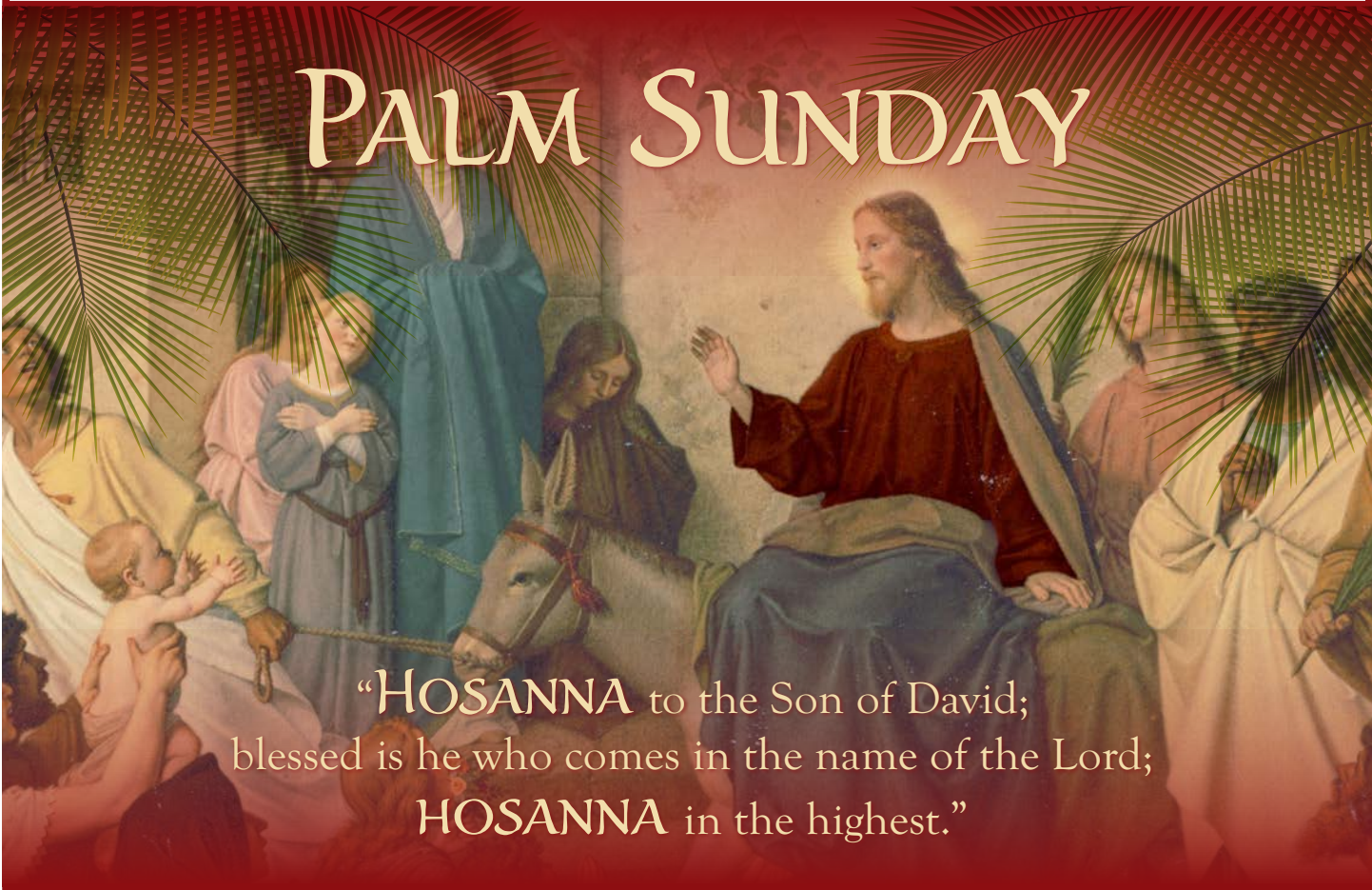


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Saturday 4:00 p.m. At Our Lady of Hope
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At St. Gaspar
(November thru April)

