



# 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.”*

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME/YEAR C

MARCH 2, 2025



**Thank you!** to everyone who participated in Trivia Night! **Thank you!** Kevin and Tracy Strater for all the hard work put into making Trivia Night a success! **Thank you!** to all those who helped set up and clean up afterwards. There were many smiles and so much laughter.



**Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades**  
Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend  
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Please, send any info for Facebook to  
Pam Neu: [msnneu@yahoo.com](mailto:msnneu@yahoo.com)

**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

6:00 pm to 7:00pm

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Saturday</b>	4:30 PM	✝ Mary Ellen Kress
<b>Sunday</b>	7:30AM	People of the Parish
	10:00AM	✝ Charlie Kuhn
<b>Monday</b>	8:00 AM	NO MASS
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:00 AM	✝ Erma Curtis
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:00AM	✝ Lorene Schlemmer
<b>Thursday</b>	8:00 AM	✝ Michael Kacprowicz
<b>Friday</b>	8:00 AM	✝ Michael Kacprowicz

**FISH FRY DATES**



Friday, March 7, 2025 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Friday, March 21, 2025 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Friday, April 4, 2025 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

**One-To-One DONOR MATCH up to \$400,000.**

If you are making a donation towards the \$400,000.00 Pledge, Please specify on your check or by writing a note that it goes to that specific pledge. Thank you for your very generous gift giving!

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

Because of your very generous giving, the matching donor amount doubled so far is **\$247,234.51** of the \$400,000. goal. God Bless you for helping St. Gaspar Parish reach our goal!

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

Mass times **8:00 AM** and **6:00 PM** on Wednesday, March 5, 2025.

**Stations of the Cross** beginning on Friday, March 7, at 7:00 PM. We will have

Stations of the Cross on Wednesday's at 6:00 PM with soup afterwards. There is a sign –up sheet in the kitchen to bring soup. **Thank you!** to all of those who help with this great service to our church community! We are very blessed with some talented cooks!



**THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU – CONFESSION IN EVERY PARISH**

This Lenten season, each Catholic parish in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend will have priests available for confessions on Tuesday, March 11, from 6-8 p.m. If you have been reluctant to participate in this sacrament, have been away for some time, or just find it difficult to get to an open confession time, this is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with Christ and His Church. Learn more at [diocesefwsb.org/light](http://diocesefwsb.org/light).

**SPRING FORWARD**

**Set clocks ahead one hour before bed Saturday, March 8th.**



The [National Eucharistic Pilgrimage](#) is just three months away. The Pilgrimage will launch from Indianapolis on **May 18, 2025**. This year's Pilgrimage will cover nearly 3,340 miles and include 20 dioceses and 4 eparchies before concluding in Los Angeles for the Feast of Corpus Christi on **June 22nd**.

**Please join us for The Precious Blood Adoration Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at 6:00 PM.**

February 23, 2025 Collections	
Weekly Collection	1,766.00
Children's	5.00
votives	46.95
Capital Campaign	53,035.00
SVDP	
K of C Breakfast	204.00
Flowers	210.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 55,766.95</b>
<i>Thank you for your generous giving</i>	

**NATIONAL BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION**  
 Next week, our parish will take up the 141st annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ!  
 Thank you for your generosity!

The Bible encourages us to use our talents to serve others and to Glorify God. Please prayerfully consider joining in the ministry here at St. Gaspar! We need ushers, lectors, and Eucharistic ministers! Contact Karen Edwards in the church office if you are willing to help in these ministries.

**EXODUS 90**– Download the App— for MEN over 18. Meet Wednesday evenings after Adoration (5:00-6:00). Contact Deacon Ray Krouse for more information.

**JUBILEE YEAR 2025: PILGRIMS OF HOPE**  
 A jubilee year marks a time of renewal in the Church, encouraging the faithful to enter more fully into a life of prayer. Together, let us walk the pilgrimage of this Jubilee Year of Hope! As Pope Francis writes, “For everyone, may the Jubilee be a moment of genuine, personal encounter with the Lord Jesus.” During the Jubilee Year of Hope, there are nine pilgrimage churches in the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, and each will offer a special Jubilee Mass. All the faithful are encouraged to make a pilgrimage to one or more of these churches during this Jubilee Year of Hope. The nine Jubilee Churches are the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne; St. Matthew Cathedral, South Bend; Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Notre Dame; St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, Fort Wayne; SS. Peter and Paul Church, Huntington; St. Anthony of Padua Church, Angola; St. Pius X Church, Granger; St. Michael the Archangel Church, Plymouth; and Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, Warsaw. You can find the dates and times of the Jubilee Masses at [diocesefwsb.org/jubilee25/](http://diocesefwsb.org/jubilee25/).


