

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 8, 2024



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Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:30AM - 3:00 PM
(Closed 12:00PM - 1:00PM, Saturdays, Sundays, & Holidays)

Weekend Eucharistic Liturgy:

Saturday at 4:00PM; Sunday at 9:00AM

Daily Eucharist: Call the Parish Office

* Reconciliation is celebrated until 15 minutes before Mass
(If the priest is not in the confessional, inform a greeter)

Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church

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Weekend Eucharistic Liturgy:

Sunday at 11:00AM (St. Casimir's)

Daily Eucharist: Monday-Friday 12:05PM (St. Ann's)

First Saturday of the month: 9:00AM (St. Ann's)

MASSES FOR THE WEEK (Our Mother of Sorrows)

Sunday, September 8th : Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Private (SA): C. and Anna Engelskirger by Dr. Hal Angeloff
11:00am (SC): David Smieciuch by Christine Prez Farnum

Monday, September 9th: Saint Peter Claver

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): Eliza Vento, Birthday by The Vento Family

Tuesday, September 10th: Weekday

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): Jeanne Burke DeForce by Thomas and Phyllis Burke

Wednesday, September 11th: Weekday

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): Special Intentions of Dr. Niv Ad

Thursday, September 12th: The Most Holy Name of Mary

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): David K. Wienczkowski by Dave Rinko

Friday, September 13th: Saint John Chrysostom

11:30am (SA): Confessions
12:05pm (SA): The Souls in Purgatory who have no one to pray for them
by Dr. Hal Angeloff

Saturday, September 14th: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Private: Dorothy and Joseph Angeloff by Dr. Hal Angeloff

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., Sept. 9th - Private Intention
Tues., Sept. 10th - Ed Chrosielewski (Mr. & Mrs. Rich Krasinski)
Wed., Sept. 11th - Rose "Babe" Niedzwiecki (Ed & Kathy Borgia)
Thur., Sept. 12th - Anna Chalupczynski (Mr. & Mrs. Frank Walczak)
Fri., Sept. 13th - Ron Wieczorek & Henry Dudkiewicz (Jim Macie)
Sat., Sept. 14th, 4:00PM - Dorothy Sulecki (Family)
Sun., Sept. 15th, 9:00AM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)

Readings for the week of September 1, 2024

Sunday: Is 35:4-7/Ps 146:7-10/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37
Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-7, 12/Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1-6, 9/Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-17/Lk 6:20-26
Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 23-24/Lk 6:27-38
Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-27/Ps 84:3-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42
Saturday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 78:1-2, 34-38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Next Sunday: Is 50:4-9/Ps 116:1-9/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

SANCTUARY CANDLES

SAINT STANISLAUS: Gay & Robert Wlodarczyk by Family

HOLY FAMILY: 1) Health and Healing for Judy, Anne, Flo, Viola, Kenny, Caroline, Kay, and Charlotte;
2) Galla and Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla

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

ST. ANN'S: 1) James Berdis by Berdis Grandchildren; 2) All Parishioners Living and Deceased

ST. CASIMIR'S: 1) Habas, Kulig and Laszewski Families by Kulig Estate; 2) All of our sick and shut-ins

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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

One of the most touching YouTube videos I've ever seen is one in which a deaf woman receives new technology to heal her hearing. She hears her husband's voice for the first time — and her own, too — and bursts into tears of overwhelming joy. It must have been like an immovable wall between her and her loved ones came tumbling down.

We are all like this woman, to some degree. We believe in the presence of God's love, but we can't hear Him. We can't speak well about Him. The deaf man who can't speak properly in the Gospel today is an image of what God wants us to experience again and again. Jesus takes the man aside to a private place away from the crowd, touches his ears and tongue, and says, "Ephphata!" The man's ears are opened, and he speaks clearly. Contact with Christ has this effect on us.

This experience happens to us in our baptism, almost exactly. It happens to us in the liturgy. It happens in our private prayer. It happens when we hear the voice of God in our conscience. The more we engage these privileged channels of Jesus' healing, the more we are empowered to hear and speak of the presence of God's perfect love.

