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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

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
(1st Saturday only)



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

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Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon

A WORD FROM THE DEACON

Divide and conquer. The oldest trick in the book when it comes to warfare and winning battles. Knowing there is strength in numbers, if one side can split the other into smaller factions, cut off from the main body they are in a much weaker position and easy prey. A pride of lions isolates its kill by working together to separate a vulnerable animal from the herd.

In today's second reading from Saint Paul to the Corinthians, Saint Paul shows zero tolerance for division within the Church. *"I urge you brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree in what you say, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and in the same purpose."* If only this were the world we live in today. What began with Martin Luther's break in 1517, has turned into an estimated 40-45 thousand different Christian denominations. Even within our Catholic Church there are "liberal vs. conservative" divisions. Is this the unity St. Paul instructs for us to have? Or the unity Jesus prayed for in John 17:22, *"...that they may be one; even as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me."*

Catholic unity does not mean that we all must think exactly the same without differences, but it does mean that we must choose love and charity before our fears and divisions. It means remembering that everyone in this world, even those with whom we strongly disagree, is someone created by God just as we are.

In last week's bulletin I spoke of the spiritual battle that is all around us and how we are to be Christ's warriors in this battle. If we are going to succeed in this battle, we must recognize how the evil one (the prowling lion) is dividing to conquer. This week, take the time to pray one Rosary with the intention of healing our divided world.

Peace be with you,
Deacon Brian

Saintly Wisdom

"We must love them both, those whose opinions we share and those whose opinions we reject, for both have labored in the search for truth, and both have helped us in finding it."

– St. Thomas Aquinas

2025 CONTRIBUTION REPORTS were sent via bulk mail to each contributor from **both parishes** on January 16, 2026. Bulk mail sometimes takes a little longer than first class, so they should be delivered soon. Please contact the Parish Office if you were expecting a report but did not receive it. Thank you for your continued support of both parishes!



The next EPIC gathering is today, Sunday, January 25, 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Bellevue Immaculate Conception, with youth from IC, St. Alphonsus & St. Joseph Parishes. Come experience a powerful evening of Adoration by candlelight, followed by games, food, and hanging out in the gym. All youth, 7th-12th, grade are welcome to attend.

Votive Light by Our Lady – January 25-31, 2026

St. Gaspar
For all of our 2nd graders preparing
for First Holy Communion.

Our Lady of Hope
Rest in Peace James Joseph Stacklin.

OUR LADY of HOPE Catholic Parish
Saturday, February 21, 2026
REVERSE RAFFLE

Ticket: \$35.00 (includes one dinner)

Extra Meal Ticket (at the door): \$14.00

Grand Prize – 300th ticket: \$1,000.00

299th ticket - \$500.00

1st, 150th, 296th, 297th, 298th tickets – \$100.00

Every 10th ticket – \$35.00

OLH REVERSE RAFFLE TICKETS

If you can help sell the remaining 48 tickets or would like to purchase a ticket or two, please stop in the vestibule after Mass or contact the Parish Office. Please return all sold and unsold tickets.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for kitchen and dining room setup, food prep and cooking, cut and package desserts, serving, clearing tables, kitchen cleanup (dishwashing), floor raffle sales, auction item presenters and end-of-the-night cleanup. Please sign up in the vestibule.

**FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED –
 PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE VESTIBULE**

Please bring nonperishable items to the Social Hall by Monday, February 16. Pies and desserts need to be brought in before 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 21.

OLH REVERSE RAFFLE AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED

We currently have nine items for the Auction. Please have items brought to the Social Hall before Ash Wednesday, February 18, so we can list them on the Auction sheet and have the auctioneer card ready. Please mark items with the donor's name (or anonymous) and value. Please contact Pam Wise, Janeen Melroy, or the Parish Office if you will be donating anything for

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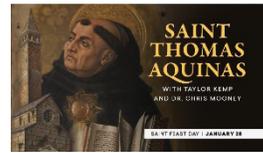
VIRTUAL REVERSE RAFFLE

Friday, February 13, 2026. Cost: \$50.00 Includes: One Reverse Raffle Number, one Entry for the Chance to Win \$500.00 and, one Entry for the Gift Card Tree Drawing. Purchase tickets at www.tiffinfranciscans.org, or call 419-447-0435. Deadline to purchase tickets is Friday, February 6. Over \$5,000.00 in Prizes: Last Ticket: \$2,000.00, 2nd to Last: \$1,000.00, 3rd to Last: \$550.00, 4th to Last: \$350.00, 5th to Last: \$150.00. Drawings will take place via Zoom starting at 7:00 p.m. View Reverse Raffle LIVE on the Facebook page of the Sisters of St. Francis (Tiffin Franciscans). Online auction begins February 5, 12:00 p.m.-February 12, 12:00 p.m. Winners will be announced and contacted on February 12. To view auction items and set up an account to bid, visit: <https://www.32auctions.com/SFCMardiGras2026> Proceeds benefit the ministries of the St. Francis Community.

MEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT

March 7, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 6149 Hill Avenue, Toledo, OH 43615. This day of reflection is an opportunity for men, ages 14-35 to learn practical methods of prayer and discernment that will help them better understand God's plan for their life. For more information, contact Fr. David Kidd, at dkidd@toledodiocese.org or 419-214-4945. Register by March 1 at toledopriesthood.org (click Events).

**THIS WEEK ON FORMED –
 JANUARY 25, 2026**



St. Thomas Aquinas | Catholic Saints

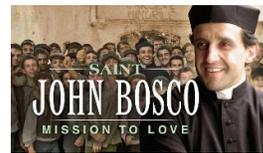
St. Thomas Aquinas was given one of the greatest minds in history. He devoted his life to studying God. Not only did St. Thomas cover

almost all of theology, but he also did it while maintaining theological accuracy.



The Story of St. John Bosco

Learn the inspiring story of the life of St. John Bosco in this audio reflection intended for kids. We celebrate his feast day on January 31.



Saint John Bosco: Mission to Love

Flavio Insinna gives a winning performance as John Bosco, the great priest and educator of youth. Beautifully filmed in Italy, this epic

movie dramatizes the many challenges that he had to overcome from his childhood all the way to founding his religious order.

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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.



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

SNOW EMERGENCY INFORMATION

WEEKENDS: When Seneca County is placed under a Level 3 Snow Emergency, during which all roadways are closed to non-emergency personnel, Our Lady of Hope and St. Gaspar parishes will cancel the scheduled Saturday Vigil, Sunday, or Holy Day Masses. Roman Catholics in our area, therefore, are dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass. If Masses are canceled, Catholics are encouraged to participate in Holy Mass via television, radio, or internet, making a spiritual Communion. When weekend or Holy Day Mass is canceled, all other parish events are also canceled.

WEEKDAYS: On weekdays, if Seneca County is placed under a Level 3 Snow Emergency, parish offices will be closed and all activities are canceled. As Fr. Joseph lives immediately adjacent to Our Lady of Hope Church, he will offer Mass there at 8:00 a.m. for the intentions of all Masses scheduled for that day. When there is inclement weather or a lower level snow emergency is declared, Masses will be offered as scheduled.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

<u>Monday, January 26</u>	<i>Saint Timothy and Saint Titus, Bishops</i>	2 Tim 1:1-8; Mk 3:22-30
<u>Tuesday, January 27</u>	<i>Saint Angela Merici, Virgin and Religious Founder</i>	2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Mk 3:31-35
<u>Wednesday, January 28</u>	<i>Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i>	2 Sm 7:4-17; Mk 4:1-20
<u>Thursday, January 29</u>	<i>Weekday</i>	2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Mk 4:21-25
<u>Friday, January 30</u>	<i>Weekday</i>	2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Mk 4:26-34
<u>Saturday, January 31</u>	<i>Saint John Bosco, Priest</i>	2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mk 4:35-41
	<i>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a
4:00 p.m.	Mass – Virginia & Herman Missler (St. G)	
<u>Sunday, February 1</u>	<i>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a
8:00 a.m.	Mass – August Stacklin (St. G)	
10:00 a.m.	Mass – Charles Bates (OLH)	
	<i>Children’s Liturgy for children through 2nd grade during the 10:00 a.m. Mass</i>	

PSR NEWS

St. Gaspar: Wednesday, January 28, 6:15 p.m. – Class
Our Lady of Hope: Wednesday, January 28, 6:15 p.m. – Class

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, February 6, 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 Shrimp. Shrimp only is \$8.00. Dine-In and Drive-Thru available.

SUNDAY BREAKFAST

February 8, 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.



OUR LADY OF HOPE & ST. GASPAR VALENTINE COOKIE PLATES AND GIFT BAGS

On Monday, February 9, at 6:00 p.m. in Our Lady of Hope Social Hall, the Rosary Altar Societies and our High School students will join together to assemble goodie plates for those in need of our loving care due to age, illness, sorrow, or loneliness and gift bags for those in the nursing home. Gift bag items (socks, tissues, wipes, lotions, shampoo, powder, toothpaste, toothbrush, body wash, deodorant, puzzle books, etc.) may be left in a tote in the Server’s Sacristy. Cookies may be dropped off in Our Lady of Hope Social Hall. **All are welcome** to help package and deliver the plates and/or gift bags. If you have any questions, contact Becky Allgyre at 419-937-6369.

HEALING FOR A CAREGIVER’S HEART RETREAT

Saturday, February 21, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Parish Ministry Center Workshop, 204 W. Wayne Street, Maumee, OH 43537. Retreat designed to bring hope and healing to caregivers. Presented by Carol Kurivial & Kristen (Kurivial) Hug of Luminous Ministries. Lunch included. Register: <https://toledodiocese.regfox.com/caretakers-retreat>. Supported by the Annual Catholic Appeal in partnership with the Diocese of Toledo Accessibility Ministries. In case of cancellation due to weather, makeup date is March 28.

