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St. Caspar Catholic Church

1205 N. Shoop Ave., Wauseon, OH 43567



Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
1 p.m. (Spanish)
Confessions: Saturday 4-4:45 p.m.
Wifi Password: WhatPassword?

Office Hours

Monday-Friday
8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 1:30-4:30 p.m.

Parish Phone Number: 419-337-2322
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Father's Phone Number: 419-335-3656

Church Website: stcaspar.org
Bulletin Deadline: Tuesdays at 10 a.m.

Thanksgiving Prayer

Lord, we thank you for the goodness of our people and for the spirit of justice that fills this nation. We thank you for the beauty and fullness of the land and the challenge of the cities. We thank you for our work and our rest, for one another, and for our homes. We thank you, Lord: accept our thanksgiving on this day. We pray and give thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

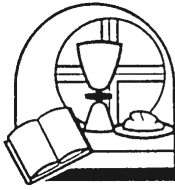
Diocese of Toledo Prayer

Heavenly Father, with the redeeming cross of Christ Jesus your Son, and the gifts of your Holy Spirit, renew and strengthen us, so that by our prayer, fasting, and almsgiving we may foster Holy Disciples, Holy Families and Holy Vocations, so as to become a more Holy Diocese of Toledo. We turn to Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, for her intercession and never failing prayers. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

St. Caspar's Mission Statement

St. Caspar Catholic Church is dedicated to the embodiment of a Christ-centered approach in both our sacramental and service endeavors. We are committed to Christian formation for all our parishioners through education, community involvement, cooperation, and wide-ranging charitable outreach.

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass Intentions Of The Week

Monday, November 20

Nothing scheduled

Tuesday, November 21 – The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 a.m. H. Eugene & Alberta Wyse

Wednesday, November 22 – St. Cecilia

8:30 a.m. for safe travels

Thursday, November 23 – Thanksgiving Day

9 a.m. for priests & deacons

Friday, November 24

Nothing scheduled

Saturday, November 25

5 p.m. Lillian Thourot

Sunday, November 26 – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8 a.m. for St. Caspar parishioners
10:30 a.m. Robert & Jacob Childers
1 p.m. Angela Simona Galvan



The Week Ahead

Sunday, November 19

9 a.m. – 4th Grade Penance – Confession Room
9 a.m. – Baptism Class – Pope John Room
11:30 a.m. – New Parishioner Registration – NW
5 p.m. – Spanish Rosary – South Wing

Monday, November 20

7 p.m. – Prayer Group – South Wing

Wednesday, November 22

5:30 p.m. – RCIA – Pope John Room

Thursday, November 23

Parish Office is Closed

Friday, November 24

Parish Office is Closed

6 p.m. – Spanish Prayer Group – Pope John Room

Sunday, November 26

5 p.m. – Spanish Rosary – South Wing

Saturday, November 25 – 5 p.m.

Musicians: Betsy & Chris Harben
Proclaimer: Sally Kovar
Videographer: Mike Prior
Servers: Landon O'Dell
Comm. Ministers: Roger & Cathy Drummer
Ushers: Jean LaFountain, Don Davis, Paul Murphy

Sunday, November 26 – 8 a.m.

Greeter: Mark Bryson
Musicians: Sue Dieringer & Kathy Augustyniak
Proclaimer: Sue Creps
Servers: Garrett Leininger & Lane Schindler
Comm. Ministers: Rosie Case, Barb Irelan
Ushers: Mel Case, Larry Restivo, Mel Augustyniak, Louis Buckenmeyer, Mike Ott

Sunday, November 26 – 10:30 a.m.

