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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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Church Website: stcaspar.org

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesdays at 10 a.m.

Eucharist Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who promised to stay with us always, until the end of the age. Reawaken our wonder at His presence in the Most Holy Eucharist. May our hearts burn within us as He opens the Scriptures and breaks the bread. Give us the eyes of faith to recognize His presence in our brothers and sisters, especially in the face of the poor and the suffering. Nourished by the Eucharist, send us forth to walk faithfully as missionary disciples, proclaiming the Gospel to every heart and extending Your kingdom to every land. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

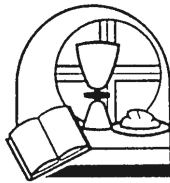
Diocese of Toledo Prayer

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.

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass Intentions Of The Week

Monday, June 10

Nothing scheduled

Tuesday, June 11 – St. Barnabas

8:30 a.m. Shirley & Kenneth Lambert

Wednesday, June 12

8:30 a.m. Dick Alig (1 month)

Thursday, June 13 – St. Anthony of Padua

8:30 a.m. Mary Lou Steward (1 month)

Friday, June 14

8:30 a.m. Dorothy Harpring

Saturday, June 15

5 p.m. Ann Nash

Sunday, June 16 – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 a.m. Beth Mellott

10:30 a.m. for St. Caspar parishioners

1 p.m. Angela Simona Galvan & Edwin Aguilera



Saturday, June 15 – 5 p.m.

Musicians: Sara Maxwell & Michelle Gigax
 Videographer: Mike Prior
 Proclaimer: Swedal Pais
 Servers: Landon O'Dell
 Comm. Ministers: Sherry LaFountain, John Wilhelm
 Ushers: Jean LaFountain, Don Davis, Paul Murphy, Steve Sekula

Sunday, June 16 – 8 a.m.

Musicians: Angela & Seth Tonjes
 Proclaimer: Bob Irelan
 Servers: Lane & Noah Schindler
 Comm. Ministers: Tim Gillen, Barb Irelan, Jane Patterson
 Ushers: Mel Case, Larry Restivo, Mel Augustyniak, Louis Buckenmeyer, Mike Ott

Sunday, June 16 – 10:30 a.m.

Musicians: Valerie Adamski
 Proclaimer: Jake Grime
 Servers: Carter & Jason Grime
 Comm. Minister: Rebecca Berger, Dan Gautz
 Ushers: Rich Flory, Jim Miller, Mike Vasquez, Tracy Elson

Fulton Manor/Ayden Healthcare-Mike Vasquez
 Church cleaning this week – Cheryl Kohls



The Week Ahead

Sunday, June 9

2 p.m. – Baptism – Church
 5 p.m. – Spanish Rosary – South Wing
 7 p.m. – Men's Group Core Meeting – PJ

Monday, June 10

7:30 p.m. – Knights of Columbus Meeting – PLC

Wednesday, June 12

10 a.m.-3 p.m. – Strawberry Sale – Parish Life Center
 6:30 p.m. – Women's Bible Study – Pope John Room

Thursday, June 13

7 p.m. – Strength in Numbers – Basement Hall
 7 p.m. – Spanish Leadership Meeting – PJ

Friday, June 14

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

Sunday, June 16

9 a.m. – New Parishioner Registration – North Wing
 5 p.m. – Spanish Rosary – South Wing

Need Helpers for Hamburger Stand at Wauseon Homecoming

We need hamburger flippers and people to work at the counter at the Wauseon Homecoming at Dorothy Biddle Park located on the South food stand on Thursday, June 20. The shifts are 4-7 and 7-10 pm. This stand will also be serving sausage as well. If you are interested in helping, the sign up sheet will be in the vestibule on the table.

\$ offering

<u>Average weekly collection needed</u>	\$6,975.00
<u>Collection for June 2</u>	\$5,578.00
92 Sunday envelopes	\$4,495.00
Loose cash	712.00
Electronic giving for wk.	371.00

Are You Formally Registered in the Parish?