*Ladies!*  
 Join us in March for Kingdom Builders



*Raising Our Gaze ~ God is seeking to know us and to be known by us. He is calling us to a deeper intimacy with Him. Come and experience the warmth of His gaze and the depth of His embrace. Ladies ~join us at a Gathering as we behold the Face of Love.*

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 from 7:00pm - 8:30pm  
 St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church - Avilla

 Kingdom Builders  
 www.BuildingThroughHim.com 

Please begin bringing your palm branches from last year to the church. Place in the box in the gathering area. Thank you 

**Parish Council will meet Tuesday, March 4th after The Precious Blood Adoration.**



**40 Days for Life- Spring Campaign**  
 Join Right to Life of Northeast Indiana on Tuesday, March 4th at 5:30 PM in front of Planned Parenthood for a brief prayer and message to begin our 40 Days for Life spring campaign. Planned Parenthood is located at 2930 Lake Ave, Fort Wayne, IN 46805. Parking is available at the Right to Life office on 3106 Lake Ave. The spring campaign runs from March 4th to April 13th. For more info please visit [www.ichooselife.org/40days](http://www.ichooselife.org/40days) or call 260-471-1849.



**Legislative Forum**

Join the Right to Life of Northeast Indiana on Saturday, March 8th at 8:30 AM for breakfast and our 23rd Annual Legislative Forum to hear updates on pro-life legislation from elected officials. The Forum will be held at Indiana Tech University in the Multi-Flex Theater, 1600 E. Washington Blvd, Fort Wayne, IN 46803.

**Spring Banquet**

Join the Right to Life of Northeast Indiana for the 4th Annual Spring Banquet. Come celebrate our 51st year of defending innocent human life on Saturday, April 12th, hosted this year at Mirage Banquet Hall in Decatur. Doors open at 5:30 pm, and the program begins at 6:30 pm. To purchase a table, visit [ichooselife.org/springbanquet](http://ichooselife.org/springbanquet).



**NOBLE COUNTY**

**RIGHT TO LIFE WORKSHOP**

**MARCH 22, 2025**


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*Mike Spencer, ProjectLifeVoice, will equip you to speak confidently and graciously to the most pressing moral issue of our time: abortion.*

Scan the QR Code or register at [ichooselife.org/romecityWS](http://ichooselife.org/romecityWS)



260-471-1849 | \$5 COST  
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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEACON RAY KROUSE!**

**MARCH 7, 2025**

**St. Dymphna's Refuge Presents**

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
 Sacred Heart Healing Prayer Ministry  
 March 10, 2025 @7pm

St. Therese Catholic Church  
 2304 Lower Huntington Rd  
 Fort Wayne, IN 46819  
[sttheresefw.org](http://sttheresefw.org)  
 260-747-9139




**The Knights of Columbus Fr. Dominic Duehmig Council #14214 in Avilla, IN would like to invite you to attend our Guest Speaker and Adult Faith Formation series.**

- March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Dr. Ray Guarendi will give a talk on **“Standing Strong as a Parent and Grandparent”**  
 7pm in the church

**Adult Education Video Series to follow Dr. Ray's talk:**

- Mar. 9th – “Wives do What?”
- Mar. 16th – “Jesus the Bridegroom”
- Mar. 23rd – “The Woman at the Well and the Love of Christ”

Videos are by Dr. Brant Pitre. All videos are in the school in the 6th grade classroom at 9am.



St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church  
 228 N Main St, Avilla, IN 46710  
 Contact Mike Hudecek at 260-410-0301 with any questions.



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! Nikki Becker, Utah Bruns, George Dewald, Dean Domer, Kelli Dukehart, Dan Figel, Terry Gust, Marta Hartman, Gerald & Charlene Hall, Jay Hayes, Setsuko Hooven, Maureen James, Susan Jones, Toni & Kent Kraner, Sandy Krull, Lisa Krull, Kelly LaHaine, Therese Langsenkamp, Lanny Leppo, Ladonna Magsamen, Irene Martin, Keith Merriman, Sandy North, Deborah Redd, Sheila Reiter, Joan Robinson, Marilyn Schaefer, Larry Sievert, Patty Staseck, Jeanne Tracey, Pat Vachon, Jack Welsh, and Mike Whitesell.

