

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 22, 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 22nd : Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Private (SA): Gladys H. and Stanley Jechna by Dr. Hal Angeloff
11:00am (SC): Jackie Dylewski, Birthday Helen, Sam and Andrew Gangemi

Monday, September 23rd: Saint Pius of Pietrelcina

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA) Msgr. Bill E. Biebel (Anniversary) by Mark & Diane Olszewski

Tuesday, September 24th: Weekday

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): Special Intentions of Dr. Niv Ad

Wednesday, September 25th: Weekday

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): David K. Wienczkowski by Paul and Irene Nass

Thursday, September 26th: Saints Cosmas and Damian

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): Special Intentions of Lucia Lee

Friday, September 27th: Saint Vincent de Paul

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

Saturday, September 28th: Saint Wenceslaus and Saint Lawrence Ruiz

Private: Regina D. and Joseph Lorelli by Dr. Hal Angeloff

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., Sept. 23rd - Private Intention
Tues., Sept. 24th - Irene Wasiulewski (Friends)
Wed., Sept. 25th - Louise Wisinski (Mr. & Mrs. Alfredo Karaznia)
Thur., Sept. 26th - Richard Mielnik (Ron & Dolly Corsi)
Fri., Sept. 27th - Deacon Bob Walker (Eleanor)
Sat., Sept. 28th, 4:00PM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)
Sun., Sept. 29th, 9:00AM - Michael Przybyszewski (Family)

Readings for the week of September 22, 2024

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-8/Jas 3:16-4:3/Mk 9:30-37
Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-5/Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 149:1-6, 9/Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1-4/Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Eccl 11:9-12:8/Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17/Lk 9:43-45
Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8-14/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

SANCTUARY CANDLES

SAINT STANISLAUS: Mom & Dad Cackowski (Charlie & Charlene)

HOLY FAMILY: 1) Jackie Dylewski (Birthday) Helen, Sam and Andrew Gangemi; 2) Galla & Walach Families by P. & L. Galla

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

ST. ANN'S: 1) Sally and Ted Rzodkiewicz by Barbara Berdis and Family; 2) For All Parishioners Living and Deceased

ST. CASIMIR'S: 1) Charlotte Prez by Parishioners; 2) Habas, Kulig and Laszewski Families by Kulig Estate

September 22, 2024

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When I was a wet-behind-the-ears seminarian, I was sent for an immersion with the poor. For one month, I lived in a home for adults with developmental disabilities. It was a challenge for me because the residents had significant communication issues. A 30-year-old man there named Robin was totally deaf and mute. He had Down's Syndrome. He looked like a Viking, with a shock of red hair and a fine beard. But I felt awkward and disconnected from him. All my normal ways of interacting failed. I resigned myself to the fact that we'd never connect.

Then one morning something amazing happened. He was on the living room floor quietly playing with toys. Watching him from a chair, I sensed Jesus' words float into my mind, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me" (Mark 9:37). I thought, "Jesus, you must somehow be in Robin." I sheepishly made sure no one else was in the room, and then I spoke in a clear voice: "Jesus, are you there?" Robin did not turn to me and say, "Hi, John. Yes, it's me, Jesus." He kept playing with his toys in silence.

But something changed in me. From that moment on, it was easier to just be with Robin, to joke around with him, to try sign-language with him, to let him be himself, and for me to be myself. His "disabilities" were no longer obstacles to overcome. He became just Robin, my friend.

Who in your life seems awkwardly distant or uncomfortable to be with? Next time you see him or her, quietly invoke the name of Jesus, and see how the barriers disappear in you.

— Father John Muir

Dear Parishioners,

I recently mentioned at Mass that I will be *temporarily* modifying the way I celebrate Mass due to the compromised condition of my hip joint. Some of the movements and gestures called for are simply too painful - genuflecting for example, I simply can't do it anymore. Even processing from the back of the church causes undue discomfort (though I will still try to recess at the end of Mass so I have the chance of interacting with all of you). There may even be times when someone will have to take my place in the distribution of communion.

There are two things I want to stress. First, *these modifications are only temporary*. Once I recover from my injury, I will resume the normal celebration of Mass. Second, I hope these modifications are *in no way* perceived as being disrespectful or irreverent. My celebration of Mass will remain as sincere and genuine as it has always been, despite these physical modifications.

Finally, I have scheduled my pre-surgical consultation for October 16th in preparation for a full hip replacement. Originally, I intended to schedule the surgery shortly after Christmas, or perhaps as early as Thanksgiving, so as to minimize any interruption to my teaching or pastoral commitments. It has become painfully obvious that I'd rather not delay this any further - the pain has just become too great, and it will only get worse. I am now looking to have the surgery as soon as possible, perhaps in October, if not sooner.

As always, I will continue to keep our communities informed. Again, I am grateful for your ongoing patience with me and am thankful, in advance, for your understanding and your prayers.

- Fr. Jason

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.

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.

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 MEMORIUM

Carl Hook was buried at the Erie Cemetery on Saturday, September 14th. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for Charlotte Prez at Saint Casimir's on September 14th, and for Joan DiRienzo at St. Stan's on September 18th. Please keep them and their loved ones in your prayers. "Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord..."

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.

A TASTE OF

Poland

Frozen pierogi for sale!
Baked goods for sale!

Instant!
Theme baskets auction!



Saint Stanislaus Church, Erie, PA
Sunday, October 13, 2024

12:00PM - 5:00PM

Polish Platter Dinners ~ Dine-In or Take-Out

Sausage, Golabki, Pierogi, Kapusta, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy

Adults: \$15 6-12 year old: \$6 Under 5: FREE

* Handicapped Accessible



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Proceeds to benefit Saint Stanislaus Parish



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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