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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	At Our Lady of Hope (May thru October) 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)
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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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Office Hours

OLH – Monday, Wednesday, Friday
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

St. Gaspar – Tuesday 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

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Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

BEING SAVED

Being saved is not a Protestant idea. The Protestants, in fact, took the idea from Catholics. But in Catholic theology, “being saved” is the end result – seeing God face to face in Heaven – and not a ready-made “passport and visa,” as some of our non-Catholic preachers claim. Jesus explains that Salvation begins with Faith. But it is also the result of how that Faith is lived, as is seen in the lives of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and the prophets. Catholics, too, believe that we cannot “earn” our way into Heaven by good works, but we also believe that we must allow God to work in our lives through His grace, a grace that is reflected in our actions.

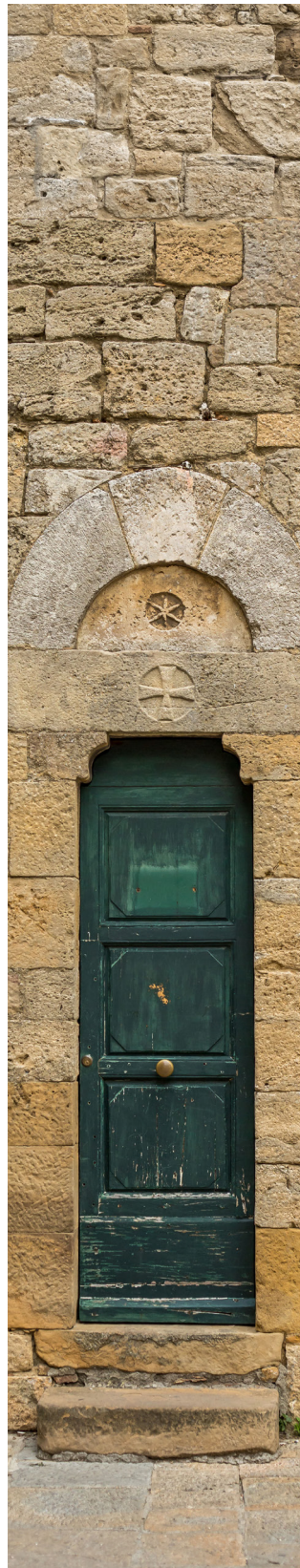
Hence, our answer to the question: “Have you been saved?” should be: “I have been saved from the penalty of sin by Christ’s death and Resurrection. I am being saved from the power of sin by the indwelling Spirit of God Who prompts and supports the ways I live out that Faith in action. I have the hope that I shall one day be saved from the very presence of sin when I go to be with God.” It is through the grace of Christ that we are able to live out God’s Life in us – a grace that is fortified every time we participate in the Holy Eucharist, are reconciled with God and meditate on His Word.

Venerable Bishop Fulton J. Sheen says that we will have three surprises in Heaven: a) There will be many there whom we never expected; b) There will be many absent, whom we expected to see; and c) We will be surprised to find that we ourselves have gotten in! The real question is: Who will enter God’s Kingdom? There is only one answer: Those who choose the narrow gate, and they will come from east and west, and will eat together, live together, and enjoy God in the Beatific Vision for all eternity. God allows us to decide every day what road we will walk down and what gate we will choose. We pray to Him this week that with His blessings, and with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we may always make the right choice and choose the narrow door.

Yours in Christ

Fr. Joseph

PS: We keep in our prayers all the students and the teachers beginning their school year. May the Holy Spirit guide all of our children to grow in knowledge, wisdom, and understanding, and may God reward all those who help these students to grow as a good human being.

**Votive Light by Our Lady – August 24-30, 2025**St. Gaspar

Newly Baptized

Margaret Jamie Bowerman

Our Lady of Hope

For the Marriage of

Caleb & Melana Heiser

ST. BERNARD PARISH FESTIVAL

SATURDAY-SUNDAY, AUGUST 23 & 24 – St. Bernard Parish, New Washington –
Saturday: 5:30 p.m. Sandwich Stand, Live music by ROGER & ROBIN, and a Cornhole Tournament (call Max Loy 419-492-1084 to register) **Sunday:** BBQ chicken or ham dinners with homemade dressing, served 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. or sold out (dine-in & carry-out); 2 drive-thru lines from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. BINGO 1:00-4:00 p.m., Kiddie Tractor Pull register at 2:00 p.m., pull at 3:00 p.m.; NW Town Band 6-7:00 p.m., prizes, games, refreshments, hourly drawings, \$1,000 Reverse Raffle, crafts, ice cream, beer, 42nd Annual Dutchtown 5K Run starts at 10:30 a.m.

