

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 10, 2020



"The Last Supper," Jon McNaughton, 2015

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(Closed 12:00PM - 1:00PM, Saturdays, Sundays, & Holidays)

Daily Eucharistic Liturgy: Monday - Friday at 8:00AM

Weekend Eucharistic Liturgy: Saturday at 4:00PM

Sunday at 9:30AM

Holy Days of Obligation: 8:00AM

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Daily Eucharistic Liturgy: Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 8:00AM

Weekend Eucharistic Liturgy: Saturday at 5:00PM;

Sunday at 10:00AM

Holy Days of Obligation: Vigil at 5:30PM

TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED



Saint Stanislaus & Holy Trinity

Partners in Faith & Mission



May 10, 2020
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When earthly lives end, especially when the person is younger, we tend to focus upon and consider what was lost. We think of lost opportunities — things they won't be able to see, babies they won't be able to cradle, and adventures that now must go undiscovered. Our minds create this chasm between earth and heaven that sees the losses of this life as permanent ones, never possible to achieve again. This perception causes many folks to remain stuck in their grief as they ponder all of the missed opportunities and regrets.

This is not resurrection thinking. All of the love that we can give and receive, the joy and elation that can be experienced, the adventures that can be undertaken, and the possibilities to be discovered are all part of a continuous journey. They are not ends in and of themselves but are all part of the unfolding of a relationship we have with God, who not only makes all of these wonderful things possible now but sustains them and fulfills them into eternity. The perception and experience of loss is really an illusion, because in God's eternal kingdom and in God's time, nothing is ever lost. Even the most intimate and tender of moments we can conceive of sharing with another human being are only part of a journey toward perfect intimate and tender moments to be shared with God in our resurrected life.

This is an awesome wonder and magnificent news to behold. Call to mind someone you have lost in death. How do you see them now? How do you see yourself in heaven? Remind yourself, again, that God is the Way, the Truth and the Life. Our happiness is not going to be fully realized in this world, and there is nothing we can find here that cannot be found one hundred fold in eternity. It's about our relationship with God. If we realize how special that one relationship really is, then there is only one particular of heaven and life eternal that really matters: namely, that we fall into love eternal and discover truth.

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of May 10, 2020

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-5, 18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12 [5th Sunday of Easter]
Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-13, 21/Jn 14:27-31 [Sts. Nereus, Achilleus, Pancras]
Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-5/Jn 15:1-8 [Our Lady of Fatima]
Thursday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-8/Jn 15:9-17 [St. Matthias]
Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-12/Jn 15:12-17 [St. Isidore]
Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1-5/Jn 15:18-21
Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21 [6th Sunday]

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 John's Church. Contact their parish office for more information and to register your child (814.454.2873).

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.

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"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 worshipping 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.

ST. STANISLAUS / HOLY TRINITY INITIAL PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

(please circle which parish)

Family Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Please Check: New Registration Change of Address Change of Telephone Number

Change of E-mail Moving out of Parish Want Envelopes

*Place in offertory basket or mail to Parish Office. We will contact you to complete our Census Form.
Welcome to our Parish Family!*

A Community of Faith Built on Tradition, Where Everyone is Welcome

Saint Stanislaus Parish Community

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., May 11th, 8:00AM - Joseph Zawistowski (Stan & Betty Bialomizy)
 Tues., May 12th, 8:00AM - Mary Macie (Jim & Family)
 Wed., May 13th, 8:00AM - Paula Grelewicz (Family)
 Thurs., May 14th, 8:00AM - Richard Ewiak (Family)
 Fri., May 15th, 8:00AM - Stella Mojzesz (Family)
 Sat., May 16th, 4:00PM - Florence & Max Krasinski (Family)
 Sun., May 17th, 9:30AM - The People of Saint Stanislaus (Pro Populo)

LIMITED HOURS OF OPERATION

Our Parish Office is operating under limited hours. The Office will be open from 9:30AM - Noon. If you need to stop by, we ask that you call in advance. We are attempting to minimize interpersonal contact, as advised by the CDC. We prefer to conduct most business by phone, or by using the mailbox for pick-up or drop-off.



