

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 23, 2026



Saint Stanislaus & Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Churches

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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 Office the Day Before

MASSES FOR THE WEEK (Our Mother of Sorrows)

Sunday, August 23rd: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Private: Samuel T. Suit by Dr. Hal Angeloff

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

Monday, August 24th: Saint Bartholomew

12:05PM (SA) Patricia A. Vickery, B-day by Daughter Chery Norris & Family

Tuesday, August 25th: Weekday

12:05PM (SA) Richard Burke by Dave and Colleen Dombkowski

Wednesday, August 26th: Weekday

12:05PM (SA) Jim & Michele Serafin (31st Anniv.) B. & S. Koshinskie

Thursday, August 27th: Saint Monica

12:05PM (SA) Frank & Pong Yong "Penny" Smith by Dombkowski Family

Friday, August 28th: Saint Augustine

12:05PM (SA) Paula Chludzinski by Chris and Scott Chludzinski

Saturday, August 29th: The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

Private: Bernice Zilonka by Gloria Palmer and Family

Sunday, August 30th: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Private: Bernice Zilonka by Gloria Palmer and Family

11:00am (SC) Martin Barr by Jim Barr

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

Remembrance Candle: Health & Healing of Helen Dombkowski (Family)

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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 16:13-20

The first time I stood inside St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, its majesty overwhelmed me. The sheer beauty of Michelangelo's dome seemed to lift my soul right out of my body. Later, I joined the Scavi tour that winds below the basilica, down into the ancient pagan cemetery where Peter was buried. There, in the dim light and narrow passageways, I found myself looking at the bones of a murdered Jewish fisherman, his feet cut off so his crucified body could be taken down more easily.

What a paradox. Above me, the most glorious church ever built. Beneath me, the remains of a backwater fisherman. But this man dared to answer Jesus' question, "Who do you say that I am?" And crowning that immense dome above his tomb are the words from today's Gospel, "You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church."

Within you and me is the drama of the lowest and the highest. Every time we confess Christ, humbly, imperfectly, maybe even trembling, we enter that same mystery. The dust of our humanity, touched by the splendor of heaven. God's presence and our dry bones together. Humility and glory. May our lives embrace both the lowest and the highest, like that great basilica, as we profess Jesus.

— Father John Muir

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., Aug. 24th - Private Intention

Tues., Aug. 25th - Elizabeth "Betty" Koper (Family)

Wed., Aug. 26th - Audry Pawlak (Joe & Gloria Lenandowski)

Thur., Aug. 27th - Josephine Bartnik (Delores Wilcher)

Fri., Aug. 28th - Zawistowski Family (Estate)

Sat., Aug. 29th, 4:00PM - Chris Pedersen (Family)

Sun., Aug. 30th, 9:00AM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)

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Readings for the week of August 23, 2026

Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2-3, 6, 8/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

Monday: Rv 21:9-14/Ps 145:10-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3, 14-17/Ps 96:10-13/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-7/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-21/Mk 6:17-29

Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

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SANCTUARY CANDLES

SAINT STANISLAUS: Chris Pedersen (Family)

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

ST. ANN'S: 1) Special Intention of Fr. Priscaro; 2) Galla & Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla

ST. CASIMIR'S: 1) Theresa Juchno by Ann Juchno 2) For All Parishioners living & deceased

BACK TO SCHOOL

Fr. Jason will resume his teaching for the Fall Semester at Gannon University on August 27th. His classes are scheduled for Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Consequently, he will not be available on those afternoons.

Please keep him, all teachers, and all students in your prayers for a safe and productive school year!

MANY THANKS!

We want to extend our special gratitude for everyone's generosity shown to our parishes during the recent "Erie Gives" campaign! Our Mother of Sorrows received \$2,680 in donations, while St. Stanislaus received \$6,125. Both parishes will use these funds for ongoing maintenance of our facilities. Again, many thanks!

UPDATE: ST. STAN'S STAINED GLASS WINDOWS

Though a start date has not yet been determined, a contract was signed to have the windows that protect our stained glass replaced and repaired. We managed to move quickly on this project **thanks largely to an overwhelmingly generous single donation of \$8,000!** We are not sure if the donor want their name made public, so we will refrain from disclosing that information for now. That gift, along with monies pledged by our Holy Name Society and our Women's Society will fully cover this expense without us having to "tap into" any reserve funds. Many thanks to our generous donor.

UPDATE: ST. STAN'S RECARPETING PROJECT

After repeated failed attempts to secure carpet samples to determine the carpeting for the sanctuary steps, we have reached out to a different company to assume the project. This company has been out to take measurements; we are awaiting a quote and contract so we can finally move forward. As it turns out, this new company has a retired gentleman who still does work for them and who happens to specialize in laying curvy carpeting - perfect for the project we are undertaking! We will keep you posted on the project.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Stanislaus will host the next Eucharistic Adoration on September 20th, following the 9:00AM Mass until 11:00AM.



CONGRATULATIONS!

St. Stanislaus congratulates **Darrin Weinzierl and Amanda (White) Weinzierl** who were united in Holy Matrimony last weekend. Many prayers and blessings on your Marriage!

MARRIAGE CELEBRATION

For those who called the office regarding a significant wedding anniversary you will be celebrating this year, we will acknowledge you during Masses on the weekend of **September 5th & 6th**. Congratulations, in advance!

ST. STAN'S ANNUAL PARISH DAY INVITATION & TICKETS

All Parish Day invitations and tickets have been picked up or mailed out. Additional Parish Day tickets are still available in the back of the church. If you would like additional tickets, or think you can sell additional tickets, feel free to take more. Additional Grand Raffle tickets are also available in the back of the church. Tickets and money can be placed in the collection basket.

We are well underway in planning for Parish Day. We look forward to our celebration and certainly hope you are able to join us!

UPDATE: ST. ANN'S BATHROOM INSTALLATION

After months of back-and-forth, we have finally received permission from the City of Erie to move forward with the installation of a ADA accessible bathroom on the main floor of the church. This takes us a step closer to relocating our "center of operations" to St. Ann's.

There remains some hold-ups regarding the installation of a chair lift. We are continuing conversations with the City and the State regarding these plans. As always, we will keep you posted on any further developments.



VOLUNTEERS WELCOMED

We will be making pierogi for St. Stanislaus's Parish Day on Tuesday, September 22nd, beginning at 9:00AM in the Parish Hall. Lunch will be provided.

We welcome ALL volunteers to learn this iconic cultural tradition! No experience is needed.

BINGO

The Maria House Project organization will be hosting a "Bingo Bash" on Sunday, September 13th at the JPTF Foundation Event Center (2319 West 38th Street). Doors will open at 1:00PM; Bingo starts at 2:00PM. There will be a basket raffle, a 50/50 raffle, instant, and more! The jackpot prize is \$1,000. The cost is \$30 when reservations are made on-line; \$35 at the door. On-line reservations can be made at MariaHouseProject.org



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