SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 23, 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, February 23rd: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Private: Bernie Zilonka by Gloria Palmer and Family 10:30am (SC) Confessions 11:00am (SC) Charlotte Prez by Judy Stanek Monday, February 24th: Weekday 11:15am (SA) Confessions 12:05pm (SA) Special Intentions of Sister Timothy by Lucia Lee Tuesday, February 25th: Weekday 11:15am (SA) Confessions 12:05pm (SA) Anthony Buzzanco by Darrell & Dianna Rose Wednesday, February 26th: Weekday 11:15am (SA) Confessions 12:05pm (SA) Bob Turner by Christine Prez Farnum Thursday, February 27th: Weekday 11:15am (SA) Confessions 12:05pm (SA) Charlotte Chase by Family Friday, February 28th: Weekday 11:15am (SA) Confessions 12:05pm (SA) Bernice Zilonka by Family First Saturday, March 1st: Weekday 8:30am (SA) Confessions 9:00am (SA) Intention of Emerson Vento (Birthday 2/6) by Vento Family Private: Special Intentions of Stephen Waterford Sunday, March 2nd Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Private: Bernie Zilonka by Gloria Palmer and Family 10:30am (SC) Confessions 11:00am (SC) Bernice Zilonka by Family

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., Feb. 24th - Private Intention Tues., Feb. 25th - Cilia Dylewski (Catherine & Tony Dylewski) Wed., Feb. 26th - Stella Pawlak (Jerry & Joan Duska) Thur., Feb. 27th - Rita Zuber (Linda Steviok) Fri., Feb. 28th - Shirley & Albert Wolbach (Trevor Murnoch) Sat., Mar. 1st, 4:00PM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*) Sun., Mar. 2nd, 9:00AM - Leonard Popovich (Joyce Gunter)

Readings for the week of February 23, 2025

Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38 Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29 Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37 Wednesday: Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119:165, 168, 171-172, 174-175/Mk 9:38-40 Thursday: Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-6/Mk 9:41-50 Friday: Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35/Mk 10:1-12 Saturday: Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-18/Mk 10:13-16 Next Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-16/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

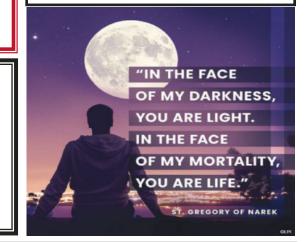
February 23, 2025 7th Sunday of Ordinary Time

One of my favorite new singers/ songwriters is Noah Kahan. I'm a little biased because, like me, he is originally from Vermont. In a fine song entitled "Stick Season," he sings of his hope to "cancel out the darkness I inherited from dad." This lyric articulates his painful recognition of a dark spiritual "inheritance" from his father, and his hope to be free of it. We all inherit some degree of evil from our earthly forebears. It's easy to feel doomed to repeat their darknesses.

But we're not so doomed, thank God. This week's Gospel proclaims this. Whatever good or bad we received from our parents, we have a more definitive and perfect inheritance in God. Jesus commands us, "Be merciful just as your Father is merciful" (Luke 6:36). We have a perfect Father in heaven and are destined to inherit and reflect that perfect and merciful love. We have an inheritance of light, not darkness, and thus a whole new possibility of magnanimous love. Like any inheritance, this is a free gift to us.

What are we destined to repeat? Not the darkness of our earthly parents. We are destined to be a reflection of God's life. Jesus liberates us from the inevitability of repeating whatever evils and imperfections are in our familial or cultural upbringings. It's time to claim that perfect inheritance.

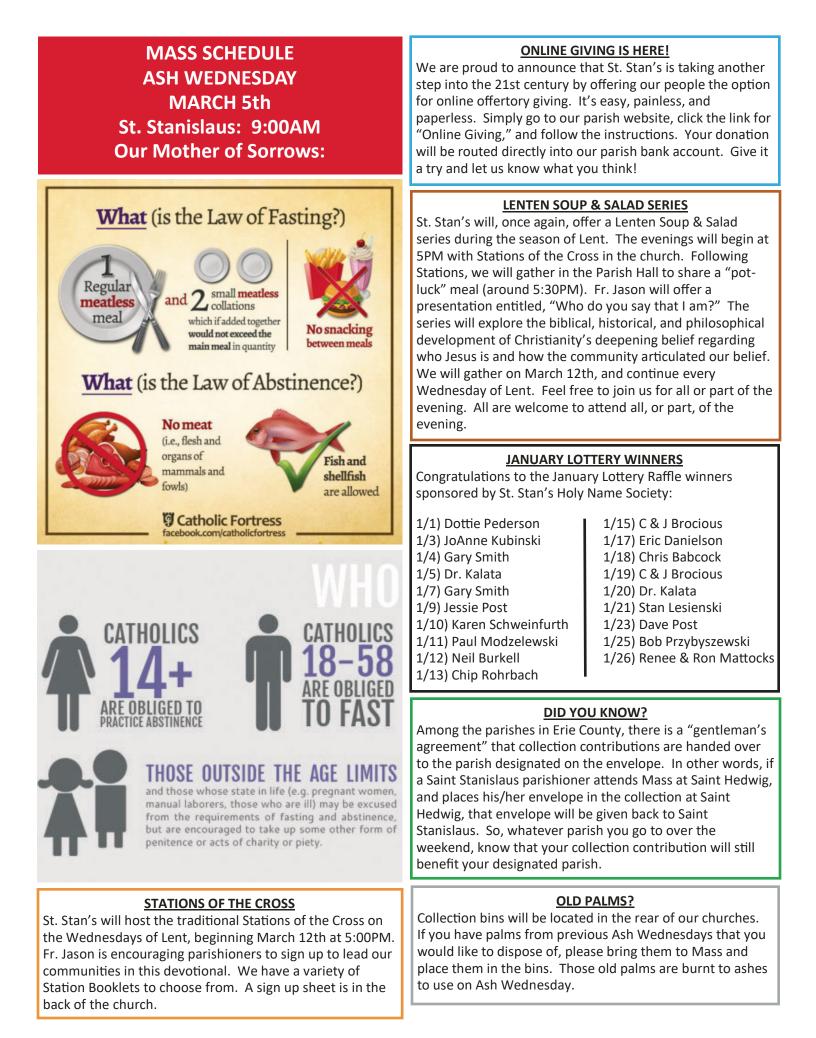
— Father John Muir



SANCTUARY CANDLES

SAINT STANISLAUS: Special Intention

HOLY FAMILY: 1) Habas, Kulig & Laszewski Families by Kulig Estate; 2) Galla and Walach Families by Paul and Lisa Galla OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS: Robert Merski, Sr. and Mildred Merski by The Merski Family ST. ANN'S: 1) Special Intentions of our Priests and Deacons; 2) All Parishioners Living and Deceased ST. CASIMIR'S: 1) Bernie Zilonka by Gloria Palmer and Family; 2) Prayers for an increase in vocations to holy life





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