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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. At Our Lady of Hope

(May thru October) At St. Gaspar

At St. Gaspar (November thru April)

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. At St. Gaspar

10:00 a.m. At Our Lady of Hope

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. At Our Lady of Hope

(May thru October)

At St. Gaspar

(November thru April)

Or by appointment

DAILY MASSES:

Tuesday: 5:30 p.m. At St. Gaspar

Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. At Our Lady of Hope Thursday: 8:00 a.m. At Our Lady of Hope

Friday: 8:00 a.m. At St. Gaspar

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. At Our Lady of Hope

(1st Saturday only)



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Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

CONGRATULATIONS! On behalf of both parishes, I would like to congratulate Brian Rhodes on his ordination to the Permanent Diaconate. I am pleased to inform you that Most Reverend Bishop Daniel Thomas has appointed Dcn. Brian Rhodes as a deacon to Our Lady of Hope and St. Gaspar del Bufalo parishes. May God bless him abundantly in his ministry as permanent deacon.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Joseph

A WORD FROM DEACON BRIAN



First and foremost, allow me to again say <u>THANK YOU</u> for all the love, support and prayers from so many people – both from Our Lady of Hope as well as St. Gaspar. It truly has been such a blessing to me, to hear and feel the encouragement from so many of you. I remember experiencing the same love and support in April of 2001, when I was confirmed into the Catholic Church.

At that time, Father Joe Szybka had the assignment in Attica. In a very short period, Father Joe officiated our marriage (March 2001), heard my first Confession, confirmed me and gave me my first Holy Communion. Not long after, he baptized two of

our children before he received his new assignment. Father Joe also helped me as my first spiritual director upon having been accepted into the diaconate formation program. So, you can imagine how much it meant to me and how joyful it was that Father Joe not only attended my ordination but was the first to vest me as a Deacon.

We have been blessed with many good and holy priests in our parishes. I would be remiss, if I didn't also take a moment to say thank you to Father Joseph! Father has been so helpful to me as ordination began to draw closer. Father Joseph made himself available to answer questions, train, and give advice when I asked. I would like to especially thank Father for his patience and many prayers! Father...no doubt, I will need much of both in the future!

Many people have asked me, "what does a deacon do?" As Bishop Thomas always says, "let us go to the sources." The Catechism of the Catholic Church says, "Deacons share in Christ's mission and grace in a special way. The Sacrament of Holy Orders marks them with an imprint (character) which cannot be removed and which configures them to Christ, who made himself the "deacon" or servant of all. Among other tasks, it is the task of deacons to assist the bishop and priests in the celebration of the divine mysteries, above all the Eucharist, in the distribution of Holy Communion, in assisting at and blessing marriages, in the proclamation of the Gospel and preaching, in presiding over funerals, and in dedication themselves to the ministries of charity." (CCC 1570) In summary, the order of deacon is an order of service.

Maybe this and other questions I often hear regarding the Catholic faith could be the focal point of what I write in these weekly bulletin articles. If you have questions and or topics you would like an answer to or wish to learn more about, please let me know and we can all go deeper and learn our faith together.

Again, thank you all so much! I ask for your continued prayers and please know that I am praying for all of you!

Blessings, Deacon Brian

Votive Light by Our Lady – September 21-27

St. Gaspar
Newly Baptized Bodie Andrew Bischoff

Our Lady of Hope
Rest in Peace Marvin Bumb

2025 PARISH DIRECTORY Follow the instructions below to schedule your portrait for our 2025 parish directory!

- ♦ Go to the Universal Church Directories website (www.ucdir.com)
- ♦ Click on the box "photography appointment scheduling login"
- ♦ Enter your church code oh2891
- ♦ Enter your church password photos
- ♦ Click on the Enter button
- ♦ Choose your date, then time, then complete all fields.
- ♦ If you have more than six family members being photographed, reserve two appointments consecutively (such as 6:00 and 6:10)
- Contact the parish office to change or cancel your photography appointment



PRAYER HOURS WITH THE SISTERS OF SAINT FRANCIS Sisters of St. Francis Convent Chapel, 200 St. Francis Avenue, Tiffin. Join the Sisters at St. Francis for monthly Prayer Hours with area people of faith. Come to pray and HOPE together for the sake of the many people who are suffering in our country. Contact 419-447-0435 with questions.

