

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 1, 2024



Saint Stanislaus Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:30AM - 3:00 PM
(Closed 12:00PM - 1:00PM, Saturdays, Sundays, & Holidays)

Weekend Eucharistic Liturgy:

Saturday at 4:00PM; Sunday at 9:00AM

Daily Eucharist: Call the Parish Office

* Reconciliation is celebrated until 15 minutes before Mass
(If the priest is not in the confessional, inform a greeter)

Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church

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Weekend Eucharistic Liturgy:

Sunday at 11:00AM (St. Casimir's)

Daily Eucharist: Monday-Friday 12:05PM (St. Ann's)

First Saturday of the month: 9:00AM (St. Ann's)

MASSES FOR THE WEEK (Our Mother of Sorrows)

Sunday, September 1st: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Private (SA): Holy Souls by Stephen Waterford

11:00am (SC): Al Klugiewicz by Dick Albreski and Barbara Yuill

Monday, September 2nd: Weekday/Labor Day

9:30am (SA): Confessions

10:00am (SA): Rita Ann and Raymond J. Slomski by Dr. Hal Angeloff

Tuesday, September 3rd: Saint Gregory the Great

11:30am (SA): Confessions

12:05pm (SA): Jeanne Burke DeForce by Thomas and Phyllis Burke

Wednesday, September 4th: Weekday

11:30am (SA): Confessions

12:05pm (SA): Rozalia Pieczywek by Mark and Diane Olszewski

Thursday, September 5th: Weekday

11:30am (SA): Confessions

12:05pm (SA): Deceased Members of the Ropelewski Family by Estate

First Friday, September 6th: Weekday

11:30am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Patricia "Patty" DeVore, Birthday by Jim and Pat Dolak

First Saturday, September 7th: Weekday

8:30am (SA) Confessions

9:00am (SA) Sandra Kujan Demchak by Robert Demchak

Private: The Souls in Purgatory who have no one to pray for them
by Dr. Hal Angeloff

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Purity isn't popular at the moment. Or is it? Look at a rack of health magazines or at popular podcasts. You'll see an infinite ocean of regulations and rituals of diets, intermittent fasting, morning sun rituals, intense juice detox practices, lists of dangerous foods, mental practices, as well as long lists of dos and don'ts for the proper cleaning of clothes, dishes, cars, houses, pets, and children. Like it or not, we long to be pure, clean, and without blemish.

This question of purity haunted people in Jesus' day, too. The Pharisees and scribes (the leading purity authorities of the day) criticize Jesus, asking, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" (Mark 7:5). Jesus responds by saying, "There is nothing outside the person that can defile him if it goes into him; but the things that come out of the person are what defile the person" (Mark 7:15). What does he mean, and how can it help us be pure?

We've probably all heard the somewhat shopworn interpretation that Jesus replaces the ritual, exterior notion of purity with a moral, interior one. Christianity is thus seen as a kind of moral re-tooling, as if religion doesn't make us pure. Good moral intentions do. But this doesn't take the rest of Jesus' ministry seriously enough, nor our obsession with purity. The better reading is that Jesus audaciously offers himself as the ultimate source of human purity — from within each human heart. Both our religious ritual practices and our moral actions are meant to flow from this encounter with Jesus the Lord. When we are in friendship with him, everything becomes pure for us.

— Father John Muir

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., Sept. 2nd - Private Intention

Tues., Sept. 3rd - Gay & Robert Wlodarczyk (Family)

Wed., Sept. 4th - Msgr. Joseph Reszkowski (K. Turner)

Thur., Sept. 5th - Ursula Konior (Barbara Agnello)

Fri., Sept. 6th - Karen Dylewski (Annette & Dave)

Sat., Sept. 7th, 4:00PM - Vargo Family (Family)

Sun., Sept. 8th, 9:00AM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)

Readings for the week of September 1, 2024

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-5/Jas 1:17-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97-102/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10-16/Ps 145:8-14/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-15, 20-21/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24:1-6/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6-15/Ps 145:17-21/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7/Ps 146:7-10/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

