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

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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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Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

This Sunday's Gospel gives us some very practical wisdom for living together as a Christian community. Jesus speaks about what we should do when someone hurts us, disappoints us, or goes astray. His first advice is not to gossip, condemn, or seek revenge, but to go directly to the person and speak with love.

How often do we do the opposite?! When someone offends us, we may tell everyone except the person involved. We discuss the situation with family members, friends, or coworkers, allowing a small misunderstanding to become a much bigger problem. Jesus reminds us that Christian love requires courage—not the courage to criticize someone publicly, but the courage to have an honest and charitable conversation.

The goal of correction is not to prove that we are right or to make another person feel ashamed. The goal is reconciliation and restoration. Before correcting someone, therefore, we should ask ourselves: Am I speaking because I love this person, or because I am angry? Am I trying to help, or simply trying to win?

Today's Gospel also reminds us that we have a responsibility toward one another. Faith is not something we live alone. In a parish, in our families, and in our workplaces, our words and actions affect others. Sometimes loving someone means gently pointing out something that is harmful. At other times, it means having the humility to accept correction ourselves.

Finally, Jesus gives us a beautiful promise: "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." When we gather with hearts that seek forgiveness, peace, and unity, Christ is truly present among us.

As we begin this new week, let us make a simple commitment: less gossip, more conversation; less judgment, more understanding; less resentment, more forgiveness. May we become people who build bridges rather than walls and, in doing so, make our families and our parish communities places where Christ's presence can truly be experienced.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Joseph

Humanitarian Relief Collection for Nepal & Tibet Our prayers go out to the people of Nepal and Tibet as they search for survivors of a Himalayan glacier collapse that led to a massive deadly flash flood that has killed nearly 600 people thus far. Over 1,900 workers are reported missing at hydropower plants in Nepal. China reports nearly 600 people are missing in Tibet. Many of the missing are religious pilgrims heading to or from Mount Kailash where the glacier collapse and avalanche took place. The death toll is expected to rise as residents and rescuers search for survivors in the devastated river valleys. Upwards of 250,000 people in Nepal need support. Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is working through Caritas Nepal to respond to urgent humanitarian needs in providing emergency safe shelter, food, water, medical care, emergency supplies, and counseling support to those in affected areas. As in past disasters, Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo is collecting and forwarding donations, dollar for dollar, to Catholic Relief Services for this international humanitarian relief effort. You may donate on our secure website: www.catholiccharitiesnwo.org, selecting **Humanitarian Relief Nepal** as your donation designation. Please make checks out to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, noting **Humanitarian Relief Nepal**, and mail to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, One SeaGate, Suite 2300, Toledo, OH 43604. Thank you for generously supporting those in need.

Our Lady of Hope Sunday Social September's Social will be hosted by Pastoral Council and Finance Committee members. Everyone is invited to the Social Hall following the 10:00 a.m. Mass on September 20 for good food and fellowship with friends, family, neighbors, and fellow parishioners.

Votive Light by Our Lady – September 6-12, 2026**St. Gaspar**

For an increase of Diocesan Priestly Vocations.

Our Lady of Hope

Rest in Peace Charles Shoup.



Diocese
of Toledo Featured Seminarian of the Week

JOSEPH KOCHENDOERFER

Mount St. Mary's Seminary Configuration II Stage

Favorite Scripture: John 21:15-24

Favorite Saint: St. Francis de Sales – Salesian spirituality can be seen as simple and soft, downplaying heroic virtues and cautioning against ascetic practices. Yet, when taken seriously, its depth and richness – not to mention its difficulty – quickly comes to light!

Please pray for our Seminarians and more priestly Vocations!



JOIN US FOR THE THIRD ANNUAL DIOCESE OF TOLEDO

WALK FOR VOCATIONS

EACH STEP A PRAYER FOR MORE PRIESTS.

Walk for Vocations Msgr. Tad Oxley, Fr. David Kidd, and Fr. Joseph Mominee will be walking 70+ miles over five days in prayer and sacrifice for an increase in vocations to the Diocesan priesthood. You are welcome to join for all five days, one day, or even a portion of one day.

Sunday, September 27

- Start: 2:00 p.m. | Rosary Cathedral, Toledo
- End: 7:00 p.m. | St. Joseph, Maumee

Monday, September 28

- Start: 9:00 a.m. | St. Joseph, Maumee
 - End: 5:30 p.m. | St. Thomas More, Bowling Green
- Mass offered upon arrival*

Tuesday, September 29

- Start: 9:00 a.m. | St. Thomas More, Bowling Green, then walking through the St. Aloysius, Bowling Green campus
 - End: 6:00 p.m. | Holy Family, North Baltimore
- Mass offered upon arrival*

Wednesday, September 30

- Start: 8:00 a.m. | Holy Family, North Baltimore
 - End: 5:00 p.m. | St. Michael, Findlay
- Mass offered upon arrival*

Thursday, October 1

- Start: 8:00 a.m. | St. Michael, Findlay
 - End: 5:00 p.m. | Our Lady of Consolation, Carey
- Closing Mass offered upon arrival*

Meet at the departure location for that day. Bring water and a packed lunch. Wear comfortable walking shoes. Plan for transportation back to your vehicle at the end of the day. You do not need to register to join the walk for vocations, but you're welcome to! It gives us a better idea of numbers for planning purposes. Mark your calendar to intentionally pray and fast for an increase in vocations to the Diocese of Toledo during the Walk for Vocations. Do this in addition to your regular Hail Mary per day and Friday fasting for diocesan priestly vocations. To register to walk or view and sign up for volunteer opportunities during the walk, visit toledodiocese.org/walk.



