

# THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## October 25th, 2020



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# *Saint Stanislaus & Holy Trinity*

## *Partners in Faith & Mission*



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**30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For some reason, it is easier to genuflect in reverence to the presence of Christ in the tabernacle of a church, than to genuflect in reverence to the same presence of Christ in another person's soul. Love of God and love of neighbor are intimately and inseparably connected because the essence and spark of God's very presence is in all creation. God's presence is just as real in the one who is good, as in the one who is bad, and the one who is just, and the one who is unjust.

We like to separate things into boxes, the sheep from the goats and the deserving from the undeserving. But, with God there are no distinctions such as this. Our human classifications, subdivisions, and definitions hold no power or have any weight in God's eyes. Sadly, we relate to God and to each other as if they do.

We cannot be deaf to the world's pain. It is not about having, hoarding, accumulating, acquiring, securing, storing, protecting, owning, claiming, or any of the other human terms we use to distinguish mine from yours. We put so much power in these words and that power, even though we may not always realize it, can cause those words and the distinctions they carry to wound and hurt others. We have the whole order of things wrong, but we are so set on preserving this order that we are absolutely afraid to do it any other way. We go through hoops trying to convince ourselves why the perils of the person seeking a new place to call home are not our perils that we turn our back and justify closing our doors. It makes perfect sense to us. Yet, it makes no sense in terms of our faith. It doesn't square with any of the words found in Sacred Scripture or in any time-tested teaching of the church.

We have it all reversed. We know that we do because when Jesus speaks about such things and the words of the Old Testament prophets ring out again, we start to feel uncomfortable and anxious. What we do, directly or by omission, to one of the least of these little ones we do to God. It is quite possible that some of what we are doing personally, economically, politically, globally, and even religiously is doing more harm than good. Let's ponder that a bit.

### **WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51/1 Thes 1:5-10/Mt 22:34-40 [30th Sunday]  
Monday: Eph 4:32-5:8/Ps 1:1-6/Lk 13:10-17  
Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-5/Lk 13:18-21  
Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 6:12-16 [Sts. Simon & Jude]  
Thursday: Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1-10/Lk 13:31-35  
Friday: Phil 1:1-11/Ps 111:1-6/Lk 14:1-6  
Saturday: Phil 1:18-26/Ps 42:2-5/Lk 14:1, 7-11  
Next Sunday: Rev 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12 [All Saints]

**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.

# *Saint Stanislaus & Holy Trinity*

## *Partners in Faith & Mission*

### **"PRAYER, CARE, AND CONCERN" MINISTRY**

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

### **"PRAYERLINE" MINISTRY**

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

### **PCEP (Parish Catholic Education Program)**

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

### **LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**

Parishioners interested in serving our 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., Oct. 26th - Jesse Mountain (Marian)  
 Tues., Oct. 27th - Walter, Florence, & Joan Rzodkiewicz (Family)  
 Wed., Oct. 28th - Janet Reiser (Kathy & Jack Ciecierski)  
 Thurs., Oct. 29th - Vernon & Ellen Gambill & Linda Love (Renee & Paul)  
 Fri., Oct. 30th - Bronislaw Grelewicz (Family)  
 Sat., Oct. 31st, 4:00PM - Ed Przepierski (Kathy & Jack Ciecierski)  
 Sun., Nov. 1st, 9:00AM - For the People of St. Stanislaus (Pro Populo)



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

Today makes 3 years we been in 2020 😊

## NOVEMBER LOTTERY RAFFLE

The Holy Name Society is, once again, sponsoring a November Lottery Raffle, based on the PA Daily Number. Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased from any Holy Name member or at the parish office.

## "POLISH FOOD EXTRAVAGANZA" REPORT

Given the pandemic circumstances that prevented us from hosting our traditional Parish Day, our Polish Food Extravaganza was an incredible success! Many thanks to those who prepared food, volunteered their time, and contributed to our remarkable endeavor! The numbers speak for themselves...

### Income

Grand Raffle Tickets .....	\$5,063.00
Dinner Sales .....	\$5,588.00
Pierogi Sales .....	\$1,480.00
Parish Day Envelope .....	\$ 921.00
Bake Sale .....	\$1,202.00
Unsolicited Donations.....	\$152.00
Women's Society Gift.....	\$4,600.00
Start-Up Collection.....	\$300.00
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Total .....	\$19,306.00

### Expenses

Cash Prizes Awarded.....	\$2,000.00
Printing Cost.....	\$280.00
Postage .....	\$84.00
Food Expenses .....	\$1,609.22
Start-Up Money .....	\$300.00
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Total .....	\$4,273.22
Net Profit.....	\$15,032.78

WE HAVE MUCH TO CELEBRATE!