Our sanctuary candle burns in honor of
A SPECIAL THANKSGIVING INTENTION.

**Of all the things
 I learned in
 grade school,
 trying to avoid
 cooties was the
 last one I
 expected to use.**



**"Dear Mom, I was gonna give
 you an all expenses paid,
 first-class trip to Hawaii for
 Mothers Day.
 But I knew how much you'd
 miss me, and I just couldn't
 put you through that kind of
 agony."**

**THE WORLD IS NOW
 VEGAS. EVERYBODY'S
 LOSING MONEY, IT'S
 ACCEPTABLE TO DRINK
 AT ALL HOURS AND NO
 ONE HAS ANY IDEA
 WHAT DAY IT IS.**

**APRIL WAS A TOUGH YEAR
 BUT WE MADE IT**

THANKS MOM
**** for all you do ****

Being a mom means...
 laughing in a fit of hysterics,
 screaming like a lunatic,
 crying in sadness,
 beaming with pride,
 being frantic with worry,
 wanting the day to speed up
 but time to slow down,
 feeling the need for personal space
 but also begging for more snuggles...
 all within a period of 24 hours.

Polish Face Mask



Q U A R A N T I N E

- Q- Quiet your soul
- U- Unite as one with God
- A- Act with Godly love
- R- Read your Bible
- A- Activate your faith
- N- Nourish your soul
- T- Talk with God
- I- Intercede for others
- N- Nestle in the presence of God
- E- Elevate God in Worship

WEEKLY OFFERING (MAY 3, 2020)

	This Week	July 1 to date
Amount we need	\$4,156.00	\$182,864.00
Amount Received	\$5,542.00	\$130,193.00
Net over/under	\$386.00	(\$52,671.00)

Mass Attendance: N/A (Non-Public Mass Celebrated)

CSA 2020: UPDATE

Parish Assessment	\$31,019.00
Pledges	\$27,640.00
Paid To Date.....	\$19,940.00

Thank you for the 81 families who have committed!
 Together, let us reach our goal so we can move forward
 on our improvement projects. If you haven't yet pledged,
 please prayerfully consider doing so.



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MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., May 11th, 8:00AM - The Souls in Purgatory
 Tues., May 12th, 8:00AM - Dave Pratt (Ed, Patty & Anna Czulewicz)
 Wed., May 13th, 8:00AM - Fall all Living & Deceased Mothers
 Thurs., May 14th, 8:00AM - For Vocations
 Fri., May 15th, 8:00AM - For the Anniversary of Msgr. Dan Magraw
 Sat., May 16th, 4:00PM - For the People of Holy Trinity Parish (Pro Populo)
 Sun., May 17th, 10:00AM - Joseph Tucceri (Family)

IF THIS CAN
BECOME VODKA



YOU CAN
BECOME A SAINT

Heavenly Father, I am so tired of this virus. I am so weary from being away from my friends and family. I am thankful though that I have my health and food in my belly. I am truly blessed, but I ask that an end to this virus comes soon, Father.

*In Jesus' Name I pray.
Amen*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!



5/13 Susan Nitkiewicz
 5/15 Nancy Benczkowski & Brendan Heidt

It's been a blessing being home with the wife for three weeks now. We've caught up on everything I've done wrong for fifteen years

GOT ANY PLANS FOR TODAY?

DO NOTHING



YOU DID THAT YESTERDAY!

DIDN'T FINISH



Finding the Way

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6
 The puzzle is based on John 14:1-14 (NIV).



T J Y C O M T W A Y Z C P V A
 A E E H I S I A U J S S R L F
 H L X B U D Y R N H Y T E Y R
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 R F M E L A S R O H L W R Z P
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ENOUGH	WAY	HEARTS	TROUBLED	TRUST
THOMAS	LIFE	MIRACLES	HOUSE	SEEN
SHOW	BELIEVE	KNOW	ROOMS	LIVING
FATHER	FAITH	PLACE	PREPARE	TRUTH

WEEKLY OFFERING (MAY 3, 2020)

Regular Offertory: \$4,677.00 (29/146 mailed)

	THIS WEEK	JULY 1 TO DATE
Dream Goal:	\$3,000.00	\$132,000.00
Budgeted:	\$2,365.00	\$104,600.00
Total Offertory:	\$4,677.00	\$105,231.00
Net (over/under):	\$2,312.00	\$631.00

CSA UPDATE

Assessment: \$12,425.00
 Pledges: \$22,627.00
 Paid: \$20,052.00
 Balance: \$2,575.00

* 61 families have contributed to the 2020 CSA

“I am the way, the truth, and the life...”

