



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.”

EPIPHANY SUNDAY

JANUARY 8, 2023



Office Hours

Tuesday and Thursday: 10:00am to 6:00pm

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 confession by calling the office.

Adoration

Wednesday 8:30am to 9:00am

First Tuesday of the Month
6:00pm to 7:00pm

Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades

Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend

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St Gaspar On-Line Giving Site:

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

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READING 1: Isaiah 61: 1-6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their

nurses.

Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 72:1-2,7-8,10-11,12-13

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

O God, with your judgment endow the king, and with your justice, the king's son; He shall govern your people with justice and your afflicted ones with judgment.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Justice shall flower in his days, and profound peace, till the moon be no more. May he rule from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts; the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute. All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out, and the afflicted when he has no one to help him. He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor; the lives of the poor he shall save.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

READING 2: Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6

Brothers and sisters:

You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has

now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

GOSPEL: Matthew 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them

where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: *And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel.*" Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to

Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the

star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

From the Catechism

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

487 What the Catholic faith believes about Mary is based on what it believes about Christ, and what it teaches about Mary illumines in turn its faith in Christ.

Mary's predestination

488 "God sent forth his Son", but to prepare a body for him, he wanted the free co-operation of a creature. For this, from all eternity God chose for the mother of his Son a daughter of Israel, a young Jewish woman of Nazareth in Galilee, "a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary":

The Father of mercies willed that the Incarnation should be preceded by assent on the part of the predestined mother, so that just as a woman had a share in the coming of death, so also should a woman contribute to the coming of life.

489 Throughout the Old Covenant the mission of many holy women prepared for that of Mary. At the very beginning there was Eve; despite her disobedience, she receives the promise of a posterity that will be victorious over the evil one, as well as the promise that she will be the mother of all the living. By virtue of this promise, Sarah conceives a son in spite of her old age. Against all human expectation God chooses those who were considered powerless and weak to show forth his faithfulness to his promises: Hannah, the mother of Samuel; Deborah; Ruth; Judith and Esther; and many other women. Mary "stands out among the poor and humble of the Lord, who confidently hope for and receive salvation from him. After a long period of waiting the times are fulfilled in her, the exalted Daughter of Sion, and the new plan of salvation is established."



Northeast Indiana March for Life

Join thousands of pro-life advocates from our region to show that you support life from conception to natural death. The **March for Life** is an annual pro-life rally held near the anniversary of the 1973 Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion in Roe V. Wade. Come celebrate the overturning of Roe, and learn about the future work we can accomplish together. **Our keynote speaker this year is pro-life advocate and Hoosier, Katie Shaw!** The Rally will take place at the University of St. Francis Performing Arts Center, 431 W Berry St. Fort Wayne, IN at 12 pm, doors open at 11:30 am. The March will start after the Rally. Visit:

www.ichooselife.org/march or call 260-471-1849.

There will be a second collection January 15 for the Church in Latin America. Please use your envelopes. Thank you for your generous gift giving!



Rekindle the Fire Men's Conference

Join hundreds of men on February 18th, at the Century Center in South Bend, IN. A full day of great speakers & fellowship with other Catholic men. Tickets on sale now @ rekindlethefire.net

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	4:30PM	Rosemary Grist	✝
Sunday	7:30AM	Sue Gerardot	✝
	10:00AM	People of the Parish	
Monday		NO MASS	
Tuesday	8:00AM	Rose Worman	✝
Wednesday	8:00AM	Suzanne Arnold	✝
Thursday	8:00AM	Rita Garrett	✝
Friday	8:00AM	Jim Neu	✝



"Saint Michael the archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen".

JANUARY 2023 MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Altar Cloth: Sharon Wilsey			Altar Flowers: Vicki Domer		
Ushers and Greeters			Altar Servers		
4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Mike Uszak	Dave Putman	Tom Pfister	Paige McDonald	Kaleb Strater	Ray Krouse
Paul Hartman	Cathy Putman	Matt Lock	Natalie McDonald	Sam Strater	
Proclaimers: Saturday and Sunday			Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		
4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4:30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Sara Lake 1/7	Kaleb Strater	Michelle Barranda	John Kessen	Kevin Strater	Ray Krouse
Gail Martin	Sam Strater	John Edwards 1/8			
Proclaimer Daily Masses			Collections		
Date			January 10	Roberta O'Boyle	Vicki Domer
January 10	Tim Worman		January 17	Margaret Basket	Laura Weaver
January 17	Mary Krouse		January 24	Mary Krouse	Nancy Goldsmith
January 24	Sharon Wilsey		January 31	Laura Weaver	Vicki Domer
January 31	Ray Krouse		February 7	Margaret Basket	Roberta O'Boyle

Please call Karen 260-336-1703, if you are unable to serve. Thanks

EUCCHARISTIC SAINT FOR JANUARY: ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton (1774-1821) was born in New York City in 1774, just two years before the Declaration of Independence. By birth and marriage, she was linked to the first families of New York and enjoyed the fruits of high society. Reared a staunch Episcopalian, she learned the value of prayer, scripture, and a nightly examination of conscience. At 19, Elizabeth married a handsome, wealthy businessman, William Seton. They had five children before his business failed and he died of tuberculosis. At 30, Elizabeth was widowed and penniless with five small children to support. While in Italy with her dying husband, Elizabeth witnessed the Catholic faith in action through family and friends. Three basic points led her to become a Catholic: belief in the Real Presence, devotion to the Blessed Mother, and conviction that the Catholic Church led back to the apostles and to Christ. Many of her family and friends rejected her when she became a Catholic. To support her children, she opened a school in Baltimore. From the beginning, her group followed the lines of a religious community, which became the Sisters of Charity. She suffered great trials of sickness, misunderstanding, the death of loved ones (her husband and two young daughters), and the heartache of a wayward son. She died in 1821 and became the first American-born citizen to be canonized. Her feast day is Jan. 4.

EUCCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE SITE FOR JANUARY: SACRED HEART PARISH, WARSAW

Each month, you are invited to take a self-guided pilgrimage to a site of Eucharistic significance in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. The January pilgrimage site is Sacred Heart Parish in Warsaw. Christ's sacred heart of flaming love finds its truest and most profound expression in the Blessed Sacrament of His love, the Eucharist, God's giving of Himself. Those who consecrate themselves to the Sacred Heart and receive Holy Communion on nine consecutive First Fridays will be given the grace of final perseverance and will find safe refuge in the Sacred Heart at the moment of death. Pilgrims are invited to download a pilgrimage passport at diocesefwsb.org/eucharist and self "stamp" the passport each time you visit a site. If you missed a month, you may go back to that pilgrimage site and still self-stamp by writing the date of your visit. When six sites have been visited, bring the passport to Divine Mercy Gifts in South Bend or to [Good Shepherd Books & Gifts](http://GoodShepherdBooks.com) in Fort Wayne to receive a free gift!

LECTOR AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER TRAININGS**

New and current lectors and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion are invited to attend a free training organized by the diocesan Office of Worship. Extraordinary minister trainings will be on Jan. 21 in South Bend and Feb. 4 in Fort Wayne. Lector trainings will be on Feb. 4 in Fort Wayne and Feb. 18 in South Bend. Advanced registration is required. For full details, frequently asked questions, and registration, visit diocesefwsb.org/trainings.

PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR WITH BISHOP KEVIN C. RHOADES

Join Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades on Thursday, Jan. 19, from 8-9 p.m. for a Holy Hour to pray for the protection of all human life from conception to natural death. The Holy Hour will be at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne and will be live streamed for those who cannot attend in person. (Livestream information is TBD.)

EUCCHARISTIC FORMATION DAYS Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades invites you to a day of catechesis and theology on the awesome gift and great mystery of the Most Holy Eucharist. As part of the Eucharistic Revival, join him on Sat., Jan. 14, at St. Charles Parish, Fort Wayne or on Sat., Feb. 11, at St. Pius X Parish, Granger. Mass, lunch, and a Eucharistic miracles exhibit are included. For more information and to register, visit diocesefwsb.org/eucharist.

Please remember to pray for all those who have requested our prayers: Brad Beck,

Nick & Sue Chester, Joe & Kathy Costello, Heather Drebenstedt, Todd & Krista Duesler, Kelli Dukehart, Shirley Frazee, Arlene Gran, Cathy Growcock, Theresa Guenin, Sr. Joan Hastreiter, Cathy

Havert, Jane Heingartner, Setsuko Hoooven, Tom Kingseed, Sally Krause, Mary Ellen Kress, Sandy Krull, Ladonna Magsamen, Phil Millus, Dick & Wanda Maroney, Sandy North, Linda Okleshen, Deborah Redd, Heather Richardson, Dani Rittermeyer, Joan Robinson, Ginny Roesler, Marilyn & Dick Schaefer, Margaret Schenkel, Jerry Schoenle, Kelsey Spoltman, Patty Staseck, Pat & Win Vachon, Cathy Young, Jean Zimmerman.

With praise and thanksgiving, Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades ordained 18 men to the permanent diaconate on Saturday, Jan. 7, at 11 a.m. St. Gaspar's very own Parishioner Raymond J. Krouse was one of them! Congratulations Ray! we are so proud of you!

****The church office hours will be changing to 8:00 am to 4:00 pm beginning Tuesday January 10, 2023.



The Parish would like to extend a huge Thank you to Kevin and Tracy Strater for organizing, cooking, and serving the New Years Day Pork and Sauerkraut meal. Thank you to everyone that brought food and to those who helped with the clean up! The Parish enjoyed food and fellowship! This was great beginning to **2023!**

January 3, 2023 Collections	
Weekly Collection	1604.35
Donations	696.00
Votives	36.00
Christmas	610.00
children	20.00
Emergency Fund	40.00
Altar & Rosary	100.00
Franciscan's of Mary	100.00
First offering	475.00
Bible Study	60.00
Solemnity of Mary	757.00
Retirement for the religious	10.00
Catholic Charities	135.00
Roof	50,000.00
Total	54,643.35
<i>Thank you for your generous giving</i>	

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1/9 Michael Scudder	1/14 Faith Budreau
1/15 Richard Schaeffer	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 Jonathan Bragg
1/26 Todd Duesler	1/27 Nicholas Klein
1/28 Austin Farris	