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
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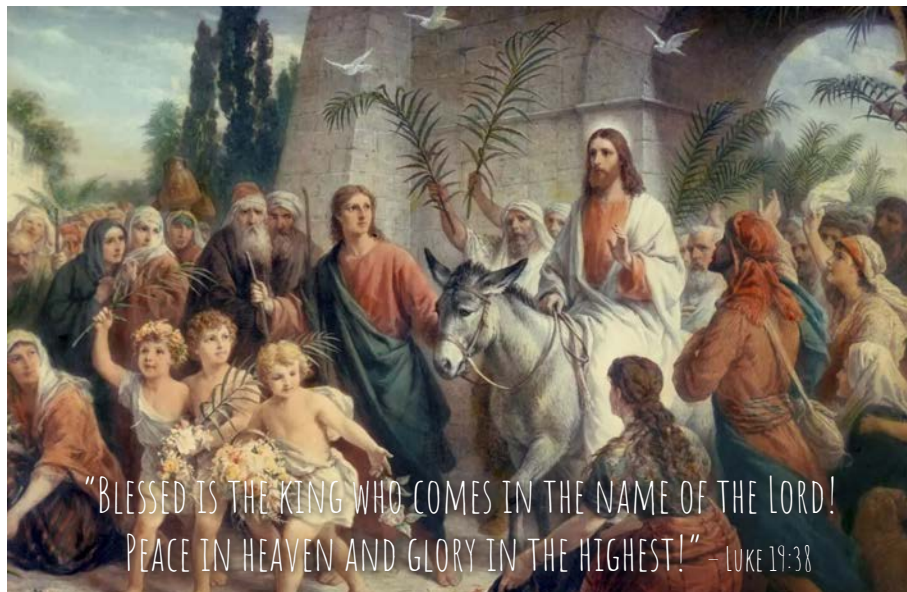
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Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR



As we gather for Palm Sunday, we stand at the threshold of the most sacred time in the Church's year: Holy Week. Today's liturgy begins with joy and acclaim – "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" – as we remember Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Yet, within moments, the tone shifts dramatically as we listen to the Passion. The same crowd that welcomed Him with palms would soon cry out, "Crucify Him." Palm Sunday holds together both glory and suffering, reminding us of the fragile and often inconsistent nature of the human heart.

Holy Week invites us not merely to recall these events, but to enter into them. We are not spectators of Christ's Passion; we are participants. Each of us can find ourselves in the story – at times praising Jesus with enthusiasm, and at other times failing Him through sin, indifference, or fear. Yet the beauty of this week lies in the unwavering love of Christ, who embraces the Cross for our sake.

As your pastor, I encourage you to make this week truly holy. Set aside time for prayer, attend the liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil if possible. Spend a few moments each day in silence with the Lord, reflecting on His sacrifice and love. Consider going to Confession, allowing God's mercy to renew your heart.

Holiness does not come from grand gestures alone, but from small, sincere acts of love – patience with family, kindness to a neighbor, forgiveness toward someone who has hurt us. Let this week be a time to walk more closely with Christ, to carry our crosses with faith, and to trust in God's plan even in moments of darkness.

Palm Sunday reminds us that the path to resurrection passes through the Cross. As we journey through this sacred week, may we open our hearts more fully to Christ, so that when Easter dawns, we may rise with Him – renewed, strengthened, and filled with hope.

In Christ,
Fr. Joseph

P.S. This Wednesday, April 1, PSR will be at Our Lady of Hope Social Hall for both parishes. All students are expected to attend, as this is one of our regularly scheduled PSR classes, where we get to experience the tradition of the Seder Meal together as a Parish Family.

Votive Light by Our Lady – March 29-April 4, 2026

St. Gaspar
For our OCIA Candidate, Corvin Mull.

Our Lady of Hope
For our OCIA Candidate, Owen Best.

PALM SUNDAY PARISH SOCIALS

SUNDAY, MARCH 29



AFTER 8 A.M. MASS

Donuts, Juice, Coffee
crafts, palm braiding



AFTER 10 A.M. MASS

Sunday Social luncheon
fun activities



EASTER EGG HUNT AT BOTH PARISHES!



PILGRIMAGE TO ST. FRANCIS CONVENT

Would you like a tour of the St. Francis Motherhouse grounds and chapel in Tiffin? It is one of three pilgrimage sites that Bishop Thomas has named in honor of the Year of St. Francis (2026) proclaimed by Pope Leo XIV. You are welcome to visit on your own. However, if you or your group would like to schedule a guided tour, Sister Maggie Slowick will be happy to help. She can be reached at 567-230-6411 or hermana-maggie@hotmail.com. The grounds are at their best from April through October. Those who visit may receive a plenary indulgence.