BISMARCK SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER ANNUAL FESTIVAL

Sunday August 24, 5582 Bismark Rd. Bellevue. Serving lunch (dine-in or carry-out) from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Menu includes chicken noodle soup, shredded chicken or pulled pork sandwich, baked beans, macaroni salad, cole slaw, and choice of desserts. Grilled hamburgers and brats will also be available outside. Events include live music, bounce house, raffles, car/truck/tractor/motorcycle show, 50/50 drawing, and country store. Raffle drawing at 2:00. Questions, call Stacy at 419-577-0828.



TICKET & INFORMATIONAL PACKETS

Every registered family should have received an envelope in the mail. If you have not, please contact the parish office.

ADVERTISING FLYERS

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

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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FAREWELL TO FR. JIM SEIBERT, C.P.P.S.

Monday, August 25, following 11:00 a.m. Mass at the Sorrowful Mother Shrine. All are welcome to join as we express gratitude for Fr. Jim and his many years of dedicated service to the Sorrowful Mother Shrine. Light Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria. May God bless him on his new journey of faith!

DRIVE-THRU FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Thursday, August 28, 1:00 p.m.-until food is 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.

THIS WEEK ON FORMED August 24, 2025



The Confessions of St. Augustine | Littlest Saints A child, a sinner, a saint. Join us as we share the story of St. Augustine, tailored to

our children, as he wrestles with God and comes to the faith.



Feast of Saint Monica | Catholic Saints 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 this great Saint.



The Confessions of Saint Augustine Actor Leonardo Defilippis captures the poetry and passion of Saint Augustine of Hippo (AD

354-430) in a performance that is accessible and deeply moving. The play is astonishingly relevant for our own times. Augustine struggled with promiscuity, fathered a child out-of-wedlock and dabbled in a "new age" style cult. Be inspired by his relentless pursuit of Truth and encouraged by the prayerful perseverance of his faithful mother, Saint Monica.

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1. Go to www.formed.org.
2. Click on "sign up."
3. Click on "I belong to a Parish or Organization."
4. In the search box, type "Our Lady of Hope" and then click on it (make sure it is Attica).
5. Enter your name and email address.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, August 25	<i>Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest</i>	1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday, August 26	<i>Weekday</i>	1 Thes 2:1-8; Mt 23:23-26
4:45 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (St. G)	
5:30 p.m.	Mass – Irene Beat (St. G)	
Wednesday, August 27	<i>Saint Monica</i>	1 Thes 2:9-13; Mt 23:27-32
7:15 a.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (OLH)	
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Raymond & Mary Ann Dentinger (OLH)	
Thursday, August 28	<i>Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i>	1 Thes 3:7-13; Mt 24:42-51
7:15 a.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (OLH)	
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Ralph Miller (OLH)	
Friday, August 29	<i>The Passion of Saint John the Baptist</i>	1 Thes 4:1-8; Mk 6:17-29
7:15 a.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (St. G)	
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Krista Sturdevant (St. G)	
Saturday, August 30	<i>Weekday</i>	1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30
	<i>Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14
4:00 p.m.	Mass – Living & Deceased of Our Lady of Hope & St. Gaspar parishes (OLH)	
Sunday, August 31	<i>Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Kerri Schwab (St. G)	
10:00 a.m.	Mass – Ken Lutz (OLH)	
	<i>Children's Liturgy for children through 2nd grade during the 10:00 a.m. Mass</i>	

PSR NEWS

Both Parishes: Wednesday, August 27, 6:00 p.m. Catechist Meeting at OLH

Both Parishes: Wednesday, September 3, 6:15 p.m. at St. Gaspar – PSR Opening Mass & Activities

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.

