

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

## April 6, 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, April 6th: Fifth Sunday of Lent

Private: Special Intentions of Lucia Lee  
10:30am (SC) Confessions  
11:00am (SC) Bernice Zilonka by Family

### Monday, April 7th: Lenten Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Deceased members of the Jant Family

### Tuesday, April 8th: Lenten Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Chong Wook Lee by Lucia Lee

### Wednesday, April 9th: Lenten Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Charlotte Prez by Judy Stanek

### Thursday, April 10th: Lenten Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Grandma Shin by Lucia Lee

### Friday, April 11th: Lenten Weekday

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

### Saturday, April 12th: Lenten Weekday

Private: Special Intentions of Stephen Waterford

### Sunday, April 13th: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Private: Special Intentions of Stephen Waterford  
10:30am (SC) Confessions  
11:00am (SC) Charlotte Prez by Brian & Catharine Edmonds

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

**April 6, 2025  
5th Sunday Lent**

“The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle” (John 8:3). Why do they make her stand in the middle? Why not expose her on the periphery? The reason is something that affects us practically every day.

The center is what stabilizes a community's identity. We humans tend to center ourselves around an accused and condemned victim — though we rarely admit it. This renews our fragile communities and our power as those who weaponize the accusation. This is effective because it is often a victim who represents something truly dangerous for the group. In this case, adultery stands for the breakdown of a community and those within it, because it forces questions like: who is my father? Whose child is this? Is this child one of us, or that of an outsider? The accusers place the adulteress in the center because their community, like most, is built around turning an enemy into a victim.

Once you understand this, you'll see it almost anywhere humans group together (families, politics, workplaces, sports, schools, etc.). The good news is Jesus exposes this dynamic by deftly pointing out the sin-infected hearts of everyone besides the woman. They all leave, symbolizing the breakdown of the old order, and she is “left alone before him.” A new community has begun, structured around the merciful love of Christ.

What is in your center? What is in the center of our parish and family communities? Strive to center on Christ's forgiveness, and we experience the new, lasting community we call the Church.

— Father John Muir

## MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., Apr. 7th - Private Intention  
Tues., Apr. 8th - Mary Zoltowski (Peggy & Dave Chludzinski)  
Wed., Apr. 9th - Roy Bernardini (James McGoey, Jr.)  
Thur., Apr. 10 - Louise Miklinki (Pat & Eddie Abramowski)  
Fri., Apr. 11th - Josephine Clark (Mr. & Mrs. Charles Lattanzi)  
Sat., Apr. 12th, 4:00PM - Dolores & Gerry (Bab & Betty Nowakowski)  
Sun., Apr. 13th, 9:00AM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)

## Readings for the week of April 6, 2025

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-6/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11  
Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62/Ps 23:1-6/Jn 8:12-20  
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-21/Jn 8:21-30  
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52-56/Jn 8:31-42  
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-9/Jn 8:51-59  
Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-7/Jn 10:31-42  
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10-13/Jn 11:45-56  
Next Sunday: Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-24/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 23:1-49

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## SANCTUARY CANDLES

**SAINT STANISLAUS:** Chester Loncki (Sulecki Family)  
**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) Jean DeForce, Anniversary by Family; 2) All Parishioners Living and Deceased  
**ST. CASIMIR'S:** 1) Bernie Zilonka by Gloria Palmer and Family; 2) All Souls in Purgatory by Scott & Paul Hilinski



### ST. ANN'S LENTEN DEVOTIONS

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

### 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.

### FISH & PIEROGI DINNER

St. Stan's next Fish & Pierogi Dinner will be held on Friday, April 18th, from 4PM-7PM (or until sold out). As it is Good Friday, **this meal will be served for take-out only**. The cost is \$15 per person (\$6 for children 6-12 years old; free for children 5 and under).



Born in Szczepanow near Kraków on July 26, 1030, Stanislaus was ordained a priest after being educated in the cathedral schools of Gniezno, then capital of Poland, and at Paris. He was appointed preacher and archdeacon to the bishop of Kraków, where his eloquence and example brought about real conversion in many of his penitents, both clergy and laity. He became bishop of Kraków in 1072.

During an expedition against the Grand Duchy of Kiev, Stanislaus became involved in the political situation of Poland. Known for his outspokenness, he aimed his attacks at the evils of the peasantry and the king, especially the unjust wars and immoral acts of King Boleslaus II.

Stanislaus continued his open opposition in spite of charges of treason and threats of death, finally excommunicating the king. Enraged, the latter ordered soldiers to kill the bishop. When they refused, the king killed Stanislaus with his own hands.

#### **Prayer of Intercession of St. Stanislaus:**

*Saint Stanislaus, your birth was a gift from Heaven, and your life of virtue, courage, and charity was a gift to the Church of Poland. Please pray for me, that I will never cower in the face of opposition, always preferring persecution over sin, and a holy life over fear of death. Like you, may I become a true witness of my faith and a source of inspiration to others. Saint Stanislaus, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You.*

**The Saint Stanislaus Women's Society** will meet in the Parish Hall next Sunday, April 13th, at 1:00PM. All are welcome to attend!

### 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**  
2:00PM - St. Stanislaus

**Easter Vigil**  
8:00PM - St. Stanislaus

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

### LENTEN SOUP & SALAD SERIES AT ST. STAN'S

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9th

5:00PM - Stations of the Cross with Stations of the Cross  
5:30PM - "Pot-Luck" meal  
6:00PM - Presentation: "Who do you say that I am?"

Feel free to join us for all or part of the evening. All are welcome to attend all, or part, of the evening.

What's your comfort zone: emotionally, professionally, personally? We all have one. But did you realize that you can have one spiritually? Think about what you like and what you don't particularly enjoy when it comes to church, prayer, and liturgy. We all have "those songs" we crinkle our noses at, either because they're too modern or too old-fashioned. We all have "those people" in our parish whose ideas we aren't so sure about, whether that's because they're trying to change too much or because they seem always to be looking toward the past. Also, when was the last time you sat on the OTHER side of the church during Mass?

As much as we may not want to admit it, even (and especially) as people of God, we get deeply attached to our own personal comfort zones — and we tend to view those outside with distrust.

But what if God had a comfort zone? What if He viewed us, in our sin and our misery, as too "far away" from Himself to reach? Thankfully, our God is a God who "opens a way in the sea and a path in the mighty waters." Our God is a God who does "something new."

The call to stewardship demands that we look outside of ourselves. Our thoughts, our opinions, our preferences — these things are not important to the steward. Even if there is a vast, dry desert of discord, or a seemingly endless wasteland of opposing views between us and our neighbor, God challenges us to "make a way" out of our comfort zone, that together we may announce His praise.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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