

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 29, 2021



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

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

Weekend Eucharistic Liturgy:

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

*** Daily Eucharist: Call the Parish Office**

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Saint Stanislaus & Holy Trinity

Partners in Faith & Mission



August 29, 2021 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Albert Einstein said that the “true measure of intelligence is not knowledge but imagination.” Being a disciple of Jesus Christ requires a great deal of imagination. It is not enough to simply attend to facts, rules and rituals and consider the job done. Quite contrarily, the Gospels demands creativity, of trying to discern how to put flesh on the Beatitudes and properly serve God’s children. Jesus never doled out a top down agenda. Not once did he ever demand conformity over conversion or sacrifice over mercy. The Gospel is always about putting people in touch with their compassionate, forgiving, and unconditionally loving God and meeting them where they are.

For Jesus, it often meant breaking a few rules. Well respected and time-honored traditions had to be set aside in order to attend to what really mattered. The story of the Good Samaritan, healing on the Sabbath, and bypassing of purification rituals all display this theme. Human beings can get too hung up on protocol and tradition. It is no wonder, then, that we can easily become hypocritical. Many can see us on our knees in prayer while our true heart and actions, rooted in judgment and self-preservation, are hidden from others. It is a trap into which we can easily fall. Who cares how we live our lives as long as our hands are properly washed!

Here enters the need for imagination and the distinction of truly being a wise and intelligent person. It takes a good measure of creativity and a lot of guts to really be a doer of God’s word and not merely a hearer. Being a person who doesn’t just tell people about God but shows people God requires courage and ingenuity. That’s why people like St. Francis of Assisi and St. Teresa of Calcutta are timeless. Their genuineness speaks volumes generation to generation. It’s risky business taking the step to allow God into our hearts. Permitting God to release us from the grip of our evil thoughts, infidelity, greed, malice, sexual improprieties, licentiousness, envy, arrogance, folly, and the like takes courage. That’s why we prefer to spend our energy rearranging the future rather than take measures to secure a foundation that is most certainly crumbling.

Readings for the week of August 29, 2021

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-5/Jas 1:17-22, 27/ Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 [22nd Sun.]
Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3-5, 11-13/Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10-11/Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-6/Lk 5:1-11
Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1-5/Lk 5:33-39 [St. Gregory the Great]
Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-8/Lk 6:1-5
Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7/Ps 146:7-10/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37 [23rd 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 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, Scott Jabo, at 1.814.824.1181.

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.

"PRAYER CANDLE" MAKING MINISTRY

This ministry makes prayer candles from the church's left over bee's wax. They meet on Wednesdays, from 10AM - Noon in St. Stanislaus Parish Hall. No experience necessary.

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., Aug. 30th - Private Intention
 Tues., Aug. 31st - Robert & Gabriella Wlodarczyk (Family)
 Wed., Sept. 1st - Rita & Stanley Kowalski (Betty & Family)
 Thurs., Sept. 2nd - Stanley Widomski (Kathleen Krawczyk)
 Fri., Sept. 3rd - Thaddeus Mielnik (Irene Mielnik)
 Sat., Sept. 4th, 4:00PM - Deacon Bob Walker (George & Ann Badach)
 Sun., Sept. 5th, 9:00AM - For the People of St. Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)



Our sanctuary candle burns in memory of **M. ALICE ZIMMERMAN** as gifted by the Family.

IN MEMORIUM

A memorial Mass was celebrated for Sean Meadows on Saturday, August 28th. Please keep Sean and his family and loved ones in your prayers. "Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord..."

ANNOUNCING BANNS OF MARRIAGE

II - Cassandra Lockett & Rev. Tommie Twillie (September 4th).

OCTOBER LOTTERY RAFFLE

Our Holy Name Society is currently selling lottery raffle tickets for the month of October. See any member of the Society, or stop in the Parish Office, to purchase your chance to win!

THIS WEEKEND'S MUSIC MINISTRY

Our weekend music ministry team is joining with Holy Trinity's ministers for their annual Polish Heritage Mass. Consequently, our music at this weekend's liturgies will be quite limited. Thank you, in advance, for your understanding, and special thanks to our choir for representing us at Holy Trinity.

HEARTFELT THANK YOU

Many thanks to all who supported our Care & Concern Committee's 50/50 raffle. The winner of \$118.50 was Rosemary Hoyt. The other \$118.50 will fund the Committee's ministries, particularly the purchasing and mailing of cards.

"BE DOERS OF THE WORD AND NOT HEARERS ONLY."

This scripture is followed by instruction to care for orphans and widows. Don't know any orphans or widows? What about people without friends or money? This week find a way to care for someone alone or in need.