## March Birthdays



- |                        |                       |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 3/1 Ann Fordeck        | 3/4 Ken Baranowski    |
| 3/4 Albert Langsenkamp | 3/5 Vanessa Roloff    |
| 3/7 Raymond Krouse     | 3/9 Terry Gerardot    |
| 3/9 Karen Martin       | 3/10 Nanette Barker   |
| 3/11 Mary Auman        | 3/11 Elizabeth Farris |
| 3/12 Jenny Gunkel      | 3/12 Tim Gephart      |
| 3/12 Brittany Bowers   | 3/14 David Johnson    |
| 3/14 Angela Filler     | 3/15 David Putman     |
| 3/16 Jerry Schoenle    | 3/18 Fred Auman       |
| 3/19 Karl Seibert      | 3/19 Brayden Seibert  |
| 3/20 John Higginbotham | 3/20 Megan Ley        |
| 3/21 Joanna Wyatt      | 3/22 Glen Griffiths   |
| 3/22 Jane Heingartner  | 3/23 Sharon Gillian   |
| 3/27 Patrick Filler    | 3/27 Cole Grim        |
| 3/28 Marilyn Wiant     |                       |

March 8-9, 2025					
Altar Cloth: Carol Sievert			Altar Flowers: No Flowers /Lent		
Ushers and Greeters			Altar Servers		
4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4.30PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Sara Lake	Jeff Strong	Tom Pfister	Cole Lake	Kaleb Strater	Chelsea Seibert
Chris Lake	Dave Johnson	Matt Lock	Sawyer Christner	Sam Strater	Brayden Seibert
Proclaimers: Saturday and Sunday			Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		
4:30 PM	7:30AM	10:00AM	4:30 PM	7:30AM	10:00AM
Traci Blaize	Bob Arnold	Elena Lock	Deacon Ray Krouse	Robin Aspy	volunteer
	Tim Worman	Terry Gust	Mary Krouse	Laura Weaver	Al Langsenkamp
			Margaret Baskett	Cathy Putman	Therese Langsenkamp
Proclaimer Daily Masses			Collections		
March 4	Tim Worman		March 4	Margaret Baskett	Nancy Goldsmith
March 11	Mary Krouse		March 11	Mary Krouse	Nancy Goldsmith
March 18	Bob Arnold		March 18	Laura Weaver	Vicki Domer
March 25	Sharon Wilsey		March 25	Margaret Baskett	Nancy Goldsmith
<b>Please call Karen 260-336-1703, if you are unable to serve. Thanks</b>					

**FROM THE CATECHISM:  
PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH  
SECTION TWO I. THE CREEDS  
CHAPTER THREE ARTICLE 9  
"I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY CATHOLIC  
CHURCH"**

**Paragraph II. THE CHURCH'S ORIGIN, FOUNDATION AND MISSION**

758 We begin our investigation of the Church's mystery by meditating on her origin in the Holy Trinity's plan and her progressive realization in history.

A plan born in the Father's heart

759 "The eternal Father, in accordance with the utterly gratuitous and mysterious design of his wisdom and goodness, created the whole universe and chose to raise up men to share in his own divine life," to which he calls all men in his Son. "The Father . . . determined to call together in a holy Church those who should believe in Christ." This "family of God" is gradually formed and takes shape during the stages of human history, in keeping with the Father's plan. In fact, "already present in figure at the beginning of the world, this Church was prepared in marvelous fashion in the history of the people of Israel and the old Advance. Established in this last age of the world and made manifest in the outpouring of the Spirit, it will be brought to glorious completion at the end of time."



**St. Vincent de Paul Society**  
Need assistance with rent/  
utilities? 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.

**Attention Rosary Sodality  
and Knights of Columbus:**

We need volunteers to read a paragraph from ***The Way of the Cross*** for Stations of the Cross on Wednesday's and Friday's. There is a copy in the gathering area. The paragraphs are highlighted. If this is something you could help us with, please sign your name on the date you would like to read. **Thank you for sharing your talents!**

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