- John 14:6

News for Our Partnership

ALL PARISH MEETINGS, EVENTS, AND GATHERINGS ARE CANCELED OR POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. WE APPRECIATE YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND ENCOURAGE YOU TO LOOK AFTER ONE ANOTHER DURING THESE UNPRECEDENTED TIMES.

During this time of social isolation and non-public celebration of the Eucharist, be aware that daily and weekend masses are televised on the following:

Channel 3 - Sunday at 10:00AM

Channel 11 - Sundays at 8:00AM

**Channel 16 - Sundays at 8:00AM & 12:00PM
Daily (Monday - Saturday) at 8:00AM,
12:00PM, & 7:00PM**

Or visit www.TheSundayMass.org



PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot receive you at this moment sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Someone put it very well...
We isolate now, so that when we gather again, no one is missing.



Life is all about balance. You don't always need to be getting stuff done. Sometimes it's perfectly okay, and absolutely necessary, to shut down, kick back, and do nothing.

-Lori Deschene



Dear Mother

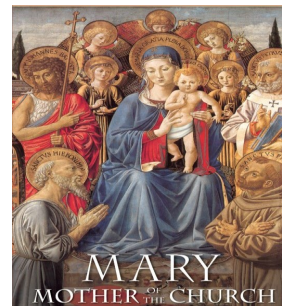
As I look back on my life
I find myself wondering...
Did I remember to thank you
for all that you have done for me?



For all of the times you were by my side
to help me celebrate my successes
and accept my defeats?
Or for teaching me the value of hard work,
good judgement, courage, and honesty?

I wonder if I've ever thanked you for the simple things...the
laughter, smiles and quiet times we shared...

If I've forgotten to express my gratitude for any of these things, I
am thanking you now and want to express my love for you!
And I'm hoping that you've known all along
how very much you are appreciated!



*Celebrate Mom this
Mother's Day!*

A BLESSING FOR MOTHERS

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church.

Bless our mothers, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ, our Lord.

THE 31 CLUB - PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

5/10) Tony Jankowski & Eleanor Walker; 5/11) Sandy Kempisty & Ray Przybyszewski; 5/12) Edie Luniewski & Debbie Oldenski; 5/13) Deacon Tom Matusiak, Shirley & Stan Widomski; 5/14) Julie Slomski & Katherine Krainski; 5/15) Dorothy & Mead Carlson, Nancy & Art Kujawinski, & Carol Clark; 5/16) Corinne Dyakon, Mary Jo Sulecki, & Kay Stankiewicz

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Kevin Holland and **Joseph Petrone** are to be ordained to the priesthood on May 29th. However, due to Covid-19 guidelines, the ordination will take place in private with only immediate family in attendance. Please keep these men in your prayers this month.

Sunday, May 10, 2020

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Equal actions of the spiritually mature

Acts 6:1-7; 1 Peter 2:4-9; John 14:1-12

"It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at table."

There's some disagreement between those who consider prayer the number-one obligation for believers and those convinced that actions speak louder than words. Monastic leader Benedict of Clairvaux wrote his *Rule* to ensure his monks understood that *ora et labora*—prayer and labor—are partner activities in reaching spiritual maturity. Some people are clearly called to devote themselves primarily to spiritual matters in full-time religious vocations. Others can better serve elbow-deep in more worldly arenas. Try to balance the mix between spiritual rejuvenation and gritty action in your life.

Monday, May 11, 2020

EASTER WEEKDAY

Be an advocate

Acts 14:5-18; John 14:21-26

"The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name."