PERCH & SHRIMP DINNER Friday, September 5, 4:00 p.m. to 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 Shrimp. Shrimp-only is \$8.00. Dine-in and Drive-thru available.

PRAYER HOURS WITH THE SISTERS OF SAINT FRANCIS Sisters of St. Francis Convent Chapel, 200 St. Francis Avenue, Tiffin. The Sisters at St. Francis are initiating a series of monthly Prayer Hours with area people of faith. Everyone is invited to 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.

- August 28, 7:00 p.m. – Feeding the Hungry
- September 25, 7:00 p.m. – Being Peacemakers
- October 23, 7:00 p.m. – Respect for all Creation

TIFFIN ST. JOSEPH OKTOBERFEST Ages 21 and over. Saturday, September 13, 5:00-9:00 p.m. in the St. Joseph Activity Center Parking Lot – 64 Melmore Street, Tiffin, OH. German Music, Beer, Food, Games, and Raffles! General Admission: \$30.00 in advance or \$35.00 at the door (includes 10 beer vouchers). Designated Driver Admission \$10.00. Find more details and purchase tickets through the Tiffin St. Joseph Parish Website: www.tiffinstjoseph.org. We hope to see you there!

PRO-LIFE HARVEST DANCE Young Adults, ages 18-30. Saturday, October 4, 7:00-11:00 p.m. at St. Michael the Archangel Parish, 750 Bright Road, Findlay, OH. Country-themed fall dance (not a square dance) with DJ Gabe von der Embse. \$12.00 entry (cash only). Light snacks and drinks provided, raffle (many fun items), Cornhole, and card games available. Dress is country casual (jeans, plaids, dresses, sweaters). Proceeds benefit Women's Resource Center. Questions, contact Madison Bowerman – madisonbowerman18@gmail.com



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



Ministry Schedule

Sunday, August 31, 8:00 a.m.

Greeters: Holly, Jon & Mason Weichel

Minister of the Word: Dawn Reichert

Extraordinary Ministers: Denise Bell, Jerry Dick, Rick Phillips

Servers: Lynnae Stacklin, Olivia Schoen, Jackson Schoen

Ushers: Holly Weichel, Jon Weichel,
Mason Weichel, Charles Miller

St. Gaspar Parish Support

August 17, 2025

OFFERTORY	\$	1,636.00
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$	2,500.00
OVER (UNDER)	\$	(864.00)
YEAR-TO-DATE OVER (UNDER)	\$	1,987.00
MAINTENANCE	\$	850.00
CHILDREN	\$	19.00
ONLINE GIVING – ALL FUNDS	\$	170.00

FISH & LOAVES FOOD PANTRY is requesting donations of spaghetti, noodles & macaroni for the month of August. Personal items are always needed.

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 August is
jeans/pants, back-to-school items.**

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, August 25, 9:00 a.m.

Evelyn Langjhar, Carol Martin

Saturday, August 30, 4:00 p.m.

Hospitality: Roxie Bates

Minister of the Word: Lisa Heiser

Extraordinary Ministers: Dutch Shenefield,
Tom Miller, Linda Hahler

Servers: Alex Shenefield, Lukas & Blaise Mackowiak

Sunday, August 31, 10:00 a.m.

Hospitality: Carol Aichholz

Minister of the Word: Megan Rhodes

Extraordinary Ministers: Brian Rhodes, Clint Lease,
Anderson Mennel, Linda & Rob Molyett

Servers: Brian Rhodes, Brynlee & Colton McConnell

Children's Liturgy: Doris Lambert & Alsatia Mennel

Our Lady of Hope Parish Support

August 17, 2025

OFFERTORY	\$	2,038.00
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$	2,500.00
OVER (UNDER)	\$	(462.00)
YEAR-TO-DATE OVER (UNDER)	\$	1,844.00
MAINTENANCE		\$0.00
CHILDREN	\$	7.00
ONLINE GIVING – ALL FUNDS	\$	383.00



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



CONGRATULATIONS to Caleb and Melana (Appeman) Heiser, who were married on August 16. May the Lord bless you with many years together.



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