SANCTUARY CANDLES

SAINT STANISLAUS: Alice Zimmerman by Helen Zimmerman

HOLY FAMILY: 1) Theresa and Bob Zaborowski by Parishioners; 2) Habas, Kulig and Laszewski Families by Kulig Estate

OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS: Robert Merski, Sr. and Mildred Merski by The Merski Family

ST. ANN'S: 1) Special Intentions of our Priests and Deacons; 2) All of our sick and shut-ins

ST. CASIMIR'S: 1) Galla and Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla; 2) All Parishioners Living and Deceased

LABOR DAY MASS
Monday, September 2nd
10:00AM
Saint Ann's Church

OUR PARISH OFFICES
WILL BE CLOSED ON
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2nd,
IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Our next Eucharistic Adoration will take place at St. Stanislaus Sunday, September 15th, following the 9:00AM Mass until 11:00AM.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

St. Stanislaus has been honored to host Erie County's annual "Blue Mass" on Wednesday, September 4th, at 6PM (reception to follow). The Blue Mass honors and prays for the safety of first responders. Please consider showing your support by joining us to pray for our first responders.

ST. STANISLAUS SCHOOL CLASS REUNION

The Saint Stanislaus School Class of 1964 will host a reunion on Sunday, September 8th, following the 9:00AM Mass in the Parish Hall. They will be celebrating their 60th class reunion! Jim Dylewski will be organizing the reunion. More details will be forthcoming.

DINNER IS SERVED

It was a decades-long tradition that the priest-faculty at Gannon University would gather together for dinner on Thursday evenings. Unfortunately, the location of the gathering has since been sold, and the Metz company no longer has the personnel to prepare the dinner. Some of us, however, cherished this time to be together and share in our priestly camaraderie.

A couple of us have discussed the possibility or resurrecting this tradition in our parishes. This announcement is merely a query to see if a couple of parishioners would be interested in supporting this tradition by providing a family-style meal for anywhere from 3-8 priests once a month. The evening usually begins with an appetizer served at 5PM, followed by dinner at 6PM. Our evening usually ends no later than 7:30PM.

The dinner could be prepared at home and brought to the rectory, prepared at home and warmed up in the rectory kitchen, or prepared in the rectory kitchen. Such meals could consist of meatloaf, pasta, casseroles, porkchops, chicken bakes, etc. Anything that would be easy to prepare, simple to warm up, and easily served.

If you might be interested in offering this provision, please see Father Jason after any weekend Mass.

Dear Parishioners,

Despite the remarkable improvements I have achieved through physical therapy, recent x-rays have revealed considerable "structural damage" to my hip joint. The initial injury to my iliotibial band, and the subsequent deterioration of the muscles needed to provide stability to my hip, resulted in a profound limp over an extended period of time (2 1/2 years!). That lack of stability, combined with a persistent limp, caused my hip bones to "pulverize" the cartilage in the joint. Consequently, I am now a candidate for hip surgery. This came as very unfortunate news, given how well I was responding to physical therapy. After some time, I have allowed the reality of the situation to set in. My initial plan was to delay any surgery until the end of the academic year, so as not to interrupt my teaching. However, I am beginning to envision the possibility of undergoing surgery shortly after Christmas; the discomfort is just too great.

Naturally, I will continue to keep you informed. I also continue to remain grateful for all your concern, patience in my limitedness, and your ongoing prayers.

- Fr. Jason



Allow me to introduce everyone to Rusty, my new housemate and best buddy. Rusty was born on May 26th, 2024 in Valley City, Ohio. He is a purebred German Shepherd from excellent pedigree (both of his parents are national show dogs). He has a very gentle demeanor and his temperament is amazing. Once I am comfortable with him around people, I'll be sure to offer you a more personal introduction. Welcome home, Rusty!

OCTOBER LOTTERY

St. Stan's Holy Name Society is now selling October Lottery Raffle Tickets. Tickets are \$5 each and offer 31 chances to win, based off the daily lottery number. See any member of the Holy Name Society to purchase a ticket. Tickets can also be purchased before/after Masses or from the Parish Office.



HELP WANTED

A pierogi making session will take place on Saturday, September 17th, in Saint Stanislaus Parish Hall. We will begin at 9:00AM. All are welcome to help; no experience needed. Join us for the fun and camaraderie!

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