Jesus promised to send his followers an advocate—the Holy Spirit—to come to our aid, to strengthen and plead our Christian cause and defend us from evil. (We can use all the help we can get in these trying times!) As part of our church's social teaching, Catholics are to be advocates for the poor. Add your voice to those urging policymakers to take action on critical issues from malnutrition to forced migration. Confrontglobalpoverty.org is a good place to start.

Tuesday, May 12, 2020

MEMORIAL OF PANCRAS, MARTYR

A child shall lead us

Acts 14:19-28; John 14:27-31a

"Do not let your hearts be troubled."

Not much is known about Saint Pancras—other than he was martyred, like many Christians, by the Roman Emperor Diocletian around the year 303. Historic churches and a famous train station in London bear his name because Augustine of Canterbury brought devotion to Pancras with him to northern Europe. A truly defining characteristic of Pancras, though, is that he was only 14 when he was tortured and beheaded, putting him in the same "child saint" category as martyrs Maria Goretti, Agnes of Rome, and José Luis Sánchez del Río. How can your own faith benefit from a childlike trust?

Wednesday, May 13, 2020

MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Pray as if your (eternal) life depends on it

Acts 15:1-6; John 15:1-8

"No more than a branch can bear fruit of itself apart from the vine, can you bear fruit apart from me."

Beginning May 13, 1917 and continuing through that fall, three children (Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta) of Fatima, Portugal reported several Marian apparitions. Much has been written about the message of Our Lady of Fatima, whose feast was added to the church calendar in 2002. The defining document on Fatima comes from the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. In sum: The apparitions did *not* predict the future or announce the end of the world. They *did* "exhort" us to pray, because "prayer is the salvation for souls." Good advice in any guise!

Thursday, May 14, 2020

FEAST OF MATTHIAS, APOSTLE

Ready and willing

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; John 15:9-17

"Then they gave lots to them, and the lot fell upon Matthias, and he was counted with the eleven apostles."

Not much is known about Matthias except that he replaced Judas as one of the 12 apostles. Tradition has it that he preached in the areas around Judea and possibly farther afield and was persecuted and martyred, but details are few and unreliable. Today's first reading tells us he stepped in when needed and agreed to join the apostles following Jesus' death and Resurrection. Like most Christians, he lived a life of quiet faithfulness without much glory. Be ready to step in to serve others. Never mind the glory.

Friday, May 15, 2020

EASTER WEEKDAY

That they might be one

Acts 15:22-31; John 15:12-17

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you."

The call to unity is woven throughout our Catholic faith. In *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis writes that we share with our ancestors in faith the conviction "that everything is interconnected, and that genuine care for our own lives and our relationships with nature is inseparable from fraternity, justice, and faithfulness to others." Recent events bring this truth home in forceful ways. Today let's commemorate International Day of Families and Endangered Species Day, both of which are ways to help nurture our essential connectedness with each other and the world.

Saturday, May 16, 2020

EASTER WEEKDAY

Being Christian has a cost

Acts 16:1-10; John 15:18-21

"If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you."

Religious persecution was commonplace in the story of the Early Church. Two thousand years later, persecution of Christians continues. In a 2019 trip to the Catacombs of Priscilla in Rome, Pope Francis remarked, "Still today Christians are persecuted—even more than in the first centuries." Play your part in stopping all religious persecution by expressing zero tolerance for it in your own backyard.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION TO MARY

Most Holy Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, you are the fairest fruit of God's redeeming love; you sing of the Father's mercy and accompany us with a mother's love. In this time of pandemic we come to you, our sign of sure hope and comfort. Today we renew the act of consecration and entrustment carried out by those who have gone before us.

With the love of a Mother and Handmaid, embrace our nation which we entrust and consecrate once again to you, together with ourselves and our families.

With the love of a Mother and Handmaid, embrace this diocese which we entrust and consecrate once again to you, together with ourselves and our families.

With the love of a Mother and Handmaid, embrace this parish which we entrust and consecrate once again to you, together with ourselves and our families.

With the love of a Mother and Handmaid, embrace us as we renew our consecration to you, together with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

