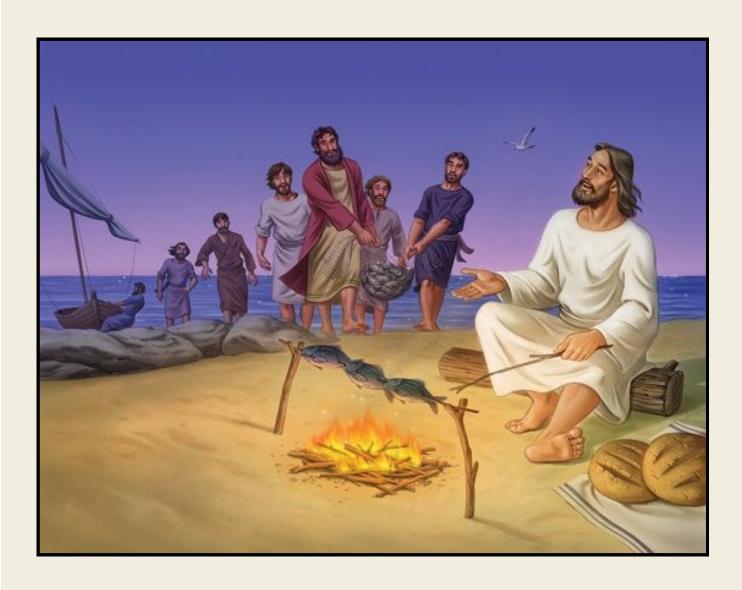
THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER May 1, 2022



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Saint Stanislaus & Holy Trinity Partners in Faith & Mission



May 1, 2022 3rd Sunday of Easter

Could it be that God's image has become so soiled and distorted that it is hard for us to see it? Our self-serving agendas have done a great job twisting God's image into what profits us. We want our agenda to be God's agenda and use prayer as the convincing leverage we need. Worse still, our success and egocentric agenda often erases God's image completely, replacing it with our own. St. Oscar Romero instructs us that the Son of Man "dies on the cross to cleanse God's image, which is soiled in today's humanity, a humanity so enslaved, so selfish, so sinful." Striving to preserve control of our destinies at all costs, we fail to see the risen suffering servant, the Christ, standing right beside us.

Jesus, who suffered and died on a cross and was raised from the dead, corrects our soiled image of God. He shows us God as God is, not who we want to make God to be. God is the God of the poor, the weak, and the marginalized. He is the God who tenderly caresses us when we are suffering and hurting, assuring us that all will be safe and well. He is the God of equity, peace, justice, and compassion who wants happiness for each of His children, desiring their wellbeing and success. God goes where men and women are afraid to go, sitting with the lost, the broken, and the sorrowing. St. Oscar Romero challenges us to illuminate with "Christ's light ... even the most hideous caverns of the human person: torture, jail, plunder, want, chronic illness. The oppressed must be saved." The resurrection calls us to be God's microphone, a messenger, and a prophet (St. Oscar Romero).

Using eyes that see beyond the limited constructs and desires of our world, we can see the true and real Jesus standing before us, calling us to transformation and change. Asking us more than once, "do you love me?" We are beckoned to give an answer. Answering in the affirmative, it is now our task to feed the sheep and the lambs who belong to God. In short, equipped with the power of the resurrection and a corrected image of God our task is to make things better, brighter, holier, more life-giving, and just for all of God's children. Considering our choices, our interactions, our philosophies, and aspirations, how can we do this?

Readings for the week of May 01, 2022

Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40041/Ps 30:2-6, 11-13/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-30/Jn 6:22-29 Tuesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-5/Jn 14:6-14 Wednesday: Acts 8:1-8/Ps 66:1-7/Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1-2/Jn 6:52-59 Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-17/Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-5/Rv 7:9, 14-17/Jn 10:27-30

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.

"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 Saint Stanislaus Office (814-452-6606).

"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 Saint Stanislaus Office (814-452-6606 or Holy Trinity Office (814-456-0671).

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 Saint Stanislaus Office (814-452-6606).

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 Holy Trinity Office (814-456-0671).

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.

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Saint Stanislaus Parish Community

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., May 2nd - Private Intention

Tues., May 3rd - Pete & Helen Zielinski (Tom & Sharon Zielinski)

Wed., May 4th - Pat Henry Schneider (Rich & Diane)

Thurs., May 5th - Fr. Frank Przepierski (Family)

Fri., May 6th - Tom Konkol (Joan & Debbie Odenski)

Sat., May 7th, 4:00PM - Theresa & Ben Wycech (Family)

Sun., May 8th, 9:00AM - For the People of St. Stanislaus



Our sanctuary candle burns in memory of **TOM KONKOL**, as gifted by Debbie Oldenski.