CEMETERY SPRING CLEAN-UP REMINDER

It is time to clear all Christmas and Winter decorations. Please help keep our cemeteries looking nice by removing old decorations from your loved one's gravesite by March 30. Please remember all decorations must be placed on the monument or footer, not on (or in) the ground, due to maintenance. Thank you!

BBQ TO SUPPORT HALL FAMILY

Sunday, March 29, 11:00 a.m., drive-thru only, in front of Bloomville Community Center. The meal will feature one chicken leg quarter, one pork chop, two sides, a dinner roll, and a cookie. Cancer took Ron Hall in January. Please come support his wife, Alease, and children, Lilly (7), and Lincoln (4) with remaining expenses. Prepared by Brad Williams and Friends of Ron Hall.

PERCH & SHRIMP DINNER

LAST CHANCE FOR THE SEASON! Friday, April 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. The next dinner will be in September!

SUNDAY BREAKFAST

April 12, 8:00-11:00 a.m. at Bismark Senior/Community Center, 5582 Bismark Road, Bellevue. Menu: ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, home fries, sausage gravy & biscuits, pancakes, waffles, etc. We will be accepting food donations for the local food bank. There will also be a 50/50 drawing. This will be the last breakfast until October so come and enjoy!!

SPRING BBQ

Sunday, April 19, 11:00 a.m. at the Republic Ballpark. Drive-thru only. Dinner includes Brad's BBQ Ribs, Baked Beans, Pasta Salad, Roll and Dessert for \$15. Hosted by the Scipio Republic Historical Society.

The Beatitudes

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Mt. 5:10-12 - Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

Rejoice and be glad for your reward is great in heaven, for so men persecuted the prophets who were before you.

O, the bliss of those who accept ridicule, showing loyalty to Christ, walking with the prophets and saints before them, as holy examples to other Christians - preparing the path for those who follow.

You will be rewarded greatly.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

<u>Monday, March 30</u>	<i>Monday of Holy Week</i>	Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11
<u>Tuesday, March 31</u>	<i>Tuesday of Holy Week</i>	Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
5:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross (St. G)	
5:30 p.m.	Mass – Reverend Jerome A. Schetter (St. G)	
<u>Wednesday, April 1</u>	<i>Wednesday of Holy Week</i>	Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25
7:15 a.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (OLH)	
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Russell & Betsy Magers (OLH)	
2:00 p.m.	Mass – Agnes Depinet (Tiffin Willows)	
<u>Thursday, April 2</u>	<i>Maundy Thursday</i>	Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
7:00 p.m.	Mass – Living & Deceased Members of Our Lady of Hope & St. Gaspar Parishes (OLH)	
8:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (OLH)	
<u>Friday, April 3</u>	<i>Friday of the Passion of the Lord</i>	Is 52:13–53:12; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1–19:42
12:00 p.m.	Good Friday Service (OLH)	
5:00 p.m.	Good Friday Service (St. G)	
7:00 p.m.	Attica Community Ecumenical Service (OLH)	
<u>Saturday, April 4</u>	<i>Holy Saturday</i>	Gn 1:1–2:2; Ex 14:15–15:1; Is 55:1-11; Rom 6:3-11; Mt 28:1-10
8:30 p.m.	Mass – Living & Deceased Members of Our Lady of Hope & St. Gaspar Parishes (OLH)	
<u>Sunday, April 5</u>	<i>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord</i>	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Living & Deceased Members of St. Gaspar & Our Lady of Hope Parishes (St. G)	
10:00 a.m.	Mass – Sylvester Wise, Marvin Bumb, L/D Our Lady of Hope & St. Gaspar Parishes (OLH) <i>Children’s Liturgy for children through 2nd grade during the 10:00 a.m. Mass</i>	

PSR NEWS

Both Parishes: Wednesday, April 1, 6:30 p.m. Seder Meal at Our Lady of Hope Social Hall

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 stgaspar.com or ourladyofhopeattica.com
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.

