

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.

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A OCTOBER 18, 2026



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St. Gaspar On-Line Giving Site:
https:www.osvhub.com/st-gaspar-church/funds

Saint Vincent De Paul 260-582-4375
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Please send any info for Facebook to
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Office Hours
Tuesday and Thursday: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Confessions
20 minutes before each Mass
Saturday and Sunday
Wednesday 8:30 am to 9:00 am
Saturdays from 9:00 am to 10:00 am
Except on the first Saturday of the month.
You can also schedule a private one by calling the office.
Adoration
Wednesday 8:30am to 9:00 am
Precious Blood Adoration
First Tuesday of the Month
6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday evenings at 6:00 PM.

Lector Workbooks for 2027 are here!
If you are a Proclaimer, please pick up your Workbook in the sacristy after Mass.

Happy Birthday Father Louis!

We hope your day is full of blessings!

PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER SUPPORTING THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL BISHOP"S APPEAL

THANKS TO ALL OF THOSE WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED! PLEASE, if you haven't done so, please send in you ABA card because all funds over the goal will be returned to St. Gaspar for the needs of the Parish. We sincerely appreciate your generosity! 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 $25,343.11 goal for the 40th Annual Bishop's Appeal. Please consider contributing by picking up an envelope located on the window ledges in the Narthex.

We sincerely appreciate your support!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	4:30 PM	† Suzanne Handshoe
Sunday	7:30 AM	† Ralph Hooven
	10:00AM	† People of the Parish
Monday	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Tuesday	8:00 AM	† Jack Garrett
Wednesday	8:00 AM	† Jerry Schoenle
Thursday	8:00 AM	† Suzanne Arnold
Friday	8:00 AM	† Joseph Costello

MOVIE DATE-- Please join us November 1st at 1:00 PM. The Mission (1986 film) is a British historical drama directed by Roland Joffe about Jesuit missionaries defending a Guarani community in 18th-century South America.

October 11, 2026 Collections	
Weekly collection	$3,027.50
Votives	$43.70
Capital Campaign	$7,764.00
Capital Campaign (online)	$160.00
Online giving (Oct 4-Oct 10)	$325.00
Donations	$75.00
Donation (online)	$200.00
Bishop's Appeal	$1,000.00
Friers- Kitchen	$2,000.00
K of C Breakfast 10/4	$151.00
Adult Education	$10.00
Nigeria	$60.00
SVDP	$5.00
Rosary Fancy Fair	$25.00
Women's Retreat	$25.00
Worl Mission	$10.00
Total	$14,881.20
Thank you for your generous giving!	

NOVEMBER 7, 2026
Join **The Patroness of America Center** in Rome City for a presentation by Aaron Richards, co-founder of Damascus Ministries! After Confessions, the Patriotic Rosary, an 11 am First Saturday Mass with Father Ryan Timossi, and a free lunch, Aaron Richards will present on being leaders of renewal. This event will be a gift for the whole family! Find the full schedule at patronessofamerica.org.



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, Mary Auman, Georgiana Becker, Joyce Bell, Joan Brown, Utah Bruns, George Dewald, Dean Domer, Kelli Dukehart, Dan Figel, Carmen G., Terry Gust, Marta Hartman, Charlene Hall, Dan & Jane Heingartner, Setsuko Hooven, Maureen James, Susan Jones, John & Cheri Kessen, Beth Klein, Melanie Kocevar, Toni & Kent Kraner, Sandy Krull, Kelly LaHaine, Lanny Leppo, Kiersten Logan, Irene Martin, Nathaniel Murray, Lori North, Ryan O' Fallon, Betty Olry, Christina Price, Deborah Redd, Sheila Reiter, Dave Reynolds, Joan Robinson, Marilyn Schaefer, Carol Sievert, Larry Sievert, Daniel Staseck, John Staseck, Patty Staseck, Jala Stout, Jim Taylor, Jeanne Tracey, Lisa Vandervoort, June Vandiver, and Jack Welsh.