Anyone who isn't registered at St. Caspar's is invited to go to the North Wing after the 8 o'clock Mass, on Sunday, June 16. Steve and Lisa Pursel will be there to help you with the brief paper work. Even if you grew up in this parish, you need to register when you have your own household.

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.

You May Be the Only Person They See

Our parish's turn to deliver Meals on Wheels in Wauseon is the week of June 24. If you'd give 1½ hours to drive or take meals into homes, sign up in the North Wing by June 21. In return, you receive a free lunch at the Fulton County Health Center.

Questions? Contact Fred & Alice Allen at 419-335-4866.



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!

St. Vincent de Paul Society Collection will be next weekend. This collection happens every 3rd week of every month.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Is Low On These Items:

- Jelly
- Adult Shampoo
- Paper Towels

Did You Know???

On June 11th, Fr. Todd will be celebrating 30 years of being a priest. Happy 30th Anniversary Father!

2024 Annual Catholic Appeal

Goal: \$21,413.33

So Far: \$9,788.00



Fresh Strawberries Sale

St. Therese Circle will once again be selling fresh locally grown strawberries as a fundraiser for their organization. Orders of 6 quarts or more can be reserved in advance by calling the church office. Sales will be in the PLC on Wednesdays, June 5, 12 and the 19th from 10 am to 3:00 pm or until sold out. They will be selling the berries for \$5.75 a quart, spread the word to all your friends and family. Come out and support the ladies, all funds go towards the upkeep of the shrine. Did someone say strawberry shortcake??

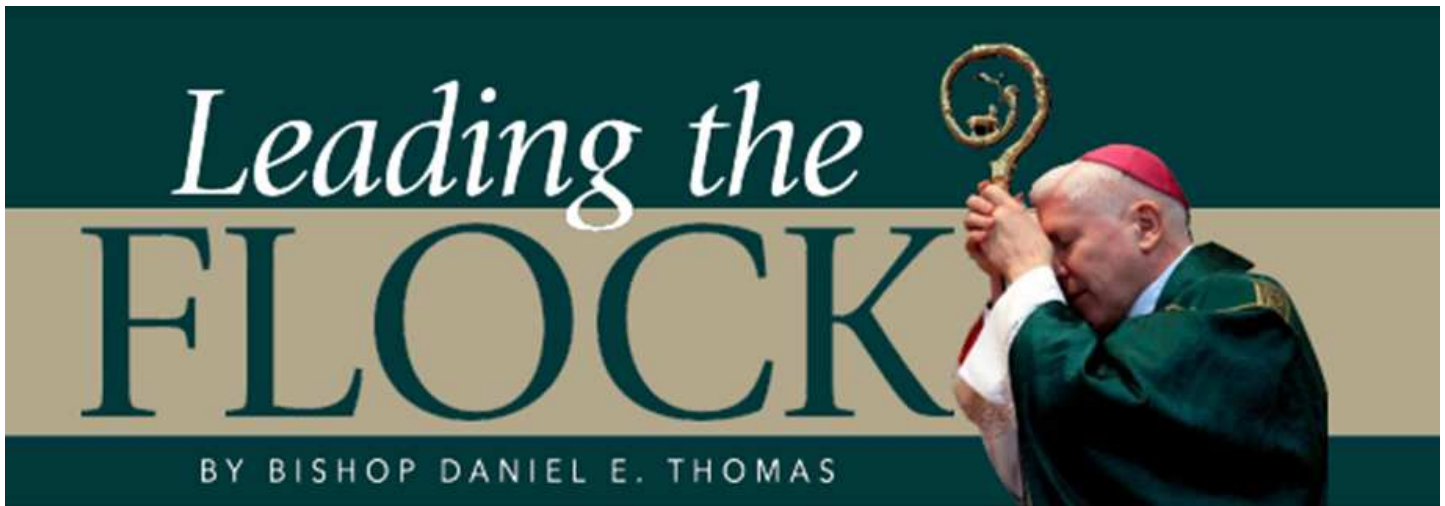
SonShine Box

St. Therese has a ministry called the "Son"shine box that mails cards to shut-ins. If you would like to donate postage stamps for this ministry, please drop them off to Kasey at the church office. Forever stamps would be preferred since the price of stamps is going up July 14th. Thank you!