Give it all Back

Pop culture has given us a unique idea of the term justice. Justice, we often think, is about taking. Taking what's owed. Taking revenge. Taking what we deserve. This worldview tends to make mincemeat of our Catholic social teachings. Seeking the good of the poor, a call to community and participation, solidarity — on the face of it, in a society where everything must be earned and we are encouraged to hoard for ourselves whatever success we can achieve, these principles look a lot like highway robbery. But when you remember the presence of an omnipotent, all-loving and all-merciful God, it turns our gunslinging sense of justice on its head. For how does justice inhabit the same universe as a God who is so quick to give and indeed to forgive? Well, very easily, when we remember Who exactly is the source of every good and perfect thing in this world. There is no law that cannot be traced back to the Word. And the Word saves our souls. Is that justice? No, that is a gift. It is the reckless, indulgent gift of a father whose love is greater than His anger. What is justice in the Biblical sense? The answer is simple. Look at your life. See the hours in your day? See your spouse, your kids, your grandkids? See the house they live in, the money in your wallet, the food in your fridge, the breath in your lungs? Calling it all your own, refusing to share any of it — that's robbery. Giving it all back to the One who gave it to you — that's justice.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

WEEKLY OFFERING (AUGUST 22, 2021)

	This Week	July 1 to date
Amount we need	\$4,156.00	\$33,248.00
Amount Received	\$1,972.00	\$22,653.00
Net over/under	(\$2,184.00)	(\$10,595.00)

Mass Attendance:
 4:00PM = 43; 9:00AM = 60
 Envelopes: 59/168



**Brain cells die,
 Skin cells die, even hair
 cells die. But the FAT
 CELLS in my stomach
 must have accepted
 Jesus Christ
 as their Lord and Savior
 because they seem to
 have eternal life. 🍔**

**I wish I was
 a kid again so
 everyone would
 be proud of me
 for taking
 a long nap**

Holy Trinity Parish Community



The sanctuary candle burns this week in honor of the **PARISHIONERS OF HOLY TRINITY** and for the **SUCCESS OF ZABAWA**



Sept. 3 – Delphine Gorniak
Sept. 5 – Asher Bayhurst & Shirley Dudzinski

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., Aug. 30th - Kulig, Laszczewski, and Habas Families (Estate)
Tues., Aug. 31st - Loretta Lipinski (Judith Wagner)
Wed., Sept. 1st - For All Mothers, Living and Deceased
Thurs., Sept. 2nd - Anna Marie Neimeic (Family)
Fri., Sept. 3rd - The Kempisty & Homicz Families (Jack & Sandy)
Sat., Sept. 4th, 5:15PM - For the People of Holy Trinity (Pro Populo)
Sun., Sept. 5th, 10:30AM - Msgr. John Mieczkowski

SHARING THE FAITH

Question:

My friend has never heard of Christ and I want to share the Gospel with her but I'm afraid to. How do I share my faith?

Answer:

There are a lot of ways to bring up the topic of religion, without being judgmental or pushy. Begin by asking what her thoughts are about religion, or what her experience was growing up. Finding common ground is often easier than you think, because the questions and problems we have about God, the presence of evil, our purpose in life, and our relationship with God are universal concerns.

Why are you afraid? If you do not want to insult or offend someone, don't be pushy or judgmental. If you are uncertain about how to explain your own faith, do a little reading or practice with a friend. If you measure success only by this person converting, focus your attention more on beginning the conversation, not on bringing it to a perfect close! Faith is a journey of many acts of belief, many discussions about God, and many choices about how we practice what we preach. In some we will have great success; in others we will need forgiveness and perseverance. The most important thing to keep in mind is that the Holy Spirit is always at work and our most humble efforts can bear great fruit. Have faith in God because he has faith in you!

HOLY TRINITY USHERS

... will resume their normal meetings starting **Tuesday, September 14th at 7PM** in the Gathering Place. We look forward to planning something of a "normal" return to our activities.

WELCOME HOME

We extend a special welcome to the **Holy Trinity School Class of 1961**, who are joining us this weekend to celebrate their 60th reunion! They will be gathering in the "Big Tent" on Saturday. It is good to have you back, and welcome home!

ZABAWA 2021!

