

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

March 16, 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 16th: Second Sunday of Lent

Private: Special Intentions of Lucia Lee
10:30am (SC) Confessions
11:00am (SC) Dolores Mankosky by Bob and Karen Mazur

Monday, March 17th: Saint Patrick

12:05pm (SA) Grandma Shin by Lucia Lee
5:30PM-7PM (SA) Special Event: In the Footsteps of Saint Patrick

Tuesday, March 18th: Lenten Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Charlotte Prez by Dave & Barb Danylko

Wednesday, March 19th: Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Virgin Mary

12:05pm (SA) Stanley Lipinski by Christine Prez Farnum

Thursday, March 20th: Lenten Weekday

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

Friday, March 21st: Lenten Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Bernice Zilonka by Family

Saturday, March 22nd: Lenten Weekday

Private: Special Intentions of Stephen Waterford

Sunday, March 23rd: Third Sunday of Lent

Private: Special Intentions of Sister Timothy by Lucia Lee
10:30am (SC) Confessions
11:00am (SC) Charlotte Prez by Dorothy Krawczyk

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

March 16, 2025
2nd Sunday of Lent

St. Thomas Aquinas said that friends share three things: time, possessions and secrets. For example, how do I know if you're my friend? Well, let's say we've been to Mexico together, you've tried my shaky attempts at pasta carbonara, and you know what ridiculous costume I wore in a music video I filmed in my early twenties. We, dear reader, are definitely friends. We've shared time, possessions and secrets.

How does friendship with Jesus develop? The same way. Jesus lives and eats with his disciples. Then he takes Peter, James and John to Mount Tabor and there reveals to them his deepest secret: his glorious, divine Sonship. The majesty of God shines from within his humanity in a way that goes beyond description. God the Father confirms this "secret," saying, "This is my chosen Son, listen to him" (Luke 9:35). It's all so precious that "they fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone." Do we take time to be alone with Christ, to allow him to mystically share this "secret" with us as his dear friends?

Lenten challenge: This week, identify one time when you experienced an awareness of some specific aspect of Jesus — perhaps on a retreat, at Mass, in prayer or in an act of service. Spend ten minutes consciously re-living that experience in your heart. If you can't recall one, set aside at least two hours this Lent as a mini retreat, either alone in nature or in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Focus on him and ask him to share the secrets of his heart with you. He will. Then, as his friend, share the secrets in your heart.

— Father John Muir

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., Mar. 17th - Private Intention
Tues., Mar. 18th - Helen Skowronski (Ed Lubecki)
Wed., Mar. 19th - Al Szkoda (Family)
Thur., Mar. 20th - Betty Koper (Kevin & Laurie Mikielski)
Fri., Mar. 21st - Casey Mikielski (Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Mikielski)
Sat., Mar. 22nd, 4:00PM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)
Sun., Mar. 23rd, 9:00AM - Rose "Babe" Niedzwiecki (Sulecki Family)

Readings for the week of March 16, 2025

Sun: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17-4:1/Lk 9:28-36
Mon: Dn 9:4-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13/Lk 6:36-38
Tues: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23/Mt 23:1-12
Wed: 2 Sm 7:4-5, 12-14, 16/Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29/Rom 4:13-22/Lk 2:41-51
Thurs: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 16:19-31
Fri: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13, 17-28/Ps 105:16-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-4, 9-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Next Sun: Ex 3:1-8, 13-15/Ps 103:1-8, 11/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9



SANCTUARY CANDLES

SAINT STANISLAUS: For Peace (Helen Zimmerman)

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) Prayers for an increase in vocations to religious life; 2) All Parishioners Living and Deceased

ST. CASIMIR'S: 1) Bernie Zilonka by Gloria Palmer and Family; 2) Deceased members of the Ropelewski Family by Estate

ST. ANN'S LENTEN DEVOTIONS

Friday, March 21st

11:00AM-Noon: Eucharistic Adoration
11:15AM: Divine Mercy Chaplet
11:15AM-11:55AM: Confessions
12:05PM: Mass
1:00PM: Stations of the Cross

FISH & PIEROGI DINNER

St. Stan's next Fish & Pierogi Dinner will be held on Friday, March 21st, from 4PM-7PM (or until sold out). The cost is \$15 per person (\$6 for children 6-12 years old; free for children 5 and under), and includes choices of fish, pierogi, fries, potato salad, coleslaw, macaroni and cheese. We will also be featuring our famous bake sale!

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 "pot-luck" 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.

ST. ANN'S LENTEN DEVOTIONS

The Rosary will be prayed at St. Ann's following the daily Mass, Monday-Friday. Please consider joining us as a way of enhancing your Lenten experience.

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.

Question: Can you recommend some good books for Lenten spiritual reading?

Answer: On more than one occasion, a coach being interviewed about his team--successful or not--will be asked about the next step. The inevitable response includes something about getting back to basics. Reviewing the fundamentals of the sport strengthens performance and builds confidence. The best Lenten reading takes us back to the fundamentals. If Lent is the time for the Church to be on retreat, then we should focus on the texts that help us deepen our understanding of our faith. Spend time reading one of the Gospels, and use a Scripture commentary to learn all you can about the passion of Jesus. Read about the lives of the saints, especially your patron saint and that of your parish. Perhaps there is some local candidate for sainthood, like Father Walter Cizek, SJ, who wrote several faith-inspiring books. Finally, you can use the Catechism of the Catholic Church to learn more about the church's teachings and beliefs. The sections on prayer and the Mass are really great reflections. Focusing on the basics really helps us take another step forward in our faith. We have not only a better understanding of what we believe and practice, but also why we believe. With that belief comes the confidence we need to be better, more faithful witnesses to Christ.

EASTER MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday

6:00PM - St. Stanislaus
7:00PM - St. Ann's

Good Friday

12:00PM - St. Ann's
2:00PM - St. Stanislaus

Blessing of Baskets

1:00PM - St. Casimir's
2:00PM - St. Stanislaus

Easter Vigil

8:00PM - St. Stanislaus

Easter Sunday

9:00AM - St. Stanislaus
11:00AM - St. Casimir's

St. Patrick

Pray for us!



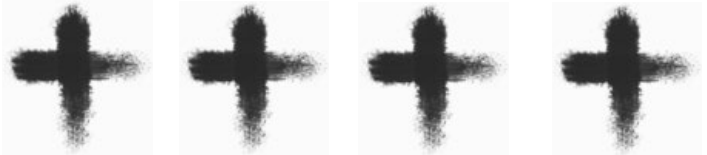
Whether you know him as the man who brought Christianity to Ireland or simply as a reason you eat corned beef and cabbage in March, St. Patrick (415 – 493) is a well-known saint around the world.

St. Patrick was born in Britain of a Romanized family. At the age of 16, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders

from the villa of his father, a deacon and local official, and brought into slavery in Ireland. He spent six long years there as a herdsman, during which he turned to his faith for strength. He later escaped back to Britain on a ship, where he was eventually reunited with his family.

His years of captivity changed him and brought out a zeal for God and a yearning to spread the message of Jesus Christ. Despite the constant danger of martyrdom, he continued to travel throughout Ireland where he baptized and confirmed in the name of Christ.

Saint Patrick is the patron saint of the Diocese of Erie.
Pray for us!



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