**CONGRATULATIONS!**

TOM & CHERYL KURPIEWSKI celebrated the Sacrament of Matrimony, presided over by Fr. Jason, on Saturday, October 17th, at Saint Hedwig's Church. Many blessings on your marriage!

## CSA 2020: UPDATE

Parish Assessment: \$31,019.00  
 Pledges: \$35,820.00  
 Paid To Date: \$33,105.00

**Thank you** for the 89 families who have committed! Any additional CSA money remains in our parish. So, if you haven't yet pledged, please continue to prayerfully consider doing so.

## WEEKLY OFFERING (OCTOBER 18, 2020)

	This Week	July 1 to date
Amount we need	\$4,156.00	\$62,496.00
Amount Received	\$2,467.00	\$43,073.00
Net over/under	(\$1,689.00)	(\$23,423.00)

Mass Attendance: 40 at 4:00PM  
 41 at 9:00AM



Trick-or-Treat hours for the City of Erie: 6:00-8:00PM

# Holy Trinity Parish Community

## ALL SOULS DAY REMEMBRANCE

All Souls Day remembrance requests with the names of your loved ones, which are printed on a bulletin insert need to be returned to the parish office by tomorrow, **Monday, October 26th**. Please PRINT your requests.



## MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., Oct. 26th - Don Benczkowski (Fred & Dorothy Siekkinen)  
 Tues., Oct. 27th - Daniszewski & Gorka Families  
 Wed., Oct. 28th - The Souls in Purgatory  
 Thurs., Oct. 29th - Warfel Family  
 Fri., Oct. 30th - Msgr. John Daniszewski  
 Sat., Oct. 31st, 5:15PM - For the People of Holy Trinity (Pro Populo)  
 Sun., Nov. 1st, 10:30AM - For the People of Holy Trinity



Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of **AGGIE KRAWIEC** as gifted by Pearl & Kathy.

## A NEW BEGINNING

Advent always marks the beginning of a new liturgical year. It will also mark the transitioning of our liturgical celebrations back into the church building. There seems to be a lot of symbolic significance as we enter yet another new phase of our public celebrations.

This transition should allow us to begin reintroducing singing into our celebrations.

We would also like to restore our liturgical ministries, as well (except for the service of Eucharistic Ministers during Mass). If you are a lector or altar server, or would like to become one, **please call the parish office** to let Mary Ann know that you are comfortable returning to your ministry. If you are not yet comfortable ministering, that's OK, too. We will be ready to welcome you back when you are ready to return! It is my intent to have a schedule for liturgical ministers compiled before the beginning of Advent.

## NOVEMBER: REMEMBERING OUR DECEASED

In the Christian liturgical calendar, November is entirely devoted to the deceased. That's why it is dubbed "Month of the Dead". Most celebrations occur at the beginning of the month: November 1st is All Saints' Day, a tribute to all saints, while November 2nd is All Souls' Day, dedicated to praying for the dead.

## A Family Perspective

In today's gospel the Pharisee was talking about commandments, and Jesus was talking about love. One demands allegiance, the other requires personal commitment. In our families we daily lay down our lives for each other not because we have to, but because love compels us to make sacrifices.

## WEEKLY OFFERING FOR OCTOBER 18, 2020

Regular Offering: \$1,579.00 (30/144)

	THIS WEEK	JULY 1 TO DATE
Dream Goal:	\$3,000.00	\$48,000.00
Budgeted:	\$2,365.00	\$37,840.00
Total Offertory:	\$1,579.00	\$29,825.00
Net (over/under):	\$786.00	(\$8,015.00)

Attendance: 5:15PM = 21; 10:30AM = 31

## CSA UPDATE

Assessment: \$12,425.00  
 Pledges: \$24,742.00  
 Paid: \$23,632.00  
 Families Contributing: 69



## The Greatest Commandment

Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."  
 Matthew 22:37

Based on Matthew 22:34-40 (NIV)



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MIND	PHARISEES	QUESTION	JESUS
LAW	GREATEST	COMMANDMENT	YOURSELF
EXPERT	HEART	NEIGHBOR	LOVE
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**"... love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."**

**- Matthew 22:27**

## News for Our Partnership

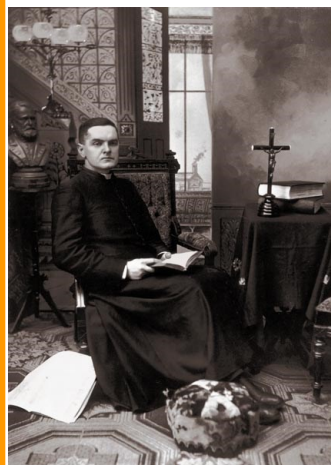
### WELCOME

Please welcome Fr. Nick Rouch, who will be celebrating the Saturday evening Mass at St. Stan's, and Fr. Michael Polinek, who will be celebrating the Sunday morning Mass at Holy Trinity.

