

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 31, 2020



Pentecost Prayer

Breathe in me O Holy Spirit
that my thoughts may all be holy;
Act in me O Holy Spirit
that my works, too, may be holy;
Draw my heart O Holy Spirit
that I love but what is holy;
Strengthen me O Holy Spirit
to defend that is holy;
Guard me then O Holy Spirit
that I always may be holy.

- St. Augustine of Hippo (AD 354-430)

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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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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 31, 2020
Pentecost Sunday

You can feel so small standing by the seashore. The vastness of all that is before you expands much farther than your eye can see. What is happening on the other side? As tides continue to ebb and flow, what occurs as they come and go remains largely a mystery and the effects of their presence unknown in your sight. Yet, things are moving and changing as you gaze upon the water, as the thumbprint of their presence is left behind. The greater the wind and wave, the greater the effect. But even a gentle breeze leaves its humble mark upon the seashore on which you stand. The smallest pebble still makes a ripple in the great blue expanse of ocean waters. It doesn't need to be big.

You never know the full impact of your smallest gesture or simplest of words. A yes or no, agree or disagree, here or there, this or that can influence time and history in ways you may never know. The Holy Spirit is like that: fierce and torrential, and then almost still and silent, creating and recreating nonetheless. Coming as a gentle breeze or a gusty wind, God's Holy Spirit continues to move over, around, and into the waters of our lives.

The first disciples didn't have much. They possessed simple faith. This allowed them to do amazing things with very little. Do you believe that you are being led and that you have a purposeful life? We often do not realize our value because we do not think that the little we have is good enough. How wrong we are! A little flour mixed with water and embraced by a prayer of blessing transforms simple offerings into the magnificent Eucharistic presence of God. If the Holy Spirit can do such amazing things with these humble gifts of the earth, even more can happen with you. Modest gifts offered with love can be transformed by the Spirit into wondrous blessings you may never know. It's Pentecost. Trust. You are not alone.

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of May 31, 2020

Sunday: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24-34/1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23 [Pentecost]
Monday: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-7/Jn 19:25-34 [Mary, Mother of the Church]
Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15, 17-18/Ps 90:2-4, 10-16/Mk 12:13-17 [Sts. Marcellinus & Peter]
Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/Ps 123:1-2/Mk 12:18-27 [St. Charles Lwanga & Comp.]
Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15/Ps 4-5, 8-15/Mk 12:28-34
Friday: 2 Tm 3:10-17/Ps 119:157-168/Mk 12:35-37 [St. Boniface]
Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8/Ps 71:8-9, 14-22/Mk 12:38-44 [St. Norbert]
Next Sunday: Ex 34:4-9/Dn 3:52-56/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18 [Holy Trinity 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., June 1st, 8:00AM - Gerry Tomczak (Lucille Hodubski)
 Tues., June 2nd, 8:00AM - R. & D. Pomorski (Katy, Doug, & Jane Pomorski)
 Wed., June 3rd, 8:00AM - Special Intention (R. & M. Robaskiewicz & Fam.)
 Thurs., June 4th, 8:00AM - Richard Rzodkiewicz (Tom Konkol)
 Fri., June 5th, 8:00AM - Joe Babiak (The Joan & John Oldenski Family)
 Sat., June 6th, 4:00PM - Special Thanksgiving Intention (J. & J. Oldenski)
 Sun., June 7th, 10:00AM - For the People of St. 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 for a SPECIAL INTENTION as gifted by Joan & John Oldenski



A private Mass of Christian Burial was held last Saturday for MARY ANN HALLMAN. Please keep her, as well as her family and loved ones in your prayers.

