

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 26, 2025



Saint Stanislaus & Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Churches

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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, January 26th: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Private (SA): Holy Souls by Stephen Waterford
10:30am (SC): Confessions
11:00am (SC): For All Parishioners, Living & Deceased

Monday, January 27th: St. Angela Merici

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): Chong Wook Lee by Lucia Lee

Tuesday, January 28th: St. Thomas Aquinas

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): Mr. & Mrs. Jan ZaZulak by Darrell & Dianna Rose

Wednesday, January 29th

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

Thursday, January 30th

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): Maria Shin by Lucia Lee

Friday, January 31st: St. John Bosco

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): Charlotte Prez by Audrey Draszkiwicz

First Saturday, February 1st

8:30am (SA): Confessions
9:00am (SA): For Holy Souls
Private: Bernice Zilonka by Family

Sunday, February 2nd: The Presentation of the Lord

Private (SA): Special Intention of Stephen Waterford
10:30am (SC): Confessions
11:00am (SC): For All Parishioners, Living & Deceased

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., Jan. 27th - Private Intention
Tues., Jan. 28th - Lucy Benek (Pauline & Chris Naszodian)
Wed., Jan. 29th - Charlotte Cleaver (Family & Friends)
Thur., Jan. 30th - Helen Pyrdek (Lee & Marylyn Mitchell)
Fri., Jan. 31st - Ziggy Kendra (Mary & Patty Weed)
Sat., Feb. 1st, 4:00PM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)
Sun., Feb. 2nd, 9:00AM - Eleanor Przybyszewski (Family)

SANCTUARY CANDLE: Special Intention (Janet & Jim Piotrowski)

Readings for the week of January 26, 2025

Sunday: Neh 8:2-10/Ps 19:8-10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28/Ps 98:1-6/Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 10-11/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1-4/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-6/Mk 4:21-25
Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-75/Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7-10/Lk 2:22-40

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3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

A young couple in my parish told me they were expecting their second child, a baby boy. I knew that their five-year old only child Emma had been desperately wanting to be a big sister for years, so I said, "Emma must have been so happy when you told her the news." "Actually," they said, "she burst into tears. She wanted a baby sister!" How often in life God wonderfully fulfills our desires and we are sad because we don't approve of the way he does it. We want to control the gift and the delivery method.

The same thing occurs in the Gospel this week when Jesus announces in his hometown that the promise of an Anointed One bringing glad tidings to the poor is "fulfilled in your hearing" (Luke 4:21). After a moment of elation, his fellow townsfolk realize this man is the way God is fulfilling his promises, and they erupt into a violent outburst. So Jesus departs. How sad for them.

Every single Sunday at Mass, including this one, some version of this happens to many of us. God's word announces the fulfillment of God's promises in Christ, and we easily overlook or disdain it. His way is almost never according to our narrow expectations. What's required of us is to set these aside, and to embrace a new openness to God's gifts, no matter how he wishes to give them. God is fulfilling his promises the way He likes — why be sad?

— Father John Muir



mark your **Calendar**

St. Stan's will, once again, host a "Superbowl Pancake Breakfast" on Sunday, February 9th, from 10:00AM-1:00PM in the Parish Hall. Come and join us for a good time and some good food!

ADORATION

St. Stanislaus will host Eucharistic Adoration on Sunday, February 16th following the 9:00AM Mass until 11:00AM in the chapel room. Please join us for prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.



PIEROGI MAKING

In preparation for St. Stan's upcoming "Fish & Pierogi Dinners" during the season of Lent, volunteers will convene in the Parish Hall to make pierogi on Monday and Tuesday, February 18th and 19th. We will start at 9:00AM and work until we are done for the day. All are welcome to come and help. No experience is needed. Consider joining us for a day of fun and of handing down our Polish tradition.

Remember that time when you arrived at school to take a test or quiz on material you failed to read? Maybe it was on a classic book or a chapter in a science textbook. Did your blood pressure go sky high and the sweat start to show on your forehead? Squirming in the seat, you wondered what you could have done to avoid feeling this way. Then it came to you: you should have read what you were supposed to read!

Procrastination, indifference, poor scheduling of time, and stubbornness are all reasons why we fail to be prepared for a situation that arises in our lives. We lack commitment in doing what we are asked to do or what we know we should do. This is certainly true in our spiritual lives as well. We may choose to bear the label of disciple or good steward, but we don't really prepare ourselves for the daily journey of life.

Sacred Scripture can prepare us more fully for the circumstances of life, but not if we fail to read it. The words contained there are Spirit and life for us. They help us to understand where we fit into the Body of Christ and how we are to respond to the daily call of Christ. Everyday Stewards should be committed to reading and reflection of the Word of God. We know we should spend time with God's Word, but too often we fail to do so due to the same reasons already mentioned. When we failed to read in school, perhaps we failed the test and it hurt our grade. When we fail in life due to lack of preparedness, sometimes the consequences are more severe.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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GARAGE SALE

St. Stanislaus is, once again, planning on holding a multi-family garage sale this coming June. As you engage in your winter/spring cleaning, leave aside any items you might otherwise discard. We cannot, however, accept clothing or cloth covered furniture. "Drop off" dates will be announced in the bulletin when you can bring your items to the church.

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Our Mother of Sorrows is currently looking to expand the membership of both our Parish Council and Finance Council. The Parish Council serves as a consultative body for the pastor to seek input relative to the mission of the parish. The finance council is a deliberative body that is entrusted with the parish's temporal assets. No experience is needed to serve on either council; only a desire to work in the best interest of the parish and its mission. If interested, please let Fr. Jason or a member of either council know.

"SOUPERBOWL SUNDAY"

The Second Harvest Foodbank is encouraging our participation on their annual "Souperbowl Sunday" food drive. They are asking that we bring a can(s) of soup to Mass on the weekend of February 8-9 that will be donated to the foodbank. Monetary donations are also welcomed. Help us to help our neighbors who are in need.

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