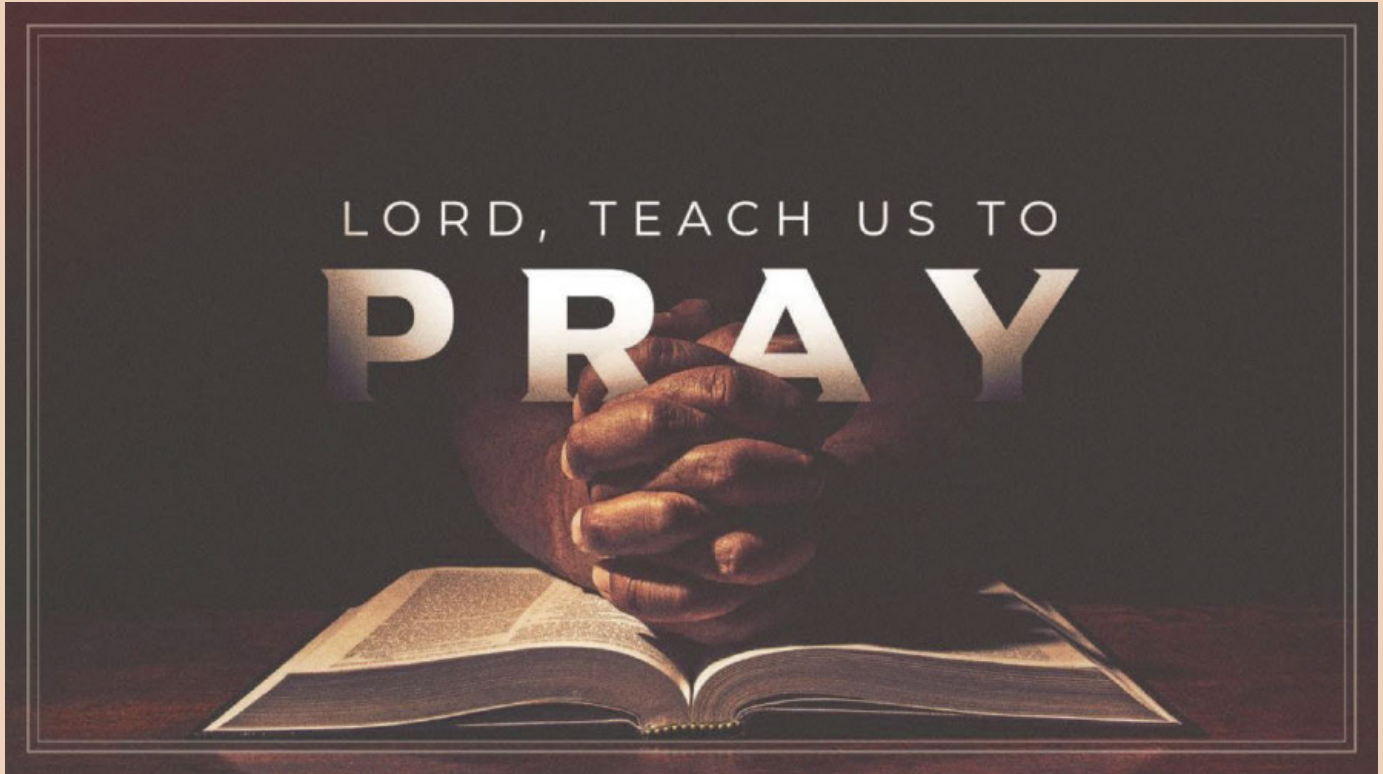


# SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## July 27, 2025



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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 27th: Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

Private: Special Intentions of Sister M. Pia by Lucia Lee  
11:00am (SC) Rosalia Pieczewek by Mark Olszewski Family

#### **Monday, July 28th: Weekday**

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

#### **Tuesday, July 29th: Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus**

12:05pm (SA) Stephen Wodecki (Anniversary), by Caroline Larson (sister)