Mental Health Help During COVID-19

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| Crisis Text Line Text 'PA' to 741741 | National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-8255 | Preventing suicide in PA preventsuicide.pa.org/ |
| Disaster Distress Helpline 800-985-5990 | Get Help Now for substance use disorder 1-800-662-4357 | Veterans in crisis veterans.crisisline.net |
| PA's support helpline 855-284-2494 | Coping with COVID-19 stress bit.ly/covid-coping | COVID-19 resources mhanational.org/covid19 |



Since hockey has been cancelled, no one has seen the Zamboni Driver

But I'm sure he will resurface eventually

CSA 2020: UPDATE

Parish Assessment..... \$31,019.00
 Pledges \$28,600.00
 Paid To Date \$21,360.00

Thank you for the 83 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.

WEEKLY OFFERING (MAY 24, 2020)

| | This Week | July 1 to date |
|-----------------|--------------|----------------|
| Amount we need | \$4,156.00 | \$195,332.00 |
| Amount Received | \$1,928.00 | \$137,851.00 |
| Net over/under | (\$2,228.00) | (\$57,481.00) |

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



Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Lord Jesus, as God's Spirit came down and rested upon you, may the same Spirit rest on us, bestowing his sevenfold gifts:
 First, grant us the gift of understanding, by which your precepts may enlighten our minds.
 Second, grant us counsel, by which we may follow in your footsteps on the path of righteousness.
 Third, grant us courage, by which we may ward off the enemy's attacks.
 Fourth, grant us knowledge, by which we can distinguish good from evil.
 Fifth, grant us piety, by which we may acquire compassionate hearts.
 Sixth, grant us fear, by which we may draw back from evil.
 Seventh, grant us wisdom, that we may taste fully the life-giving sweetness of your love.

- St. Bonaventure

DENTIST COST

Holy Trinity Parish Community

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MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., June 1st, 8:00AM - Daniszewski & Gorka Families
 Tues., June 2nd, 8:00AM - Warfel Family
 Wed., June 3rd, 8:00AM - Msgr. John Daniszewski
 Thurs., June 4th, 8:00AM - Thomas Graham (Ed, Patty, & Anna Czulewicz)
 Fri., June 5th, 8:00AM - Frank & Emma Agnello (Frank & Barb Agnello)
 Sat., June 6th, 5:00PM - For the People of Holy Trinity Parish (Pro Populo)
 Sun., June 7th, 10:00AM - Bob & Shirley Kempisty (Mary Ann)



The sanctuary candle burns in memory of **BOB & SHIRLEY KEMPISTY** as gifted by Mary Ann Merski.



Pentecost People



Come, Holy Spirit, and make us Pentecost people.
 Let your wisdom and right judgment guide our decisions and temper our impulses.
 Let knowledge and understanding increase our capacity for empathy and compassion.
 Let reverence and awe fill us with gratitude and respect for all of creation.
 Give us the courage to witness boldly to our faith in word and deed.
 Through and with and in Jesus Christ, we pray.
 Amen.



6/2) Ethan Kempisty
 6/5) Edward Heidt, Carrie Loeffler & Lisa Slomski
 6/6) Joan Heidt

The Day of Pentecost

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Acts 2:4 (NIV)
 Based on Acts 2:1-21



Y K J T N K H J G A M A Z E D
 T Q B F F P E N T E C O S T U
 L P I Q H C I D Q I E S T R G
 H R J C I W D F B E Q V C O G
 H E A R O S T F I L L E D A R
 P W S L G T P O C C K R X X S
 Y S B P P F H I N U W I P F L
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 I W N M O L K X Q U T E D D U
 C F H G H E A V E N C I S A D
 J O I O U E Z A E X G H T N O
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 C H J P E Y G H I N T O H F H
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| SPEAK | LANGUAGE | PENTECOST | HEAVEN | BLOWING |
| SOUND | OTHER | HOLY | SPIRIT | HEAR |
| FILLED | WIND | FIRE | TONGUES | AMAZED |

WEEKLY OFFERING (MAY 24, 2020)

Regular Offertory: \$1,617.00 (23/146 mailed)

| | THIS WEEK | JULY 1 TO DATE |
|-------------------|------------|----------------|
| Dream Goal: | \$3,000.00 | \$141,000.00 |
| Budgeted: | \$2,365.00 | \$112,205.00 |
| Total Offertory: | \$1,617.00 | \$111,105.00 |
| Net (over/under): | (\$748.00) | (\$1,100.00) |

CSA UPDATE

Assessment: \$12,425.00
 Pledges: \$22,907.00
 Paid: \$20,762.00
 Balance: \$2,145.00
 * 62 families have contributed to the 2020 CSA

"Receive the Holy Spirit."