September 25, 7:00 p.m. – Being Peacemakers October 23, 7:00 p.m. – Respect for all Creation

EUCHARISTIC HEALING SERVICE Friday, September 26, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Sorrowful Mother Shrine Indoor Chapel. Service will have prayer for both spiritual and physical healing. Led by Fr. Patrick Gonyeau. Please RSVP at 419-483-3435, option 4.



WALK FOR VOCATIONS September 28-October 1, Join Msgr. Tad Oxley, Fr. David Kidd, and Fr. Joseph Mominee for a 65+ mile Walk for Vocations to pray for an increase in Diocesan priestly vocations. The walk will take place over

four days, from Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Bono to Our Lady of Consolation in Carey. All are welcome to walk part of the route or to join in prayer and fasting. Details and daily schedules can be found at toledopriesthood.org. Sunday, September 28: Start 2:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Bono, end 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes, Genoa. Monday, September 29: Start 9:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes, Genoa, end 5:30 p.m. at Saint Joseph, Fremont. Tuesday, September 30: Start 9:00 a.m. at Saint Joseph, Fremont. Tuesday, September 30: Start 9:00 a.m. at Saint Joseph, Fremont, end: 6:00 p.m. at Saint Mary, Tiffin. Wednesday, October 1: Start 8:00 a.m. at Saint Mary, Tiffin, end 5:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Consolation, Carey. If you can walk with us, meet at the departure location for that day, bring water and a packed lunch, wear comfortable walking shoes, and plan for transportation back to your vehicle at the end of the day. If you cannot walk with us, please join us in prayer and fasting for vocations to the Diocesan priesthood throughout these four days.



The next EPIC gathering is next Sunday, September 28, 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the St. Alphonsus campus, with the Monroeville youth. 4:00 p.m. Mass in St. John Neumann Cabin, followed by a meal and pumpkin carving. All high school youth are welcome to attend.

PARENTS' PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS Generous and loving God, You have blessed us with the privilege of becoming parents. We ask that You provide us with all that we need in accepting this awesome responsibility. We pray that we will be open to Your spirit who is our source of strength as we witness to our children Your love for each of them and Your desire for them to be happy and to live a full life. We ask Your help so we may guide and encourage our children to believe that they each have a special calling and to use their gifts and talents for others. We pray, heavenly Father, that our children will discover and respond enthusiastically to Your desire for them, whether it be the vocation of single, married, ordained or consecrated life. We offer this prayer in the name of Jesus through the grace of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



Come enjoy a day of good food, fun and fellowship with family, friends and neighbors!

IN THE SOCIAL HALL Roast Pork Dinner or BBQ Chicken Dinner, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Dinners include German Potato Salad or Mashed Potatoes, Sauerkraut (with pork), Green Beans, Applesauce, Beverage and Homemade Dessert; Silent Auction & Bake Sale, 11:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.; Bakery Bingo, 2:30 p.m.

ON THE PARISH GROUNDS Grilled Bologna, Bratwurst, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Onion Rings, French Fries, Apple Dumplings & Ice Cream, Cookie Monster, Fish Pond, Leap Frog, Plinko, Dartless Balloon Toss, Football Toss, Toilet Paper Toss, Ring Toss, Our Lady of Hope Express, \$500.00 Grand Prize Raffle.

<u>ADVERTISING FLYERS</u> Please help advertise our Octoberfest by posting the flyer that was included in your informational and raffle ticket envelope in public places. Additional flyers and raffle tickets are available in the vestibule.

DONATIONS & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Items still needed: bacon, Country Time Lemonade dry mix, hot dog & hamburger buns, charcoal, sliced swiss cheese, ice cream, 2-liter Mountain Dew & Dr. Pepper, canned iced tea, ice, mini candy bars. Volunteers still needed: Thursday evening – hall setup and food prep; Saturday morning – food prep, kitchen and outdoor setup; Sunday – games & prize booth setup and teardown, kitchen, box desserts, serving line, clearing tables, dishwasher, serving beverages, bake sale, 50/50 tickets outside, silent auction, outdoor food stand, money runner/counter. Sign-up sheets are in the vestibule. All help is greatly appreciated!

