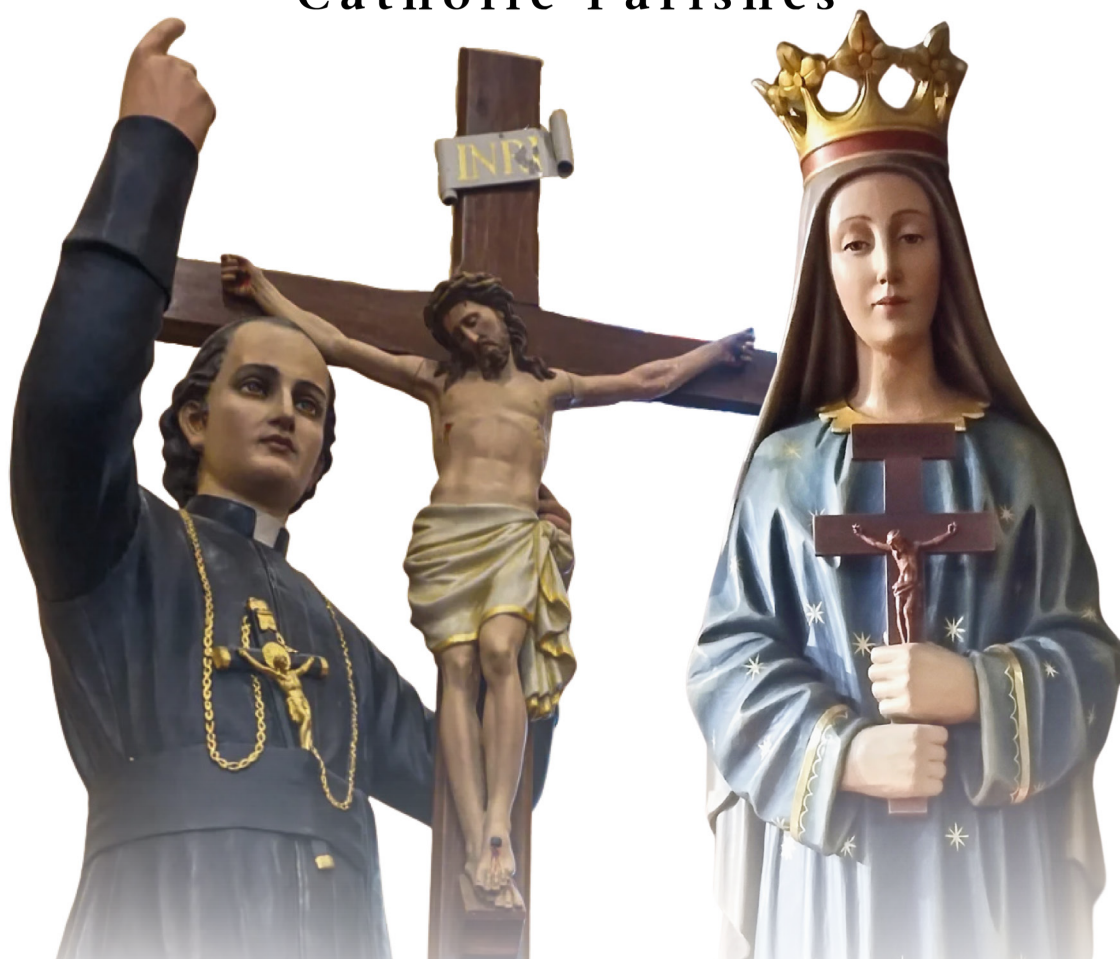


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Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the wheat and the weeds. A farmer sows good seed in his field, but during the night an enemy comes and sows weeds among the wheat. When the servants notice this, they immediately want to pull up the weeds. But the master says, "Let them grow together until harvest." This parable teaches us something very encouraging about God: God is patient because God never gives up on us.

There is a story about a little boy who planted a seed in a small pot. Every morning he ran to see whether it had grown. After a few days, seeing nothing, he became impatient and dug up the seed to check if it was growing. His grandfather smiled and said, "If you keep digging it up every day, it will never have a chance to grow. Some things need time, patience, and trust."

