

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (NOVEMBER 3, 2019)

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

Weekend Eucharistic Liturgy:
Saturday at 4:00PM
Sunday at 9:30AM

Holy Days of Obligation: 5:30PM (Vigil) & 8:00AM

Confessions: Saturday at 3:30PM (or by appointment)



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Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 8:00AM

Weekend Eucharistic Liturgy:
Saturday at 5:00PM
Sunday at 10:00AM

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Saint Stanislaus & Holy Trinity

Partners in Faith & Mission



31ST SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

Christ loves us first. So much of the Christian life is as simple as that. Today's Gospel is a prime example! "Now a man there named Zacchaeus, who was a chief tax collector and also a wealthy man ... was seeking to see who Jesus was." We may have gotten used to the story of Zacchaeus, this short, seemingly innocent man who climbs a sycamore tree in his desperate desire to see Jesus. But this colorful, children's Bible illustration isn't what the gathering crowd would have seen. They would have seen the white collar criminal. Tax collectors were notorious for extortion. They were collaborators with the oppressive Roman overlords, overcharging for taxes and skimming a cut off the top. And how does Jesus respond to this man?

"Come down quickly," Jesus says, "for today I must stay at your house." If you had been there, would you have believed it? No doubt there were other disciples in the city or, at the very least, kind, generous, and just people. "Good" people. But those aren't the people Jesus chooses to share a meal with. Christ loves us first. He chooses Zacchaeus even before the man makes a public profession of his repentance.

"The Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost." We may not be tax collectors and extortionists — I hope not! — but we all have elements of our lives that are lost. We have wounds from childhood, unresolved anxieties or attachments, daily fears. No matter how "put together" we are, we all have our lost moments. Some days, it may feel like we can't see over the ways they crowd our inner life. Today's Gospel invites us to do something a little strange. Don't let your flaws, failures, or hang-ups prevent you from seeing Jesus. Take a deep breath. Go climb a tree, because Jesus is passing by. And he wants to stay in your heart today.

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of November 3rd, 2019

Sunday: Wis 11:22-12:2/Ps 145:1-2, 8-14/2 Thes 1:11-2:2/Lk 19:1-10

Monday: Rom 11:29-36/Ps 69:30-36/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16/Ps 131:1-3/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Rom 14:7-12/Ps 27:1-4, 13-14/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1-4/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Next Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/Ps 17:1-15/2 Thes 2:16-3:5/Lk 20:27-38

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 incumbent upon family members to notify the parish office if a loved one needs a visit, desires to receive Holy Communion, or needs 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.

"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.

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.

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

Monday, November 4th — Vernon & Ellen Gambill (Paul & Renee Gambill)
 Tuesday, November 5th — Dolewski Family (Family)
 Wednesday, November 6th — Linda Love (Helen Zimmerman)
 Thursday, November 7th — Dorothy Kinecki (Family)
 Friday, November 8th — Donald Ewiak (Family)
 Saturday, November 9th — Ben & Eleanore Dombrowski (Family)
 Sunday, November 10th — Parishioners of Saint Stanislaus (Pro Populo)

REMEMBERING THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

November is traditionally set aside as a month when we remember those who have died. As is customary at St. Stan's, a memorial garden will be set up in the sanctuary and a list of our deceased loved ones will be placed there. Forms are available for you to complete so that we can place their names in the memorial garden.

THE 2020 LECTOR WORKBOOKS are available in the sacristy. Feel free to take the book that is labeled with your name after mass.

SSJ SOUP KITCHEN

On November 18th, a baking items will be needed for the Sisters of Saint Joseph's Soup Kitchen. There will not be a need for a bakery in December. Many thanks to all who donate their time and supplies!

SCRIP CARD ORDERS

The monthly orders are due on November 24th and will be available for pick-up on November 30th & December 1st. As the holidays approach, consider gifting SCRIP cards! Your support is appreciated.

A PRAYER SHAWL BLESSING

... will take place on the weekend of November 9th & 10th at Saint Stan's, and the weekend of December 14th & 15th at Holy Trinity. If you know of anyone who would appreciate a shawl, please invite them to attend on of these weekend masses.

Included in this bulletin is an insert that briefly describes the Prayer Shawl ministry. Anyone is invited to join them on Wednesdays from 10AM until noon at the Nazareth Center. Additionally, you can support this ministry through the donation of yarn or monetary gifts.



BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS will be given at the Masses this weekend to who celebrate this month! Sto Lat!

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 2nd
 Servers: K. & K. Danowski
 Lector: K. Krainski
 Gifts: Jay & Lisa Ciecierski
 Sunday, November 3rd
 Server: Shane Green
 Lector: I. Smerick
 Gifts: Tony Mazzone
 Saturday, November 9th
 Servers: C. & H. Rohrbach
 Lector: M. Inter
 Gifts: Rolf Pedersen Family
 Sunday, November 10th
 Servers: J. & A. Wildfire
 Lector: J. Kleiner
 Gifts: Holy Name Society



Please remember Theresa Ignasiak and Diane Andrychowski who entered into eternal life this past week. May they rest in the eternal peace of Christ.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY will meet in the Nazareth Center on Sunday, November 10th at 8:15AM. New members are always welcome.

THE WOMEN'S SOCIETY will meet in the Parish Hall on Sunday, November 10th, beginning with the recitation of the rosary at 2:00PM. New members are always welcomed.

THE ASSOCIATES of the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth will meet in the Nazareth Center on Sunday, November 16th at 1:30PM.

CLEANING TEAM B is scheduled for November 12th & December 10th. CLEANING TEAM A is scheduled for November 26th. Work begins at 9:30AM. Thank you for taking care of our church facilities!

WEEKLY OFFERING (OCTOBER 27, 2019)

<u>This Week</u>	<u>July 1 to date</u>
Amount we need\$4,156.00	\$70,652.00
Amount Received ...\$2,318.00	\$49,991.00
Net over/under.... (\$1,838.00)	(\$20,661.00)

Mass Attendance:
 4:00PM = 88
 9:30AM = 77



Holy Trinity Parish Community

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

5:00PM - November 9th

Lector: Theresa Ignaczak
Server: A. & L. Moore
EM: D. Thiemann & M. Moore

10:00 AM - November 10th

Lector: Sue Carpenter
Servers: J. & T. Chermack
EM: S. Chermack & P. & J. Stano

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 4th - Mass at Saint Stanislaus
 Tuesday, November 5th - Helen Matusiak (Deacon Tom)
 Wednesday, November 6th - Mass at Saint Stanislaus
 Thursday, November 7th - All Souls
 Friday, November 8th - Patty & John Stuczynski
 Saturday, November 9th - For the People of Holy Trinity (Pro Populo)
 Sunday, November 10th - Charles Joint, Jr. (The Luniewski's)

THE 31 CLUB - PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

11/3 Judy Tucceri; 11/4 Ed Czulewicz;
 11/5 Mary Ann Merski; 11/6 Msgr. Magraw;
 11/7 Ed Korytowski; 11/8 Steve Rimpa;
 11/9 Marcia Nitczynski

PLEASE OFFER PRAYERS FOR OUR PRIESTS THIS WEEK:

11/3 Fr. Scott Jabo; 11/4 Fr. Jeff Lucas;
 11/5 Fr. John Miller; 11/6 Msgr. Joe Bobal; 1
 1/7 Fr. Tom Alexa; 11/8 Fr. Jeff Noble;
 11/9 Fr. Jim Kennelley



November 4th - Kathy Smith
 November 7th - Pam Zbrzezni
 November 8th - Courtney Kindle & Christopher Beres

Our Parish Catholic Education Program families are already busy making pierogi on Monday evenings in preparation for our Christmas market, which will be held on December 20th & 21st. Pre-orders will be taken from *November 9th - December 8th*. Please support PCEP and the children who benefit from this Catholic School tuition assistance program.

ONCE SEEN PUBLISHED IN A CHURCH BULLETIN...



Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale! It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands!

THE 2020 LECTOR WORKBOOKS are available in the back of the church. Lectors are invited to take a copy home with them.

