

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 12, 2025



Saint Stanislaus & Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Churches

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OFFICE HOURS

Sunday & Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:00AM-12:00PM; 4:30PM-6:30PM

Wednesday: 9:00AM-3:00PM; 4:30PM-6:30PM

Thursday: 9:00AM-3:00PM

Friday: 9:00AM-12:00PM

Saturday: 9:00AM-3:00PM

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, January 12th: Baptism of the Lord

Private (SA): Dr. Allan J. Wintner by Dr. Hal Angeloff
11:00am (SC): Dolores Mankosky by Mary Ellen Damond

Monday, January 13th: Weekday

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): Anthony Buzzanco by Darrell and Dianna Rose

Tuesday, January 14th: Weekday

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): Denise Kerr by Dr. Hal Angeloff

Wednesday, January 15th: Weekday

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): Charlotte Prez by Dorothy Krawczyk

Thursday, January 16th: Weekday

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): Charles and Charlotte Chase by Family

Friday, January 17th: Saint Anthony

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): Galla and Walach Families by Paul and Lisa Galla

Saturday, January 18th: Weekday

Private: For Holy Souls

Sunday, January 19th: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Private (SA): For All Parishioners, Living and Deceased
11:00am (SC): Habas, Kulig and Laszewski Families by Kulig Estate

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., Jan. 13th - Private Intention
Tues., Jan. 14th - Tadeusz Dembski (Chris & Phil Eichner)
Wed., Jan. 15th - Stella Lawandowski (Mike & Karen Giannamore)
Thur., Jan. 16th - Mary Zoltowski (Peggy & David Chludzinski)
Fri., Jan. 17th - Roy Bernardini (James McGoey, Jr.)
Sat., Jan. 18th, 4:00PM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)
Sun., Jan. 19th, 9:00AM - Ronald Bukoski (Julie McCallion)

Readings for the week of January 12, 2025

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1-4, 24-30/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-22
Monday: Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1-2, 6-9/Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2, 5, 6-9/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-4, 6-9/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-11/Mk 1:40-45
Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3-4, 6-8/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8-10, 15/Mk 2:13-17
Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-3, 7-10/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

SANCTUARY CANDLES

SAINT STANISLAUS: Bernard & Mary Bachiszewski (Family)

HOLY FAMILY: 1) Habas, Kulig and 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) Special Intentions of Fr. Jerry Priscaro; 2) Agnes Priscaro by Parishioners

ST. CASIMIR'S: 1) Health & Healing of Fr. Jason; 2) Special Intentions for everyone who helped with the GECAC Giving Tree

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The Baptism of the Lord

Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

In my second year of theology studies, I went to confession to a priest visiting the seminary for a three-day retreat. My heart wasn't in it. I was going through the motions. I confessed my sins and waited for his response. The priest said, "For your penance, I'd like you to go into the chapel and repeat the words 'You are my beloved Son, with you I am well pleased' (Luke 3:22) until they mean something to you." Easy penance, I thought.

But to my surprise, I struggled to say those words. I sensed a strong interior resistance blocking them. How could God be well-pleased with me? He couldn't be, I thought. A battle within me ensued. Two hours later, the resistance vanished, and I found myself able to speak, and claim as my own, those marvelous words. I emerged from the chapel with a new, deep, peaceful conviction that I was indeed God's beloved son.

Those words are a precious gift from heaven to all of us. Jesus' baptism, which we celebrate this week, offers them to us. Are we willing to receive these words anew? Many things can block this deepening of our baptismal identity: failings, sins, disappointments, traumas, problems, and so on. Yet God's love is always greater. This week I challenge you to prayerfully repeat these words over yourself — or perhaps over someone you're struggling to love — until those words find a home in your heart.

— Father John Muir



CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Women's Society Christmas Party has been rescheduled for Sunday, January 12th, at the 3rd Street Polish Falcons club from noon until 3:00PM. Members, parishioners (from ALL of our parishes), and guests are most welcome to attend. The cost of the meal is \$15. Call Nancy or Don at 814.454.4046 for reservations. The deadline to register is January 6th. We hope you can join us for this afternoon of much fun, good food, and exceptional fellowship!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration will be held at St. Stan's next Sunday, January 19th, following the 9:00AM Mass until 11:00AM. Please consider taking time to spend in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

NEW TO OUR WEBPAGES

Parishioners from both St. Stan's and Our Mother of Sorrows now have available to them a "Parish Portal" link in the main menu of our respective websites. When you click on the Parish Portal, you can create an account. This feature allows you to keep your family and contact information current. It also allow you to print your end-of-the-year giving statements for tax purposes. Create an account to help us keep our records accurate and help you more easily prepare your taxes.

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VOTIVE CANDLES

Recently, St. Stan's has experienced an increasing number of votives being lit, but *unpaid* for. We want to gently remind everyone that the recommended donation for the small, one-day, candles is \$1.00 minimum. For the larger, seven-day, candles the recommended donation is \$5.00 minimum (please see a greater, priest, or stop in the sacristy to get the candle). These devotional candles are *not* meant to raise money for the parish; the recommended donations are to simply *cover the cost* of the candles. Please be considerate of our fiscal responsibilities.

HELP US SAVE ON POSTAGE

Every week, St. Stan's spends \$18.98 in postage to mail out our bulletins. The intention of mailing our bulletins is to help us remain connected to parishioners who are ill or homebound, and we are happy to do it. However, some bulletins are being mailed to parishioners who have other means to access the bulletin (e.g., through our parish's webpage). Others are being mailed to households who attend Mass. If it is not necessary for you to receive the bulletin by mail, kindly call the parish office so that we can cut back on postage expenses. Many thanks!

mark your Calendar

St. Stan's will, once again, host a "Superbowl Pancake Breakfast" on Sunday, February 9th, from 10:00AM-1:00PM in the Parish Hall. Come and join us for a good time and some good food!



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SSJ SOUP KITCHEN

We will be collecting donated snacks for the SSJ Soup Kitchen on the weekend of January 18-19 (they can be placed in the chapel room). Homemade or store bought goods can also be brought to the Nazareth Center lot between 2:00-3:00PM on Monday, August 19th.

What have been the most significant moments in your life? You probably celebrate your birthday every year, so the day you were born must be pretty important. How about elementary, high school, or college graduations? Hopefully you do something special on or around your wedding anniversary if you are married. Do you have children? The birth of each child is probably near the top on the list of moments you will never forget. Then there are the sad moments of life: deaths, breakups, and tragedies. As you reflect on all these moments, you can see that you would not be who you are today without having experienced them. Of course as a Christian, you have one moment in time that has had an even greater impact on you and perhaps it didn't even come to mind: your Baptism.

You might say you don't remember it because you were an infant. Perhaps you do not even know the date it took place. You might not feel like it has had much impact on you at all. However, it has made all the difference.

Whether you feel the difference or not, on that day you were made a new creation in Jesus Christ. You were marked for Him with an indelible mark that no one can remove, not even you. On that day, you inherited a tradition and lineage of faith that has changed the face of the earth. Today, that baptismal grace beckons you to a real and substantial relationship with the One whose name was invoked on that day. It also calls you to respond with a stewardship way of life, where your gifts make a difference and glorify God. If today is the day you start taking all this seriously, you get to add a new moment to your list.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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