

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 17, 2021



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Daily Eucharistic Liturgy: Tuesday - Friday at 8:00AM
Temporary Weekend Eucharistic Liturgy:
Saturday at 4:00PM; Sunday at 9:00AM

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Saint Stanislaus & Holy Trinity

Partners in Faith & Mission



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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our faith is not just about ideas. It's really about having an encounter with God and, in particular, the Risen Christ! Once we give ourselves over to the notion of God's presence, we have to train ourselves to listen for God's voice and be attentive to God's call. Having companions on our faith journeys is so incredibly important as they can help us fine-tune our listening skills and discern God's voice from others we may be hearing. Faith is all about having these profound encounters not only with God but with our brothers and sisters, and creation itself. Anyone or anything that is alive with God's presence becomes an occasion for God to speak and call us to deeper graces and experiences. "Come, and you will see."

The example and teaching of Jesus, the lives of the saints, those living among us and those glorified in heaven, and the wonder and beauty of creation can all serve to help us listen more clearly and assist in positioning ourselves for this profound God meeting. It is an encounter that can quickly and easily lead to a friendship and intimate intertwining of our souls to their Maker, making a claim on us like no other. Then, the Word of God moves from being just a body of ideas to something we simply accept and do. The person of Jesus Christ swiftly moves from being just a good prophet in word and deed to the incarnate presence of God Himself, the Lamb of God. The voice leads us to the Person behind it.

The Gospel is hard to follow. We can intellectually debate whether what Jesus said is really what we are asked to do. The Gospel ideas do not always make sense in our practical, secular world. The person of God always does. We can debate the practicality and sense of ideas and doing so often keeps the more difficult ones at a safe distance away from us. Jesus said to love our enemy, but we really don't need to do that, our minds try to convince us. It just doesn't make sense. Yet, if we are truly in love with the God who is behind the voice of those words, they make perfect sense. Our deep and intimate love of this God would even find us laying down our lives for Him if necessary. Speak Lord, your servant is listening.

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3-10, 19/Ps 40:2-10/1 Cor 6:13-15, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42 [2nd Sunday]
Monday: Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1-4/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2-10/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1-4/Mk 3:1-6 [Sts. Fabian & Sebastian]
Thursday: Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40:7-17/Mk 3:7-12 [St. Agnes]
Friday: Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85:8-14/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47:2-9/Mk 3:20-21 [Sts. Vincent & Marianne Cope]
Next Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-9/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20 [3rd 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, 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., Jan. 18th - Private Intention
 Tues., Jan. 19th - Robert Sisco (William & Maria Kuhn)
 Wed., Jan. 20th - Deacon Bob Walker (Bobbie Kozlowski)
 Thurs., Jan. 21st - Stanley Widomski (Cheryl Cross)
 Fri., Jan. 22nd - William Post (Theresa Farbo)
 Sat., Jan. 23rd, 4:00PM - For the People of St. Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)
 Sun., Jan. 24th, 9:00AM - Carol Kurpiewski (Tom Kurpiewski & Family)

mark ✓ your Calendar

We intend to host our annual "Fish & Pierogi Dinners" (most likely, for take-out only) on the following dates in Lent:

February 19th
 March 5th
 March 19th



Our sanctuary candle burns in memory of **CHARLES BITTON** as gifted by the Family.

JOHN ZIELINSKI was buried on Tuesday, January 12th, and **CAROL MANNARINO** was buried this past Friday, January 15th. Funeral services were private at the family's request. Please keep them and her loved ones in your prayers. "Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord..."

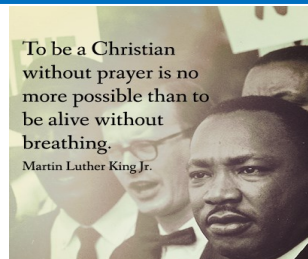
PIEROGI AND SOUP: UPDATE

We are happy to report that our Pierogi & Soup sale that we hosted on December 19-20 netted our parish \$1,735.01 in profit! Many thanks to all who volunteered their time and effort to make it successful. Next up... Lenten Fish & Pierogi Dinners.

PIEROGI MAKING

Volunteers are needed to help make pierogi for our upcoming Lenten Fish & Pierogi dinners. We will gather in the Parish Hall on Wednesday & Thursday (January 20th and 21st) at 9:00AM. Whatever time you can offer is much appreciated!

WELL FOLKS, IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S



WEEKLY OFFERING (CHRISTMAS & DECEMBER 27, 2020)

	This Week	July 1 to date
Amount we need	\$4,156.00	\$112,212.00
Amount Received	\$5,503.00	\$76,628.00
Net over/under	\$1,347.00	(\$35,584.00)

Mass Attendance:
 4:00PM = 30
 9:30AM = 39



COVID RELIEF FUND & PLOWING TRUCK

Thanks to your tremendous generosity, we have paid off our portion of the cost for the sanitizing supplies which we use to clean the church after every public celebration. We have plenty of supplies to last us for some time to come! We can bring this solicitation to an end...

