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ST. CASPAR
CATHOLIC CHURCH

175TH ANNIVERSARY

"Faith Working Through Love"



Mass Schedule

Saturdays: 5 pm

Sundays: 8 am, 10:30 am, 1 pm
(Spanish)

Confessions: Saturdays 4-4:45 pm

Wifi Password: WhatPassword?

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Office Hours

Monday-Friday

8:30 am-12:30 pm & 1:30-4:30 pm

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Church Website: stcaspar.org

Bulletin Deadline: Tuesdays at 10 am

175th Anniversary Prayer

Heavenly Father, 175 years ago, you planted the seeds of faith in St. Caspar Parish. We gather with hearts full of gratitude to thank you for your unwavering faithfulness from generation to generation. We remember all who came before us and built this community of faith, from the first founders to those who have since joined the heavenly Communion of Saints. We praise you, Eternal Father, for your loving providence. We thank you, Jesus Christ, our redeemer, for your constant presence, especially in the Holy Eucharist. We implore you, Holy Spirit, the Sanctifier, to continue to set our hearts ablaze with your divine fire.

We humbly ask for your mercy, O God, for the times we have failed you over the past years. Forgive us for our coldness of heart, our divisions, and our neglect of those in need. Heal the wounds of our past, renew us in your grace, and reconcile us to one another, that we may be one as You are One.

Renew in us a spirit of hope and a yearning for the treasures of heaven. Transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel, ready to share your joy and peace with others. Strengthen our hands for service, that we may continue the work of the risen Lord in our families and communities. Inspire us to remain firmly anchored to Jesus Christ, our Rock and our Salvation.

Through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Caspar the Wiseman, and all the saints who have been a part of this community, we ask humbly for your continued guidance and blessings upon our St. Caspar Parish.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Liturgy Intentions For The Week

Monday, September 15
Nothing Scheduled

Tuesday, September 16 – Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian
8:30 a.m. for the sick & shut-ins

Wednesday, September 17 – Sts. Robert Bellarmine & Hildegard of Bingen
8:30 a.m. Jose Sandoval (1 year)

Thursday, September 18
8:30 a.m. for the Catholic Church & its leaders

Friday, September 19 – St. Januarius
8:30 a.m. Jean Woodin

Saturday, September 20
5 p.m. Don & Rick Davis

Sunday, September 21 – Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8 a.m. Beth Mellott
10:30 a.m. for St. Caspar parishioners
1 p.m. Angela Simona Galvan & Wilson Andrós Duque



Saturday, September 20 – 5 p.m.

Greeter: Barb Stipp
Musicians: Spirit Seekers
Proclaimer: Vicki Smith
Servers:
Comm. Ministers: Sherry LaFountain, Barb Stipp, John Wilhelm
Ushers: Jean LaFountain, Paul Murphy, Steve Sekula, Manley Fernandes

Sunday, September 21 – 8 a.m.

Musicians: Sue Dieringer
Videographer: Steve Pursel
Proclaimer: Toni Schindler
Servers: Jack & James Altstaetter, Vicente Delgado
Comm. Ministers: Tim Gillen, Jane Patterson, Mary Fraker
Ushers: Mel Case, Larry Restivo, Mel Augustyniak, Louis Buckenmeyer, Mike Ott

Sunday, September 21 – 10:30 a.m.

Musicians: Spirit Seekers
Proclaimer: Susan Clark
Servers: Lily Kopit & Hannah O'Neal
Comm. Minister: Rebecca Berger, Dan Gautz
Ushers: Rich Flory, Jim Miller, Mike Vasquez, Tracy Elson

Fulton Manor/Ayden Healthcare-Doug Clark
Church cleaning this week – Kylean Rockey
Clean Linens – Marge Prior

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This Week in our Parish

Sunday, September 14
5 p.m. – Spanish Rosary – South Wing

Monday, September 15
7 p.m. – Prayer Group – South Wing

Tuesday, September 16
12-6 p.m. – Blood Drive – Parish Life Center
5:30 p.m. – Finance Council Meeting – PJ Room