WEEKLY OFFERING FOR AUGUST 22, 2021

Regular Offering: \$1,815.00 (36/134)

	THIS WEEK	JULY 1 TO DATE
Dream Goal:	\$3,000.00	\$24,000.00
Budgeted:	\$2,365.00	\$18,920.00
Total Offertory:	\$1,815.00	\$19,110.00
Net (over/under):	(\$550.00)	\$190.00
Attendance: 5:15PM = 39; 10:30AM = 59		

Polish Words

V K L T B F U T M H F C Z E S C Q
P Q I N T E R N A C J O N A L N E
O I K D H Q K W P W E G R E J Q C
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polska	flaga	koszula	hustka
harcerze	zuchy	dziendobry	czesc

"Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls."

- James 1:21

News for Our Partnership



"Serdecznie witamy i dziękujemy" to our Friends!

Welcome and thank you for joining us at our annual ZABAWA Polish Heritage Festival. Our ZABAWA began as an idea conceived by a group of Holy Trinity parishioners who hoped to share with our community a celebration of Polish faith, food, music, and customs, which were brought to the American culture by our ancestors. The dream became reality when the first ZABAWA was held in August of 1994.

We extend our gratitude to the many supporters of Holy Trinity Parish who generously and graciously assisted us in preparation for our 28th Annual ZABAWA. These include the churches, businesses, media, organizations, and individuals who provide contributions of sponsorships, facilities, goods, services, publicity, program ads, time, and talent. Please remember our sponsors when you require a service or are in need of a product.

We thank everyone joining us this weekend to celebrate our special event. Holy Trinity has been blessed by so many good friends over the years.

Ciesz się! Enjoy!

- The People of Holy Trinity Parish

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

In today's gospel Jesus warns "what comes from within can defile" a person. Families need to worry about "outside influences" but also about "inside influences." The values our children carry for a life time are learned at home. Habits of the Hearth are the most powerful influences on a child. That can be good or bad news, depending on what's being learned!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: PARISH PICNIC

Many have asked and the answer is "yes," we will resume hosting our annual parish picnic after the pandemic forced the cancellation of last year's picnic. Many places, like our traditional venue at Camp Glinodo, are still not accepting reservations. For those that are, the reservation fee is too steep to justify. So, it was decided that our picnic will take place at Saint Stanislaus Rectory & Courtyard on **Sunday, September 12th, starting at 11AM**. More details will follow.

FISH & PIEROGI DINNER

Our Lady of Mount Carmel will host a Fish & Pierogi dinner on Friday, September 17th, from 4-7PM. They are offering both a "dine-in" and "take-out" option. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$6 for children. All meals are served with two sides (potato salad, cole slaw, macaroni cheese, green beans, or French fries), a roll, and ice cream. The Fish Dinner consists of 3 pieces of fish; the Pierogi dinner comes with 2 pieces; and the Combo dinner includes 2 fish and 1 pierogi.

THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

What will this year bring? We do not know; it will bring its usual times of work and play, experiences of success and failure, all the things that are part of school life. It is a new beginning; the planting of a seed that will grow for a year, the seed of fruit that will blossom in times to come. It is a new hope; hope for good work, for successful results, for friendship, for fun, for learning. In this coming year, may there be learning, prayer and fun. May there be hard work, faith and friendship. May no one in school be lonely; may no one be left out in class; may no one suffer. As we begin this year in hope, in prayer, and in friendship. May the Lord begin it, be present during it, and successfully bring it to its conclusion.

**My ancestors navigated the ocean
using the stars & I'm over here missing
my exits w/ a GPS**

THE 31 CLUB - PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

8/30) Edie Luniewski; 8/31) Sr. Anita Benecki & Bobby Sulecki; 9/1) Kathy Smith, Debbie Majewski & Mary Speice;
9/2) Patty Czulewicz; 9/3) Judy Tucceri & Jackie Vargo; 9/4) Ed Czulewicz, & Evelyn & Ed Selleny;
9/5) Mary Ann Merski & Michelle Inter

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

8/30) Fr. Zab Amar; 8/31) All in Consecrated Life; 9/1) Fr. Wally Packard; 9/2) Msgr. Tom McSweeney;
9/3) Bishop Trautman; 9/4) Fr. Thomas Curry, OSB; 9/5) Bishop Persico

Sunday, Aug 29, 2021

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Purity is not an abstinence test

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8; James 1:17-18-22, 27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
“...care for orphans and widows in their affliction.”

Many of us who grew up in a moralizing culture were taught to imagine purity as having mainly to do with chastity. In which case, our aim was higher than the almost-but-not-quite perfection you might get from Ivory Soap, which years ago advertised itself as 99 and 44/100 percent pure. We may therefore be astonished that, according to the apostle James, purity in religion has something to do with how we respond to the abandoned in this world. Think charity, not chastity, to bump up your purity percentile.