GIFTS IN DISGUISE

Have you ever opened a gift and wondered what the giver was thinking? I won't call out any of my family or friends here, but suffice to say, I think we have all been the confused recipient of a sweater that wasn't our size or a gift card to a store where we don't shop. But we smiled all the same and said how much it meant to us, because we know that when it comes to gifts, it's all about the gesture. Suffering is a lot like that — the gift you never asked for, and don't really want to receive. Sometimes we look at suffering and, like the apostles who see Jesus as a stranger on the shore, we don't recognize it for what it can be. We don't appreciate the catalyst suffering can be for change, for growth, for grace. What was the gift that you received in disguise? Was it a relationship that confounded and frustrated you? Was it a job that tested your spirit? An obstacle that stopped you dead in your tracks? A rejection that threatened to break your spirit? If I go back and look at the worst gifts I've ever gotten, chances are that I didn't like them because I didn't know what to do with them they were more fitted for someone else's interests. someone else's life. It's the same with suffering. We're tempted to cast suffering aside when it comes our way because it doesn't fit the person we are. Suffering is made to fit the person God knows we have the ability, with His grace, to become. Hang onto that suffering. Unlike the misshapen sweater, it really will come in handy.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Happy Spring!

WEEKLY OFFERING (APRIL 24, 2022)

	This Week	July 1 to date
Amount we need	\$4,156.00	\$178,708.00
Amount Received	\$1,985.00	\$121,218.00
Net over/under	(\$2,171.00)	(\$57,490.00)

Mass Attendance: 4:00PM = 50; 9:00AM = 44

Envelopes: 50/168



CARNATION SALE

Our Prolife Committee is, once again, sponsoring a Mother's Day Carnation Sale the weekend of May 7-8. Carnations will be available in the vestibule following Mass. A vase on the Blessed Mother altar will be made available for anyone wishing to honor Our Lady with a donated carnation. Proceeds will benefit People for Life and their pro-life educational projects.

THURSDAY, MAY 5: NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Throughout history, there have been few national days of prayer. In fact, there were only a few noteworthy ones between the 1700s - 1900s. The National Day of Prayer that we know today was founded in 1952, and it was cofounded effort between the United States Congress and President Harry S. Truman. The holiday was signed into law by President Truman, and every president since has signed a proclamation that encourages Americans to pray on and celebrate this day. The national holiday has always been the first Thursday of May every year since it was founded in 1952. It stands as a day that continues the decision-making of the country's founding fathers, which used the morals from biblical lessons in difficult situations. Basically, using God's guidance to make important decisions in the country and for yourself. Just like Thanksgiving and Christmas, the National Day of Prayer has become recognized by Americans nationwide, and it is even recognized and celebrated in all Hallmark calendars. Knowing that America was founded by people of European descent with predominantly Christian backgrounds, it's no surprise that this holiday was originally created to celebrate the Christian faith. National Day of Prayer was an effort to ask American citizens "to turn to God in prayer and meditation. "According to the National Day of Prayer website, there's a need for every individual to take time to personal repentance and prayer and to mobilize the Christian community. However, there are no laws saying National Day of Prayer can't be celebrated by all cultures, beliefs, and religions, and as America grew to become a multicultural nation, it is widely celebrated by more than just those in the Christian community.

Holy Trinity Parish Community



The sanctuary candle burns this week in memory of **AUDREY KITA**, as gifted by Pearl & Kathy.



5/04 Philip Trochowski 5/06 Jim Bojarski 5/07 Carly LaZar

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., May 2nd- Kulig, Laszczewski, and Habas Families (Estate)

Tues., May 3rd - Nancy Slubowski (Marybeth Fiorelli)

Wed., May 4th - All Living & Deceased Mothers

Thurs., May 5th - Jim Watkins (Anna Czulewicz)

Fri., May 6th - Kathyleen Benes (Bill & Corinne Dyakon)

Sat., May 7th, 5:15PM - The People of Holy Trinity Parish (Pro Populo)

Sun., May 8th, 10:30AM - All Living & Deceased Mothers

In today's Gospel, we find the Apostles dejected and discouraged following the death of our Lord. Poor Peter decides to throw in the towel on the whole disciple thing and go back to his old way of life, declaring, "I'm going fishing." Upon hearing this, the other disciples follow him. How easy it is for all of us to backslide on changes we have made in our lives, especially when it comes to our spiritual lives. But look how Jesus treats the disciples during their "backslide." He is right there with them in the midst of it, already waiting for them on the shore when they come back from their unsuccessful return to the fishing business (after abandoning their mission as disciples). Our Lord greets them tenderly, gives them some fishing pointers, and then prepares their breakfast. How gracious He is to them! He is just as gracious today. When we find ourselves "out at sea" — discouraged by our failures or for squandering the gifts God has given us, or simply by a lack of progress in our faith life, Jesus is with us! He is calling to us from the shore to come back to Him without shame or embarrassment, but with hope-filled trust in His steadfast love. He never tires of offering "do-overs" if we just keep returning to Him. This constant process of turning back to the Lord, of reevaluating our goals and priorities as we aim for Heaven, is the essence of a stewardship way of life. Let us take heart as we continue our journey today, secure in the knowledge that Jesus is beside us every step of the way.