Two former hockey players from Gannon, who are now living and working in Charlotte, North Carolina, now coach a U-18 Team of their own. They will be in Pittsburgh for a tournament and asked Fr. Jason to come to the tournament and speak to the team about collegiate-level hockey and to pray with them before their games (and, of course, "catch up" with his former players). Thanks to Fr. Nick and Fr. Mike for covering in Fr. Jason's absence!

### TOWARD MORE EFFICIENT COMMUNICATION

Of the many challenges the pandemic has imposed on us in our parishes' ability to communicate frequently and efficiently with our people. Mass mailings are too cost prohibitive. We would like to begin building a parish e-mail distribution list. To be included on this list, **please send Fr. Jason an email at [glover001@gannon.edu](mailto:glover001@gannon.edu).** Indicate who in your household will have access to the email. This way, we can minimize our postage costs of future mass mailings.



Fr. Michael McGivney, the founder of the Knights of Columbus, will be beatified during a special Mass October 31st at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford.

McGivney (1852-1890), the son of Irish immigrants, was born in Waterbury, Connecticut, and was ordained a priest in 1877 for what is now the Archdiocese of Hartford. He founded the Knights of Columbus at St.

Mary's Parish in New Haven, Connecticut, in 1882.

He originally started the Knights as a service organization to help widows and orphans. At the time, McGivney was an assistant pastor at St. Mary's Parish. He is buried in New Haven.

The fraternal order for Catholic men has become the largest lay Catholic organization in the world with 2 million members and sponsors a wide range of educational, charitable and religious activities.

McGivney, who will be the first American parish priest to be beatified and has long been a hero of working-class Catholics, can be viewed as a martyr of a pandemic. When he died of pneumonia complications at age 38 in 1890, it was during an outbreak of influenza known as the Russian flu in Thomaston, Connecticut. Some recent evidence, according to the Knights, indicates the outbreak may have been the result of a coronavirus.

"Father McGivney has inspired generations of Catholic men to roll up their sleeves and put their faith into action," Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson said. "He was decades ahead of his time in giving the laity an important role within the church. Today, his spirit continues to shape the extraordinary charitable work of Knights as they continue to serve those on the margins of society as he served widows and orphans in the 1880s."

He added, "Father McGivney also remains an important role model for parish priests around the world and left us a transformative legacy of effective cooperation between the laity and clergy."



**It's that time of year to...**

- ✓ Check the operation of your smoke detectors, and change the batteries. Install additional detectors if needed.
- ✓ Inspect and ready your heating system. Empty the ashes, and clean the soot from your fireplace.
- ✓ Check the weather-stripping around doors and windows, and replace those that are worn.

**...and remember to set your clocks back one hour on November 1, 2020.**

**Fall Time Reminder...**



### THE 31 CLUB - PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

10/24) Len Sebastian, Tom Widomski & Diane Valahovic; 10/27) Sr. Maxine Kaminski & Regina Jaworski;  
10/28) Dorothy & Mead Carlson, & Suzanne Sundy; 10/29) Msgr. Bernie Urbaniak & Janis Leretsis;  
10/30) Edie Luniewski & Ed Czulewicz; 10/31) Sr. Anita Benecki & Bobby Sulecki

### PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

10/24) Msgr. Joe Bobal; 10/25) Fr. Jason Mitchell; 10/26) Fr. Bill Kuba; 10/27) Fr. Shane Mathew;  
10/28) Fr. John Fischer; 10/29) Fr. Kyle Seyler; 10/30) Fr. Larry Richards; 10/31) Pray for Vocations

**Sunday, Oct 25, 2020**

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**Worship the God of glory**

Exodus 22:20-26; 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10; Matthew 22:34-40

*"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart,  
with all your soul, and with all your mind."*

Pope Francis began his papacy by donning simple attire and asking for our prayers before offering his first blessing. Genuine leadership recognizes that all authority comes from God. Today is Priesthood Sunday, honoring the multitudes of pastors who did their job this year with passion, grace, and ingenuity under extraordinary circumstances. Pray the Rosary's Glorious Mysteries for those who lead us to: rise up from despair, lift our gaze upward, encounter the Spirit's power, give ourselves body and soul, and accept honor with grace.

**Monday, Oct 26, 2020**

**Slow down, you're moving too fast**

Ephesians 4:32—5:8; Luke 13:10-17

*"Ought she not to have been set free on the sabbath day.."*

Too many people work too much. Some have a psychological compulsion to work incessantly. Some work excessively to acquire money and success. Some have no identity outside of their jobs. Some think that an overly busy work life makes them look important. And far too many are forced to work too much in order to make ends meet. None of these reasons are healthy or holy. God wants us to rest and enjoy life too—thus, the sabbath day. Let's work together to create a just society where all can get some rest.