#### **Wednesday, July 30th: Weekday**

12:05pm (SA) Bernice Zilonka by Family

#### **Thursday, July 31st: Saint Ignatius of Loyola**

12:05pm (SA) Charlotte Prez by Brian and Catharine Edmonds

#### **First Friday, August 1st: Saint Alphonsus Liguori**

12:05pm (SA) Deceased loved ones of Janet Turowski by daughter Janet

#### **First Saturday, August 2nd: Weekday**

Private: Special Intentions of Stephen Waterford

8:30am (SA) Confessions

9:00am (SA) Nicole R. Antonucci by Dr. Hal Angeloff

#### **Sunday, August 3rd: Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

Private: Special Intentions of Lucia Lee

11:00am (SC) Zoria Rudnecki by Mark Olszewski Family

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

### **MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)**

Mon., July 28th - Private Intention

Tues., July 29th - Casey Mikielski (Kevin Mikielski & Family)

Wed., July 30th - Al Szkoda (Family)

Thur., July 31st - Helen Pyrdek (Walt & Rita Skladanowski)

Fri., Aug. 1st - Mary & Chester Radomski (Rose Marie Radomski)

Sat., Aug. 2nd, 4:00PM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)

Sun., Aug. 3rd, 9:00AM - Gert Massing (Val & Carrie)

### **Readings for the week of July 27, 2025**

Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-3, 6-8/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-23/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5-9, 28/Ps 103:6-13/Jn 11:19-27

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5-7, 9/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3-6, 8, 11/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34-37/Ps 81:3-6, 10-11/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-6, 12-17/Col 3:1-11/Lk 12:13-21

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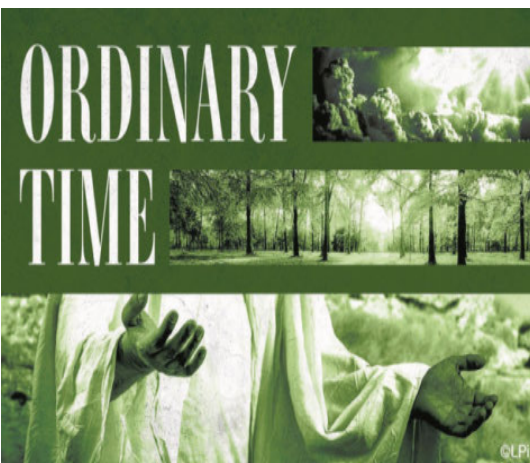
### **17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Once I went to a hospice facility to celebrate Last Rites for an elderly dying man. His family had told me that he had been uncommunicative for days. At the conclusion of the ritual, we began to recite the Our Father prayer. To everyone's surprise, his lips moved, clearly mouthing the words to the Lord's prayer. Stripped of most of his faculties, the man could still pray those precious God-given petitions. A lifetime of prayer had planted the words even deeper than his failing consciousness.

Do we want the Lord's prayer to be as deeply embedded in us? If we want to be people of hope, we should. Recall that our Lord immediately follows the prayer by saying: "Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you" (Luke 11:9). We only ask, search and knock because we hope that the request is not in vain. Everything we could possibly hope for is contained in the prayer. Praying the Our Father deepens our hope.

We should consciously pour all our hopes into the Lord's prayer; we should allow it to be an expression of hope, not simply rote words. Then, over time, it builds up our hope in God. It sinks deep into our souls and bodies. How blessed we are when these words of hope are on our lips, even when everything else seems to fail.

— Father John Muir



### **SANCTUARY CANDLES**

**SAINT STANISLAUS:** All Parishioners of St. Stanislaus, Our Mother of Sorrows, and St. Hedwig's

**HOLY FAMILY:** 1) Habas, Kulig & Laszewski Families by Kulig Estate; 2) All Parishioners Living & Deceased

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

**ST. ANN'S:** 1) Rose Marie Skrypek by Robert Skrypek; James Berdis by Barbara (wife) & Family

**ST. CASIMIR'S:** 1) Bernie Zilonka by Gloria Palmer & Family; 2) Galla & Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla

### **MUCH GRATITUDE!**

Thank you to Bob and Karen Mazur for their time, work and donations to Saint Ann's. They cleaned up, spruced up, painted and fixed items in the 2 basement bathrooms. Bob and Karen also planted flowers, pruned trees, fertilized and cleaned up the area on the East Avenue side of Saint Ann's property. Also, a shout out to Father Jason for lending us Dan, his maintenance man, to fix the commodes down in the Saint Ann's basement lavatories. All in time for our 106th St. Ann's Novena. Blessings to Bob and Karen, Fr. Jason and Dan.