If you are looking for other ways to directly assist the parish, we will accept solicitations toward our new/used plowing truck. While the parish can make its monthly payments, any additional funds received will help us pay off our loan more quickly. Every little bit helps!

FEBRUARY LOTTERY RAFFLE

Our Holy Name Society will be sponsoring a "February Lottery Raffle." Tickets are available from any Holy Name member, or at the Parish Office. Thank you for supporting the Society and, in turn, for the Society enabling us to accomplish so many projects on our campus!

CHURCH VOLUNTEER CLEANERS


Our generous volunteers who keep our church crispy clean will be gathering on the following dates in 2021:

January 19th	July 20th
February 16th	August 17th
March 23rd	September 21st
April 20th	October 19th
May 18th	November 16th
June 15th	December 14th

**YOUR TERRIBLE JOB IS THE DREAM OF THE UNEMPLOYED.
 YOUR HOUSE IS THE DREAM OF THE HOMELESS.
 YOUR SMILE IS THE DREAM OF THE DEPRESSED.
 YOUR HEALTH IS THE DREAM OF THOSE WHO ARE ILL.
 DON'T LET DIFFICULT TIMES MAKE YOU FORGET YOUR BLESSINGS..**

**"Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
 Your Power and Grace transcends all time and space.
 Cast now Your compassionate glance upon all life in the womb from the moment of conception until the moment of birth.
 Caress these innocent souls in Your Merciful Love.
 Protect this life from any marauder.
 Bestow upon each soul You create a spiritual baptism, in Your Name, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen."**


Holy Trinity Parish Community



1/18 - Antoinette Herbstritt
1/19 - John Kaminski
1/24 - Patricia Czulewicz

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., Jan. 18th - All Living & Deceased Fathers of Holy Trinity
Tues., Jan. 19th - All Living & Deceased Mothers of Holy Trinity
Wed., Jan. 20th - The Souls in Purgatory
Thurs., Jan. 21st - Gerry Fagan (Friends)
Fri., Jan. 22nd - For the Protection of the Unborn
Sat., Jan. 23rd, 5:15PM - Fr. James O'Hara
Sun., Jan. 24th, 10:30AM - For the People of Holy Trinity (*Pro Populo*)



Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of **NANCY SLUBOWSKI** as gifted by Jack & Sandy Kempisty.

The "Christmas Star" as captured by the Hubble Telescope:



A weasel walks into a bar. The Bartender says, "Wow, I've never served a weasel before. What can I get you?"
"Pop," goes the weasel.

CHRIST IS ANYTHING BUT ORDINARY

We're about to dive headlong into week two of Ordinary Time, and we need to admit, after the hustle and bustle of the holidays, things are indeed looking more ... ordinary, at least in our spiritual lives. The transcendent highs of the Christmas season are flatlining a bit and the vivid imagery of the Nativity scene has faded. The solemn anticipation of the Advent season is by now a distant memory. Are you bored yet?

Here's a secret: I think that Ordinary Time can actually be quite extraordinary, if we're really living out our baptismal call. In today's Gospel, Jesus point-blank asks Andrew, who is following him after hearing John the Baptist's testimony: "What are you looking for?" He's asking us the same question. What are you looking for? Why are you following me? Is it for the Christmas cookies and the Advent carols? Is it for the King's Cake on the Epiphany? Is it for the feeling we get on Christmas when we just know God has done a wondrous thing? None of those things are bad, but they are not what Andrew was looking for, and they were not what Christ promised him when he said, "Come, and you will see." Andrew was looking for the Messiah — the One who makes even Ordinary Time extraordinary. The One who can sanctify the longest and dullest of to-do lists, on the longest and dullest of days. The One whose peace can reign in our homes on January 25, not just December 25. Remember what you are looking for. Come, and you will see.

WEEKLY OFFERING FOR JANUARY 10, 2021

Regular Offering: \$1,468.00 (28/146)

	THIS WEEK	JULY 1 TO DATE
Dream Goal:	\$3,000.00	\$84,000.00
Budgeted:	\$2,365.00	\$66,220.00
Total Offertory:	\$1,485.00	\$53,292.00
Net (over/under):	(\$880.00)	(\$12,928.00)

Attendance: 5:15PM = 41; 10:30AM = 40

CSA UPDATE

Assessment: \$12,425.00
Pledges: \$25,227.00
Paid: \$24,687.00
Families Contributing: 70

E	I	B	B	A	R	H	P	E	C	DISCIPLES
H	A	I	S	S	E	M	A	S	T	LAMB
R	E	H	C	A	E	T	R	E	M	RABBI
C	G	K	E	B	H	E	E	L	O	TEACHER
A	N	W	C	R	W	P	T	P	N	FOLLOWERS
E	I	O	S	O	E	H	E	I	R	ANDREW
T	N	L	L	T	R	T	P	C	I	BROTHER
I	R	L	A	H	D	O	E	S	G	PETER
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										ROCK

"We have found the Messiah!"