2026 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL (ACA)

ST. GASPAR DEL BUFALO

2026 Goal	\$10,190.61
26 Gifts Given:	\$9,350.64
	91.76% of Goal

OUR LADY OF HOPE

2026 Goal	\$9,642.81
26 Gifts Given / Pledged:	\$6,364.63
	66.00% of Goal

Here is our first ACA update for 2026! If you haven’t already done so, there is still time to donate to this fund that supports many worthwhile diocesan ministries which include supporting the education of our seminarians, caring for the sick and needy, and providing faith formation for our youth. All donations, large or small, are greatly appreciated. Many thanks to the 52 households who have already donated or pledged to the ACA. For more information, visit acatoledo.org.



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



Ministry Schedule

Friday, April 3, 5:00 p.m.

Ministers of the Word: 1st Reading/Speaker: Chris Dick;
2nd Reading/Speaker: Steve Dendinger;
Narrator/Universal Prayer: Dcn. Brian Rhodes

Ministers of Holy Communion: Fr. Joseph, Dcn. Brian
Servers: Caroline Reed, Oliver Reed,
Logan Reed, Jayden Johnson

Sunday, April 5, 8:00 a.m.

Greeters: Patti Page, Landry Schreiner
Minister of the Word: Morgan Beat

Extraordinary Ministers: Kim Schreiner,
Kate Hosang, Gerald C. Miller

Servers: Caroline Reed, Oliver Reed, Logan Reed
Ushers: Patti Page, Scott Schreiner, Joe Daniel, Ron Alt



Ministry Schedule

Monday, March 30, 9:00 a.m.

Anne Fry, Judi Ludban

Thursday, April 2, 7:00 p.m.

Hospitality: Drew & Mindy Mennel Family

Minister of the Word: Megan Rhodes

Extraordinary Ministers: Rob & Linda Molyett,
Jon & Ashley Mackowiak

Servers: Lukas, Oliver & Blaise Mackowiak, Lily Stacklin

Friday, April 3, 12:00 p.m.

Minister of the Word: Rob Molyett

Ministers of Holy Communion: Fr. Joseph, Dcn. Brian

Servers: Lukas, Oliver & Blaise Mackowiak

Saturday, April 4, 8:30 p.m.

Hospitality: Drew & Mindy Mennel Family

Ministers of the Word: 1st Reading – Janie Miller

3rd Reading – Mia Holmes

5th Reading – Sr. Maggie Slowick

Epistle – Linda Molyett

Gospel – Dcn. Brian Rhodes

Extraordinary Ministers: Janie Miller, Steve Miller,
Linda & Rob Molyett

Servers: Lukas, Oliver & Blaise Mackowiak,
Tyler Rhodes, Anderson Mennel

Sunday, April 5, 10:00 a.m.

Hospitality: Craig & Kris Hahler

Minister of the Word: Deb Briggs

Extraordinary Ministers: Kay Fox, Craig Hahler,
Michelle Hoepf, Clint Lease

Servers: Alex Shenefield, Mark Fry, Thad Martin

Children's Liturgy: Allie Smith, Kayleigh Walliser

St. Gaspar Parish Support

March 22, 2026

OFFERTORY	\$	2,605.25
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$	2,500.00
OVER (UNDER)	\$	105.25
YEAR-TO-DATE OVER (UNDER)	\$	24,898.25
MAINTENANCE	\$	370.00
CHILDREN	\$	20.00
ONLINE GIVING – ALL FUNDS	\$	355.00

FISH & LOAVES FOOD PANTRY is requesting donations of Bar Soap for the month of April. 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 April is Children's underwear (briefs or boxers).

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.

ST. GASPAR ROSARY ALTAR MEETING

Monday, April 13, 7:00 p.m. in the parish office. All ladies are welcome!



May the gentle and merciful heart of Jesus grant eternal rest to Richard Bores. May his family and friends find comfort and peace with God's healing grace.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP typically meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Our Lady of Hope rectory basement. Due to Holy Week, we are moving the April meetings to April 9 & 23 (the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of April). All men of the area are invited to participate as you are able.

Our Lady of Hope Parish Support

March 22, 2026

OFFERTORY	\$	2,535.00
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$	2,500.00
OVER (UNDER)	\$	35.00
YEAR-TO-DATE OVER (UNDER)	\$	10,465.00
MAINTENANCE	\$	30.00
CHILDREN	\$	107.00
ONLINE GIVING – ALL FUNDS	\$	418.00

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