Greeter: Grace Sanders
Musicians: Sue & Bert Dieringer
Proclaimer: Ryan O'Dell
Servers: Brady Wilburn & Morgan Raymo
Comm. Minister: Grace Sanders
Ushers: Rich Flory, Jim Miller, Mike Vasquez, Tracy Elson

Communion for shut-ins: Wauseon–Coco Juarez; Delta–Douglas Clark; Fulton Manor/Ayden Healthcare–Douglas Clark; Church cleaning this week – Terry Riggs



offering

<u>Average weekly collection needed</u>	\$6,975.00
<u>Collection for November 12</u>	\$7,461.31
91 Sunday envelopes	\$5,778.00
Loose cash	988.31
Electronic giving for wk.	695.00



Lighting the Advent Wreath

As we begin to think about the Christmas season coming soon please consider being a part of this Holy season. We are looking for individuals, couples, families and friends to join us in lighting the Advent Wreath. What a great way to be included in the Mass in a small but spiritual way. The sign-up sheet is in the vestibule and thank you for celebrating with us!

Annual Catholic Appeal 2023

Goal: \$20,804
So Far: \$10,241.25

Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests

Kindly remember in prayer all our Priests serving in the Diocese of Toledo, as they gather on Monday, December 4 for the annual Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests, at the Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey. Through our prayers, and the intercession of Our Lady, may the Lord grant them spiritual grace, renewed fidelity, and joy in ministry.



Congratulations to Silvino Garcia & Rosa Tijerina the Baptism of their daughter, Shelby Garcia Tijerina. May your families find inspiration in the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

Tour of Greece

Join Fr. David Bruning for a pilgrimage in the Way of St. Paul September 7-17, 2024. The tour will cover major sites in Greece, the Greek islands and Turkey, many of which St. Paul visited. The per person cost of \$4999 includes airfare, transportation, hotel, breakfasts and dinners, and taxes and fees. For more information contact ProCatholicTours at www.procatholictours.com or call 508-505-6078.



Would You Like To Be On Our Prayer Chain List?

Contact Sue Davis at 419-266-6956 or dsdavis1965@gmail.com. Please give her your name and email address and she will add you on the Prayer Chain!

The Parish Office will be Closed Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24 due to Thanksgiving.

St. Therese Rosary Altar Circle is sponsoring a fundraiser through RADA cutlery. It offers a variety of high-quality kitchen items; including knives, utensils, baking pans etc. They also have prepared soups and dips.

Orders can be placed online at Radafundraising.com Search St Therese Circle or zip code 43567. St. Therese receives 40% off every order and that money will be used for the shrine and/or church. Like Rada on Facebook and receive their weekly specials. Online orders are ongoing throughout the year.

Don't Forget!

There are multiple collections you can donate to: Annual Catholic Appeal, Perpetuate the Gift (Priest's Retirement), and World Mission Sunday. The envelopes for these collections are on the tables in the back of church.

Evangelization

"If you truly want to help the soul of your neighbor, you should approach God first with all your heart. Ask him simply to fill you with charity, the greatest of all virtues; with it you can accomplish what you desire." [St. Vincent Ferrer]



Can You Operate a Videocamera?

The church is looking for a person to videotape one of the weekend Masses. Currently each person is scheduled every four weeks. You can videotape the 5, 8 or 10:30 Mass, whichever fits your schedule that weekend.

If you're interested in finding out more, please contact Kasey in the Parish Office.

Vocation

“Well done, good and faithful servant...”

How are you called to use your talents? If Christ may be inviting you to faithful service as a priest or consecrated religious, contact the Vocation Office at 419-244-6711 or email psmith@toledodiocese.org.

Bulletin Deadlines

With Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year’s coming around the corner, any items for the bulletins from November 26 through December 31 need to be submitted by the following dates:

- Dec. 3 – due Tuesday, November 28 by 10 a.m.
- Dec. 10 – due Tuesday, December 5 by 10 a.m.
- Dec. 17 – due Monday, December 11 by 10 a.m.
- Dec. 24 – due Monday, December 18 by 10 a.m.
- Dec. 31 – due Tuesday, December 26 by 10 a.m.