News for Our Partnership

HONORING A LEGACY

The nation honors the Reverend Martin Luther King Jr. on January 18th. But before he became a champion of social justice and one of the most admired Americans of the 20th century, King was an ordained minister who said his first calling was his greatest commitment.

"In the quiet recesses of my heart, I am fundamentally a clergyman, a Baptist preacher," the King once wrote in *Ebony* magazine. And his acclaimed book "Strength to Love" is not a scholarly dissertation, but a collection of sermons delivered and polished over the course of his tragically abbreviated career.

King, who was assassinated in 1968, was a fourth-generation preacher who earned a divinity degree from Crozer Theological Seminary and a doctorate in systematic theology from Boston University. He was just 25 when he was appointed pastor of Dexter Avenue Baptist Church in Montgomery, Alabama, largely based on his ability to preach. As Ralph Bryson, a longtime church leader, said in a video on History.com, "We heard several young men who gave excellent trial sermons, but when we heard Martin Luther King, we said there's no reason to continue this. That is it."

The Rev. King's most famous speech, "I Have a Dream," was delivered on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in 1963. But his equally eloquent words about God and faith were delivered from pulpits across the country, both before and after he became famous.

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

The final day to contribute to the 2020 CSA is Wednesday, January 27th. The 2021 CSA will begin on February 14th. More information will be forthcoming. A sincere "thank you" to all who continue to contribute to this worthwhile endeavor that supports both the Diocese and our local parish communities.

2021 ANNUAL MEN'S & WOMEN'S CONFERENCES

This year's "22:32 Men's Conference" and "1:38 Women's Conference" will be held on-line this year. Men will gather virtually on February 27th; Women will gather on March 20th. Both events begin at 9AM. For more information, go to: www.2232men.com or www.138women.com.

THE VATICAN AND COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

"... The fundamental reason for considering the use of these vaccines morally licit is that the kind of cooperation in evil (*passive material cooperation*) in the procured abortion from which these cell lines originate is, on the part of those making use of the resulting vaccines, *remote*. The moral duty to avoid such passive material cooperation is not obligatory if there is a grave danger, such as the otherwise uncontainable spread of a serious pathological agent - in this case, the pandemic spread of the SARS-CoV-2 virus that causes Covid-19. It must therefore be considered that, in such a case, all vaccinations recognized as clinically safe and effective can be used in good conscience with *the certain knowledge that the use of such vaccines does not constitute formal cooperation with the abortion* from which the cells used in production of the vaccines derive. It should be emphasized, however, that the morally licit use of these types of vaccines, in the particular conditions that make it so, does not in itself constitute a legitimation, even indirect, of the practice of abortion, and necessarily assumes the opposition to this practice by those who make use of these vaccines.

"In fact, the licit use of such vaccines does not and should not in any way imply that there is a moral endorsement of the use of cell lines proceeding from aborted fetuses. Both pharmaceutical companies and governmental health agencies are therefore encouraged to *produce, approve, distribute and offer ethically acceptable vaccines that do not create problems of conscience* for either health care providers or the people to be vaccinated.

"At the same time, practical reason makes evident that vaccination is not, as a rule, a moral obligation and that, therefore, it must be voluntary. In any case, from the ethical point of view, *the morality of vaccination depends not only on the duty to protect one's own health, but also on the duty to pursue the common good*. In the absence of other means to stop or even prevent the epidemic, the common good may recommend vaccination, especially to protect the weakest and most exposed."

-Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith



THE 31 CLUB - PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

1/17) Dave Slubowski; 1/18) Pearl Wisniewski; 1/19) Bill Dyakon & Fr. Jason Glover; 1/20) Ed Korytowski; 1/21) Darlene Vlahos & Dorothy Mielnik; 1/22) Kathy Wisniewski; 1/23) Heidi Jankowski & Gina Lintelman

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

1/18) Fr. Lawrence Richards; 1/19) Fr. David Perry; 1/20) Fr. William Laska; 1/21) Msgr. Charles Kaza; 1/22) Fr. Chris Hamlett; 1/23) Fr. Thomas Fialkowski; 1/24) Fr. Stephen Collins

Sunday, Jan 17, 2021

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Lifestyles of the brave and mobile

1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19; 1 Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20; John 1:35-42
*"Rabbi . . . where are you staying?"
He said to them, 'Come and you will see.'"*

Media coverage is thick concerning the lifestyles of the rich and famous. The lives of the truly heroic, on the other hand—faithful spouses, conscientious parents, the working poor, folks who turn their lives around after addiction or costly misdirection—are mostly hidden from view. Faithful discipleship requires effort, quiet persistence, and most of all, movement in the spirit. Followers don't stand still, unchangeable in opinions or behaviors. Growth is required. The terms of the deal are as follows: "Come—and see."