- John 20:22

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.

A RETURN TO PUBLIC MASS

Recently, Bishop Persico announced that parishes could return to the public celebration of Mass on June 1st, provided that a series of guidelines and restrictions can be implemented (5 pages worth!). I know there is an eagerness for us to be together again, but I also am aware that there is much apprehension. I share both of these sentiments, as well.

At this time, neither Holy Trinity nor Saint Stanislaus is in a position to meet the necessary requirements to resume public worship. Members of Parish Council are discussing the feasibility of implementing these requirements. Every registered parishioner will receive a letter from me, if you haven't already, detailing our plan to begin celebrating Mass publicly.

Please be patient with us as we sort through the complex logistics of our implementation plan. Be assured that Fr. Dan and I continue to keep all of you in our prayers, especially as we celebrate daily Eucharist on your behalf.

- Fr. Jason



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.

Prayer in Time of Pandemic

Lord Jesus,

You came to bring salvation to our world.

You humbled yourself to accept death on a cross.

Be with us as we confront the spread of the coronavirus with courage and hope.

Be present to the sick and to those who accompany them in their suffering.

Strengthen our medical professionals and caregivers;

comfort families who are separated from one another.

Protect those who are at risk of the virus in their work.

Grant wisdom to our civic officials and perseverance to scientists.

Spare us from the ravages of this illness and console us in our uncertainty and fear.

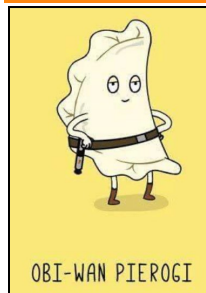
Unite us in hope, enlighten us in faith,

and give us the grace as a Church to love one another as You have loved us.

Through the intercession of our Heavenly Mother,

we make this prayer as we place our trust in You.

Amen.



THE 31 CLUB - PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

- 6/1) Kathy Smith, Debbie Majewski, & Mary Speice; 6/2) Patty Czulewicz & John Oldenski;
- 6/3) Judy Tucceri & Jackie Vargo; 6/4) Ed Czulewicz, Evelyn & Ed Selleny; 6/5) Mary Ann Merski & Michelle Inter;
- 6/6) Msgr. Dan Magraw & Joan Oldenski; 6/7) Ed Korytowski & Lori Krasnesky

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Fr. Kevin Holland and Fr. Joseph Petrone were ordained to the priesthood in a private celebration this past Friday. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin their new priestly ministry.

Also, pray for Fr. Jason who will celebrate his 18th anniversary of priestly ordination on June 7th.

Sunday, May 31, 2020

SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

The Spirit is still at work

Acts 2:1-11; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23

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

The traditional Pentecost hymn is "Veni Sancte Spiritus" ("Come, Holy Spirit"). It's called the Golden Sequence—a sequence being a prayer that precedes the gospel reading. It became part of the Pentecost liturgy in the 16th century but was written earlier, probably by Cardinal Stephen Langton of Canterbury around the year 1200. It's tempting to treat the Mass as something that fell from heaven as is. Liturgy is a collaborative effort, woven across centuries—and evolving still. Put your unique stamp on it.

Monday, Jun 01, 2020

MEMORIAL OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

Sing of Mary

Genesis 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; John 19:25-34

"Behold, your mother."