OUR LADY of HOPE
Catholic Parish

OCTOBER Fest

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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 and 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.

ADVERTISING FLYERS: 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. Please contact the parish if you did not receive an envelope in the mail.

DINNER DONATIONS & VOLUNTEERS: Sign-up sheets for food donations and volunteers for activities in the Social Hall, on the parish grounds and for setup, are in the vestibule. Many helping hands will be needed. 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 5.

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!



Trailer For Sale The former Octoberfest trailer at Our Lady of Hope will soon be empty and ready to be sold and removed from the campus. Please contact the parish office for details if you are interested.

Our Lady of Hope Rosary Altar Meeting

Monday, September 21, at 7:00 p.m.

All ladies are invited to attend.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

<u>Monday, September 7</u>	<i>Weekday</i>	1 Cor 5:1-8; Lk 6:6-11
<u>Tuesday, September 8</u>	<i>The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	Mi 5:1-4a; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23
4:45 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (St. G)	
5:30 p.m.	Mass – Mike Vollmar; L/D Members of the Gus & Catherine McConnell Family (St. G)	
<u>Wednesday, September 9</u>	<i>Saint Peter Claver, Priest</i>	1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26
7:15 a.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (OLH)	
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Lyndel & Sylvia Coder (OLH)	
<u>Thursday, September 10</u>	<i>Weekday</i>	1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Lk 6:27-38
7:15 a.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (OLH)	
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Kenny, Pat, and Bernard C. Holmer (OLH)	
<u>Friday, September 11</u>	<i>Weekday</i>	1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Lk 6:39-42
7:15 a.m.	Eucharistic Adoration (St. G)	
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Marvin Bumb; Rita Willman, Jennifer (Willman) Siesel (St. G)	
<u>Saturday, September 12</u>	<i>The Most Holy Name of Mary</i>	1 Cor 10:14-22; Lk 6:43-49
	<i>Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Sir 27:30–28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35
4:00 p.m.	Mass – Marlene Gerber; Marvin Bumb (OLH)	
<u>Sunday, September 13</u>	<i>Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Sir 27:30–28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35
8:00 a.m.	Mass – Allen Missler; August Stacklin (St. G)	
10:00 a.m.	Mass – Bob Langjahr; Agnes Depinet (OLH)	
	<i>Children's Liturgy for children through 2nd grade during the 10:00 a.m. Mass</i>	

PSR NEWS

St. Gaspar – Wednesday, September 9, 6:15 p.m. Class
Our Lady of Hope – Wednesday, September 9, 6:15 p.m. Opening PSR Mass (OLH Only)

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.

Prost! (Cheers!) Tiffin St. Joseph Oktoberfest Saturday, September 12, 5:00-9:00 p.m. in the St. Joseph Activity Center Parking Lot, 64 Melmore Street. Adults 21 and older. German Music, Beer, Food, Stein Holding Contest, Axe Throwing and Raffles! Find more details and purchase tickets through the Tiffin St. Joseph Parish Website: www.tiffinstjoseph.org.

Bloomville Lions 61st Annual Ox Roast Sunday September 13, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or sold out. The meal features a tender, juicy roast beef sandwich, homemade macaroni salad, applesauce, and ice cream. Additional sandwiches and bulk cooked/seasoned roast beef are also available for purchase. Located in front of the Bloomville Community Center – please follow signs to enter the drive-through line. Proceeds support eyeglasses and other community projects including the Jesus on Wheels Ministry, the Seneca County Park District, Red Cross Bloodmobiles, programming at Bliss Memorial Public Library and support for local families in need.

Perch & Shrimp Dinner Friday, September 18, 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Attica K of C Hall, 111 Heyman Drive. Please note, the date was pushed back from the normal first Friday of the month due to Labor Day Weekend and the American Legion Car Show September 12. Dinners include French Fries, Coleslaw and Dinner Roll. Perch Dinners are \$16.00 and include ½ lb Perch. Perch by the pound is \$20.00. Butterfly Shrimp Dinners are \$12.00 and include 9 pieces of Shrimp. Shrimp only is \$8.00. Dine-in and Drive-thru available.

Canning 101 Monday, October 12, 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the Franciscan Earth Literacy Center, 194 St. Francis Avenue, Tiffin. Learn about the science, equipment and process to ensure safe & successful food preservation. The presenter, Jennifer Little, the Family and Consumer Sciences Educator for OSU Extension in Hancock County, will be offering pressure canner lid (dial gauge) testing for \$5.00. It is recommended that dial gauges be checked for accuracy every year or so to ensure that the pressure is being measured accurately. To register, visit <https://popsicle.app/parents/felc> or call Hannah Bumb at 419-448-7485.