**Tuesday, Oct 27, 2020**

**Console the consolers**

Ephesians 5:21-33; Luke 13:18-21

*"What is the kingdom of God like? To what can I compare it?"*

Prayerful words from the National Association of Catholic Chaplains, written by NACC member Lisa Ecks: "May the wilderness of this time, and the uncertainty we may feel, strengthen our resolve to lean on your word, abide in your presence, and be guided by your enduring and powerful Spirit." The NACC helps priests, religious women, and laypeople bring a trained, professional experience to their ministry of caring for the sick. Pray for all hospital chaplains during this Pastoral Care Week.

**Wednesday, Oct 28, 2020**

FEAST OF SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES

**Obscure but still important**

Ephesians 2:19-22; Luke 6:12-16

*"Jesus called the disciples to himself... Simon who was called the Zealot and Judas the son of James."*

Much of what we know about apostles Jude and Simon is who they are *not*. Simon was called the Zealot. Calling him the Zealot also helped to distinguish him from the more famous Simon Peter. We find Jude mentioned in the list of the apostles in Luke and Acts, but he is called Thaddeus in Matthew and Mark, perhaps to distinguish him from the traitor Judas Iscariot. Regardless of their relative obscurity, Jude and Simon were chosen by Jesus to share the Good News and there is every indication they did just that. Even if your life seems quiet and unremarkable to you in some ways, the call to discipleship is your call as well. Saint Jude and Saint Simon, pray for us.

**Thursday, Oct 29, 2020**

**Do the right thing**

Ephesians 6:10-20; Luke 13:31-35

*"Jerusalem, Jerusalem, . . . how many times I yearned to gather  
your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings."*

Even in this day and age, Christians standing up for what is right have been killed for their efforts. Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. comes to mind. So does Sister Dorothy Stang, SNDdeN, of Dayton, Ohio, who was murdered in 2005 for defending the poor and protected lands in the Amazon rain forest in Brazil. Would you allow yourself to be inconvenienced (or more) to do the right thing? Look for a way to stand up for a good cause today, even if it feels inconvenient.

**Friday, Oct 30, 2020**

**A time for healing**

Philippians 1:1-11; Luke 14:1-6

*"The one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it."*

One of the comforting takeaways from our experience of church during the pandemic is that people are more important than rules. The obligation to physically participate in Sunday Mass has been dispensed during the pandemic by our bishops. We are given the opportunity to make a "spiritual communion" instead. We don't have to go to Confession to be absolved of our sins. A sincere Act of Contrition and a resolve to celebrate the sacrament when it once again becomes available is sufficient. Just as Jesus set aside the sabbath commandment in order to heal, so too our bishops set aside the precepts so that we may be healed. Let's pray today for our bishops, and for a time of healing.

**Saturday, Oct 31, 2020**

**Meal ministry**

Philippians 1:18b-26; Luke 14:1, 7-11

*"On a sabbath Jesus went to dine at the home of one of the leading  
Pharisees, and the people there were observing him carefully."*

One of the many things to be longed for during this extended time of physical distancing is the free and easy sharing of meals with family and friends, in groups large and small. Shared meals hold a special place in family life, and in Catholic life as well. It's no mystery why meals are central. Something magical happens at mealtime, the communion among people is palpable. And in Catholic life, Communion is sacred. Pray we may safely gather again without appointment or extra precautions in the not distant future and freely share the mysteries of our faith in the bread and wine, the Body and Blood. Until then, let us raise a glass in remembrance of Christ.

**ST. SIMON**

The name of Saint Simon usually appears eleventh in the list of the Apostles. Born at Cana in Galilee – the site of the Lord's miracle at a wedding feast – St. Simon was nicknamed "the Zealot," probably due to his affiliation with a Jewish reform group. Following the Lord's Resurrection, he preached the Gospel and initiated the life of the Church in Persia (modern day Iran) and Asia Minor (Turkey). He was martyred sometime in the mid-first century, and is often depicted with the instrument of his martyrdom – a saw.



**ST. JUDE**

Saint Jude, also called "Thaddeus," was the Apostle who asked the Lord at the Passover Supper the night before His Death why He had manifested Himself only to His disciples and not to the whole world (John 14:22). He preached the Gospel along with St. Simon in Persia. St. Jude was martyred by being run-through with a spear, and his relics are housed at the Vatican. St. Jude is known around the world as the patron of causes despised of... when everything seems hopeless, his prayers are often sought.