We are often like that little boy. We want immediate results. We want people to change quickly. We want our prayers answered now. We become discouraged when we continue to struggle with the same weaknesses or when someone we love does not change. Sometimes we even wonder, "Where is God? Why is He allowing this?"

*Today, Jesus reminds us that
GOD IS STILL AT WORK,
even when we cannot see it.*

The field in the Gospel is not perfect. Wheat and weeds grow together. The same is true of our world, our families, our communities, and even our own hearts. There is goodness in us, but there are also weaknesses and struggles. Yet God does not give up on the field. He continues to nurture the wheat.

This Gospel also warns us not to be too quick to judge others. We may see only the "weeds" in someone's life, while God sees the possibility of transformation. The person we are ready to condemn may still become a saint. God's patience gives people time to repent, to grow, and to begin again.

So, if you are discouraged today, remember: your story is not finished. If you are praying for someone who seems far from God, do not lose hope. If you are struggling to become a better person, keep trying. A tiny mustard seed can become a great plant, and a little yeast can transform the whole dough. Be patient. Keep praying. Keep doing good. God is still at work, and in His time, the harvest will come.

Yours in Christ

Fr. Joseph

PS: Please do join us next weekend at St. Gaspar Church for our parish Summer Festival. Come with your family and friends to enjoy good food, fun and fellowship.

**Votive Light by Our Lady – July 19-25, 2026****St. Gaspar**

Newly Baptized Celeste Bridget Hawkinson.

Our Lady of Hope

Rest in Peace Barbara Sue Leis.

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The St. Gaspar Festival Committee would like your help in preparing for the Summer Festival on July 26, 2026.

Chicken & Broth These two items are needed in the hall no later than Saturday, July 25th. The Hall will be unlocked on Friday and Saturday. Please place in the refrigerator. Thank you!

Festival Tickets Please consider purchasing or selling your raffle tickets. Thank you!

Hall Setup Tuesday, July 21 at 6:00 p.m. will be Hall setup, food preparation and lining the coolers with foil. Many hands make light work – please come and help make the jobs go quickly. Thank you!

Social Hall Final Preparations Friday, July 24 at 8:30 a.m. all final preparations for the Festival will be completed. All help will be greatly appreciated! Thank you!

Outdoor Festival Setup On Saturday, July 25 at 8:30 a.m., we will be setting up tables and chairs and other items. All help would be greatly appreciated! Thank you!

Cleanup We will clean up immediately following the Festival. Please make this job go quickly with many helping hands. Thank you!

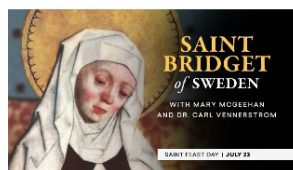
PSR and EPIC Help Needed! Contact the Parish Office if you'd like to volunteer as a catechist or helper at either parish for the 2026-2027 school year. We need a Grade 7 Catechist at Our Lady of Hope. We're still looking for a couple of individuals to lead our EPIC youth group, so that we can continue guiding our Youth through High School. Don't feel qualified? That's OK! God doesn't always call the qualified, but He qualifies the called. Being a catechist or helper is beyond rewarding – you will learn just as much, if not more than what you teach. Our children and youth are our future. We need your help!

Bloomville Community Blood Drive Wednesday, August 12 at the Bloomville Community Center. Sponsored by the Bloomville Lions Club.

This Week on FORMED – July 19, 2026



St. James the Greater | Catholic Saints On this episode of Catholic Saints, join Dr. Ben Akers and Mary McGeehan as they discuss the life of one of Jesus' inner circle disciples, St. James the Greater.



St. Bridget of Sweden | Catholic Saints Join Dr. Carl Vennerstrom and Mary McGeehan as they dive into the life of this medieval saint: St. Bridget of Sweden. A wife, mother, and visionary, St. Bridget was an evangelist both inside and outside the home. St. Bridget's visions of Christ's Nativity have greatly influenced its depiction in Christian art. Watch to find out more!



Saint Mary Magdalene | Catholic Saints Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp for a discussion on the life and witness of St. Mary Magdalene. Who was she, and why is she a saint? Find out in this conversation.

