FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **JULY 13, 2025**



Saint Stanislaus & Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Churches

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Mrs. Helen Gangemi, Secretary

OFFICE HOURS

Sunday & Monday: Closed

Tuesday - Saturday: By Appointment

MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:00PM: St. Stanislaus Sunday 9:00AM: St. Stanislaus Sunday 11:00AM: St. Casimir Monday-Friday 12:05PM: St. Ann's First Saturday 9:00AM: St. Ann's

Weekday at St. Stanislaus: Call Parish Office

MASSES FOR THE WEEK (Our Mother of Sorrows)

Sunday, July 13th: Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Private: Special Intentions of Stephen Waterford

10:30am (SC) Confessions

11:00am (SC) Bernice Zilonka by Family

Monday, July 14th: Saint Katen Tekakwitha

12:05pm (SA) Charlotte Prez by Karen and Mark Momeyer

Tuesday, July 15th: Saint Bonaventure

12:05pm (SA) David K. Wienczkowski by Mother Kay Wienczkowski

Wednesday, July 16th: Weekday

12:05pm (SA) D. G. Shin by Lucia Lee

Thursday, July 17th: Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Joseph Pochatko by Family

Friday, July 18th: Weekday/Novena Day 1

8:30am (SA) Charlotte Chase by Beverly Pochatko

7:00pm (SA) John W. Vargo, Birthday by Theresa Paluh

Saturday, July 19th: Weekday/Novena Day 2

8:30am (SA) Bishop Donald Trautman by Mickey Pohl

4:00pm (SA) Raymond Draszkiewicz by Audrey Draszkiewicz and Family

Sunday, July 20th: Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time/Novena Day 3

8:30am (SA) Bishop Michael Murphy by Mickey Pohl

11:00am (SA) Fr. Daniel Prez, Anniversary by Christine Prez Farnum

NO 11AM Sunday Mass at St. Casimir's during the Novena

CONFESSIONS: Monday-Friday, 11:30-11:55AM (St. Ann's)

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., July 14th - Private Intention

Tues., July 15th - Chester Widomski (Shirley Widomski)

Wed., July 16th - Buziewicz & Dzmura Families (Family)

Thur., July 17th - Tadeusz (Ted) Dembski (Terrie Rupert)

Fri., July 18th - Stella Lewandowski (Mary Kennerknecht)

Sat., July 19th, 4:00PM - Leon & Theresa Delinski-Smith (Chip & Elaine)

Sun., July 20th, 9:00AM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)

Readings for the week of July 13, 2025

Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-37/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1-8/Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 11:20-24 Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1-4, 6-7/Mt 11:25-27 Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27/Mt 11:28-30 Friday: Ex 11:10-12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-18/Mt 12:1-8 Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15/Mt 12:14-21 Next Sunday: Gn 18:1-10/Ps 15:2-5/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

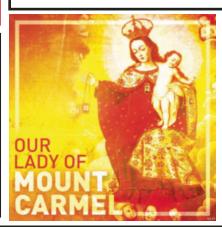
July 13, 2025 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

I used to be a bad neighbor. I'd get wrapped up in my life and ignore those around me. Then I found sage advice from Benjamin Franklin to this effect: to be a better neighbor, ask someone to do a favor for you. It's counterintuitive, isn't it? Tell strangers that I need their help? Yuck. I'll risk looking needy. Worse, I'll be indebted to them. But I tried it, and it works like a charm. Recently I asked my neighbor Alan for a hacksaw, and Inga for an egg. They kindly obliged, and our friendship is growing.

This week we hear a scribe of the law cynically ask Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" (Luke 10:29). Like him, we prefer to keep the list of our "neighbors" as short as possible. It requires less interruption and inconvenience. But when Jesus tells the parable of the Good Samaritan, he exposes the lonely, coldheartedness tendency of the scribe's (and our) heart. My "neighbor" is anyone I encounter who manifests a concrete need. There isn't time to require any other credential because human need opens us to the happy reciprocity which is love.

Jesus' words challenge us this week to ask a neighbor for help in some small way. How marvelous that God himself shows us how. He moves into our world and asks us to love Him with small deeds of love. Maybe that's where Ben Franklin got the idea.

