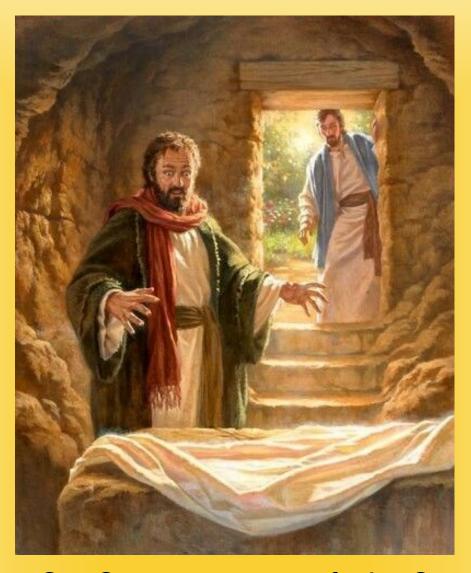
EASTER SUNDAY THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD April 4, 2021



Saint Stanislaus Catholic Church

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Saint Stanislaus & Holy Trinity Partners in Faith & Mission



April 4, 2021 Easter Sunday

Who are you? This question was most assuredly asked of Jesus on the day of resurrection and it is a question asked of each of us. Our identities can be described in so many ways. We can start with our gifts and our talents, expertise and unique personality expressions. We can describe things we like and things we prefer to set aside. As descriptive and captivating as these can be, none come close to our essence, our real and true self. While accurate in their own right, the self who lives and interacts with the world is the self we want others to see, the one we project. But there is much more to us just as there is much more to Jesus.

Jesus could describe himself based on all of the same criteria we use for ourselves. After all, Jesus is totally human. With all that people witnessed and all that Jesus knew about his physical human self, his divinity also shined forth. There was so much more to know about him. Whereas once Jesus was transfigured on top of a mountain before his disciples' eyes, so today he is transfigured before our eyes as he reveals his resurrected self as the Christ. Alleluia, Christ is risen! His glorified presence stands before us showing us that we are all much more than we see ourselves to be and show to others. We have a depth, purpose, and essence that go way beyond the superficial treasures of our existence to the very core of who we are.

Within each one of us is a spark of Divine Love where creature and Creator meet, and we are known uniquely by the name God whispers to us. It is not the earthly name that was given to us but the one that flows from Divine Power and claims us as one who is special and chosen in God's eyes. This is the self that will rise one day with the eternal Christ of God and live eternally as God provides. This is the self that when free from all superficial constraints layered upon it in this life can discover and know freedom in a way never possible before. This is love lifting us up and transforming us into who we really are, not who we want or need ourselves to be. Who are you? A special, unique child of God who has been fashioned in God's image, sustained by the power of God's love and kept eternally with the Blessed Trinity in heaven. Get to know this deeper, truer self as it is who you really are.

Readings for the week of April 4, 2021

Sunday: Acts 10:34, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 [Easter] Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11/Mt 28:8-15 Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-22/Jn 20:11-18 Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-4, 6-9/Lk 24:13-35 Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2, 5-9/Lk 24:35-48 Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27/Jn 21:1-14 Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-21/Mk 16:9-15 Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3 [2 Easter]

Sacrament of Baptism: Sacramental preparation is required of the parents who desire to share the Catholic faith with their children and are held monthly throughout the City of Erie. Call the parish office to register to schedule your preparation. Godparents must be Confirmed and practicing Catholics with a letter of recommendation from their pastor to serve as a sacramental sponsor.

Religious Education, First Holy Communion, and First Reconciliation programs are hosted at Saint Luke's Church for all eastside Erie parishes. Contact their parish office for more information and to register your child (814.825.7105).

Confirmation preparation for all eastside Erie parishes is hosted at Saint Luke's Church. Contact their parish office for more information and to register your child (814.825.6920).

Sacrament of Holy Orders: God calls all people to holiness. Some men are called to fulfill this vocation as priests. If you are interested in the priesthood, or have questions about it, please contact a parish priest or our Diocesan Vocation Director, Fr. Michael Polenik, at 1.800.374.3723.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Before a date can be scheduled, a priest must be contacted at least six months in advance to complete the required documents.