117 DAYS UNTIL ZABAWA!

WEEKLY OFFERING FOR APRIL 24, 2022

Regular Offering: \$1,892.00 (26/131)

	THIS WEEK	JULY 1 TO DATE
Dream Goal:	\$3,000.00	\$120,000.00
Budgeted:	\$2,365.00	\$97,896.00
Total Offertory:	\$1,892.00	\$103,310.00
Net (over/under):	(\$473.00)	\$5,414.00

Attendance: 5:15PM = 43; 10:30AM = 66



A Prayer for Nurses

Give to my heart, Oh Lord, compassion and understanding.

Give to my ears, the ability to listen.

Give to my hands, skill and tenderness.

Give to my lips, words of comfort and empathy.

Give to me, Lord, strength for selfless service and enable me to give hope to those I'm called to serve.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Jesus invited the disciples to "Come and have breakfast." Like the Last Supper, Jesus teaches us at this beach breakfast that meals are more than about eating. They are opportunities to share prayer, listen to each other's stories, and support one another in love.

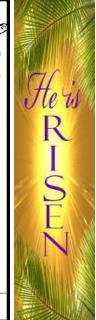
Breakfast on the Beach

Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. John 21:12 (NIV) Based on John 21:1-14



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FIRE BOAT COALS DISCIPLES LORD WATER FISH NET PETER SHORE BREAKFAST SEA BREAD FULL JESUS



News for Our Partnership

PRE-ELECTION GATHERING

Holy Trinity Ushers will host their traditional pre-election gathering on Sunday, May 15th in our parish social hall from 4:00 until 7:00PM. The cost is \$15.00 and you must be 21 to attend. Come and meet the candidates and enjoy food and drink and interact with them before the upcoming primary on Tuesday, May 17th.

LET THE CELEBRATIONS RESUME!

Sunday, June 12th is the Feast of the Holy Trinity. Holy Trinity Parish would like to resume the practice of a catered brunch following the 10:30AM Mass. We will recognize our students who received First Penance or First Communion, Confirmation, and those graduating from High School or College this year (or did so during the Pandemic). Parishioners and the immediate family of the students are asked to make their reservation for the brunch by calling the Parish Office (814-456-0671) with your family name and the number attending the Mass and Brunch. RSVP need to be made as soon as possible, but before, Sunday, June 5th

GOOD SHEPHERD COLLECTION

This weekend all parishes and missions in the Diocese of Erie are taking a special collection to support the needs of our retired Diocesan priests. This special collection will assist those dedicated priests who are elderly, seriously ill or incapacitated, and in need of supplementary assistance for expenses such as non-insured medical costs, nursing home and long-term care assistance. As the number of retired priests increases in the upcoming years the Priest Retirement Plan will need to be adequately funded to meet their future needs. Your generosity will make a difference in the lives of priests who have served faithfully and serve now as a "thank you" for their many years of faithful service. Help provide them the same love and generosity they provided for us for generations.







BINGO All CASH prizes!!! * Instants * 50/50 Game

- Sunday, May 1, 2022
- Polish Falcons Club, 431 E 3rd St.
- 1:00pm, Doors Open at Noon
- \$25 Admission (1pk), \$5 each add'l pk.
- Kitchen Food Available
- Holiday Auction
- Door Prizes
- Call 814-456-5300 to reserve your seat! Walk Ins Welcome

All proceeds benefit Holy Trinity PCEP program NEXT BINGO: AUGUST 13 - ZABAWA KICKOFF!

ERIE CATHOLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM SUMMER CAMP

Students are invited to join us at this year's summer camp. They will enjoy daily activities, weekly themes, and field trips – all in a safe, caring environment. Daily breakfast and lunch are provided. Camp is offered at 4 convenient locations. Visit www.eriecatholic.org for more information.

CELEBRATING MOTHERHOOD IN MAY

May is also dedicated to recognizing moms, grandmothers, stepmoms, mothers-to-be and all women who in and through their lives encompass the qualities of motherhood. It's also important to realize that Mother's Day can be difficult or painful for women who struggle with infertility, the loss of a child or children, or who are estranged from their own mothers.

