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Saturday:	4:00 p.m.	At Our Lady of Hope (May thru October) At St. Gaspar (November thru April)
Sunday:	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	At St. Gaspar At Our Lady of Hope

DAILY MASSES:

Tuesday:	8:00 a.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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21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Many of Jesus' disciples who were listening said, 'This saying is hard; who can accept it?' As a result of this, many of His disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied Him.

John 6:60, 66

Back to School

Well, just as I finish up summer-school, all of our other kiddos are going back to school. It is great to have the opportunity to bless their backpacks this weekend and to pray for them as they take on this work. I think it is important and good that we do this because there is a spiritual dimension to studying. We don't "do school" for school's sake; rather, school should help all of us become the person our Lord intends us to be. If we're not doing that, thus making us into something different than what God wants, what is the point? School not only teaches us facts, ideas, and concepts; school also forms us. It affects how we see the world, how we engage with others, our values, and our character. There is a lot going on here, and so it is crucial that we enter school in a spirit of prayer, carefully keeping the "ears of our heart" open to our Lord's subtle voice. Teachers, administrators and staff, please be assured of our prayers for you, as well and always seek your ultimate strength from our Lord.

For the rest of us, even though we may not be going back to a physical school building, it's not a bad idea to think of ourselves as returning to "school," as well. In other words, at this point in my life, what are the lessons our Lord wants to teach me? At this point in my life (and don't say you are too old to learn ... impossible), how does our Lord want to form me? How can I be a better "student?" What opportunities can I take better advantage of this year? One possibility (details on the next page) are adult educational programs lead by Linda Molyett at Our Lady of Hope and Janie Miller at St. Gaspar. Ultimately, when May comes around, can I look back on this year and concretely describe how I grew with our Lord, or will this be a wasted "school year?"

One final note: while my summer-school did end, I still have a few courses I take during this time online. Due to the timing of one of the classes, I need to move the Mass on Tuesdays at St. Gaspar from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. I'm sorry for the inconvenience, I thank you for your understanding and hopefully this time may work better for some of you.

See you all soon!

Fr. Nathan

Votive Light by Our Lady

August 22-28, 2021

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For more information, please contact Fr. Nathan, Linda Molyett or Janie Miller.

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5. Finally, enter your name and email address

FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK

August 22



Augustine: A Voice for All Generations with Mike Aquilina – During this very special week for the Augustine Institute, we celebrate both our patron, St. Augustine, and his mother, St. Monica! As a pre-eminent Doctor of the Church, Augustine has been said to be "the holiest of the wise and the wisest of the holy." To celebrate this great Church Father, please enjoy Augustine: A Voice for all Generations!



Formed Now: The Feast of Saint Monica – Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss more about this great Saint.

FAITH & CULTURE



The Confessions of Saint Augustine

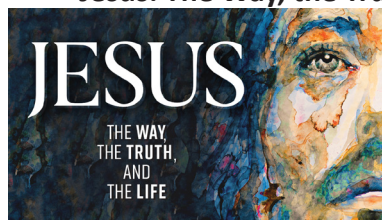
The Faith and Culture Podcast: The Confessions of St. Augustine – In this episode of the Faith and Culture podcast, Joseph Pearce and Dr. John Sehorn discuss the most towering Church Father of the West, St. Augustine. Together, Pearce and Sehorn describe the purpose of Augustine's Confessions, the relatability of this Saint, and his impact on the world in his own time and culture. Finally, they discuss what we can learn from Augustine today.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.
Be our protection against the wickedness and
snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou,
O prince of the heavenly hosts,
by the power of God,
cast into hell Satan,
and all the evil spirits,
who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

Additional prayers: [page 1049 Journeysongs](#)

Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life – OLH



Jesus is our Savior, our Redeemer, our Lord, and our God. Our belief in Jesus is what makes us who we are as Catholics, as Christians, but do we really know Him as we should? Is Jesus a part of your

life, or is He at the center of your life as He should be? We invite you to make Him the center of your life by joining us for *Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life*, a 10-week video study program that explores the entirety of Jesus' life and what He means for us as Catholics today. Our Lady of Hope will begin the *Jesus* study on September 14, a morning session at 10:00 a.m. or evening session at 7:00 p.m. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation by Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins, and Edward Sri, followed by a lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information or to register, contact Linda Molyett at 419-455-5328. We hope you can join us!

Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist – St. Gaspar



Do you ever feel like God is far away? The whole story of salvation is the story of God being present to His people in Eden, in the wilderness, in the Temple, and finally in the Person of Jesus Christ. But the

story doesn't stop there. He is still here with us in disguise. Under the appearance of bread and wine, Jesus Christ is truly present in His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. In the Eucharist, the God of the universe invites us into a deeper experience of His perfect love – and He is waiting for you. *Presence* explores the radical mystery of God's love expressed in the Eucharist and shows how in this Sacrament, God is really present to help and strengthen us at every step of life's journey. By diving into the story of God's love for His people in Scripture and the Church's teaching on this Sacrament, *Presence* invites each one of us into a deeper, more intimate union with God. He is ready and waiting for us – all we need to do is receive His gift. St. Gaspar will begin the *Presence* series on September 21 at 7:00 p.m. For more information or to register, please contact Janie Miller at 419-618-1557. We hope you can join us in this beautiful series and unfold His Presence to us in the mystery of the Eucharist.

CAN YOU EMBRACE THE TRUTH?

In today's Gospel, we hear that many of Jesus' disciples "returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied Him." They left Him because they could not accept what He had just told them. What was this message? Jesus had just shared, "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you do not have life within you" (John 6:53). Jesus, the Son of God, was abandoned because of this teaching despite all the miracles He had worked and the good He had done. Not surprisingly, He asked the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" (John 6:68) When you are abandoned by those who treated you as a friend, it is hard to trust that other friends will not abandon you as well. The sad fact is that, to this day, some of Jesus's followers leave Him because they do not believe He is truly present in the Eucharist.

Do you respond to Jesus in the Eucharist as Peter did, "We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God."?

Weekly Calendar

<u>Monday, August 23</u>	<i>St. Rose of Lima, Virgin</i>	1 Thes. 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt. 23:13-22
<u>Tuesday, August 24</u>	<i>St. Bartholomew, Apostle</i>	Rv. 21:9b-14; Jn. 1:45-51
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Sandy Stockmaster (St. G)	
<u>Wednesday, August 25</u>	<i>St. Louis, St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest</i>	1 Thes. 2:9-13; Mt. 23:27-32
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Elaine Young (OLH)	
<u>Thursday, August 26</u>	<i>St. Teresa of Jesus Jornet Ibars</i>	1 Thes. 3:7-13; Mt. 24:42-51
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Hobart Armitage	
<u>Friday, August 27</u>	<i>St. Monica</i>	1 Thes. 4:1-8; Mt. 25:1-13
8:00 a.m.	Mass – L/D of St. Gaspar & OLH (St. G)	
<u>Saturday, August 28</u>	<i>St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church</i>	1 Thes. 4:9-11; Mt. 25:14-30
	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Dt. 4:1-2, 6-8; Jas. 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk. 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
4:00 p.m.	Mass – Connie Miller, Robert Langjahr (OLH)	
<u>Sunday, August 29</u>	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Dt. 4:1-2, 6-8; Jas. 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk. 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Mike McCrann (St. G)	
10:00 a.m.	Mass – Fern, Leonard & Ryan Dentinger (OLH)	

Family Perspective: To be able to respond when "Jesus said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" as "Simon Peter answered Him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that You are the Holy One of God." Such a statement requires FAITH. Such Faith is confidence in what we hope for and the assurance that the Lord is working, even though we cannot see it. This confidence does not just exist without help. Faith develops with prayer. Faith demands revisiting hope. Faith needs us to trust. No one can expect to have the kind of Faith that knows Jesus is present in the Blessed Sacrament without developing that close connection to God. Invest yourself in your Faith through prayer, hope and trust.