Sacrament of the Sick: Communal celebrations of Anointing the Sick are scheduled periodically. The sacrament can also be requested by any parishioner who is seriously ill or in danger of death. *Please note*: Federal law no longer permits hospitals or nursing homes to contact churches when a parishioner is admitted. It is important that family members notify the parish office if a loved one needs a visit, desires to receive Holy Communion, or needs to be Anointed.

Leave A Legacy: Consider Saint Stanislaus and Holy Trinity as you meet with your attorney or financial planner regarding your estate planning. Remember the needs of your parish family and leave a legacy of faith for future generations with your generous remembrance.

Bulletin Information Deadline: Please submit information to be included in the weekend bulletin by noon the Monday prior. Holiday bulletin announcements must be received by the parish office two weeks in advance.

Saint Stanislaus & Holy Trinity Partners in Faith & Mission

"PRAYER, CARE, AND CONCERN" MINISTRY

Those who participate in this ministry express the care and concern of our entire parish community to those who are ill, hospitalized, homebound, or in nursing facilities, through birthday and holiday cards, visits, and prayers. To request prayers, or to participate in this ministry, contact Rose Marie at 814.923.4438.

"PRAYERLINE" MINISTRY

These ministers devote themselves to prayer for any needs made known to them and any special intentions. To participate in this ministry, or to request prayers for a particular need, contact Kay (825-7328) or Shirley (452-3395) from Saint Stanislaus, or Kathy Benes (898-1091) or Kathy Smith (392-8974) from Holy Trinity.

PCEP (Parish Catholic Education Program)

Parishioners of Holy Trinity can receive a parish grant to assist with the cost of tuition for families who wish their primary or secondary school age children to have a Catholic education. To be eligible, families must participate in the program, attend Mass regularly, and be involved in the parish community. For more information, contact the parish office.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Parishioners interested in serving our worshiping community as an altar server, lector, Eucharistic minister, or music minister, please let one of your priests know.

"PRAYER SHAWL" MINISTRY

The enjoyment of knitting, crocheting, and sewing are uniquely combined with prayer to offer a deeply personal and meaningful spiritual ministry. Shawls are prayerfully made and freely given away to those suffering bereavement, those recovering from illness, the elderly, homebound, and those in nursing facilities. To join us in this ministry, please contact Linda at 814.864.8476.

THE "ZABAWA COMMITTEE"

Held on the parish grounds of Holy Trinity, Zabawa is the largest Polish heritage celebration in the region, drawing tens of thousands of people to our neighborhood. The Zabawa Committee organizes the festival through food preparation, donation solicitation, food and beverage service, and so on. The committee always welcomes any help they receive. If you would like to offer your time, and experience hands-on learning about these rich cultural traditions, contact Ray Luniewski at 882-1032.

PROLIFE COMMUNITY

This ministry advocates through for the protection of all human life from conception until natural death through prayer, education, and action.

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Saint Stanislaus Parish Community

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., Apr. 5th - Carl Klan (Mr. & Mrs. Wienczkowski) Tues., Apr. 6th - Gabriella Wlodarczyk (Family) Wed., Apr. 7th - Richard & Theresa Jenks (Marcia) Thurs., Apr. 8th - Stanley Widomski (Pat Bruno) Fri., Apr. 9th - Edward Czulewicz (Pam & Dale Snyder) Sat., Apr. 10th, 4:00PM - Teresa & Ben Wycech (Family) Sun., Apr. 11th, 9:00AM - For the People of St. Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

In observance of Holy Week and Easter, the Parish Office will be closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday (April 2-5) so that our staff can celebrate with their loved ones.



EASTER CASH RAFFLE The Women's Society is

selling raffle tickets for a chance to win either \$1,000 in cash, or \$1,000

worth of scratch-off lottery tickets. Tickets are only \$5.00 each and can be purchased before or after Mass, at the Parish Office, or by calling Diane Valahovic at 825-5748. The winning drawing will take place Sunday, April 11th.

A GOOD SERMON

The secret of a good sermon is to have a good beginning and a good ending; and to have the two as close together as possible. — George Burns

FLL PRAY TO ST. ANTHONY



WEEKLY OFFERING (MARCH 28, 2021)

	This Week	July 1 to date
Amount we need	\$4,156.00	\$157,928.00
Amount Received	\$1,645.00	\$110,073.00
Net over/under	(\$2,511.00)	(\$47,855.00)

CSA UPDATE

Mass Attendance: 4:00PM = 45; 9:30AM = 51 Envelopes: 51/168



Assessment: \$30,237.00 Pledged: \$31,125.00 (74 Families Participating) Parish Profit: \$888.00



Our sanctuary candle burns in memory of ANNE & STANLEY PRZEPIERSKI as gifted by Marie.