Vacation Bible School

This year our VBS program is "A Radical Ride on the Wings of Prayer". We are so excited to take the children on an adventure to 5 different countries throughout the week where they will learn all about Prayer and the importance of praying. This adventure will start on Sunday, July 21 and end on Thursday, July 25. Our adventure will go from 6:15-8:30 p.m. each night. The children will travel to Canada to learn about what prayer is, then to Poland to learn how to pray, then off to France to learn how to pray through our ups and downs, on to Italy to learn how to put prayer into action and finally we will end in Mexico where the children will learn how to refuel their faith. It's going to be an amazing adventure. Children from 3 years old thru 6th grade are welcome! If your children would like to attend, please fill out one of the forms which are in the vestibule or on the table in the North Wing outside of the Church office. You can return your form to Barb Bonfert in the CRE office or the main office.

If you would be willing to help in any way with VBS please contact Barb at 419-337-2322 #4. We can use help in various area's and remember your Junior high/high school youth can use their time volunteering for service hours whether it is Confirmation or NHS hours.



Behind the Scenes: Deaneries and Deans

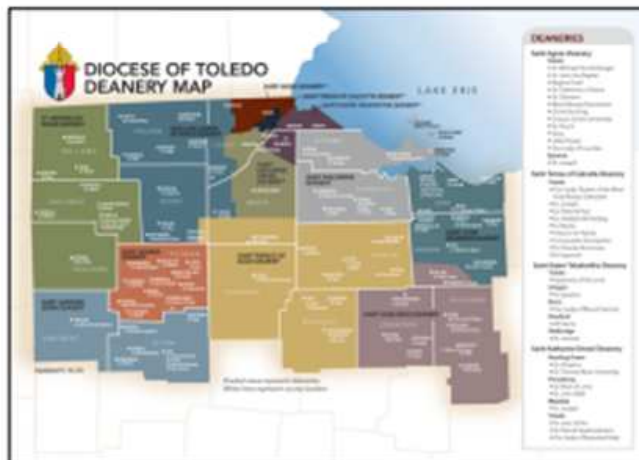
If you've ever been to a play or musical, whether a high school, summer community theatre, or even a national production, you know well that in addition to the actors or performers on stage, there are countless other persons "behind the scenes" who are responsible for providing for the good order, cast support and smooth transitions. Folks "behind the scenes" include the stage crew, the set designers, the orchestra, the costume and makeup staff, the directors, assistants and prompters, the lighting and sound crew. In any production, countless people who remain hidden behind the scenes fill invaluable roles, and in the end, the production would be impossible without them.

While no analogy is perfect, I believe the play or musical production comparison is a valid one when trying to explain and highlight some of the less evident roles played by members of our local Church, clergy, consecrated religious and laity alike, who serve in the often hidden behind the scenes roles, who assist the diocesan bishop in providing for the good order, the ecclesial support and the fruitful functioning of diocesan life! Of course, principal among these are the close collaborators of the priest College of Consultors, of the mostly lay Diocesan Finance Council and of our Pastoral Center staff, all of whom play very significant, but often hidden support roles.

But, as we are all aware, the place where so much is accomplished pastorally in a diocese is for sure not on a stage, but in parishes in the geographic regions throughout our diocese called Deaneries. And the persons who fulfill important roles in the Deaneries include the parish priests who serve as Deans and as members of the Presbyteral Council, the parish lay faithful who serve as Deanery representatives on the

Diocesan Pastoral Council, together with representatives of the consecrated religious, clergy and various diocesan groups, including young adults.