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- Click on "I belong to a Parish or Organization"
- In the search box, type "Our Lady of Hope" and then click on it (make sure it is Attica)
- Enter your name and email address

Toledo CYO Athletics 5th Annual Golf Outing Monday, July 20, Toledo Country Club. \$125.00 – Per Player; \$500.00 – Per Foursome. 100% of proceeds go to support CYO. For more info, to register, or sponsorship opportunities, visit <https://toledodiocese.org/cyo-golf-outing-2> or contact Kelly Collins, 419-214-4932, ext. 4932.

Rising from the Ashes Revival is a Catholic Eucharistic revival at Huntington Place in Detroit on July 22, 2026. This full-day event will bring together thousands for worship, inspiring speakers, music, Eucharistic Adoration, and a public witness of faith. A package is being offered locally – total event plus round-trip charter bus from Gibsonburg – \$140.00. (*Don't let \$\$ keep you from going – confidential help is available*) ALL are WELCOME – either on your own or with this group! See risingrevival.org for complete event details and group rates. For more information or to get your ticket and seat on the bus, call or text Joanne K. at 419-355-9169.

Diocese of Toledo Family & Youth Day with the Toledo Mud Hens Friday, August 7, Gates open 6:00 p.m., First Pitch 7:05 p.m. Enjoy an exciting evening of baseball as the Toledo Mud Hens take on the Omaha Storm Chasers. This family-friendly event offers a great opportunity to come together for fellowship, fun, and community spirit. Discounted tickets are available for **\$11.64 per person (including fees)**. Purchase your tickets here: gofevo.com/event/Catholicdiocese43. For those needing accessible seating, please select seats in **Section 118, Row T** or **Section 116, Row T**.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

<u>Monday, July 20</u>	<i>Saint Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr</i>	Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Mt 12:38-42
<u>Tuesday, July 21</u>	<i>Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i>	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Mt 12:46-50
4:45 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (St. G)	
5:30 p.m.	Mass – Marvin Stockmaster (St. G)	
<u>Wednesday, July 22</u>	<i>Saint Mary Magdalene</i>	2 Cor 5:14-17; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
7:15 a.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (OLH)	
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Mary Hoyles (OLH)	
<u>Thursday, July 23</u>	<i>Saint Bridget, Religious</i>	Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Mt 13:10-17
7:15 a.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (OLH)	
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Living & Deceased Members of the Gabel & Schueler Families (OLH)	
<u>Friday, July 24</u>	<i>Saint Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest</i>	Jer 3:14-17; Mt 13:18-23
7:15 a.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (St. G)	
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Don Scherley, Rita Willman, Jennifer (Willman) Siesel (St. G)	
<u>Saturday, July 25</u>	<i>Saint James, Apostle</i>	2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28
	<i>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52
4:00 p.m.	Mass – Anthony Schock, Bob Langjahr (OLH)	
<u>Sunday, July 26</u>	<i>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Bill Kolker, Harold T. Miller (St. G)	
10:00 a.m.	Mass – Living & Deceased Members of the Nagel & Daniel Families, Todd Bruner (OLH)	

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.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL (ACA)

St. Gaspar del Bufalo:

2026 Goal \$10,190.61
 38 Gifts Given: \$12,072.09
 118.46% of Goal

Our Lady of Hope:

2026 Goal \$9,642.81
 40 Gifts Given / Pledged: \$9,140.46
 94.79% of Goal



Since last published in our bulletin on June 14, St. Gaspar has gained one additional contribution toward the Annual Catholic Appeal. Congratulations to St. Gaspar Parish for going over goal! Our Lady of Hope remains with no change since last published, and is SO close, with just \$502.35 needed to reach the goal.

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 78 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

Sunday, July 26, 8:00 a.m.