A Family Perspective

Like Jesus, we are also called to be a “witness to the truth.” NEGATIVE TRUTHS come easy! It is easy to point out the shortcomings of our spouses, children, and parents as we attempt to change or correct them.

During this Thanksgiving week, go out of your way to appreciate POSITIVE TRUTHS – the many right things our family members do that we just take for granted.

Looking For a Sacristan

St. Caspar is in need of a sacristan. Being a sacristan is a grace-filled ministry serving our Lord, priest and the parish each week by filling the candles with oil, cleaning and filling the holy water bowls at the entrances and preparing for the week's upcoming Masses. The sacristan changes the colored banners in the sanctuary to correspond to the church seasons, and sets up for weddings, funerals and church holy days. A sacristan has the blessing of working in close proximity to the tabernacle and the Blessed Sacrament within. Is the Holy Spirit nudging you to consider being St. Caspar's sacristan? If interested or have questions, please contact the parish office.

Gluten Free Hosts are available here at St. Caspar’s. Before Mass, please let Father know you are Gluten Free and have a pix ready with your name on it.



Begin Your Thanksgiving with Mass

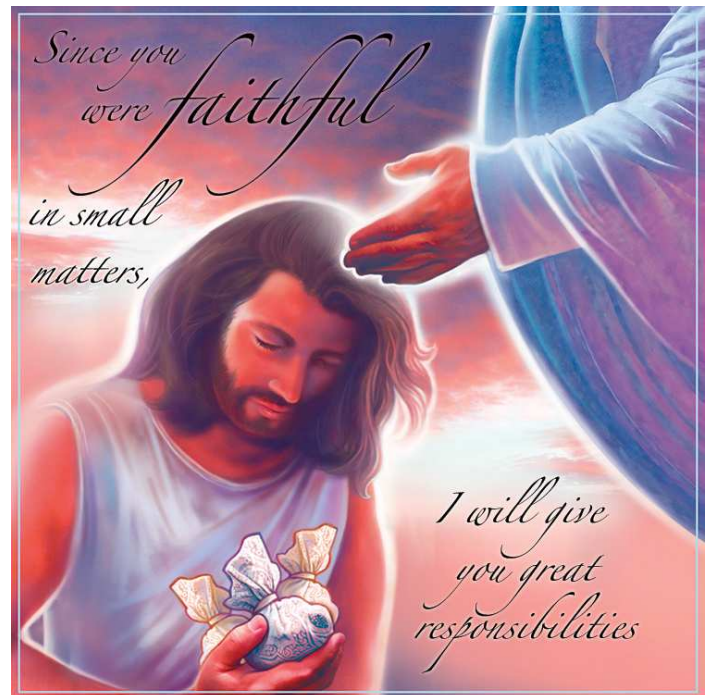
at 9 a.m. on Thursday, November 23rd.

You’re invited to bring in nonperishable food, which will be used by our St.

Vincent de Paul Society for the needs of the poor in our area.

Mass Intentions

If you have Mass Intentions, you can stop by at the Parish Office and schedule. Mass Intentions are \$10 per Mass.



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The Charlie Brown Tree is in the vestibule and needs our help! The Women’s Health Resource in Wauseon and certain schools needs items, hopefully our Knights of Columbus and parishioners at St. Caspar can fulfill their Christmas Wish List!

The items that Women’s Health Resource needs are diapers, bottles, t-shirts, hat and gloves of any kid size. The tree will up till December 26. If you have any questions, please call Don and Sue Davis at 419-266-6956.

Just a Reminder....

If anybody or any church group would like to use any room for a meeting or practice of any sort, PLEASE contact the office to schedule.

Wauseon Community Blood Drives

Tuesday, November 21

Wauseon American Legion

1-6 p.m.

Hall – free elf sock giveaway for all donors

Thursday, December 14

Fulton County Health Center

7 a.m.-1 p.m.