Today's celebration of the Blessed Virgin Mary is still new for the Catholic Church, having been decreed by Pope Francis in 2018. But Mary's tender loving care has been sung throughout the ages. Yes, we experience her maternal protection for each and every one of us. But it's another thing to honor her universally as protectress of the Mystical Body of Christ. That's why this memorial comes when it does: the day after Pentecost Sunday—the birthday of the church. Let us honor Mary in the manner of the decree, as "Mother of the Redeemer and Mother of the Redeemed"—namely, Christ's mother and ours.

Tuesday, Jun 02, 2020

MEMORIAL OF MARCELLINUS AND PETER, MARTYRS

Take notice

2 Peter 3:12-15a, 17-18; Mark 12:13-17

"Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

Today's rather obscure saints from the early church are included in the Roman Martyrology, a catalog of saints who suffered martyrdom during the era of persecution of early Christians. While some claim Catholicism places too much emphasis on suffering and death, recent events suggest there is a deeper wisdom at work in the Martyrology. In times of crisis, heroic witness often involves willingness to suffer or perhaps even die for a worthy cause. Honor martyrs past and present for their witness.

Wednesday, Jun 03, 2020

MEMORIAL OF CHARLES LWANGA AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

And the youth shall lead us

2 Timothy 1:1-3, 6-12; Mark 12:18-27

"I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God that you have."

The world today is blessed with many young people willing to take a stand on major issues of our time. They work to end violence in schools and on our streets, protect lives, and ensure that future generations and the earth will thrive. Today in the church we honor a group of teens and 20-somethings who stood up for one another amid the threat of violence and death. Charles Lwanga and his 21 companions were martyred in Uganda in 1886 because their Catholic faith opposed the ruling king's violent ways. In light of your faith, when and where are you called to take a stand?

Thursday, Jun 04, 2020

Not worth fighting about

2 Timothy 2:8-15; Mark 12:28-34

"... there must be no wrangling about words: all that this ever achieves is the destruction of those who are listening."

Timothy was a peacemaker in the early church. He urged members of newly formed congregations to work out their differences rather than foster needless division. Sadly church life (Catholic and otherwise) still involves far too many stories of Division - sometimes over the smallest things. Whatever your community's issue might be, be a voice for reasonable compromise.

Friday, Jun 05, 2020

MEMORIAL OF BONIFACE, BISHOP, MARTYR

Aging can bring strengths

2 Timothy 3:10-17; Mark 12:35-37

"From all these things the Lord delivered me."

The COVID-19 crisis highlights the health risks older folks face. At the same time, it has led occasionally to examples of ageism—the tendency to see someone as weak or infirm simply because of their age. Saint Boniface would have none of that. Traversing the rugged terrain of what is now Germany during the wild and untamed Middle Ages, he continued his tireless evangelization efforts well into his 70s. In fact, only martyrdom could bring his ministry to a close. "Respect your elders" means respecting their ability to continue making meaningful contributions.

Saturday, Jun 06, 2020

MEMORIAL OF NORBERT, BISHOP

Humble pie belongs on every menu

2 Timothy 4:1-8; Mark 12:38-44

"Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury."

Saint Norbert was a key figure in reforming the medieval church and monastic life. An ascetic at heart, he wore the simplest garb and walked barefoot even in winter. Having been appointed archbishop of Magdeburg in 1126 against his wishes, he arrived at the episcopal residence only to be met by a doorman who took him to be a beggar and turned him away! Church officials quickly explained the error to the doorman, but Norbert turned to him and said, "You were right the first time." A healthy sense of humility will take each of us far.

COME
HOLY SPIRIT
FILL THE HEARTS
OF YOUR FAITHFUL
AND KINDLE IN THEM
THE FIRE OF YOUR LOVE.
SEND FORTH YOUR SPIRIT
AND THEY SHALL BE CREATED
AND YOU SHALL RENEW
THE FACE OF THE
EARTH.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations. Through Christ Our Lord. AMEN.