"Faith is to believe what you do not yet see; the reward for this faith is to see what you believe." ~ St. Augustine

★ PSR NEWS ★

OLH: August 25 – 6:00 p.m. – Meeting of PSR Catechists' New Year Kickoff/Dinner
St. Gaspar: August 25 – 6:00 p.m. – PSR Catechists' New Year Kickoff Dinner & Meeting

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.

AUGUST 22 – Summer Festival at St. Bernard, New Washington

BBQ chicken or ham dinners with homemade dressing served from 11:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. (dine-in, drive-thru & carry-out available). Bingo 1:00-4:00 p.m., dulcimer music 4:00-6:00 p.m., New Washington Band 6:00-7:00 p.m., Small Town Singers 7:00-8:30 p.m., raffles, hourly drawings, crafts, games, refreshments and \$1,000.00 Reverse Raffle. 38th Annual Dutchtown 5K Run starts at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday August 29 – Bismark SCC Annual Festival

Serving 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Chicken noodle soup, shredded chicken sandwich, pulled pork sandwich, baked beans, macaroni salad, coleslaw, and dessert. Carry out will be available.

There will also be a car/truck show, euchre tournament, corn hole tournament, children's games, raffle items and a 50/50 drawing which will be at 2:00 p.m.



Ministry Schedule

Sunday, August 29, 8:00 a.m.

Reader
Steve Dendinger

Extraordinary Ministers of Eucharist
Leon Miller, Steve Schaffer

Servers:
Quenten, Brayden, Clayton Johnson

Greeters:
Patti Page, Grayson Schreiner

Ushers:
Patti Page, Leo Schreiner,
Scott Schreiner, Leo Schreiner



Ministry Schedule

Monday, August 23, 9:00 a.m.

Offertory Counters
Judi Ludban, Gail Miller

Saturday, August 28, 4:00 p.m.

Hospitality: Norma & Bill King

Reader: Gail Miller

Extraordinary Minister of Eucharist:
Tom Miller

Servers:
Lily Pifher, Keeno Ruffing, Caleb Heiser

Sunday, August 29, 10:00 a.m.

Hospitality: Val & Brian Rhodes

Reader: Laura Kagy

Extraordinary Minister of Eucharist:
Karen Dellinger

Servers:
Blake Bumb, Caden Bumb, Jordyn Enders

ST. GASPAR PARISH SUPPORT AUGUST 15, 2021

OFFERTORY	\$	2,670.00
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$	2,400.00
OVER (UNDER)	\$	270.00
YEAR-TO-DATE OVER (UNDER)	\$	1,602.00
Maintenance	\$	80.00

300 Club August 2021 Winners

1st Prize \$100.00 – Larry Hay
2nd Prize \$75.00 – Shirley Schreiner
3rd Prize \$50.00 – Cadell & Ginny Falter

Fish & Loaves Food Pantry:

The box in the entrance of St. Gaspar Hall needs to be filled with donations of **tuna** for the Fish & Loaves in Bellevue for **August**. Always needed are personal care items. Thanks!
The Fish & Loaves box will be located in St. Gaspar Hall late-March until the end of November. December until early-March, it will be located in St. Gaspar Church Entrance.

Mark Your Calendar

Our Lady of Hope Octoberfest
October 10, 2021 – 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Ticket & Informational Packets: Coming in the mail.

Advertising Flyers: Please help advertise our Octoberfest by posting the flyers that are included in your informational and raffle ticket envelope in public places.

Silent Auction Items: 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 4.

OUR LADY OF HOPE PARISH SUPPORT AUGUST 15, 2021

OFFERTORY	\$	1,419.60
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$	2,400.00
OVER (UNDER)	\$	(981.00)
YEAR-TO-DATE OVER (UNDER)	\$	2,369.12
Maintenance	\$	263.00

"Miracles are not contrary to nature, but only contrary to what we know about nature."

*"Since love grows within you, so beauty grows.
For love is the beauty of the soul."*

~ St. Augustine

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Enliven us always To serve the
Holy Church. Bring us joy in union
with Your Blessed Spouse, Our
dearest Immaculate Mother, In the
tender love of Jesus, The glorious
and immortal, King of all ages
and peoples. Amen.
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