BAKED GOODS In addition to the pies and cakes for the dinner, many baked goods are needed for the Bake Sale and Bakery Bingo. Breads, rolls, noodles, brownies, cookies and cupcakes are all welcome!

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS We are depending on our parishioners for all Silent Auction donations. Please consider personal donations or asking businesses you patronize for a donation to our Octoberfest Silent Auction. Items may be brought to the Social Hall marked with the donor's name (or anonymous) and value. Items will be needed by Monday, October 6.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?? Buy or sell your raffle tickets, volunteer your time to help, pray for good weather and invite family and friends to come!



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Monday, September 22WeekdayEzr 1:1-6; Lk 8:16-18Tuesday, September 23Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, PriestEzr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Lk 8:19-21

Tuesday, September 23
4:45 p.m.
5:30 p.m.

Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
Eucharistic Adoration (St. G)
Mass – Ken Lutz (St. G)

Wednesday, September 24 Weekday Ezr 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6

7:15 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration (OLH)

8:00 a.m. Mass – Kenny & Bernard Holmer (OLH)

Thursday, September 25 Weekday Hg 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9

7:15 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration (OLH)

8:00 a.m. Mass – Jack Schueler, Elizabeth Carry (OLH)

Friday, September 26 Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs Hg 2:1-9; Lk 9:18-22

7:15 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration (St. G) 8:00 a.m. Mass – Mary & Joe Phillips (St. G)

Saturday, September 27 Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Lk 9:43b-45

*Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*Am 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

4:00 p.m. Mass – Fr. Bill Miller, C.PP.S., Agnes Seasly (OLH)

Sunday, September 28 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Am 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

8:00 a.m. Mass – Chuck Morfier (St. G)

10:00 a.m. Mass – Richard & Arlene Walliser (OLH)

Children's Liturgy for children through 2nd grade during the 10:00 a.m. Mass

PSR NEWS

St. Gaspar: Wednesday, September 24, 6:15 p.m. – Class **Our Lady of Hope:** Wednesday, September 24, 6:15 p.m. – Class

Online Giving is available at St. Gaspar Parish and Our Lady of Hope Parish. Here are the simple steps to follow:

- 1. Go to either <u>stgaspar.com</u> or <u>ourladyofhopeattica.com</u>
- 2. Scroll down and select your parish's yellow button Donate St. Gaspar or Donate Our Lady of Hope
- 3. Follow the steps shown there to make your one-time or recurring donation.

<u>DRIVE-THROUGH FOOD DISTRIBUTION</u> Thursday, September 25, 1:00 p.m. until food distributed, First Lutheran Church parking lot, 300 Melmore Street, Tiffin. For Seneca County residents who meet federal poverty guidelines. Must have valid photo ID and proof of residency.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH & SCHOOL FESTIVAL Sunday, September 28, 2025, 25 W. Perry Street, Willard, OH 44890. Dinners served 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (or until gone). Drive-thru 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. BBQ Chicken & Ham Dinners with homemade dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, dinner roll & dessert. Sandwich Stand – burgers, hot dogs, French fries and more. Authentic Mexican Cuisine. LIVE Music & Entertainment, Kids Games & Prizes, Reverse Raffle, Super 50/50 Drawing, Basket Raffle, Silent Auction, Instant Tickets and More!

PERCH & SHRIMP DINNER Friday, October 3, 4:00-6:30 p.m. at the Attica K of C Hall, 111 Heyman Drive. Dinners include French Fries, Coleslaw and Dinner Roll. Perch Dinners are \$16.00 and include ½ lb Perch. Perch by the pound is \$19.00. Butterfly Shrimp Dinners are \$12.00 and include 9 pieces of Shrimp. Shrimp only is \$8.00. Dine-In and Drive-Thru available.

