FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY December 28, 2025







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OFFICE HOURS

Sunday & Monday: Closed

Tuesday - Saturday: By Appointment

TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS APOSTOLATE AT ST. HEDWIG'S

LATIN MASS: Sunday at 9:30AM

Tuesday at 5:30PM

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, December 28th: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Private: Souls in Purgatory by Dr. Hal Angeloff

11:00am (SC): Pat Hart by Kathy Mays

Monday, December 29th: Saint Thomas Becket

12:05pm (SA) Rose Marie Skrypek, Anniversary by Robert Skrypek

Tuesday, December 30th: Sixth Day of the Nativity

12:05pm (SA) Bernie Zilonka by Gloria Palmer and Family

Wednesday, December 31st: Seventh Day of the Nativity

12:05pm (SA) Special Intentions of John Truran by Betsy Truran

Thursday, January 1st: Solemnity of Mary/New Years Day

* 10:00am (SA) Cathie Ann Dombkowski by the Dombkowski Family

First Friday, January 2nd: Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen

12:05pm (SA) Kathleen Benson by Don and Michelle Benson

First Saturday, January 3rd: Christmas Weekday

8:30am (SA) Confessions

9:00am (SA) Mrs. Marras by Beverly Vento

Private: Bernice Zilonka by Gloria Palmer and Family

Sunday, January 4th: The Epiphany of the Lord

Private: Souls in Purgatory by Dr. Hal Angeloff

11:00am (SC) Theresa Juchno by Judy and Peter Pentz

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

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., Dec. 29th - Private Intention

Tues., Dec. 30th - Chris Pedersen (Family)

Wed., Dec. 31st - Norbert Buziewicz (Christine Buziewicz)

Thur., Jan. 1st, 9:00AM - Rose Mary Hoyt (Family) Fri., Jan. 2nd - Audrey Pawlak (Lou & Mary Kowalski)

Sat., Jan. 3rd, 4:00PM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)

Sun., Jan. 4th, 9:00AM - Mary Brocious (Dennis Nowacinski)

December 28, 2025 Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

When I was ten, my dad gathered our family around the table in small-town Vermont and told us we were moving to the big desert city of Phoenix, Arizona. We were leaving behind family, friends, and everything familiar. None of us knew what to expect.

But something beautiful happened. As we made the move together, our family grew closer. In retrospect, I'm amazed at my parents' courage to go on that adventure. Even as a kid I realized our family found, in that challenge, a deeper unity and mutual love.

In today's Gospel, Joseph is told: "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee..." (Matthew 2:13, 20). First to Egypt, then later to Israel. The Holy Family is frequently challenged to move and change, to adapt to God's will for them, in order to find safety in the midst of threat. It's a spiritual pattern for all of us. Every Christian family is called to be a kind of sanctuary, especially in a world full of noise, busyness, and fear.

The Lord's Day, Sunday, is perhaps the most practical way we imitate this dynamic we see in Joseph and his family. Sunday is not meant to be just like every other day, filled with errands and stress. It's meant to be a day set apart; a holy "escape" into rest, worship, joy, and peace. A day to rise, take your family, and flee, into God's presence.

Father John Muir

St. Stan's



Readings for the week of December 28, 2025

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21/Ps 128:1-5/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Monday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-6/Lk 2:22-35 Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-10/Lk 2:36-40

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-13/Jn 1:1-18

Thursday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3. 5-6. 8/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Friday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1-4/Jn 1:19-28 Saturday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6/Ps 98:1, 3-6/Jn 1:29-34

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13/Eph 3:2-3, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12



SANCTUARY CANDLES

SAINT STANISLAUS: The Glover Family (Fr. Jason)

HOLY FAMILY: 1) Joseph Stahon by Family; 2) Living & Deceased Members of Holy Family Church & School

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

ST. ANN'S: 1) Rose Marie Skrypek by Robert Skrypek; 2) Galla & Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla

ST. CASIMIR'S: 1) Bernie Zilonka by Gloria Palmer & Family; 2) Ropelewski Family by Scott, Paul, & Danica Hilinski





MOTHER OF GOD (HOLY DAY) / NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Thursday, January 1st, 9:00AM - St. Stanislaus Thursday, January 1st, 10:00AM - St. Ann's*

*Please note this correction from previous bulletins.



Dear Parishioners,

"Behold, I make all things new" (Rev 21:5). As we begin this New Year, may these words strengthen our hearts. God invites us to begin again - with gratitude for His mercy and courage for the journey ahead. May our parish continue to be a place of welcome, prayer, and service to all. May God bless you and your families with peace in the year to come.

God's Choicest Blessings! Fr. Jason

CLOSING MASS AT HOLY FAMILY

Today, December 28th, Fr. Jason will celebrate a final Mass at Holy Family Church at 2:00PM, for the intentions of all Holy Family parishioners. Clergy and Religious with previous affiliation with Holy Family Church and School have been invited to attend. This invitation is extended to anyone who wishes to attend this precious celebration.

JANUARY LOTTERY RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE

The St. Stanislaus Holy Name Society has lottery raffle tickets available. Only five dollars gives you 31 chances to win throughout the month of January, 2026. You win if your ticket number matches the PA Daily Lottey Drawing. Tickets will be available in the vestibule of the church, from any member of the Holy Name Society, Fr. Jason, or by calling the parish office. Tickets make great stocking stuffers!

FEAST OF THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

This coming Saturday, January 3rd, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus. We want to take a moment to thank members of St. Stan's Holy Name Society for all that they do throughout the year for our parish. Whether it is fundraising, volunteering at parish activities, or running parish events, their membership is *always* willing to give of their time. Thank you!

Dear Parishioners,

Along with Fr. Priscaro, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude for the thoughtful Christmas gifts you shared with me this year. Your kindness, generosity, and prayers are deeply appreciated. Please know that I am truly humbled by your love and support.

As we celebrate the birth of our Savior, I am reminded once again what a blessing it is to serve such a faithful and loving parish community. Thank you for all the ways you contribute to the life of our parish—through your time, your talents, your presence, and your encouragement.

Be assured of my continued prayers for you and your families. May the Lord bless you with His peace, joy, and grace throughout this Christmas season and in the year ahead.

With gratitude in Christ, Father Jason

LIFE HACK

As the New Year approaches, prepare yourself to enter into 2026. Take a month's worth of checks and fill in "2026" on the right hand side of the "Date" line to begin using next year. Doing so will prevent you from unconsciously writing still dating them "2025" and having your checks returned.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Stanislaus will host the next Eucharistic Adoration on Sunday, January 18th, following the 9:00AM Mass until 11:00AM.

TAX INFORMATION

If you are in need of documentation of your contributions to the church for tax purposes, please call your respective parish office and we will mail it out to you.



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