### **CONTINUED THANKS**

Many thanks to Eric Fink for keeping the grounds at St. Casimir's Church. He cuts the grass, plants all the flowers, and does the gardening. Again asking for no reimbursement; "his gift to OMOS." Eric is a gift to us!

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

As we continue to "book" Mass intentions for the remainder of this year and into next year at St. Stan's, Our Mother of Sorrows, and St. Hedwig's, did you know???

According to Church Law, known as Canon Law, a parish's pastor is required to celebrate a "*pro populo*" Mass every weekend. *Pro Populo* is a Latin phrase that means "for the people"; that is, for the people of his parish(es). So, when you hear a petition "for the people of St. Whoever" during the General Intercessions, that is the fulfillment of the Canonical requirement of the pastor.

Consequently, if a parishioner requests that a Mass be celebrated for a loved one on a Saturday evening then, by canonical necessity, the Sunday Mass becomes the *pro populo* Mass. Likewise, if a parishioner request a Sunday Mass in memory of a loved one, by canonical necessity, the Saturday evening Mass becomes the *pro populo* Mass.

The faithful are encouraged to have Masses celebrated for loved ones. Typically, a \$10 "Mass stipend" is attached to this Mass. After the priest celebrates this Mass, he receives his "stipend." The *pro populo* Mass, however, does not have a stipend attached to it. It is not celebrated for any specific individual or intention, but is celebrated on behalf of all the people entrusted to his care.

Since the celebration of Mass has infinite value, the benefits of the *pro populo* Mass extends to all of the pastor's parishioners, even if that includes multiple parishes.

The purpose of the *pro populo* Mass is to fulfill the primary and fundamental responsibility of the pastor: the salvation of souls.

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

St. Stan's will host Eucharistic Adoration on Sunday, August 17th, following the 9:00AM Mass until 11:00AM. Please consider giving the Lord some of your time in prayer.

### **ALL-PARISH PICNIC**

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 *all* of our parishioners from St. Hedwig's and Our Mother of Sorrows, as well as St. Stan's. 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

### **FROM THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH**

A letter of gratitude was received from the Society for the Propagation of the Faith for our parishes' support of the Nazareth Sisters of the Annunciation on "Missionary Weekend." Our Mother of Sorrows collection for Sister Helen Rose totaled \$310; St. Stan's collected \$865 for Sister's mission. Thanks to all who participated and supported her community's important missionary work!

### **ST. STAN'S CARPETING UPDATE**

Dear St. Stan's Parishioners,

As you may remember, we have long had intentions of replacing the carpeting in our church. A series of unfortunate events has delayed the project; most recently, plaster damage to the ceiling caused by the past years Thanksgiving snow storm. We wanted to complete that repair before installing new carpeting.

We are all set to begin the project. The ceiling has been repaired (thanks to Dan Kerner, our maintenance man!), the carpeting has been chosen, and the color patterns agreed upon. Many of us are excited to get this moving.

However, prudence dictates that we suffer another short delay. First, EVERYTHING in the body of the church needs to be moved out (statues, candle holders, even the pews in the small section nearest the piano). If we wait until the school year starts, I can likely get Gannon students to help with this. Secondly, I anticipate at least two weekends of Masses will have to be celebrated in the Parish Hall - and who wants to be over there in this heat! By waiting until the Fall, the weather will be a bit more temperate to celebrate Mass in the Hall.

We will, as always, keep you informed.

-Fr. Jason



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