EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME March 2, 2025



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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, March 2nd: Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Private: Bernie Zilonka by Gloria Palmer and Family

10:30am (SC) Confessions

11:00am (SC) Bernice Zilonka by Family

Monday, March 3rd: Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Mikolaj Wodecki, Anniversary by Caroline Larson

Tuesday, March 4th: Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Frank Buzzanco by Darrell & Dianna Rose

Wednesday, March 5th: Ash Wednesday

12:05pm (SA) Charlotte Prez by Dorothy Krawczyk

5:15pm (SC) Eileen Ropelewski by Estate

Thursday, March 6th: Thursday after Ash Wednesday

12:05pm (SA) Sally & Theodore Rzodkiewicz by Barbara Berdis and Family

First Friday, March 7th: Friday after Ash Wednesday

12:05pm (SA) Intentions of George Vento, Birthday by The Vento Family

Saturday, March 8th: Saturday after Ash Wednesday

Private: Special Intentions of Stephen Waterford

Sunday, March 9th: First Sunday of Lent

Private: Bernie Zilonka by Gloria Palmer and Family

10:30am (SC) Confessions

11:00am (SC) Intentions of Fr. Gerald Wright (Birthday) The Vento Family

CONFESSIONS: Monday-Friday, 11:15-11:55AM (St. Ann's)

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., Mar. 3rd - Private Intention

Tues., Mar. 4th - Helen Pyrdek (Mary Rosiak) Wed., Mar. 5th - Ziggy Kendra (Mary Jo Fulton)

Thur., Mar. 6th - Aurthur John Matczak (DJ McCune)

Fri., Mar. 7th - Bae Manczka (Linda & Denis Crossman)

Sat., Mar. 8th, 4:00PM - Gail Smith (Family)

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

Readings for the week of March 2, 2025

Sun: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-16/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

Mon: Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5-7/Mk 10:17-27 Tues: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23/Mk 10:28-31

Wed: JI 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-6, 12-14, 17/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thurs: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 9:22-25 Fri: Is 58:1-9/Ps 51:3-6, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15 Sat: Is 58:9-14/Ps 86:1-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sun: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-15/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

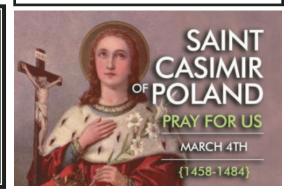
March 2, 2025 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time

One of the things that older pastors and younger priests occasionally quarrel about is the proper balance between work and prayer. I know one pastor who complains that his younger associate ignores the people and the parish because he wants to spend more time in prayer. And the young priest complains that the pastor gives him too much work to do and no time to pray. The Lord's words this Sunday speak into this tension with an image that can help us find a proper balance between life and prayer.

Jesus says, "For every tree is known by its fruit. For people do not pick figs from thorn bushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles" (Luke 6:44). When we are deeply rooted and cultivating our relationship with Jesus, we are going to bear the fruit of that love in our lives. No fruit, no good prayer. How do we know that we are praying well? We are experiencing concrete fruits of love for others in our lives.

Someone who prays well will, sooner or later, burst forth the "figs" and "grapes" of acts of love. But without concrete commitment to deeds of selfless service to others, our prayer time is as useless as thorn bushes and brambles. Let's recommit ourselves to be men and women of prayer and service. And hopefully the pastors will help their associates to pray and serve fruitfully...with minimal quarreling.

Father John Muir



SANCTUARY CANDLES

SAINT STANISLAUS: Special Intention

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) Special Intentions for a blessed and holy Lenten Season: 2) All Parishioners Living and Deceased

ST. CASIMIR'S: 1) Bernie Zilonka by Gloria Palmer and Family; 2) Prayers for an increase in vocations to religious life

MASS SCHEDULE ASH WEDNESDAY MARCH 5th

St. Stanislaus: 9:00AM
Our Mother of Sorrows: 5:15PM

LENTEN SOUP & SALAD SERIES

St. Stan's will, once again, offer a Lenten Soup & Salad series during the season of Lent. The evenings will begin at 5PM with Stations of the Cross in the church. Following Stations, we will gather in the Parish Hall to share a "potluck" meal (around 5:30PM). Fr. Jason will offer a presentation entitled, "Who do you say that I am?" The series will explore the biblical, historical, and philosophical development of Christianity's deepening belief regarding who Jesus is and how the community articulated our belief. We will gather on March 12th, and continue every Wednesday of Lent. Feel free to join us for all or part of the evening. All are welcome to attend all, or part, of the evening.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. Stan's will host the traditional Stations of the Cross on the Wednesdays of Lent, beginning March 12th at 5:00PM. Fr. Jason is encouraging parishioners to sign up to lead our communities in this devotional. We have a variety of Station Booklets to choose from. A sign up sheet is in the back of the church.

OLD PALMS?

Collection bins will be located in the rear of our churches. If you have palms from previous Ash Wednesdays that you would like to dispose of, please bring them to Mass and place them in the bins. Those old palms are burnt to ashes to use on Ash Wednesday.

ST. STAN'S PARISH HALL PHONE

In a continued effort to cut unnecessary expenses, we have decided to discontinue phone service to St. Stan's Parish Hall, which will save us nearly \$600 a year. Most everyone who volunteers for events in the Hall have cell phones in the event of an emergency. We will be directing people to use the Parish Office phone, instead. By mid-March, the phone number 814-455-1970 will no longer be in operation.

BAKE SALE DONATIONS

St. Stan's will be hosting our traditional Bake Sale during our Fish & Pierogi Dinners. This is a particularly lucrative fund-raiser. Consider donating some home-baked goods like cakes, cookies, pies, or your favorite desert. They can be dropped off at the Parish Hall the morning of each dinner Friday.

OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS LENTEN DEVOTIONS

Friday, March 7th (St. Ann's)

11:00AM-Noon: Eucharistic Adoration 11:15AM: Divine Mercy Chaplet 11:15AM-11:55AM: Confessions

12:05PM: Mass 1:00PM: Stations of the Cross

Saint Stanislaus

LENTEN DINNERS







4:00 - 7:00 PM (or until sold out)

- FRIDAY, MARCH 7th
- FRIDAY, MARCH 21st
- FRIDAY, APRIL 4th
 - FRIDAY, APRIL 18th (* TAKE OUT ONLY)

Saint Stanislaus 513 East 13th Street

Fish, Pierogi, Fries, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Mac-n-Cheese

> \$15.00 for adults \$6.00 for children 6-12 Free for children under 5





LENTEN DEVOTION BOOKLETS

There are a limited number of Lenten devotional booklets located in the back of our churches. Feel free to help yourself to these prayer/meditation aids. If you are able, please leave a modest donation to help defray the expenses.

DID YOU KNOW?

Among the parishes in Erie County, there is a "gentleman's agreement" that collection contributions are handed over to the parish designated on the envelope. In other words, if a Saint Stanislaus parishioner attends Mass at Saint Hedwig, and places his/her envelope in the collection at Saint Hedwig, that envelope will be given back to Saint Stanislaus. So, whatever parish you go to over the weekend, know that your collection contribution will still benefit your designated parish.

ADORATION

St. Stan's will host our next monthly adoration on Sunday, March 16th, following the 9:00AM Mass until 11:00AM.





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