Beck Meeting Room in Basement

\$10 E gift card for all donors

Save The Date

The Northwest Ohio Men's Fellowship Kick - Off Breakfast is Saturday December 9th at St. John Catholic Church 510 Jackson Ave, Defiance. Ohio Highway Patrolman Sgt. Fernando Chavez is the guest speaker. All Are Invited. Please join us as Brother and Sisters in Christ, Downstairs in Emmaus Hall, 7:30 am Coffee & Fellowship, 8:00 am Breakfast & Speaker. For more information call George Westrick 419-784-3975.

Night of Healing

Worship Healing
Adoration Witness
Prayer
Reconciliation

www.mccrholyspirit.com

Poinsettias

Thank you to this partial list of poinsettia donors:

- Gloria Marlatt in memory of James & Craig Marlatt
- Jon & Suzy Osborne in memory of Abram Brown & Ray Falor
- Virginia Lumbrezer in memory of Lumbrezer & Spenthoff families
- Luana Harder
- Barb Teal in memory of Calvin Teal

IN SYMPATHY

May Ann Nash find eternal peace in heaven. We extend our prayers and sympathy to her family and friends.

Please remember her in your prayers and actions.

Thanksgiving – Turkey

It was a delighted custom in this little family of father, mother and six growing children to pause before their Thanksgiving meal to take turns thanking God for various blessings. As they went round the table the usual blessings were mentioned: “food”, “momie”, “daddy”, “a nice house” and the like. Finally came six-year old Tommy’s turn. With a loud voice he announced: “Thank God for making daddy strong enough to bring home this big turkey.”



Can you Imagine Sunday Mass Without Music?

Our music ministry is getting stretched very thin. Several pianists, cantors, and guitarists have moved away or will be within coming months.

One nearby Catholic Church now has live music at only half its weekend Masses. We hope St. Caspar Parish doesn’t get to that point.

Do you or someone you know sing or play piano or guitar? Our musicians don’t have to be parishioners or even Catholic.

If you are interested, know of someone, or have questions, please call Sue Dieringer (419-335-1601) or Leon Smith (419-445-2885) **SOON**.

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear St. Caspar Family,

As we have moved into November, I would like to report to you the work which has been done at our parish over the summer time and early fall. But first, let me share with you that, according to our October Mass attendance count, our attendance at all Masses is up. This is great news. I am also happy to share with you that Religious Education enrollment is 222 - Kindergarten through Grade 12. Our Religious Education ministry is as important as anything we do at our parish. We need to continue to encourage our parents to keep bringing their young people to Religious Education classes and our teens to continue attending LifeTeen.

Before we review our projects, I want to acknowledge and give a big “thank you” to Ralph Lee, our Head of Maintenance, and our many volunteers who have made these projects possible. Thank you to Steve Sekula who has taken on the security project, including running over 4,000 feet of CAT-5 cable throughout our facilities. Steve and Ralph have made security and technology up-grades possible. Steve and Ralph have made a great team in getting these projects done, including running down contractors, defining the scope of the work, and facilitating the bidding process.

Thank you to Jeff Witt who has been working on the church building and grounds projects. Jeff has many talents and many skilled-worker contacts that have helped to care for the exterior of our buildings and grounds. He also has equipment (a Bobcat and a tractor with bucket and backhoe) that have been the right “muscle” to do the jobs. Jeff and Ralph have made a great team in getting these projects done, including running down contractors, defining the scope of the work, and facilitating the bidding process.

Thanks to Dan Kovar. Dan has been using his structural knowledge to repair and sure-up the Parish Shrine and Prayer Garden Grotto. He has been working with St. Terese Circle leadership to fill-in and solidify the Grotto structure. Thank you to Mike Ott who has helped fill in the man-power gaps in terms of on-going regular maintenance, especially helping to mow the lawn and trim. Kylean Rocky and Penny Rogers get a big “thank you” for spending many hours painting inside and outside our parish facilities. It looks great! Terry Riggs, Mike Ott, Jeff Witt, Dan Kovar, Tom Savage, and others have helped with exterior maintenance, including the new sidewalk, and trimming the trees.