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry of crocheting will be resuming their art and prayer on Wednesday, April 7th, from 10AM until Noon. If you are interested, please feel free to join them in the Nazareth Center, or call the Parish Office for more details.

Come to Christ Life is perhaps God's greatest gift to each of us. Without life, we would be unable to experience all the wonder of this world, the love of family and friends, and the joy that comes from using our talents and skills. Life itself is more profound a gift than we can even truly contemplate. On Easter, we celebrate life. For on this day, Jesus Christ conquered death and gave to us the chance for a life eternal. The wonder, love, and joy of this world does not have to end. Through a life in Jesus Christ, these emotions are heightened, and we find even greater fulfillment in this world. Maybe this Easter you are finding yourself open to taking a next step in your relationship with Jesus. This could be the moment you decide to follow Him more closely and take seriously all that he has given you. If so, welcome to the journey, where there are many other disciples on that same path who can help show you the way and share their stories. If not, hopefully it doesn't take a whole year for this possibility to be considered again. Jesus is alive and waiting to get closer to you. May this Easter season find you and Our Lord getting to know one another in a whole new way. Happy Easter!





Holy Trinity Parish Community



Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of THE DONORS FOR THE EASTER FLOWERS AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS THEY REMEMBERED.



4/06 - Alice Koziel 4/08 - Michelle Wiley 4/09 - Lindsey Korytowski 4/11 - Mia Lubak & Karen Winarski

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., Apr. 5th - Loved Ones listed in the Easter Flyer Tues., Apr. 6th - The Health of Lena Suizzo (Patty, Ed, & Anna) Wed., Apr. 7th - The Souls in Purgatory (Barbara Nitkiewicz) Thurs., Apr. 8th - Nancy Slubowski (Marge & Dave Lefavier) Fri., Apr. 9th - Patrick Minnaugh (Jack & Sandy Kempisty) Sat., Apr. 10th, 5:15PM - For the People of Holy Trinity (Pro Populo)Sun., Apr. 11th, 10:30AM - Loretta Lipinski (Jack & Sandy Kempisty)

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A WORD OF THANKS

Thank you for all the support for the Holy Trinity PCEP Program's Easter Market. A record numbers of order (139) were filled! We continue to be pleased by your support and we wish all of you a Blessed Easter!

ZABAWA 2021 (AUGUST 27, 28, 29)

The Committee met on Saturday, March 13th to formulate a plan that would meet today the requirements of the State and Local and County regulations to keep our volunteers and those who come to celebrate with us healthy and happy. Hopefully with more people getting vaccinations more people will have immunity. We will keep you informed by our weekly bulletin and our Parish website. We count on our parishioners and friends to support our efforts with ZABAWA 2021. We plan to have a program booklet with business sponsors and patrons ads. We will have our Famous Theme Baskets and gift raffle along with usual fare of Polish Foods and Refreshments and those delicious Baked Goods.

WEEKLY OFFERING FOR MARCH 28, 2021

Regular Offering: \$1,539.00 (30/136)

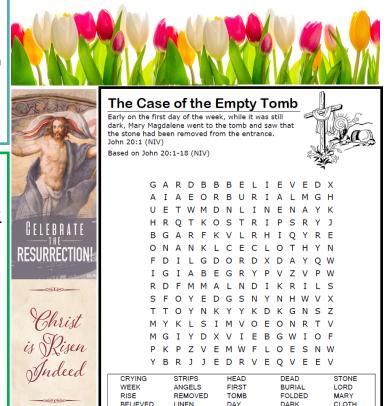
	THIS WEEK	JULY 1 TO DATE
Dream Goal:	\$3,000.00	\$117,000.00
Budgeted:	\$2,365.00	\$92,359.00
Total Offertory:	\$1,539.00	\$79,839.00
Net (over/under):	(\$826.00)	(\$12,520.00)

Attendance: 5:15PM = 40; 10:30AM = 55

CSA UPDATE

Assessment: \$13,285.00 Pledged: \$24,885.00 (53 Families participating) Profit for Parish: \$11,600.00 "Thanks to the many parishioners who sent get well wishes for my recovery from shoulder surgery. The generous outpouring of prayers reflect your Christian spirit of love." Blessings,

Jeannie McGinley



"Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised..."