WEEKLY OFFERING (OCTOBER 27, 2019)

Regular Offertory..... \$1,273.00 (46/146 mailed)
 Loose Cash..... \$70.00
 Total Offertory..... \$1,343.00
 Church Heat Env. \$50.00
 Votive Candles..... \$45.00
 Mass Attendance: 5:00PM = 53 / 10:00AM = 73

THIS WEEK	JULY 1 TO DATE
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Dream Goal	\$3,000.00	\$51,000.00
Amount we need	\$2,365.00	\$40,770.00
Amount Received ...	\$1,343.00	\$37,136.00
Net over/under	(\$1,022.00)	(\$3,634.00)

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL (2019) AS OF OCTOBER 28:

Pledges:\$26,185.00
 Paid:\$24,030.00
 Due:\$2,155.00
 Assessment:\$12,421.00

*80 Families have contributed to the CSA

B	B	C	R	O	W	D	F	D	B	P	S	G
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Jericho	Zacchaeus	collector
wealthy	crowd	stature
sycamore	house	quickly
grumble	sinner	possessions
poor	extorted	repay
salvation	descendant	descendant

"For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost."

- Luke 19:10

PASTORAL COUNCIL will meet on Tuesday, November 12th at 6:30PM at Saint Stanislaus.

National Vocations Awareness Week

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life. Some remain as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations - and teaching young people how to discern God's call - is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. Today begins National Vocation Awareness Week. During this week, please pray about how God is calling you to live your vocation more deeply. Encourage the young people in your life - children, grandchildren, students, and friends - to be open if God calls them to priesthood or consecrated life.

How Parents Can Nurture Vocations

Set an example: Model discipleship and a loving marriage to your children.

Seek role models: Befriend priests, sisters, and brothers and invite them to your home.

Look to scripture: Read and discuss the Bible stories of Mary's response to God (Luke 1:26-39), and Jesus calling the Apostles (Mt 4:18-22).

Pray for the future: Pray aloud that your children will follow Jesus and remain open to holy marriage, priesthood, and religious life.

If your child does express interest in the priesthood or religious life, be supportive. The best thing you can say is, *"Whatever God wants for you, I want for you, too. Just keep praying to discover His will for your life."*

MERCYHURST PREP OPEN HOUSE

... will be held on Sunday, November 3rd from noon until 3:00PM. If you have any questions, please call 824.2210.

Jesus is saying to you what he said to Zacchaeus, "I must stay at your house today." It doesn't matter if in today's gospel Jesus "intended to pass through Jericho to another town." In families we sometimes stop at the wrong places. It is wisdom to "pass through" annoying family situations so we can enjoy the goodness of each other.

With the impending winter months ahead of us, we urge you to exercise due prudence in balancing your obligation to attend Mass and personal risks you may take due to inclement weather and poor road conditions. Additionally, when ill, be mindful of the potential of spreading your illness onto others attending Mass. If you are unable to attend Mass for these legitimate reasons, know that there are several televised Masses:

Channel 55 - Sundays at 6:30AM

Channel 11 - Sundays at 8:00AM

**Channel 16 - Sundays at 8:00AM & 12:00PM
Daily (Monday - Saturday) at 8:00AM,
12:00PM, & 7:00PM**

CALLED TO BE SAINTS

Catholics often are drawn to saints due to their profession, hobbies, or ethnic background. One's patron saint serves as an example of how to live a life of holiness and service to God. We hold up the saints of the Church in high regard. However, we can sometimes make the mistake of seeing them as the subject of stories in print and not real living people. We can assume that their level of devotion and holiness is unattainable. In fact, we are all called to be saints. Our world needs more living saints living out their stewardship in a radical manner. Stories are valuable, but when others get to see disciples of Jesus Christ answering their call in person, consider the impact. There is a reason why lay witnessing is so important in cultivating a stewardship culture in a parish community. The people we can see and hear are alive right in front of us. Some will say that to truly be humble means to act anonymously, but we are not speaking here of actions that call out, "Look at me!" We are talking about acting in a way that people see not you and me, but Jesus instead. We are to be models and examples to one another. We are to build up one another and make the Body of Christ strong. Don't sit back wishing you had the strength to be a saint. You have already been given the gifts needed to be the saint you are called to be. Maybe people will read about you later, but the Church needs you now!

- Tracy Earl Welliver

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

The Holy Trinity Ushers' Club Proudly Presents
The Guys and Gals Pre-Election Get-Together

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd
4:00PM - 7:00PM*

You
Must Be
21
to Enter

\$10 Admission Includes:
Ox Roast & Sausage Sandwiches, Hot Dogs, Chicken Wings
Soft Drinks & Beer



* Candidates will be introduced at 6:00PM

Sunday, Nov 03, 2019

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

You only live once

Wisdom 11:22-12:2; 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2; Luke 19:1-10
"...that our God may make you worthy of his calling."