Thank you also to Mike Vasquez. Mike has dismantled the translation booth that was in the choir loft. This translation booth served its purpose over the years by providing a space for a translator to translate Mass into Spanish without disturbing the rest of the congregation. Spanish language was broad-cast to receivers in the pews with headsets. With today’s new technology, the booth became obsolete.

Thank you to all our regular volunteers and minsters. St. Caspar is such a dynamic parish, alive and thriving, because of our volunteers! We always welcome volunteers. Thank you for serving.

As for the maintenance projects: The parking lot has been resealed and restriped. We chose a higher-grade composite material to reseat the parking lot. This should get us a few more years before the next time we have to reseat it. You may have noticed that we have added a couple new handicap parking places. The total cost to the church \$23,500 from the church maintenance fund.

The church east Main Entrance sidewalk was removed and replaced. New concrete with sealant was poured. The sidewalk is now safer, especially for funerals. The total cost to the church \$2,133 from the church maintenance fund. The church east Main Entrance sandstone façade has been tuck pointed. A repair has been made to the sandstone block on the bottom left block. The sandstone façade has been

sealed keeping water from becoming an issue in the future. The total cost was \$684, paid for by an anonymous gift for the project.

Over-grown bushes have been removed from around the church building. Fill dirt was added to have water drain away from the foundation. A weed barrier and river rock are being added along with new, simpler landscaping. Thank you to Shelly Rice for spear-heading the simpler landscape concepts. The total cost to the church is the price of the river rock & weed barrier about \$1,000 from the church maintenance fund. After the overgrown bushes were removed, we had the entire Church building and Parish Life Center exteriors power washed. The total cost was \$1,064 for materials and labor, paid for by an anonymous gift for the project. Thanks to the special donor family. The buildings look great.

We continue to prepare our St. Caspar Shrine and Prayer Garden for its 60th Anniversary this coming year 2024 with some necessary work on the Shrine Grotto. The Grotto stone/blocks have been filled with concrete in a major tuck-pointing effort. Decorative steel plates have been added to help with structural integrity of the cross sections. Of course, we know that a new, permanent altar has been installed and blessed this past summer at the Shrine Mass in August. St. Terese Circle has many more plans in motion to help celebrate the Shrine's Anniversary. Thank you for your special donations to St. Terese Circle for the care and up-keep of our shrine.

The Church Security Project has been completed. This was our first priority of our *Living Christ Capital Campaign* local case statement. Before we get to the hardware of security, I need to thank Jeremy Simon and Maggie, retired Sherrif Deputy and his K-9, for their presence at almost every Wednesday night Religious Education session. Having their presence provides an invaluable level security for our kids. Maggie, the German Shepherd, is very popular with the kids and adults who come to Religious Education on Wednesdays.

As for the security hardware: Twenty-four (24) security cameras and three (3) monitors have been installed and are working. Security camera entrance locks have been installed at the north Office Entrance and at the west Religious Education entrance. These magnetic release locks will provide for extra scrutiny of people before they can gain entrance into the building by office personnel. This will help keep our personnel safe, especially if they are alone. Please be aware, you may have to ring a security doorbell to gain access to the Parish Office or the Religious Education entrance. Once you are recognized, the door will be opened. Emergency combination locks have been installed on three strategic doors for entrance into the facility in the event of an emergency or intruder. The total cost to the church has been \$26,395 from the *Living Christ Capital Campaign* funds. Also, please remember, early on we hardened the classroom interior doors with solid wood doors. Intruder prevention security boots were also installed in each classroom in the event of an active intruder. I feel confident that we have secured our facilities to the best possible extent for everyone's safety. Thank you to our parish leadership for making this our first priority for our Capital Campaign local case statement.

I give thanks to God for your generosity. I hope that by seeing these projects being completed you have seen that, together, we are being good stewards of St. Caspar Parish.