Thursday, September 18
10:30 a.m. – Bible Study – Abram Room
6:30 p.m. – St. Therese Circle Meeting – PJ Room

Friday, September 19
6 p.m. – Spanish Prayer Group – Pope John Room

Sunday, September 21
11:30 a.m. – Baptism – Church
11:30 a.m. – New Parishioner Registration – NW
5 p.m. – Spanish Rosary – South Wing



St. Caspar
175 Years



<u>Average weekly collection needed</u>	\$6,975.00
<u>Collection for September 7</u>	\$7,775.23
107 Sunday envelopes	\$4,975.34
Loose cash	949.89
Electronic giving for wk.	1,850.00

Church Beautification Committee Update

Dear St. Caspar Family,

Allow me to update you about the church beautification process. I, along with Steve Sekula, had a meeting with Bishop Thomas on August 20, 2025. Our agenda with Bishop Thomas was to review the progress being made with the church beautification process. Bishop Thomas was excited to see the revised plans and improvements that were made by the committee. He was especially happy to hear that a statue of St. Caspar, our patron, would be included in the beautification plans. He encouraged a special enshrinement in the back of the worship space for the statue. He was also happy to hear that St. Caspar Parish family would be ready to make an official request in writing for his permission to proceed with the plans. He encouraged me and the committee to continue persevering in the great work being done. He also encouraged me to gather all interested parishioners for a general meeting to share the beautification plans and ask for the support needed to move forward.

The Beautification Committee met on September 3, 2025 to discuss the meeting with the bishop and plan our next steps. One small thing we decided was regarding the proposed art-glass Stations of the Cross. Unfortunately, the proposed art-glass Stations of the Cross we found will not work in our worship space. The Stations is too dark and the light in the building (both natural and electric lights) reflects on the glass too much making the image almost impossible to see. As they say, the station looked better on paper than the actual station. We will be continuing to study our options to enhance the Stations of the Cross. The committee also will be contacting Window Creations of Ottoville, Ohio to tell them the results of our testing the art-glass station. We also will ask Window Creations to finalize the other glass designs based on the latest recommendations from Bishop Thomas. He made three recommendations that the committee agreed were good.

We will be holding an open meeting for the interested parishioners to hear of the work of the committee and review the proposed design. I call it a "Show & Tell Meeting". The committee decided to have two meeting options mostly for your convenience. I will be presenting the same information at both meetings. You can attend either

one that fits your schedule. One meeting will be Sunday, October 19, 2025 at 2:30-4:00 p.m. The other meeting will be Tuesday, October 21, 2025 at 7:00-8:30 p.m. Both will be in the Pope John XXIII Room. Mark your calendars. As we get closer, I will give us reminders.

Thank you for your support of this beautification project which is a parish priority of our Living Christ Capital Campaign. Fr. Todd



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!

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 10:30 Mass, on Sunday, September 21. Jim & Grace Sanders 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.



"God has His flashlight turned on to show us the way."



Blood Drive at St. Caspar's

You have a chance to give blood here at the church on Tuesday, September 16, in the Parish Life Center, from 12-6 p.m. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-REDCROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCross.org and enter sponsor code: STCASPAR. Walk-ins also are welcome.



Baby Bottles

St. Caspar's Knights of Columbus will be distributing baby bottles after Mass next weekend, September 20/21.

Parishioners are asked to take a bottle home and fill it with loose change. The bottles will be collected at Mass the weekend of October 25/26. Bottles may also be returned to the church office. The money collected will be donated to the WOMEN'S HEALTH RESOURCE in Wauseon. Thank you for your continued support of St. Caspar K. of C. and the Women's Health Resource.

Joke of the Day

Why did the chauffeur driving an angel around keep stalling the car?
~He wasn't good at driving Emmanuel~

Mass Intentions

If you have Mass Intentions for 2026, you can stop by at the Parish Office and schedule. Mass Intentions are \$10 per Mass, cash or check.