Greeters: Charles Miller, Cory Mull

Minister of the Word: Heidi Alt

Extraordinary Ministers: Rick Phillips,
Mattie & Steve Miller

Servers: Owen Wise, Karlee & Thomas Smith

Ushers: Charles Miller, Cory Mull,
Patti Page, Rick Phillips

St. Gaspar Parish Support July 12, 2026

OFFERTORY	\$	1,352.00
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$	2,750.00
OVER (UNDER)	\$	(1,398.00)
YEAR-TO-DATE OVER (UNDER)	\$	(1,235.00)
MAINTENANCE	\$	835.00
CHILDREN	\$	11.00
ONLINE GIVING – ALL FUNDS	\$	150.00

Banns of Matrimony Be it known to all here present that Clayton Jacob Johnson, son of Joshua & Jennifer (Claus) Johnson, of the parish of St. Gaspar del Bufalo, and Anna Caroline Reed, daughter of Paul and Mary (Schisler) Reed, of the parish of St. Gaspar del Bufalo, 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 third publication of the banns.

Fish & Loaves Food Pantry is requesting donations of Crackers for the month of July. Always needed are personal items.

Pass It On Clothing Closet accepts fall/winter clothing September 1-April 1 and spring/summer clothing April 1-September 1. Their wish list for the month of July is **Mens' Undershirts**.

The box for both organizations is located in the St. Gaspar Church entrance year-round.

Seven Saints K of C Youth Drawing Winners – July, 2026

Gary Bumb, Scott Wise, Jessica Bare, Dave Holmer, John Scherley.

St. Peter's School in Upper Sandusky We are looking for 4th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade teachers. Will teach all subjects. If interested or to apply, please email the principal at hcaton@stpeterupper.com.

Drive-Through Food Distribution Thursday, July 23, 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. Valid photo ID and proof of residency requested.



Ministry Schedule

Monday, July 20, 9:00 a.m.

Judi Ludban, Evelyn Langjahr

Saturday, July 25, 4:00 p.m.

Greeters: Ann Beaston

Minister of the Word: Dutch Shenefield

Extraordinary Minister: Ruth Pifher

Servers: If servers are present, please come forward

Sunday, July 26, 10:00 a.m.

Hospitality: Craig & Kris Hahler

Minister of the Word: Megan Rhodes

Extraordinary Ministers: Craig Hahler, Michelle Hoepf,
Mia Holmes, Clint Lease, Janeen Melroy

Servers: Anderson Mennel, Brynlee & Colton McConnell

Our Lady of Hope Parish Support July 12, 2026

OFFERTORY	\$	2,562.00
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$	2,750.00
OVER (UNDER)	\$	(188.00)
YEAR-TO-DATE OVER (UNDER)	\$	(882.00)
MAINTENANCE	\$	55.00
CHILDREN	\$	5.00
ONLINE GIVING – ALL FUNDS	\$	554.00

Camp Miakonda – Quo Vadis Retreats High School guys (entering grades 9-12) – July 31-August 2, cost \$40.00. Junior High guys (entering grades 7-8) – August 2-3, cost \$25.00. Ready for a challenge? These retreats are designed for guys seeking to explore their faith and future. Retreats are led by our Diocese of Toledo seminarians and priests. Questions? Contact Fr. David Kidd at dkidd@toledodiocese.org or 419-214-4945. To register, visit toledopriesthood.org and click "Events."



May the gentle and merciful heart of Jesus grant eternal rest to Lucille Philomena Schock. May her family and friends find comfort and peace with God's healing grace.



Dear Parishioners of Our Lady of Hope, Thank you for continuing to "sow bountifully" into the Attica Community Food Pantry. Not only did we recently receive \$267.50 from your June collection envelopes, but we have been receiving donations all year long from your collection basket marked "food pantry." In total, you have gifted \$494.50 that helps us to meet the food and personal needs of approximately 100 people each month. That is amazing, and we are most grateful for your ongoing support!

Sincerely,
Kris Caudill

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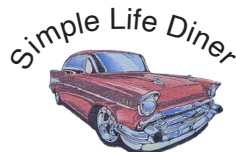
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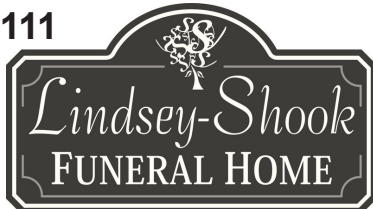
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Thursday, August 13a - Pig Scramble

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