BOTTLE CAP BENCHES

The Rosary Sodality is collecting bottle caps for a bench in the courtyard. Bottle cap benches are durable outdoor seats made by melting down thousands of recycled plastic bottle caps. It takes about 200 pounds of plastic caps to build a single standard bench. Facilities only accept clean plastic caps and lids with recycling numbers of 2,4, or 5. Please begin saving all your plastic lids. We have a container in the Narthex and Hall to drop them in. Thank you for your help with this project.

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.

Do you know someone who is sick or homebound? Please contact us if they would like a visit.

SVDP will meet on Wednesday, October 28 at 6:00 PM.

ALL SOULS DAY

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (ALL SOULS'DAY) Monday, November 2, 2026.

We will have morning Mass at 8:00 AM and Mass at 6:00 PM. After the 6:00 PM Mass, we will go to the St. Gaspar Cemetery to place a candle on the graves. During November 1-8, the faithful can gain a plenary indulgence for a soul in purgatory by visiting a cemetery and praying for the dead, under the usual conditions.

Global Rosary for Peace 2026

Catholics around the world are invited to unite in prayer for peace during the Global Rosary for Peace on Thursday, October 22, 2026, the Feast of St. John Paul II. Inspired by Venerable Patrick Peyton's message, "A world at prayer is a world at peace," families, parishes, schools, and communities are encouraged to pray the Luminous Mysteries for peace in our hearts, families, communities, and world. Register at PrayForPeace.org.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10/2 Michael Scudder	10/3 Anthony Pasquali
10/3 Tim Owens	10/4 Dean Domer
10/5 Laura Weaver	10/7 Don Farrelly
10/7 Jennifer Zurbuch	10/10 Cathy Putman
10/10 Kevin Strater	10/14 Cheryl Bond
10/17 Kelly Morris	10/17 Andrea Jacquay
10/18 Sara Scudder	10/18 Kenneth Cook
10/20 Fr. Louis Fowoyo	10/22 Erin Scudder
10/22 Johnathon Zmyslo	
10/23 Nancy Goldsmith	10/23 Keegan Holt
10/24 Jean Zimmerman	10/26 Charlene Hall
10/27 Frank Brown	10/28 Michaell Cybulski

Personal Hygiene Products

This need is still great... so we will continue for another month.

The Rosary Sodality is sponsoring a food drive to help Orange Township Helping Hands. If you would like to participate, we will have paper sacks (we will provide) to take home, fill it with all soaps (dish, laundry, shampoo), deodorant, first aid items, and pain relief items and bring it back to St. Gaspar the first weekend in November and it will be taken to Helping Hands. Next month, we will fill the sack with another item that will be determined.

Thank you for your generous giving!

42nd ANNUAL FANCY FAIR
CRAFT BAZAAR &
FAMOUS COOKIE BAR
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31ST
9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.



It's that time of year to be thinking about cookies! Please mark your calendar and plan to join us! Cookies of every kind are needed for the cookie bar, especially holiday decorated or specialty cookies, chocolate chips, and peanut butter as well. We usually sell out by 1:00 PM so the more cookies donated, the better. Patrons can choose what cookies they like and fill their boxes or choose from already filled boxes. TYPICALLY, WE WOULD LIKE TO ASK THAT EACH FAMILY DONATE 12 DOZEN COOKIES. The weather is getting cooler! It's a perfect time to start baking!

Please remember when sending Capital Campaign money from a retirement account, that your name is listed, so the proper account gets credited. We have received two checks with no names on them.



BLOOD DRIVE
St. Gaspar Del Bufalo Catholic Church - Parish Hall 10871 N St. Rd. 9 Rome City
Friday, November 27-- 12PM-5 PM.
There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex.



FALL CLEAN UP DAY
We have scheduled a clean-up day for Saturday, October 24th 8:00 AM-12:00PM. Please bring brooms, rakes, and gloves. Coffee & Doughnuts will be provided. We hope to see you there!