Now truth be told, if you asked "Mary and John in the pew" of any of our parishes, they would likely be hard pressed to identify the Dean of their local Deanery or



the Deanery representative! In fact, it would not be at all surprising if many of our faithful, indeed the vast majority, would not even be able to define what a Deanery or Dean is! Thus, the purpose of this column: simply to highlight the purpose of our Deaneries, to announce the re-configuration and renewal of our Deaneries, and to offer a glimpse into just what happens "behind the scenes" with our Deaneries, Deans and Deanery representatives. This is in line with our Diocesan Intentional Planning Process and flows from our Diocesan Strategic Plan. Visit: toledodiocese.org/diocesan-news/deaneries.

A Deanery is a geographic area comprising Catholic parishes and institutions, overseen by a diocesan priest with the title Dean. Deans, who are elected by their brother priests and who constitute in large part the Presbyteral Council, play a crucial role in coordinating common pastoral activities (for example religious education, parish missions, youth ministry, penance services, and faith formation), fostering collaboration among parishes, and supporting fellow priests. Each Deanery has a lay representative on the Diocesan Pastoral Council, a body composed in large part of lay faithful from our parishes that advises me on pastoral concerns and provides feedback on ministerial initiatives. Through the Diocesan Presbyteral Council (priests) and the Diocesan Pastoral Council (laity), the consultative bodies with whom I meet regularly, I receive insights and feedback from Deanery parishes as I consult with representatives from around the diocese, engaging in fruitful conversations about the pastoral care of our people.



Diocesan Pastoral Council

The Deanery is intended to foster unity, cooperation, and solidarity among the faithful, strengthening the bonds of communion in the Catholic Church. It is a testament to the Church's commitment to local outreach and pastoral care, ensuring that every community receives the spiritual guidance and support it needs to thrive. The Deanery also reminds the local communities that they are part of a wider church, both the local church and the Universal Church. As you can surmise, in fact, the work of Deaneries, Deans and the Diocesan Pastoral Council are, in essence, and very practically, an exercise of subsidiarity and synodality, already provided for in Church law!

We need look no further than the Church's own *Code of Canon Law* to see spelled out the definition and meaning of Deaneries, Deans, and the Diocesan Pastoral Council! As I often say: "go to the sources!" For those who enjoy the research, since there is not

enough room here for a fuller explanation, you need only go to Cann. 553-555 (Deans or Vicars Forane), Can. 374 (Deaneries or Vicariates Forane), and Cann. 511-514 (Diocesan Pastoral Council).

Having considered the history of the number of Deaneries over the last 40 years, our current decision has reduced the total number of Deaneries in the diocese from fifteen to twelve. The decision to reduce Deaneries takes into account demographic changes within the diocese, as well as the decrease in the number of active priests and parishes. This restructuring aims to streamline operations, enhance collaboration, and ensure that each Deanery has a sustainable number of participants to be pastorally effective. This change will assist Deans, priests, and parish staffs in revitalizing Deanery functions and improving the quality of meetings. We have also published a Deanery Guidance Document to assist in the renewal process of our Deaneries. Broad consultation was conducted at Deanery meetings, at Presbyteral Council and Diocesan Pastoral Council meetings, where input and recommendations were received and reviewed regarding the plan for our Deaneries.

So, Deaneries and Deans may often be "behind the scenes," along with the Diocesan Pastoral Council, but they play a genuine and valuable consultative role, representing the geographic regions where the members reside, and the parochial life of that area is lived out. They serve to assist in informing the bishop on the pastoral realities pertaining to their locale, in coordinating common pastoral activities, and in addressing pastoral needs in a collaborative and intentional manner. With you, I am most grateful to all our priests who are Deans and our other priests who serve on our Presbyteral Council, as well as to all the lay representatives of our Deaneries and others, including clergy and consecrated religious, who serve on our Diocesan Pastoral Council. Please pray with me that the new configuration of our Deaneries may serve to increase how effective, efficient and evangelical our pastoral work together will be going forward, in providing for the good order, the ecclesial support and the fruitful functioning of diocesan life!

Most Rev. Daniel E. Thomas
Bishop of Toledo
May 30, 2024