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL will host it's first ever drive-through barbeque Chicken Dinner on Sunday, May 22, from noon until 4PM. All orders must be made in advance and pre-paid. The deadline for orders is Sunday, May 15th, and the cost is \$12. Orders can be placed with the Parish Office (814.825.7313, ext. 1), or at www.olmc-erie.org. Thank you, in advance, for your support of Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

THE 31 CLUB - PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

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

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

5/1) Fr. Jason Feigh; 5/2) Fr. Tom Aleksa; 5/3) Fr. Jeff Lucas; 5/4) Fr. Jim McCormick; 5/5) Fr. John Chaplin; 5/6) Fr. Scott Jabo; 5/7) Fr. John Miller

Sunday, May 01, 2022

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Crown thy good with brotherhood

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19 "Cast the net over the right side... and you will find something."

Some of us are born into an abundance of siblings in our families, and some not. But all of us are gifted with sisters and brothers in the church. Today on Religious Brothers Day, we're reminded how "The vocation of the brother is part of the answer that God gives to the absence of brotherhood which is wounding the world today" (Identity and Mission of the Religious Brother in the Church). If you feel stirred to be a special kind of brother to those in need, consider casting your net in the direction of this unique vocation.

Monday, May 02, 2022

MEMORIAL OF ATHANASIUS, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Stand and be counted

Acts 6:8-15; John 6:22-29

"This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent."

Called "Father of Orthodoxy," "Pillar of the Church," and "Champion of Christ's Divinity," Saint Athanasius the Great was an extraordinary early Christian leader. He was the bishop of Alexandria and best known for fighting the heresy of Arianism, which argued that Jesus was begotten by, but not co-eternal with, God the Father. He suffered for his efforts though, making lots of enemies and spending 17 years in exile. Historian Cornelius Clifford said of him: "His career almost personifies a crisis in the history of Christianity." You may not earn the honorific the "Great," but can you stand up for the truth even if it costs you something?

Tuesday, May 03, 2022

FEAST OF PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES

Team up

1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14 "He appeared to James, then to all the Apostles."

Saint James the Lesser gets paired with various religious figures. He shares today's feast with Philip because their martyred bodies arrived together for burial. He shares his first name with Saint James the Greater, one of the first disciples to follow Jesus and the first apostle martyred. But James the Lesser—named for being younger than the elder James—is best known for being partnered with Jesus. Called the "brother of the Lord" though actually a cousin, legend says James looked so much like Jesus that even the Virgin Mary had trouble telling them apart. It is good to have a partner in faith to rely on.

Wednesday, May 04, 2022 Spread the good word

Acts 8:1b-8; John 6:35-40 "Let all the earth cry out to God with joy."

On this day in 1493, Pope Alexander VI issued his monumental papal bull Inter caetera, meant to resolve a dispute between the kings of Spain and Portugal concerning exploration and colonization of the Americas. The document helped spread the Catholic faith across the Americas but also led to brutal colonialism and slavery in the same lands. As the church continues to live in the long shadow of this watershed document, its core wish still rings true: that "the Catholic faith and the Christian religion be exalted and be everywhere increased and spread."

Thursday, May 05, 2022 Viva our vibrant church

Acts 8:26-40; John 6:44-51 "I am the bread of life."

Today is Cinco de Mayo, a commemoration of a key Mexican military victory that, in the United States, has evolved into a general celebration of Mexican culture. Mexican Americans have made enormous contributions to the U.S. church, which is rapidly becoming majority-Hispanic. Take a moment today to learn about the V Encuentro, a broad-based effort to listen and respond to the wisdom and the needs of Latinos in the U.S. church.

Friday, May 06, 2022 Follow the way of healing

Acts 9:1-20; John 6:52-59 "Lay his hands on him, that he may regain his sight."

"Healing is an essential dimension of the apostolic mission and of Christian faith," says Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI in his book Jesus of Nazareth (2007). "It can even be said that Christianity is a 'therapeutic religion, a religion of healing." Much of healing is beyond our control, whether it comes from divine grace or medical resources available to us. However, as disciples of Christ, we can be a healing presence to those who are sick and suffering by listening more than speaking and avoiding the temptation to have all the answers in situations that remain a mystery.

Saturday, May 07, 2022 Welcome back

Acts 9:31-42; John 6:60-69 "Jesus then said to the Twelve, 'Do you also want to leave?'"

It was hard to be a Christian during the early persecutions of the church. Many neophytes quit the faith to avoid imprisonment, torture, and even death. But when the persecutions ended with the Edict of Milan in 313, the question arose of whether they should be allowed back into the church. From that controversy it became apparent that the church was not an elite body of the sanctified, but a mix of saints and sinners, like the field of wheat and weeds. For the church to truly embody Christ, it must be dedicated to forgiveness and an open-door policy. Who can you forgive today?