— Father John Muir



THE FEAST OF OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS

The feast of Our Mother of Sorrows is next Sunday, September 15th. We will honor and celebrate our Blessed Mother with special Mass readings, prayers, and music, specific to our parish feast day (rather than those of the 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time). We sure hope you will come and participate in this annual celebration of our parish and Our Mother at our 11:00AM Mass!



HELP WANTED

A pierogi making session will take place on Saturday, September 17th, in Saint Stanislaus Parish Hall. We will begin at 9:00AM. All are welcome to help; no experience needed. Join us for the fun and camaraderie!

OCTOBER LOTTERY

St. Stan's Holy Name Society is now selling October Lottery Raffle Tickets. Tickets are \$5 each and offer 31 chances to win, based off the daily lottery number. See any member of the Holy Name Society to purchase a ticket. Tickets can also be purchased before/after Masses or from the Parish Office.

PASTORAL & FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Fr. Jason will be meeting with both the Pastoral and Finance Council members of Our Mother of Sorrows on Tuesday, September 10th, at 6:00PM. The meeting will take place in the social hall of St. Casimir's. If you have any questions, concerns, or hopes for our parishes, please let a Council member know so that it can be addressed.



VIEWING PARTY

Now that St. Stan's Parish Hall has been reopened, we will resume our "viewing party" of The Chosen Series. As has

become our custom, we will gather in the Parish Hall at 5:30PM and enjoy a "pot luck" dinner while we watch episodes that constitute season two. The intention is to end the evening no later than 7:30PM. You need not to have watched season one in order to enjoy the popular series that highlights scenes in the life of Christ. All of our parishioners (St. Stan's, Our Mother of Sorrows, and St. Hedwig's) are most welcome to attend. The viewings will take place on:

October 16th
October 23rd
October 30th
November 6th

More dates will be added, if necessary.

It is our intention to view season three during Advent, which begins on December 1st. Then, watch season four during Lent, which begins March 5th.

JESUS' GRANDPARENTS

Joachim and Anna are the parents of Mary, the mother of Jesus, yet there is absolutely no biblical reference to them whatsoever. So where do we get their names, and what is their story?

Their names are found in an apocryphal (hidden) gospel known as "The Infancy Gospel of James." Apocryphal, or hidden gospels, consist of accounts of Jesus' life that were ultimately not accepted as inspired works, and thus were not included in the Bible. However, they sometimes captured the Christian imagination, spilling into the devotional dimension of the community.

James' infancy gospel begins with the parents of Mary and their desire for a child. In their prayer and petitions to God, they are heard and given the blessings of a child, whom they named Mary.

Long before Grandparents' Day was established, the church had a feast that honored the presumed grandparents of Jesus. While their names are part of non-inspired apocryphal legends, the fact of the Savior's human ancestry is not. Christ, the incarnate Word, dwelt among us in the flesh in a human family. In honoring the grandparents of Jesus we really proclaim our faith in the Incarnation--God becoming human!

GRANDPARENTS DAY BLESSING

God of our ancestors, we thank you for our children and our children's children. They are reminders from you about how precious life can be. We humbly ask for wisdom and patience as we take pride and wonder in our grandchildren.

Those of us who now pray to you also seek your blessing upon these men and women who are our grandparents or who act in place of grandparents. Bless all the children and their parents and grandparents with your abundant grace.

We ask all this through the intercession of Saints Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, patron saints of grandparents, in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.



God of mercy, in your word of Scripture, you instruct us to "Do to others as you would have them do to you." Give us today the courage to assist those around us who may need our assistance. Give us patience when we become impatient. Remind us to pray for all those who perished on United Airlines 93, American Airlines 11, United Airlines 175, American

Airlines 77, and those in the Twin Towers and Pentagon. Give us a heart thankful for those who gave their lives as first responders, as did the men and women who ran into danger to be of aid. We ask all this in the name of the One who first responded to our need for a savior, Jesus the Christ.

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