"Somehow, my heart has been made to hold the world." Sister of Charity Tracy Kemme explains her attraction to religious life with these words. In a book of essays by young women religious, *In Our Own Words: Religious Life in a Changing World*, she and other recently professed sisters describe what it means for them to "go big or go home" in life's great adventure. Kemme quotes T.S. Eliot: "Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go." As Vocation Awareness Week begins, consider how far you're prepared to go.

Monday, Nov 04, 2019

MEMORIAL OF CHARLES BORROMEIO, BISHOP

Out-of-synch saint

Romans 11:29-36; Luke 14:12-14
"...invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind."

With Vocation Awareness Week underway, we celebrate the 16th-century Italian Charles Borromeo, who was pretty sure of his vocation by the age of 12. As he grew in understanding of who he was called to be, he gave away his wealth and dedicated himself to service of the poor. He was made a cardinal by his uncle, Pope Pius IV. After that, in order to become the archbishop of Milan, he was ordained a priest. (An unusual sequence but possible at that time.) A zealous reformer of the church, he died at the age of 43 but was made a saint 26 years later. All are called to serve and to the sainthood of all believers. Consider your own vocation - have you found it yet?

Tuesday, Nov 05, 2019

It starts with a good word

Romans 12:5-16b; Luke 14:15-24
"Go out to the highways and hedgerows and make people come in that my home may be filled."

Did you know that a surprising number of sisters, brothers, and priests say that they first considered a vocation to religious life simply because someone - a teacher, friend, or relative - suggested it to them? Did someone point out to you early in life that you'd be good at sales or carpentry or design - or whatever it is you now do for a living? Do the same for a young person you know, if you see in them qualities that would suit them to religious life. You might be planting the seed of a future vocation.

Wednesday, Nov 06, 2019

Hold things lightly

Romans 13:8-10; Luke 14:25-33
"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple."

Today is the middle of National Vocation Awareness Week, a good time for people from all walks of life to consider their calling. At the same time, today's gospel does not soften a hard message that no matter our calling, all disciples should hold lightly to both family and possessions. While the vows and promises priests, sisters, and brothers make involve renunciation of possessions and often mean less family contact, Christians in every walk of life may be required to turn from family and let go of belongings at some point. In your prayer today, consider what sacrifices your life path has required—and what joys it has brought you.

Thursday, Nov 07, 2019

Go ahead, be a loser!

Romans 14:7-12; Luke 15:1-10
"None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself."

Even though the U.S. Catholic Church is promoting Vocation Awareness Week - for vocations to the priesthood and religious life - it's also an opportunity for everyone to reflect upon their own vocation in life, to re-examine their larger philosophy of life. While it's true that Jesus uses parables that describe the joy of finding lost things - the shepherd who searches for one of 100 sheep, the woman who scours her home for one of 10 coins - Jesus also says we must lose our life to keep it. Who, me? A martyr? Not necessarily. But in a world that fosters self-centeredness, we can practice acts of self-sacrifice. Some even call it "dying before we die," the "white martyrdom" of saints in heaven - but also the saints who live nearby.

Friday, Nov 08, 2019

Let the Spirit guide you

Romans 15:14-21; Luke 16:1-8
"... by the power of God's Spirit."

Jesus promised his disciples that after he left this earth, his Spirit would continue to be with them. Those who believe in Jesus and try to live as he did are the disciples of today. So when we struggle with a problem, face a difficult decision, or are worried about life's events, we too can count on the Spirit of Jesus, God's Holy Spirit, for wisdom and consolation. Any and every day is the time to call on the promised Spirit. Take a moment in quiet prayer today to ask God's Spirit to lead you through the day.

Saturday, Nov 09, 2019

FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

The grace of sacred space

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-12; 1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17; John 2:13-22
"Jesus was speaking about the temple of his body."

It's not every day in the life of the church that we have a feast day for a building. But Saint John Lateran is not about a history set in stone. The feast we celebrate today is a feast of the living church: our life in Jesus the Christ and our life with the whole communion of saints. Because we belong to the Body of Christ, the spaces we gather in are also sacred - be they basilicas or family rooms, soup kitchens or pubs, nature trails or borderlands. In gratitude for this feast, what is one way you can extend sacred space to someone else?



