TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME September 29, 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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Office Hours: By appointment

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 29th: Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Private (SA): Special Intentions of Stephen Waterford 11:00am (SC): William Kurtzhals by Bob and Karen Mazur

Monday, September 30th: Saint Jerome

11:30am (SA): Confessions

12:05pm (SA): James Berdis by Diane and Mike Fisher

Tuesday, October 1st: Saint Therese of the Child Jesus

11:30am (SA): Confessions

12:05pm (SA): In memory of William Kurtzhals

Wednesday, October 2nd: The Holy Guardian Angels

11:30am (SA): Confessions 12:05pm (SA): For Holy Souls

Thursday, October 3rd: Weekday

11:30am (SA): Confessions

12:05pm (SA): Ronald Herczak (Anniversary Sept. 22) by The Vento Family

First Friday, October 4th: Saint Francis of Assisi

11:30am (SA): Confessions

12:05pm (SA): Kenneth Shanta by The Vento Family

First Saturday, October 5th: Saint Faustina Kowalska

8:30am (SA): Confessions

9:00am (SA): Sandra Kujan Demchak by Robert Demchak Private: Mary H. and Lee J. Goss by Dr. Hal Angeloff

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., Sept. 30th - Private Intention

Tues., Oct. 1st - Linda (Gambill) Love (Paul Gambill)

Wed., Oct. 2nd - Wladyslawa Piecuch (The Robaskiewicz Family)

Thur., Oct. 3rd - John Staszewski (Mr. & Mrs. Stan Staszewski)

Fri., Oct. 4th - Richard Niedzwiecki (Family)

Sat., Oct. 5th, 4:00PM - Leo & Veronica Tomczak Family (Family)

Sun., Oct. 6th, 9:00AM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)

Readings for the week of September 29, 2024

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1-3, 6-7/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Ps 88:2-8/Lk 9:51-56 Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10-15/Mt 18:1-5, 10 Thursday: Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-9, 13-14/Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-6/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

September 29, 2024 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Maggots, grubs, worms. When I imagine one or many of these nasty slimy buggers living inside my body — unseen, feeding off my flesh, slowly rotting me out — I feel deeply disgusted. If I knew I had a worm, I would do anything to remove the alien invader, and fast. But what if I couldn't ever get it out?

This is precisely the image Jesus uses to describe those who cause others to sin and fail to cut out what leads them to sin. He contrasts the kingdom of God with Gehenna, "where the worm does not die." If we can stomach it for a moment, there is much wisdom in this nauseating metaphor.

First, sin is always parasitic. It feeds on what is good like a worm in a host. It's not symbiotic or additive, as virtue and love always are. Sin invades, devours, and damages the sinner. Second, sin is always social. No matter how hidden, it quietly eats away at others — usually the most poor and vulnerable, the "little ones," as the Lord says. How healthy it is for us to acknowledge this! Our gossiping, greed, over-indulgence, lying, pride, laziness, lust for power and reputation, and so on ... they do not add anything to life. They are worms eating away at others and ourselves.

We cut out these filthy parasites through genuine repentance and bold action. Imagine the peace and relief that follows the removal of a sickening worm from your body. How much greater is the peace we enjoy when the spiritual worms are gone for good. We'd never wait to act against physical parasites. Neither should we with the worms of sin.

Father John Muir

SANCTUARY CANDLES

SAINT STANISLAUS: Bernard & Mary Bagniszewski (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) For the increase in vocations to religious life; 2) For All Parishioners Living and Deceased **ST. CASIMIR'S:** 1) Frances G. Birchard by Parishioners; 2) Special Intentions of our Priests and Deacons

NEW OFFICE HOURS AT ST. STANISLAUS EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:00AM-12:00PM (Debbie)

4:30PM-6:30PM (Helen)

Wednesday: 9:00AM-12:00PM (Debbie)

4:30PM-6:30PM (Helen)

Thursday: 9:00AM-3:00PM (Debbie) Friday: 9:00AM-12:00PM (Debbie) Saturday: 9:00AM-3:00PM (Helen)

Sunday: Closed

JULY LOTTERY WINNERS

Congratulations to our Holy Name Society July Lottery

winners:

Sally Bojarski Natalie Shaffer
Dee Madura David Ball
Ed Macie Patti Bernhard
Joanne Kubinski Dave Post

Don Ball Paula Dworakowski
Laini Valahovic Nancy Widomski
Bill Stouffer Lisa Schroth
Amy Stevens Regina Jawarski
Kathy Ciecierski Pearl Wisnewski
Bernadette Slomski Robert Przybyszewski

Chip Rohrbach Betty Schuck

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.

ST. STAN'S WOMEN'S SOCIETY

The St. Stan's Women's Society will meet on Sunday, October 6th, at 1:00PM in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to attend.

ATTENTION ALL CRAFTERS

We would like to have a Craft Booth for Parish Day this year. The Craft Booth will display and sell any homemade craft items you would like to donate. For more information, contact Diane (814.825.5748).

"...IN THIS WORLD I CANNOT SEE
THE MOST HIGH SON OF GOD WITH
MY OWN EYES, EXCEPT FOR HIS
MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD."
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

PARISH DAY/A TASTE OF POLAND

In less than a month, Parish Day will be here. The Women's Society is asking our parishioners and friends for donations of new items for our Chinese Auction and special awards. They are also soliciting donations of all types of gift cards. Please drop off any donated items at the Parish Office between 10AM and 2PM Monday through Friday. If you would like someone to pick up these items, call the Parish Office (814.452.6606) and someone will make

arrangements with you.

ST. STAN'S LECTORS

All St. Stan's lectors can pick up the annual Lector Workbook in the sacristy following Mass. Please take one per household until we are sure enough were ordered.



Saint Stanislaus Church, Erie, PA Sunday, October 13, 2024 12:00PM - 5:00PM







VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sign-up sheets are available in the back of the church for anyone willing to volunteer to serve our "Parish Day/A Taste of Poland" dinner. Many positions are needed. Additionally, we are hoping to have our largest bake sale ever. Please considering donating home baked goods to the parish hall on October 12th or 13th.

BAKERS NEEDED

Help fill our Bake Sale tables with Polish pastries, cookies, sweet breads, brownies, cupcakes, fudge, pies, a variety of breads, and whatever your favorite dessert may be.

Donations can be dropped off anytime after 10AM on Saturday, October 12th at the Parish Hall.





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