News for Our Partnership

MANY THANKS!

Both of our parishes hosted several very successful fundraisers throughout the Lenten season. Many thanks to **all** of our volunteers who helped with food prep, cooking, serving, and selling. Many thanks, too, for all who came our to support our endeavors.

OUR RETIRED DIOCESAN PRIESTS

In a few weeks, we will have our annual Good Shepherd Collection in our parish to assist with the needs of caring for our retired diocesan priests. There is a special need to assist them with the escalating health care costs and longterm care expenses. As more priests become eligible to retire from active ministry in the next few years, our Priest Retirement Plan must be adequately funded to cover their future needs. Please consider a generous gift to the annual Diocesan Good Shepherd Collection on the weekend of April 24 & 25. Use the special envelope provided or any envelope and mark on it— "Good Shepherd Collection."

ZABAWA 2021 SAVE THE DATES

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27TH (5:00PM-10:00PM) Featuring: Polka Country Musicians

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28TH (Noon - 10:00PM) Featuring: The Marvels, Concertina All Stars, & The Maestro Men 5:00PM Polka Mass Celebrated by Bishop Persico

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29TH (11:00AM - 4:00PM) Featuring: Dyna Brass 10:00AM - Mass

EASTER SUNDAY

Alleluia! The exclamation rings out across the land, and we who are disciples of Jesus Christ pause to reflect on the reality that he rose from the grave and, in turn, conquered death. In today's colleges and universities, in pulpits of every denomination, and in books and journals, there are those who say it is unimportant whether or not he really rose from the dead. They say that the facts do not impact the moral of the story. Of course, two thousand years of Christianity give evidence that they are incorrect. What the faithful of many generations have experienced and given testimony to is not something built on an idea. It is not a philosophy or a self-help psychology. The church is a direct result of real events in the course of human history. Without those real events, we simply follow a man who showed us a different way to live. Instead, we follow a God who emptied himself into a human form, suffered the pain of torture and death at the hands of those he had created, and then shattered the chains of death so that we in our human form may follow suit. Today, humanity is redeemed. It is time to face the facts!

DEBT RECOVERY

Have a little extra money from a stimulus check you may not have needed? Consider making a one-time "enhanced giving" offering to help our parishes recover some of our debt brought on by the Covid pandemic.

THANK YOU...

...to all who volunteered to decorate our liturgical spaces over the past week. You creativity, work, and time are all truly appreciated!

EASTER PRAYER

Christ is Risen: The world below lies desolate Christ is Risen: The spirits of evil are fallen Christ is Risen: The angels of God are rejoicing Christ is Risen: The tombs of the dead are empty Christ is Risen indeed from the dead, the first of the sleepers, Glory and power are his forever and ever. St. Hippolytus of Rome (170-230)

THE 31 CLUB - PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

4/5) Mary Ann Merski & Michelle Inter; 4/6) Msgr. Dan Magraw & Joan Oldenski; 4/7) Ed Korytowski & Lori Krasnesky;
4/8) Steve Rimpa, & Stephanie & Bill Wycech; 4/9) Marcia Nitczynski & Rose Marie Radomski;
4/10) Tony Jankowski & Eleanor Walker; 4/11) Sandy Kempisty & Ray Przybyszewski

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

4/5) Fr. John Jacquel; 4/6) Fr. Mounte Sayers; 4/7) Fr. Tom Brooks; 4/8) Fr. Joe Dougherty; 4/9) Msgr. Bob Brugger; 4/10) Fr. Chris Singer; 4/11) Fr. Michael Gabler, O.S.B.

Sunday, Apr 04, 2021

SOLEMNITY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD (EASTER SUNDAY) Race to understanding

Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col. 3:1-4 or 1Cor. 5:6b-8; John 20:1-9 or Mark 16:1-7 "They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first."

Does it matter who gains insight first, so long as we all get there? Competition is overrated, which may be why evangelists don't agree on who arrives at the tomb first. Mark reports that Mary Magdalene; Mary, mother of James; and Salome got there at dawn. Matthew asserts it was the Magdalene and the "other Mary." Luke claims it was Mary Magdalene; James' mother, Mary; Joanna; and assorted "others." In John, the Magdalene arrives alone. You may be a cradle Catholic, or this may be your first Easter. Welcome to the recognition that death doesn't have the final say.