**ORDINARY LIVES
EXTRAORDINARY
MISSION**
WITH AUTHOR & SPEAKER JOHN R. WOOD



22 OCTOBER 2025
7:00PM



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Bulletin Deadline

Any items for the September 28th bulletin need to be turned in on Monday, September 22 by noon.

Items Needed at our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

You can drop the items off at the baskets by the doors or on the carts by the Parish Office

- Paper towels
- Crackers
- Jelly
- Juice

Annual Catholic Appeal 2025

Goal: \$22,200.80
So Far: \$12,173.81
Still Need: \$10,026.99

A Look In The Past 175 Years In Our Parish

In 1982 St. Caspar Parish included 540 households.

The need for more classroom space was met in 1984 with a generous bequest from parishioner Leo Miller. The space under the church proper was excavated, and seven more classrooms and a set of bathrooms were added. The pastor, Fr. Frederick "Fritz" Hug, invited Bishop James Hoffman to dedicate the new basement classroom expansion. The expansion cost \$96,400.



St. Therese Circle Meeting

Thursday, September 18
6:30 p.m. in the Pope John Room
All ladies are welcome and invited to join anytime!

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



Let's Get Moving!!

The long-awaited Cardio Drumming Class is here! The weekly class is sponsored by the St. Therese Circle and it is FREE to all adults (over 18). It will be Tuesday evenings from 6-7 pm in the Parish Life Center starting on September 30th. And it will run thru May. All you need to bring is a water bottle. Any questions or to sign up, see Judy Becker or call the Parish Office.



Women's Health Resource in Wauseon is in need of items for their clinic. These are the items:

- Girl clothing (3-24 mos.)
- Sippy cups
- Bottle brushes
- Diaper ointment
- Spoons/forks
- Large bottles
- Diapers (sizes 4-6)



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Our new St. Caspar app is now available to download for iPhone and Android smart phones. Stay connected with our parish throughout the week with instant notifications, an easy-to-access event calendar, and the ability to quickly reply to or share messages via Facebook. Also enjoy a bunch of additional features like prayers, daily readings, helpful reminders to silence your phone before Mass or Confession, and much more.

Help foster a stronger parish life at St. Caspar and better engage the New Evangelization.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

On this date in 335 two churches and a shrine erected by Constantine over the empty grave of Jesus and over the place of the crucifixion were dedicated. After these were destroyed by the Persians in 614, the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, which still stands, was erected by the Crusaders in 1149. Today also commemorates the event that led to the building of the churches dedicated in 335: the discovery of the "true cross" by St. Helena, Constantine's mother, in 326.

According to one legend, St. Helena traveled to Jerusalem on pilgrimage, in search of the true cross. Workers she hired dug through a pagan temple that had been erected on the site of the Crucifixion by Hadrian and found three crosses. A dying woman was brought in, and touched by each cross in succession, the last of which healed her. Helena ordered that this cross be divided in three parts, one to be kept in Jerusalem and the other two to be sent to Constantinople and Rome. The pieces in Jerusalem and Constantinople were ultimately lost. Slivers were taken from the portion that went to Rome until eventually it was scattered around the world.

Of course, the significance of the true cross lies not in the wood itself but in the burden that it bore. As a faithful Christian, what crosses do you accept in your life today?







Life

"Do not look back to the past, nor forward to the future. Claim only the present, for it holds God's will." [St. Rose Philippine Duchesne]

Hall Coordinator for St. Caspar Church

This person is responsible to promote the use of the Parish Life Center, meet with prospective parties, and make sure that the contract is followed. Other duties include arranging for a paid hall monitor to be present for receptions and similar events in the Parish Life Center, the downstairs hall, or Youth Room. It is essential that this person be both friendly and firm and have the skills necessary to fulfill these duties. It is preferred that this person be an active member of St. Caspar Parish so that he/she is familiar with the values and standards of our parish.

For more details about this job and amount of pay, please contact Kasey at the Parish Office.

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