Father John Muir



Feast Day: JULY 16th

SANCTUARY CANDLES

SAINT STANISLAUS: Max & Florence Krasinski (Bob & Betty)

HOLY FAMILY: 1) Habas, Kulig & Laszewski Families by Kulig Estate; 2) Galla and Walach Families by Paul and Lisa Galla **OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS:** Robert Merski, Sr. and Mildred Merski by The Merski Family

ST. ANN'S: 1) Constance & Agnes Rzodkiewicz by Barbara Berdis & Family; 2) All Parishioners, living & deceased ST. CASIMIR'S: 1) Bernie Zilonka by Gloria Palmer & Family; 2) Hilinski & Mankosky Families by Scott & Paul Hilinski

Due to the St. Ann's Novena

THERE WILL BE NO MASS AT ST. CASIMIR'S ON JULY 20TH

Please consider attending the Novena Mass at 8:30AM or 11:00AM at St. Ann's

You may also avail yourself to Mass at St. Stanislaus at 4:00PM on Saturday or 9:00AM on Sunday

WOMEN'S SOCIETY PICNIC

A "Members Only" Summer Picnic will be held on July 16th at 5:30PM at the Colony Inn on West 8th Street. If you signed up at the last Women's Society meeting, there is no need to call for a reservation. All other members are asked to RSVP by July 13th by calling Sharon at 814-790-1226. We look forward to sharing our fellowship!

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Stanislaus will host Eucharistic Adoration on Sunday, July 20th, following the 9:00AM Mass until 11:00AM. Please consider giving the Lord some of your time in prayer.

ST. HIPPOLYTE HAM & CHICKEN DINNER

The 129th Annual Frenchtown Ham & Chicken Dinner will be held on Sunday, July 27th, at St. Hippolyte Church (25997 Highway 27, Guys Mills, PA). Dinner will be served from 12:30PM-4:30PM (or until sold out). Dinner includes 1/2 of a BBQ Chicken or a generous portion of ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, coleslaw, applesauce, roll, beverage, and dessert. Cost is \$15 for adults; \$14 for 60+; \$10 for children ages 6-12; free for those 5 and under. Also featured are bingo, gift auction, quilt raffle, 50/50 raffle, country store, and a \$2,000 grand raffle.

ST. ANN'S NOVENA

The Annual St. Ann's Novena will take place July 18th through July 26th. Mass and Confessions will take place twice daily (see flyers for schedule). A special word of thanks to Fr. Priscaro for all of his time and hard work organizing this event! We are honored to have Fr. Peter Totleben, OP, guide us through these graced days. Please consider joining us for these very popular and well-attended days of prayer and devotion.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: MONEY COUNTERS

Our Mother of Sorrows is soliciting volunteer teams to count our weekly offering, and prepare our bank deposit, after our Sunday Masses. It is estimated to take less than 30 minutes following Mass. If you are interested, please let Karen know.

ALL-PARISH PICNIC

St. Stan's will host our annual Parish Picnic on Sunday, August 3rd, from 3:00PM-7:00PM, in the St. Stan's Rectory courtyard. Dinner will be served at 5:00PM.

This picnic is intended for *all* of our parishioners from St. Hedwig's and Our Mother of Sorrows, as well as St. Stan's. In the past, this picnic has been a wildly successful event, bringing together all of our communities for an afternoon/evening of fellowship.

For planning purposes, please call or text Michelle Inter for reservations (814-490-7362). We are asking for a modest \$5 donation per family. The parish will provide the main entrée, a limited amount of soft beverages, and beer (feel free to BYOB). Please consider bringing a dish to share according to the following scheme based on the first letter of your last name:

A-I: Hot side dish J-T: Cold side dish U-Z: Dessert

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

So many times in my life, I have failed to start something because I had not yet adequately prepared. I would have started working out or going for a jog, but I needed to get the right shoes. I would have started eating right if only I could find the time and money to buy the right foods. I would have started that journaling project, but I couldn't without a really nice leather-bound journal. I would have, I would have, and I would have!

I know many people can relate. We offer up excuses for so many things. Sometimes we even get to the point where we do start something, but by then, we have already lost so much time.

Some of us are thinking about taking a stewardship way of life seriously, but we are just not ready yet. We would be more generous if we can first get out of debt. We would give of our time, but we have to wait until the kids get older or until we fully research our options. The truth is, we don't have to be in any particular state of life or have any specific financial portfolio to start giving our very selves to God. God takes us as we are now. No resume needed. Why waste so much time thinking about getting started and becoming serious? Time is a gift given to all of us. As we think and prepare endlessly, we are practicing poor stewardship. The time to start is today. Who wants to answer God one day at the gates of Heaven saying, "I would have."?

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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