

St. Caspar's Calling Advent - 2022



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Congratulations to these children who were baptized:

Hallie Mae Howard

Parents: Elijah & Carly Howard

Baptized: 9-10-2022 Violeta Simonet Nieves Rosillo

Parents: Daniel Nieves & Aylin Rosillo

Baptized: 9-25-22

Laia Valentina Bernal Cervantes

Parents: Luis Bernal Campos & Laura

Cervantes

Baptized: 10-9-22 Vaeda Mae Zuchowski

Parents: Michael & Alvese Zuchowski

Baptized: 10-30-22

Our Sympathy

May the angels and saints welcome into heaven: Edna Thourot – 11/2/22 Please remember her family and friends in your thoughts, prayers, and action.

St. Therese Circle of the Rosary Altar Society

Meeting

Thursday, January 19 at 6:30 p.m. Location: Pope John 23rd Room

Fundraiser

Friday, February 10 – Help with Fish Fry

St. Vincent de Paul Society

"Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done." ~Proverbs 19:17

In their annual yearly report, they helped 47 families with food and 82 families of utilities and rent.

For your generosity support of donations and food, they are greatly appreciated! Thank you for helping the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

If you would like to donate nonperishable food items, you can drop them off in the baskets at any Church entrance.

We Thank God for You!



Saturday, December 24 4 p.m. 6:30 p.m.

10:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 25 9 a.m. (English)

11 a.m. (Spanish)



Welcome our new parishioner:

- Florencio, Monsterrat, Angel & Maria Espinola-Vargas (Delta)
- Chris & Allison Simon (Delta)
- Francisco, Cintia, Andrew & Grace Frias (Napoleon)



Story Time with Santa Claus and
St. Nicholas
Sunday, December 4
9 a.m. in the Parish Life Center

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass

Sunday, December 11 1 p.m.

Everyone is invited to a Mexican Lunch after the Spanish Mass (2 p.m.) in the Parish Life Center!

Breakfast Buffets

Sunday, December 4 &

Sunday, January 8 (Parish Feast Day)

9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Parish Life Center

Freewill offering

Buffet includes: pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit and more



Immaculate Conception Mass

Thursday, December 8 7 p.m. in the Church



Christmas Program

Sunday, December 11 6:30 p.m. in the Church



Day of Grace

Confession on the hour, every hour Wednesday, December 14





Dear St. Caspar Family,

We are only about halfway through the process of the *Living Christ* Capital Campaign for the Diocese of Toledo. I want to thank our dedicated team of volunteers for making our campaign a success here at St. Caspar. And I especially want to thank those of who have already pledged a sacrificial gift. Thank you! For those who have not pledged, think about joining those who have. No gift is too small. Your participation is our great opportunity to provide funding for projects here at the parish. We have a goal of 100% of the households of our parish participating.

Why might you make a sacrificial pledge? Much good can come from our support of the diocese's Case Statement needs. Moreover, St. Caspar's leadership groups (Pastoral Council, Finance Council, Maintenance Committee, and Cemetery Committee) have also identified projects that are important for our parish. The amount of funds we raise will determine what projects we will be able to complete. Important to note is fifty (.50) cents of every dollar (\$1) pledged now stays at St. Caspar.

We need to enhance campus security. We have started the process of enhancing security, especially in our basement religious education areas and in the Shrine. There is much more to do. Security experts have begun to propose a comprehensive plan for securing our buildings and grounds. Early estimates are \$20,000 or more to provide the kind of security we believe we need. The plan includes cameras both inside and outside, and other enhancements. More prayer and evaluation of a possible plan needs to be done.

Beautifying the sanctuary, including repair or restoration of the pews, is also desired. A small committee has been working to identify possible ways of enhancing our sanctuary's beauty (the altar area). We have been trying to establish some principles for beautifying as well as identify some problems areas for improvement. Our pews need attention too. Currently, we are uncertain about the scope of a pew project. Determining how much or how little is to be done, will determine the cost. More prayer and evaluation need to be done.

We need to **advance religious education**. Youth and adult ministries need to be funded to ensure faith formation programs continue for generations to come. More specifically, a proposal is to set aside \$20,000 of campaign funds to ensure that our high school youth program *Life Teen* continues for the next 20 years. Each year the subscription cost of this excellent program is about \$1,000. Another proposal is to purchase electronic tablets for classroom instruction for the grade school youth program. Here, again, more prayer and evaluation need to be done.

We need to **enhance and beautify our outdoors**. The current plan is that our outdoor facilities, including the Shrine, will receive funds for maintenance and beautification. We are especially concerned about the church building's fascia boards and trim (the amber/ burnt orange parts of the building). We are exploring how to preserve and protect them, either painting or wrapping in aluminum. Also, a small committee is working on how to care for the Shrine Grotto. More evaluation of a possible plans needs to be done.

There are other possible projects (caring for the parking lot, re-visiting unfinished items from the Parish Life Center building project including the floor, re-sealing doors and windows, eventually needing to tuck-pointing trouble spots on the building's stone) and so many more.

I am happy to provide this overview of our parish projects and encourage you to make a sacrificial pledge. If you would like to meet to visit about the *Living Christ* Capital Campaign, please call the Parish Office to set up a time to visit with me or another *Living Christ* Capital Campaign volunteer.

In gratitude, Fr. Todd





St. Caspar Offers Electronic Giving

We are providing this service so that you have the option to manage your contributions online. This service is safe and secure and it is convenient for you! Simply click on the *Give Online* icon on our Web page and you will be directed to a page where you can Create Your Account.

Benefits To You!

- Convenient anytime, anywhere access.
- Secure and Confidential. Adheres to banking security standards.
- Flexible. Start, stop or change your contributions at any time.
- Simple. No need to contact your bank or the parish office.
- Contribute using direct withdrawal debit or charge credit cards.

What are the advantages of giving on line?

Giving online makes it easy for you to fulfill your financial stewardship to the parish especially when you are unable to attend Mass.

How are my contributions automatically deducted from my account?

When you create your secure account, you enter your credit card and/or bank account information and then specify the amount you wish to contribute. Your contribution will be transferred from your account to the church bank account, automatically, in the amount you specify, on the date you specify.

Do I have to use a credit card?

St. Caspar has the option to offer both credit/ debit card options for contributions.

Can I contribute different amounts to different offerings? Can they be withdrawn at different times? Can I use different accounts for the contributions?

The system provides you the capability to give different amounts to different offerings at different times, from different accounts.

What if I change bank accounts?

Simply login and update your bank account information in your profile.

What if I want to stop giving online?

You can cancel your authorization by deleting your credit card and/or bank account information along with your donation dates. Your contributions will stop immediately. If you have difficulties, we can help at the Parish Office.



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