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”.



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



Ministry Schedule

Saturday, January 31, 4:00 p.m.

Greeter: Kathi Miller

Minister of the Word: Steve Dendinger

Extraordinary Ministers: Mary Swartz,
Darlene Fullen, Tom Fullen

Servers: Caroline Reed, Oliver Reed, Logan Reed

Ushers: Kathi Miller, Sandra Ruffing,
Tammy Daniel, Steve Dendinger

Sunday, February 1, 8:00 a.m.

Greeters: Holly, Jon, Mason Weichel

Minister of the Word: Urban Scherley, Jr.

Extraordinary Ministers: Dawn Reichert, Heidi Alt, Leon Miller

Servers: Clayton Johnson, Jayden Johnson, Grayson Schreiner

Ushers: Holly, Jon and Mason Weichel, Rick Phillips

St. Gaspar Parish Support

January 18, 2026

OFFERTORY	\$	2,403.00
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$	2,500.00
OVER (UNDER)	\$	(97.00)
YEAR-TO-DATE OVER (UNDER)	\$	22,299.00
MAINTENANCE	\$	690.00
CHILDREN	\$	12.00
ONLINE GIVING – ALL FUNDS	\$	180.00

FISH & LOAVES FOOD PANTRY is requesting donations of **Mac & Cheese** for the month of January. 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 January is **gloves, mittens, hats (for all ages)**.

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 300 CLUB WINNERS

\$100.00 – Leo Ruffing Construction; \$75.00 – Caleb Miller; \$50.00 – Teri Behrends

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Sorrowful Mother Shrine is seeking a reliable and motivated Full-Time Maintenance Person, as well as a Part-Time Maintenance Person, to assist with the care and upkeep of our peaceful and prayerful grounds and facilities. Interested candidates may refer to our website, www.sorrowfulmothershrine.org, for position responsibilities, qualifications, and compensation.



Ministry Schedule

Monday, January 26, 9:00 a.m.

Evelyn Langjahr, Judy Daniel

Sunday, February 1, 10:00 a.m.

Hospitality: Craig & Kris Hahler

Minister of the Word: Tom Miller

Extraordinary Ministers: Dutch Shenefield,
Jon Mackowiak, Denise Bowerman, Jake Bowerman

Servers: Kelsey Miller, Tyler Rhodes, Alex Shenefield

Children's Liturgy: Jordyn & Julia Enders

Our Lady of Hope Parish Support

January 18, 2026

OFFERTORY	\$	2,154.00
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$	2,500.00
OVER (UNDER)	&	(346.00)
YEAR-TO-DATE OVER (UNDER)	\$	6,929.00
MAINTENANCE	\$	110.00
CHILDREN	\$	18.00
ONLINE GIVING – ALL FUNDS	\$	393.00

DIRECTORY ROSTER DETAIL If you have updates to your address, phone number, or email that will be published in the parish roster section for our 2025/2026 directory, or if there is any information that we should NOT print for your family in the directory, please contact the office ASAP.

COME AWAY BELOVED Saturday, February 21, 2026, 9:00 a.m.-2:45 p.m. at the Sorrowful Mother Shrine, 4106 State Route 269, Bellevue. Retreat Presenter: Fr. Patrick Gonyeau, C.P.P.S. This Lenten retreat, three days after Lent begins, will help us experience the invitation of Jesus to be with Him in the mystical desert of the Lenten season. Call the Shrine office at 419-483-3435, option 4 to register. \$25.00 Registration Fee. Lunch provided.

K OF C AND ROSARY ALTAR HOLIDAY DINNER The Seven Saints Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Holiday Dinner at Our Lady of Hope Social Hall on January 31. Altar Rosary Society members and spouses of both Our Lady of Hope and St. Gaspar Parishes along with members of the Seven Saints Knights of Columbus and spouses are invited. Cocktails will be available at 6:00 p.m. with dinner to follow at 6:30 p.m. with a menu of: Ham Loaf, Stuffed Chicken Thighs, Potatoes, Corn, Seven-layer Salad, Dinner Roll, and Pie. Cost is \$13.00 per person. RSVPs were due January 24.

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August 5 - Cheer Competition

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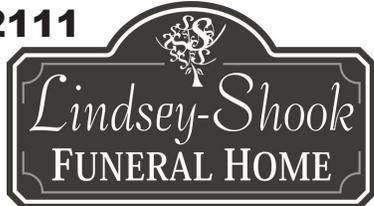
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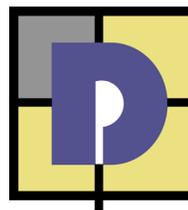
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