HARVEST FESTIVAL AT MOTHER OF SORROWS CHAPEL, NORTH AUBURN: Sunday, October 5, 7212 N. Auburn Road, Tiro, OH 44887 (three miles east of New Washington). Pork and chicken dinners with sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce and dessert served from 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Drive-thru, carryout and dine-in available. Inside the hall: baked goods, fall decor, arts & crafts. Reverse Raffle with \$1,000.00 grand prize and a Super 50/50 drawing.



Welcome to any guests or family members who may be visiting our parish family this weekend! May your visit be blessed!



Ministry Schedule

Sunday, September 28, 8:00 a.m.

Greeters: Holly, Jon and Mason Weichel **Minister of the Word:** Chris Dick **Extraordinary Ministers:** Dawn Reichert,

Mattie Miller, Steve Miller

Servers: Jackson Schoen.

Olivia Schoen, Lynnae Stacklin **Ushers:** Holly, Jon and Mason Weichel, Ron Alt

St. Gaspar Parish Support September 14, 2025

OFFERTORY \$ 4.946.00 \$ WEEKLY BUDGET 2,500.00 \$ 2,446.00 OVER (UNDER) \$ YEAR-TO-DATE OVER (UNDER) 5,261.00 \$ MAINTENANCE 870.00 \$ CHILDREN 8.00 ONLINE GIVING - ALL FUNDS 150.00

FISH & LOAVES FOOD PANTRY is requesting donations of tuna for the month of September. Always needed are personal items.

PASS IT ON CLOTHING CLOSET will accept fall/winter clothing September 1-April 1 and spring/summer clothing April 1-September 1.

Their wish list for the month of September is coats for Grades PS-12.

The box for both organizations will be located in St. Gaspar Hall late March until the end of November. December until March, it will be located in St. Gaspar Church Entrance.



JUBILEE PRAYER Father in heaven, may the faith you have gifted us in your son Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity kindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us, the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace

transform us into diligent cultivators of the evangelical seed that make humanity and the cosmos rise unto the confident expectation of the new heavens and the new earth, when with the powers of Evil overcome, your glory shall be manifested eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, the yearning for heavenly treasures and pour over all the earth the joy and peace of our Redeemer. To you God blessed in eternity, be praise and glory for ever and ever. Amen.



Ministry Schedule

Monday, September 22, 9:00 a.m.

Evelyn Langjahr, Judi Ludban

Saturday, September 27, 4:00 p.m.

Hospitality: Roxie Bates
Minister of the Word: Ruth Pifher
Extraordinary Ministers: Tom Miller,
Ruth & Patrick Pifher

Servers: Blaise, Lukas and Oliver Mackowiak

Sunday, September 28, 10:00 a.m.

Minister of the Word: Drew Mennel

Extraordinary Ministers: Valerie Rhodes,
Drew Mennel, Linda and Rob Molyett

Servers: Jordyn and Julia Enders, Anderson Mennel **Children's Liturgy:** Doris Lambert, Alsatia Mennel

Our Lady of Hope Parish Support September 14, 2025

OFFERTORY	\$ 2,914.00
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$ 2,500.00
OVER (UNDER)	\$ 414.00
YEAR-TO-DATE OVER (UNDER)	\$ 3,622.00
MAINTENANCE	\$ 820.00
CHILDREN	\$ 156.00
ONLINE GIVING – ALL FUNDS	\$ 418.00

Many Thanks for your recent donation of pasta and crackers to our food pantry. You are so good to us all year long. We really appreciate your support. God bless.

Sincerely, Carol A. Guire, Fish & Loaves Food Pantry



BANNS OF MATRIMONY Be it known to all here present that Johnathan Diehm, son of Marvin and Tami (Nagel) Diehm, of the parish of Our Lady of

Hope, and Megan Rhodes, daughter of Brian and Valerie (Miller) Rhodes, of the parish of Our Lady of Hope, intend to be united in Holy Matrimony. Wherefore, we hereby admonish each and all that, if anyone of you has knowledge of an impediment existing which would prevent their marrying, you are bound to make it known to the pastor or the bishop as soon as possible. This is the second publication of the banns.

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August 6 - Draft Pony Pulls August 7 - Pig Scramble August 8 - Bulls & Barrels

August 9 - OSTPA Truck & Tractor Pulls



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