



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.”

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT YEAR A

FEBRUARY 26, 2023



**Strengthen
Us
O Lord
as we go
through
trials in life**

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

First Tuesday of the Month

6:00pm to 7:00pm

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St Gaspar On-Line Giving Site:

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READING 1: Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7

The LORD God formed man out of the clay of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life, and so man became a living being. Then the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and placed there the man whom he had formed.

Out of the ground the LORD God made various trees grow that were delightful to look at and good for food, with the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Now the serpent was the most cunning of all the animals that the LORD God had made. The serpent asked the woman, "Did God really tell you not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?" The woman answered the serpent: "We may eat of the fruit of the trees

in the garden; it is only about the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden that God said, "You shall not eat it or even touch it, lest you die." But the serpent said to the woman: "You certainly will not die! No, God knows well that the moment you eat of it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods who know what is good and what is evil."

The woman saw that the tree was good for food, pleasing to the eyes, and desirable for gaining wisdom. So she took some of its fruit and ate it; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.

Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized that they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 51:3-4,5-6,12-13,14, 17

R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my offense. Thoroughly wash me from my guilt and of my sin cleanse me.

R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

For I acknowledge my offense, and my sin is before me always: "Against you only have I

sinned, and done what is evil in your sight."

R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me. Cast me not out from your presence, and your Holy Spirit take not from me.

R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Give me back the joy of your salvation, and a willing spirit sustain in me. O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

READING 2: Romans 5:12-19

Brothers and sisters: Through one man sin entered the world, and through sin, death, and thus death came to all men, inasmuch as all sinned — for up to the time of the law, sin was in the world, though sin is not accounted when there is no law. But death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who did not sin after the pattern of the trespass of Adam, who is the type of the one who was to come. But the gift is not like the transgression. For if by the transgression of the one, the many died, how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ overflow for the many. And the gift is not like the result of the one who sinned. For after one

sin there was the judgment that brought condemnation; but the gift, after many transgressions, brought acquittal. For if, by the transgression of the one, death came to reign through that one, how much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of justification come to reign in life through the one Jesus Christ. In conclusion, just as through one transgression condemnation came upon all, so, through one righteous act, acquittal and life came to all. For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so, through the obedience of the one, the many will be made righteous.

GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11

At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry. The tempter approached and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread." He said in reply, "It is written: *One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.*"

Then the devil took him to the holy city, and made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down. For it is written: *He will command his angels concerning you and*

with their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone." Jesus answered him, "Again it is written, *You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test.*"

Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." At this, Jesus said to him, "Get away, Satan! It is written: *The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.*"

Then the devil left him and, behold, angels came and ministered to him.



TRIVIA NIGHT

We would like to Thank Father Louis for a fun, social, evening! The Strater family for providing our trivia and setting up and cleaning up, Angie Basczynski for the Heads or Tails game, and all of those that participated to make it such a fun event!



February 19, 2022 Collections	
Weekly Collection	2514.02
Children weekly	20.00
Donations	390.00
Votives	36.75
Emergency Fund	12.00
Trivia Night	286.00
K of C Breakfast	216.00
Lenten Offering	56.00
Total	3530.77
<i>Thank you for your generous giving</i>	

MASS INTENTIONS		
Saturday	4:30PM	✠ Adam Rittermeyer
Sunday	7:30AM	✠ Sue Gerardot
	10:00AM	✠ People of the Parish
Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	8:00AM	✠ Lina Rice
Wednesday	8:00AM	✠ Landes brothers
Thursday	8:00AM	✠ Vermadean Landes
Friday	8:00AM	✠ Linda Wiehl



Please sign up for Wednesday Soup after 6:00 pm Mass during Lent. There is a sign up sheet in the kitchen. Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who signed up for our Eucharistic Revival! Many of you graciously gave more than two hours to fulfill the time slots. God Bless all of you!



St. Gaspar Parish offers sympathy to Joe Costello and his family on the loss of his wife, Kathy. May she rest in the peace of Jesus Christ our Savior.

The Knights of Columbus will be serving Biscuits and Gravy Sunday, March 5th after the 7:30 am Mass. Please join us!

Our Lady Patroness of America : Mass Saturday, March 4th at 11:00 am

March 2023 MINISTRY SCHEDULE					
Altar Cloth: Roberta O' Boyle			Altar Flowers: Karen Edwards		
Ushers and Greeters			Altar Servers		
4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Mike Edwards	Jeff Strong	John Cazier	Paige McDonald	Kaleb Strater	Matt Kelty
Karen Edwards	Dave Singleton	Pam Neu	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	Ed Keil	John Edwards 3/5 & 3/12	Margaret Baskett & Mary Krouse 3/4	Roberta O'Boyle	Al Langsenkamp
Karen Edwards 3/11	Sharon Wilsey	Matt Lock 3/5, 3/19, & 3/26 Elena 3/19	Gail Martin	Robin Aspy	Terry Langsenkamp
		Ben Schortgen 3/12 & 3/26	Bob Berghoff (can't 3/4)	Volunteer	Mary Krouse
Proclaimer Daily Masses			Collection Counters		
March 7	Tim Worman		March 7	Mary Krouse	Nancy Goldsmith
March 14	Mary Krouse		March 14	Laura Weaver	Vicki Domer
March 21	Sharon Wilsey		March 21	Margaret Baskett	Roberta O'Boyle
March 28	Elena Lock		March 28	Mary Krouse	Nancy Goldsmith
April 4	Tim Worman		April 4	Laura Weaver	Vicki Domer
Please call Karen 260-336-1703, if you are unable to serve. Thanks					