Monday, Jan 18, 2021

Abide your time this week

Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 2:18-22

"Can the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them?"

For more than 100 years, Christians around the world have been observing annually the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (Jan. 18-25). For Catholics, this week is an opportunity to also ponder the Decree on Ecumenism from Vatican II. Is your diocese or parish participating in this healing effort? For resources, visit the World Council of Churches at Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. As you pray, call to mind this year's theme: "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit."

Tuesday, Jan 19, 2021

Pray the pope's prayer for peace

Hebrews 6:10-20; Mark 2:23-28

"Hold fast to the hope that lies before us."

Exactly 60 years ago tomorrow, John F. Kennedy gave an inaugural address that quoted Romans 12:12, reminding citizens to be "rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation." One year later, Pope John XXIII became a secret intermediary between Kennedy and Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev, speaking a message of peace to the entire world during the Cuban Missile Crisis. Haunted by the experience, he penned his final encyclical, *Pacem in Terris*, stressing the church's Christian duty to address international issues of peace and human rights—speaking to all persons "of good will," not only Catholics. Pray for peace and the perseverance of hope.

Wednesday, Jan 20, 2021

MEMORIAL OF FABIAN, POPE, MARTYR

Be open to the Spirit of surprise

Hebrews 7:1-3, 15-17; Mark 3:1-6

"Come up here before us."

In the year 236, Fabian left his farm and headed to Rome. He wanted to be in town for the election of a new pope. The furthest thing from his mind, or anyone's mind, was that he would be elected. Legend holds that as clergy discussed worthy candidates, a dove landed on the head of bystander Fabian. Thinking it was a sign from the Holy Spirit, the crowd elected Fabian by acclamation. A kind and capable administrator, he had the respect of both the faith community and three different emperors in a period of rare peace. Although that peace eventually ended and persecution cost him his life, Fabian's legacy endures. Be open to unexpected visitations of the Holy Spirit!

Thursday, Jan 21, 2021

MEMORIAL OF AGNES, VIRGIN, MARTYR

Draw inspiration from women of faith

Hebrews 7:25—8:6; Mark 3:7-12

"Jesus is always able to save those who approach God through him."

Today we honor both Saint Agnes, virgin and martyr, and, in some places, Our Lady of Altagracia, protectress of the Dominican Republic. The devotion to both grew from grassroots popularity; that is, ordinary Christians were moved by their stories and lifted them up for veneration. Saint Agnes was executed for her faith in the fourth century. Our Lady of Altagracia is an image of Mary in the Dominican Republic that, according to legend, kept mysteriously moving to an orange grove until a church was built there. Centuries later memories of both women continue to inspire the faithful. Take a moment to reflect on women of faith who inspire you.

Friday, Jan 22, 2021

Embracing your inner apostle

Hebrews 8:6-13; Mark 3:13-19

"Jesus went up the mountain and summoned those whom he wanted and they came to him."

How many apostles did Jesus call? If you said 12, well, you are sort of correct. Indeed, Jesus appointed 12 followers to be his close companions, to learn from him, and to preach the Good News. But it doesn't stop at 12. Jesus continues to call forth apostles in the church. We have bishops who continue the mission via the tradition of apostolic succession. We also have every single person in the church, including you! "The whole church is apostolic, in that she remains . . . in communion of faith and life with her origin: and in that she is 'sent out' into the whole world," says the Catechism of the Catholic Church. How will you respond to your call to apostleship?

Saturday, Jan 23, 2021

MEMORIAL OF MARIANNE COPE, RELIGIOUS

Remarkable, two times over

Hebrews 9:2-3, 11-14; Mark 3:20-21

"Jesus came with his disciples into the house."

Imagine leaving all that is familiar to minister in a far-off land. Now imagine doing it twice! German-born Marianne Cope came to the United States as a young woman and, as a member of the Sisters of St. Francis of Syracuse, New York, became a founding leader of St. Joseph's Hospital in the city, one of the first general hospitals in the country. Then in 1883 she relocated with six other sisters to Hawai'i to care for persons suffering leprosy and to help develop the medical infrastructure of the island chain. Pray today for an ounce of the courage and sacrifice she modeled for us all.

**"Darkness cannot drive out darkness:
only light can do that.
Hate cannot drive out hate:
only love can do that."**

Martin Luther King Jr.