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 13, 8:00 a.m.

Greeters: Gary & Kathy Siesel

Minister of the Word: Charles Miller

Extraordinary Ministers: Kathy Siesel,
Gerald C. Miller, Rick Phillips

Servers: Caroline, Oliver & Logan Reed

Ushers: Gary & Kathy Siesel, Ron Alt, Scott Schreiner

St. Gaspar Parish Support

August 30, 2026

OFFERTORY	\$	3,558.00
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$	2,750.00
OVER (UNDER)	\$	808.00
YEAR-TO-DATE OVER (UNDER)	\$	3,685.00
MAINTENANCE	\$	1,230.00
CHILDREN	\$	14.00
ONLINE GIVING – ALL FUNDS	\$	200.00

Banns of Matrimony

Be it known to all here present that Chase Foos, son of Ronald & Dana (Conley) Foos, of the parish of Our Lady of Hope, and Abigail Waldock, daughter of Ronald & Karla (Dunn) Waldock, 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.

Tiffin Catholic Women's Group – Her Strength Renewed Meetings first Thursday each month starting October 1, 7:00-8:00 p.m. at Saint Mary's School (Tiffin), Room 22. Living in Your Father's Love – Discover just how much God loves us and how the Gospels are deeply relevant to our relationship with God and those we love. Study Guide is \$30.00 for the year. Scan QR code or contact either Tiffin parish office to register before September 11 in order to secure materials.



Night of Healing Sunday, September 13, 6:30-8:00 p.m. St. Wendelin 323 N. Wood Street, Fostoria. Fr. Joseph Poggemeyer & Fr. James Brown. WORSHIP | WITNESS | WORD | HEALING | ADORATION | RECONCILIATION. Be open to Jesus and His Holy Spirit for healing and gifts – come unite with us in prayer!

Upper Room Prayer Gathering Saturday, September 19, 2:00 p.m., St. Joseph Upper Room, 36 Melmore Street, Tiffin. The Upper Room is the hall in the upstairs of parish building, accessible by stairs or elevator. MCCR (Ministry to Catholic Charismatic Renewal) Praise & Worship, Time with the Lord, Explore, Discover, Utilize Our Gifts from the Holy Spirit, Prayer Teams, Afterglow Refreshments.



Ministry Schedule

Tuesday, September 8, 9:00 a.m.

Ginny Holmer, Anne Fry

Saturday, September 12, 4:00 p.m.

Greeters: Ariel & Mark Fry

Minister of the Word: Ruth Pifher

Extraordinary Minister: Ruth Pifher

Servers: If servers are present, please come forward

Sunday, September 13, 10:00 a.m.

Hospitality: Drew & Mindy Mennel Family

Minister of the Word: Rob Molyett

Extraordinary Ministers: Mia Holmes, Clint Lease,
Anderson Mennel, Ann Myers

Servers: Alex Shenefield, Oliver & Blaise Mackowiak

Children's Liturgy: Doris Lambert, Alsatia Mennel

Our Lady of Hope Parish Support

August 30, 2026

OFFERTORY	\$	2,307.00
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$	2,750.00
OVER (UNDER)	\$	(443.00)
YEAR-TO-DATE OVER (UNDER)	\$	2,254.00
MAINTENANCE	\$	50.00
CHILDREN	\$	1.00
ONLINE GIVING – ALL FUNDS	\$	240.00



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

2026 Century Farm Award Applications

Catholic Charities is now accepting applications for Century Farm Awards. This award designation honors Catholic families who have maintained a farm or homestead within their family for at least 100 years in the Diocese of Toledo, emphasizing well-preserved working farms. Applicants must submit a registration form, copies of old deeds, and pictures to support claims. The information submitted must show family residence and ownership of a farm for at least 100 years in the Diocese of Toledo. Applications should be submitted **no later than Friday, September 11, 2026**. Bishop Daniel E. Thomas will celebrate a Mass honoring Century Farm Award recipients at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 1, 2026, at St. Michael's Catholic Church, 317 E. Madison Street, Gibsonburg, OH 43431. For more information or to request the registration form, please contact Marla Garner at 419-214-4898 or email: mgarner@toledodiocese.org.

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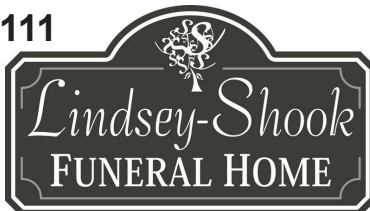
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**Tuesday, August 11a - Cheer Competition
Baked Goods Auction**

Wednesday, August 12a - Dialed Action Sports BMX & FMX

Thursday, August 13a - Pig Scramble

Friday, August 14a - A-Bar Rodeo / Bulls & Barrels

**Saturday, August 15a - Attica Jr. Fair Livestock Sale
OSTPA Tractor & Truck Pull
Tri-County Garden Tractor Pull**