us for the Precious Blood Adoration Tuesday September 5th at 6:00 pm.**

**PARRISH COUNCIL MEETING  
 TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 5th at 7:00 PM**

September 10 , 2023 MINISTRY SCHEDULE					
Altar Cloth: June Beeber			Altar Flowers: Vicki Domer		
Ushers and Greeters			Altar Servers		
<b>4.30PM</b>	<b>7:30AM</b>	<b>10:00AM</b>	<b>4.30PM</b>	<b>7:30AM</b>	<b>10:00AM</b>
Allen Baskett	Jeff Strong	John O'Boyle	Paige McDonald	Kaleb Strater	Matt Kelty or
Margaret Baskett	Dave Singleton	John Cazier	Natalie McDonald	Sam Strater	George Vandermeir
<b>Proclaimers: Saturday and Sunday</b>			<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>		
<b>4:30PM</b>	<b>7:30AM</b>	<b>10:00AM</b>	<b>4:30PM</b>	<b>7:30AM</b>	<b>10:00AM</b>
Sara Lake	Tracy Strater	Ben Schortgen	Gail Martin	Dave Putman	Terry Luebke
	Sam Strater	Elena Lock	Janie Schoenle	Cathy Putman	Terry Gust
			John Kessen	Roberta O'Boyle	Bob Distler
Proclaimer Daily Masses			Collections		
September 12	Elena Lock		September 12	Nancy Goldsmith	Margaret Baskett
September 19	Tim Worman		September 19	Vicki Domer	Margaret Baskett
September 26	Mary Krouse		September 26	Margaret Basket	Roberta O'Boyle
October 3	Sharon Wilsey		October 3	Nancy Goldsmith	Mary Krouse
<b>Please call Karen 260-336-1703, if you are unable to serve. Thanks</b>					