Monday, Aug 30, 2021

Remember your name

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Luke 4:16-30

“Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.”

After being baptized with water, Catholics are anointed with oil and these words are said over them, “As Christ was anointed Priest, Prophet, and King, so may you live always as a member of his body . . .” That means we share in those offices of Christ. Those are big roles—how to live up to them? Priests worship and make offerings to God, prophets speak the truth and live the gospel, royalty leads and takes care of others. If you remind yourself regularly of the sacred titles you were given at Baptism, how might that help you fulfill your promise?

Tuesday, Aug 31, 2021

Hope works

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11; Luke 4:31-37

“They... said to one another, ‘What is there about his word?’”

Today, in Poland, it’s the Day of Solidarity and Freedom—a modern Independence Day celebration after years of oppressive Soviet rule. In the 1980s, labor activist Lech Walesa helped stoke the flames of democratic social change. But it was Poland’s favorite son, Pope John Paul II, who provided the spark. In his 1979 papal visit, John Paul II gave the people an electric hope that change was possible. “Let the Spirit descend and renew the face of the Earth. This Earth,” he said. With Labor Day nearly here, remember how solidarity and workers’ rights are cornerstones of Catholic Social Teaching.

Wednesday, Sep 01, 2021

Living waters run deep

Colossians 1:1-8; Luke 4:38-44

“I must proclaim the good news of the Kingdom of God, because for this purpose I have been sent.”

The annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation celebrated today “offers to individual believers and to the community a precious opportunity to renew our personal participation in this vocation as custodians of creation,” says Pope Francis, who elevated this day in 2015 with the publication of his encyclical on the care of creation, *Laudato Si’*. As we move past August, Water Quality Month, be particularly mindful of your stewardship over the precious resource of clean drinking water. May all of us “come to the water” together as we care for our common home.

Thursday, Sep 02, 2021

Get unstuck

Colossians 1:9-14; Luke 5:1-11

“Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.”

In today’s gospel Simon Peter is so overcome by his own sinfulness, he tells Jesus to go away from him. What exactly is “sinfulness”? Lots of actions and inactions fall into that category, but the essence of Catholic teaching on sin is that it separates us from God. Selfishness, violence, and other sins drive a wedge between us and God. Peter knew that instinctively. Remove that wedge by asking God for forgiveness, and ponder what you can do to free yourself to reconcile a relationship that has become estranged.

Friday, Sep 03, 2021

MEMORIAL OF GREGORY THE GREAT, POPE, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Keep it all in balance

Colossians 1:15-20; Luke 5:33-39

“In him all the fullness was pleased to dwell.”

It’s never easy to find the right balance between sitting quietly and attentively on the sidelines and joining in the scrum of life’s adventures. Our life of prayer helps us to discern how best to hold these together and to respond with love for ourselves and the common good. Gregory was a Benedictine monk of the late sixth century and loved his life as a contemplative. Yet, when called upon to take the helm of a church suffering from the fall of Rome and the plague, he stepped up and found his calling expressed in new ways through prayer, caring for those in need, and leading compassionately. Find the right balance between action and contemplation.

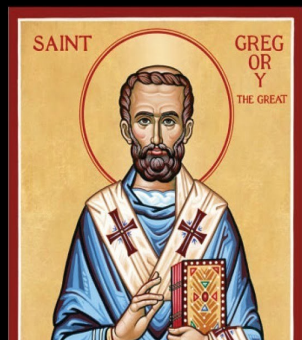
Saturday, Sep 04, 2021

The fruits of creation for all of creation

Colossians 1:21-23; Luke 6:1-5

“While Jesus was going through a field of grain on a sabbath, his disciples were picking the heads of grain, rubbing them in their hands, and eating them.”

It’s interesting to note that in the story of Jesus’ hungry disciples eating the grain from a farmer’s field, the objection raised by the Pharisees is not that they took the grain, but that they did so on the Sabbath. In fact, eating grain or produce from a neighbor’s farm while passing through was permitted by Jewish law (Deuteronomy 23:25-26), provided one did not carry off any surplus. It was considered a common courtesy and obligation of charity to share the abundance of creation with one’s neighbor. Perhaps we can embrace that same ethic in our own stewardship of the abundance God has entrusted to us.

	<p>Thursday, September 3, 2020</p> <p><i>Memorial of St. Gregory the Great Pope and Doctor of the Church</i></p> <p><i>“The proof of love is in the works. Where love exists, it works great things. But when it ceases to act, it ceases to exist.”</i></p> <p>— Pope St. Gregory the Great</p>
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