FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 6, 2025



Saint Stanislaus & Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Churches

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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 6th: Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time Private: Special Intentions of Lucia Lee 10:30am (SC) Confessions 11:00am (SC) Charlotte Prez by Sr. Barbara Ann Zakutney

Monday, July 7th: Weekday 12:05pm (SA) Debra Monde (Anniv. July 6th) by Christine Prez Farnum

Tuesday, July 8th: Weekday 12:05pm (SA) Chong Wook Lee by Lucia Lee

Wednesday, July 9th: Weekday 12:05pm (SA) Grandma Shin by Lucia Lee

Thursday, July 10th: Weekday 12:05pm (SA) Bernice Zilonka by Family

Friday, July 11th: Saint Benedict 12:05pm (SA) Special Intentions of Sister M. Pia by Lucia Lee

Saturday, July 12th: Weekday Private: Special Intentions of Stephen Waterford

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

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

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., July 7th - Private Intention Tues., July 8th - Louise Miklinki (Marge) Wed., July 9th - Alois Lubiejewski (Kathie & Paul Denslinger) Thur., July 10th - Rita Zuber (Ray Przybyszewski & Betty Romecki) Fri., July 10th - Christine Sullivan (John & Irene Abbate) Sat., July 12th, 4:00PM - Max & Florence Krasinski (B. & B. Nowakowski) Sun., July 13th, 9:00AM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)

Readings for the week of July 6, 2025

Sunday: Is 66:10-14/Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12 Monday: Gn 28:10-22/Ps 91:1-4, 14-15/Mt 9:18-26 Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1-3, 6-8, 15/Mt 9:32-38 Wednesday: Gn 42:5-7, 17-24/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7 Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-21/Mt 10:7-15 Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mt 10:16-23 Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26/Ps 105:1-7/Mt 10:24-33 Next Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-37/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

July 6, 2025 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the days after the awful 2020 killing of George Floyd, a Catholic friend remarked, "Racism is today's great evil. We should put all our energy into fighting it." I admired her intuition that the church must stand firmly against evil. Amen, I thought. At the same time, something felt wrong. As months went by, I saw her steadily slide into bitterness and anger. Soon, despondency. She spoke of giving up the fight. Don't we too wonder how to fight evil without losing our joy or energy?

Jesus' words this week help. He says, "Rejoice not that you have power over demons, but that your names are written in heaven" (Luke 10:20). Notice the asymmetry in where he wants our focus: on the latter, not the former. Should we confidently embrace our God-given power to overcome evil? Absolutely. But even more so, we should emphasize the positive element of our relationship to God. It is tempting but dangerous to define ourselves by what we oppose. It is better to define ourselves by—to rejoice in what we celebrate: in Jesus, God has written our names in heaven. This sustains our battles.

This week, our marching orders are: fight evil. But more deeply, rejoice that God knows and loves us personally, individually. We allow this joyful knowledge to undergird our fight against the darkness of our day. Then we enjoy long-term stability to be cheerful warriors, who never forget the reason for the contests we are called to fight and win: love.

— Father John Muir



SANCTUARY CANDLES

SAINT STANISLAUS: For All Members of the Armed Services
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	<u>ST. ANN'S NOVENA</u> 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.
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!	<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: MONEY COUNTERS</u> 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.
<u>EUCHARISTIC ADORATION</u> 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.	<u>ALL-PARISH PICNIC</u> 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 <i>all</i> of our parishioners from St. Hedwig's and Our Mother of Sorrows, as well as St. Stan's.
WHEN GOD SPEAKS LIKE A POLISH GRANDMOTHER A friend of mine had a Polish grandmother who was famous for giving her children some blunt advice every time they left the house: "Eyes straight ahead. Mind your own business." Every mother knows her children best, and this mother knew hers liked to argue and sometimes liked to show off. She knew that could lead to trouble. She could not anticipate every scenario they would encounter each time they departed from her. All she could do was distill what she knew about life, safety, and manners into a few simple words, and hand them over to her children like a set of car keys or a hastily scribbled map. In this way, a woman who rarely said "I love you" expressed her devotion. And long	 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
after she was dead and buried, her aging sons and daughters repeated these words to themselves, like a child wrapping himself in a warm blanket. Jesus does much the same for us, in many portions of the Gospels. "Ask the master to send out laborers for his harvestCarry no moneyEat what is set before you Know that the Kingdom of God is at handRejoice because	<u>KNIGHTS OF COLOMBUS BABY BOTTLES</u> For those who chose to participate in the Knights of Colombus Baby Bottle fundraiser, please bring you bottles back the next time you attend Mass. Thanks for supporting this fundraiser on behalf of the Pro-Life cause!
your names are written in Heaven." He knows us best — knows our strengths, but even more importantly, he knows our weaknesses. He doesn't always have the space to address each of these explicitly in the pages of Scripture, but what he can do is distill the truth of effective evangelization into a few simple words, and hand them over to us as food for our journey of discipleship. In this way, a God who addresses the entire world and every soul who ever lived also speaks intimately to each one of us. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS	Dog Days of Summer!