Monday, Apr 05, 2021 EASTER MONDAY Weave a life of meaning Acts 2:14, 22-33; Matthew 28:8-15 "They approached, embraced his feet, and did him homage."

Everyone knows the joy of creating—whether it be a work of art, a meal, or a family. It's a way of expressing ourselves, sharing our love, and using our talents to serve. It's also a consolation during tough times. Maybe you took up some new, creative pastimes during the pandemic. Saint Maria Crescentia Höss, whose feast is today, was a weaver in 18th-century Bavaria before she became a nun, and when she was assigned to servitude and living in a cubbyhole in the monastery, she kept weaving. Maybe that helped sustain her until she eventually rose to be elected the mother superior. Holy creativity can feed your soul.

Tuesday, Apr 06, 2021 EASTER TUESDAY Sing the Octave

Acts 2:36-41; John 20:11-18 "Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' "

Happy Octave of Easter—the eight days between, and including, Easter Sunday and Divine Mercy Sunday. By relishing the Resurrection for eight whole days instead of just one, the church declares it the cornerstone of belief. What's more: In contrast to the Christmas Octave, we observe no other feast days during Easter Octave, keeping the Resurrection our only focus. Why eight? Christianity's Jewish roots feature ritual celebrations that end on the eighth day—a week, when you count both the first and last days. Make every day this week a "mini-Easter," as our church intends. Sing Alleluia for eight days.

Wednesday, Apr 07, 2021 EASTER WEDNESDAY Pray for all who heal a world in pain Acts 3:1-10; Luke 24:13-35 "A man crippled from birth was... and placed at the gate of the temple."

On April 7, 1948, the World Health Organization was established as a leading global health authority within the United Nations system. It declares that the health of all people is essential to attaining peace and security, and among other things chooses a particular health theme each year to mark its anniversary. WHO set this year's theme as "Aging and Health." On this Easter Wednesday, as we take note of the healing miracles within the early Christian community, ask the Lord to bless all who work to safeguard the health of humanity.

Thursday, Apr 08, 2021 EASTER THURSDAY

Keep it going Acts 3:11-26, Luke 24:35-48

"He stood in their midst and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'"

We are still in the Octave of Easter, the eight days following Easter. The Octave is meant to keep the celebration going, to keep savoring the joy of the Resurrection. The gospel for each day focuses on the Risen Christ. In the early church, those who were baptized at the Easter Vigil would continue wearing their white garments all week in recognition of the life-changing, festive event. You've likely been changing your clothes during the Octave, but try keeping your focus on the Resurrection. Meditate on a time that God has blessed you with new life.

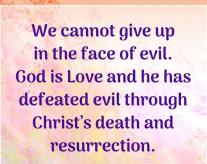
> Friday, Apr 09, 2021 EASTER FRIDAY It all adds up Acts 4:1-12; John 21:1-14 "Jesus said to them, 'Come, have breakfast.'"

Numbers play a key role throughout salvation history: Yahweh, the one true God; the 5,000 fed; the cock crowing three times; the Triduum; the Trinity; and the third time Jesus appears to his disciples after his death, which we read about in today's beautiful gospel story of Jesus cooking breakfast for his disciples on the seashore. Numerologists love to explore all the hidden meanings packed in the biblical numbers. But the gospel message is actually quite simple. Jesus alone feeds us. Remember that next time you are looking for sustenance elsewhere.

Saturday, Apr 10, 2021 EASTER SATURDAY

Faith takes time Acts 4:13-21; Mark 16:9-15 "When they heard that he was alive and had been seen by her, they did not believe."

What would you think if you heard that someone you knew was dead had risen from the grave? It's no wonder the disciples doubted the story. No less a witness than Mother Teresa of Calcutta expressed serious doubts about God's existence over the course of her life. "Where is my faith?" she wrote. "There is nothing but emptiness." And she's a saint! So when loved ones stop going to church and express doubts about God—or if you yourself face such doubts—accept it as a part of the spiritual journey each of us walks. Keep praying and be patient. Faith takes time and hits dry spells. But in God's heart, there's all the time in the world.



- Pope Francis -