Sam Strater would love to hear from you!
Please send him letters or cards of encouragement while he is away for his studies. 909 Arnold St. APT A
Laramie, WY 82070

CAN YOU HELP?
We have a parishioner on Adam's lake who is legally blind. She needs a ride to the 4:30 PM Mass. Please contact the parish office at 260-854-3100 if you can help provide a ride to church and return home from church. THANK YOU!

Today is World Mission Sunday! Today, every parish across the globe joins together for the only worldwide collection mandates by Canon Law—Worl Mission Sunday. Your generosity today supports the pope's missions in more than 1,124 territories where the Church is young and struggling. This year's theme—"Missionaries of Hope Among the Peoples"—is a call to embody the love of God, poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit (cf. Rom 5:5). Your offering today provides hope where despair too often dominates—through the building of churches, formation of seminarians and religious sisters, healthcare clinics, and Catholic schools. Thank you for responding with faith, love, and generosity. As Pope Francis told us, "Each of us is a mission on this earth" (Evangelii Gaudium, 273). Together, we share in that mission by ensuring that no one is excluded from the invitation to encounter Christ.

Now Hiring! Catholic Community Foundation of Northeast Indiana

The Catholic Community Foundation of Northeast Indiana is hiring for two positions: Foundation Administrator and Foundation Services Manager. The CCFNEI supports the spiritual, educational, and charitable ministries of the Catholic Church within the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend and is seeking mission-driven, detail-oriented professionals to support financial operations, executive and Board support, partnerships, grantmaking, and parish relationships. View the positions and apply at ccfnei.org/blog/452-now-hiring.

St. Gaspar Parish offers sympathy to Father Louis Fowoyo and his family on the loss of his sister-in-law, Beth . May she rest in the peace of Jesus Christ our Savior.





The Knights of Columbus will meet at St. Gaspar Parish on Wednesday, October 21st at 6:30 PM.

October 24-25, 2026					
Altar Cloth: Rebecca Lock			Altar Flowers: Connie Nowak		
Ushers and Greeters			**Altar Servers**		
4:30 PM	7:30 AM	10:00 AM	4:30 PM	7:30 AM	10:00 AM
Mike Uszak	Lisa Owens	Marilyn Benedict	Grant Lake	Kevin Strater	Chelsea Seibert
Melody Uszak	Geri Brown	Pam Neu	Cole Lake		Brayden Seibert
			Sawyer Christner		Michael Klein
Proclaimers: Saturday and Sunday			**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**		
4:30 PM	7:30 AM	10:00 AM	4:30 PM	7:30 AM	10:00 AM
Traci Blaize	Bob Arnold	John Edwards	Gail Martin	Dave Putman	Deacon Ray Krouse
		Elena Lock	(No wine)	Roberta O'Boyle	Al Langsenkamp
				Robin Aspy	Therese Langsenkamp
Proclaimer Daily Masses			Collections		
October 20	Sharon Wilsey		October 20	Mary Krouse	Barb Tatman
October 27	Maddie Lock		October 27	Terry Luebke	Laura Weaver
November 3	Tim Worman		November 3	Laura Weaver	Vicki Domer
November10	Mary Krouse		November 10	Nancy Goldsmith	Barb Logan
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 10
II. The Power of the Keys

981 After his Resurrection, Christ sent his apostles "so that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be preached in his name to all nations."524 The apostles and their successors carry out this "ministry of reconciliation," not only by announcing to men God's forgiveness merited for us by Christ, and calling them to conversion and faith; but also by communicating to them the forgiveness of sins in Baptism, and reconciling them with God and with the Church through the power of the keys, received from Christ:

[The Church] has received the keys of the Kingdom of heaven so that, in her, sins may be forgiven through Christ's blood and the Holy Spirit's action. In this Church, the soul dead through sin comes back to life in order to live with Christ, whose grace has saved us.



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