TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME June 21st, 2020



Brian Jekel, "Consider the Sparrow"

Saint Stanislaus Catholic Church

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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: 8:00AM

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June **21, 2020 12th Sunday** in Ordinary Time

There are many things of which we can be afraid: being rebuked, rejection, anger, being challenged, having to defend ourselves, standing alone, insecurity, failure, and even death. For some, identifying and overcoming their fears is a daunting task. Regardless of how much they may want to break the cycle of fear, they find that they remain close friends with old and dysfunctional behavioral habits and norms. Maybe what they really fear is change. Human beings have to learn that there is life beyond the "what has always been" and that happiness and depth are possible when old structures and systems have to be left behind.

The shear thought of doing so can bring on feelings of apprehension, intense anger, resentment, defensiveness, reluctance, resistance, and even apathy. If we have to be responsible for making the change, cowardice can creep in. If someone else is to blame for making the change, any number of possible negative reactions are possible. In the end, only one thing is required and that is God. If I can rely on and deepen my relationship with God, especially in the Eucharist along with a community of believers, then little else is of great concern. We have to figure out what is really important. It is not always what we think.

The Gospel calls us to stretch ourselves and try new things, not to remain stuck and stagnant in familiar ways. We are asked to live life more deliberately, radically, and intentionally. We are asked to leave the familiar behind and learn to live with changing, and often limiting, human structures. We cannot get too caught up in the physical, ideological, or structural systems we are used to. The Holy Spirit always leads and guides us. If we trust this, we will find ourselves doing things we never thought we could do. Always seek the path to joy and love. They keep us from falling victim to our fears and from seeking the nostalgic crutches we think we need to achieve a sense of well-being and happiness.

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of June 21, 2020

Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-17, 33-35/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33 (12th Sunday) Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-18/Ps 60:3-13/Mt 7:1-5 (Sts. John Fisher & Thomas More) Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-11/Mt 7:6, 12-14 Wednesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80 (St. John the Baptist) Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1-9/Mt 7:21-29 Friday: 2 Kgs 25:1-12/Ps 137:1-6/Mt 8:1-4 Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1-7, 20-21/Mt 8:5-17 (St. Cyril of Alexandria) Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-16/Ps 89:2-3, 16-19/Rom 6:3-11/Mt 10:37-42 (13th 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 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 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 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.

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Saint Stanislaus Parish Community

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., June 22nd, 8:00AM - Michael Kinecki (Family) Tues., June 23rd, 8:00AM - Leo & Clara Frankiewicz (Family) Wed., June 24th, 8:00AM - Richard Ewiak (Family) Thurs., June 25th, 8:00AM - Mem. of the Joseph & Nellie Oldenski Family Fri., June 26th, 8:00AM - Val Jaskiewicz (Dina & Family) Sat., June 27th, 4:00PM - For the People of St. Stanislaus (Pro Populo) Sun., June 28th, 10:00AM - Linda Gambill Love (Edward James)

Our sanctuary candle burns in memory of ROSE MARIE & JOHN **SMERICK** as gifted by Irene and family.

Prayer For Fathers

God our Father. In your wisdom and love you made all things. Bless those fathers who have taken upon themselves the responsibility of parenting. Bless those who have lost a spouse to death, separation, or divorce, and who are parenting their children alone.

Strengthen all Dads by your love that they may become the loving, caring persons they are meant to be.

> Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen!

CSA 2020: UPDATE

Parish Assessment	\$31,019.00
	\$29,800.00
Paid To Date	\$23,345.00

Thank you for the 83 families who have committed! We are only \$1,219 away from our goal! If you haven't yet pledged, please prayerfully consider doing so. Every little bit helps. Let's try to achieve our goal by the end of June!

WEEKLY OFFERING (JUNE 14th, 2020)

	This Week	July 1 to date
Amount we need	\$4,156.00	\$207,800.00
Amount Received	\$2,407.00	\$146,491.00
Net over/under	(\$1,740.00)	(\$61,309.00)

Mass Attendance: N/A (Non-Public Mass Celebrated)

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LIMITED HOURS OF OPERATION

Our Parish Office is operating under limited hours. The Office will be open from 9:30AM - Noon. If you need to stop by, we ask that you call in advance. We are attempting to minimize interpersonal contact, as advised by the CDC. We prefer to conduct most business by phone, or by using the mailbox for pick-up or drop-off.

"Giant Eagle" is trending and I had to make sure it was about a grocery store chain and not actual giant eagles swooping down and carrying people to their doom, because it's 2020 and honestly that could have gone either way

8:46 AM · 6/11/20 · Twitter Web App

159 Retweets 528 Likes

Apparently this Seagull got his stimulus check. S



I hate it when I see an old person then realise we went to high school together.

Holy Trinity Parish Community

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Our Parish Office is operating under limited hours. The Office will be open from 9:00AM - 12:30PM. If you need to stop by, we ask that you call in advance. We are attempting to minimize interpersonal contact, as advised by the CDC. We prefer to conduct most business by phone, or by using the mailbox for pick-up or drop-off.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., June 22nd, 8:00AM - Donald Benczkowski (Birthday) Tues., June 23rd, 8:00AM - Kulig, Laszczewski, & Habas Families Wed., June 24th, 8:00AM - Living & Deceased Fathers of our Parishioners Thurs., June 25th, 8:00AM - Carolyn DiMattio Fri., June 26th, 8:00AM - Msgr. John Daniszewski Sat., June 27th, 5:00PM - For the People of Holy Trinity (Pro Populo) Sun., June 28st, 10:00AM - Living and Deceased Fathers of Parishioners



Sanctuary Candle burns this week in Memory of the Living & Deceased Fathers, Grandfathers, Godfathers of the Parishioners of Holy Trinity Church.

Prayer For Stress and Anxiety

Dear Lord, you know the difficult things I am dealing with. You know how my mind won't let me stop thinking about everything. I feel stressed and so unsettled. I'm worried about what is going to happen. Please take my burdens and the "what if's" from me. Help me to focus my thoughts on you and not worry about what could happen. Please help me to take one day at a time. Please lead and guide me and take control of this situation. Please give me your wisdom and fill me with your peace. In the name of Jesus I ask these things. Amen Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son, Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, an earthly father.

Bless all fathers as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to You for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender, in union with the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. St. Joseph, Pray for all our Fathers. Amen.



<u>Adam's Ribs</u>

One weekend at Sunday School, they were teaching how God created everything, including human beings. Little Johnny seemed especially

intent when they told him how Eve was created out of one of Adam's ribs. Later in the week his mother noticed him lying down as though he were ill, and asked him, "Johnny, what is the matter?" "I have pain in my side," Johnny responded. "I think I'm going to have a wife."

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"So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows."

ALL PARISH MEETINGS, EVENTS, AND GATHERINGS ARE <u>CANCELED OR POSTPONED</u> UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. WE APPRECIATE YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND ENCOURAGE YOU TO LOOK AFTER ONE ANOTHER DURING THESE UNPRECEDENTED TIMES.

News for Our Partnership

VIRTUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: JUNE 30TH

Our Joint Parish Council has scheduled a virtual meeting for **Tuesday**, **June 30th**. The primary agenda item will be to revisit our discussions about making public Mass available at our two parishes. I encourage any and all of you to reach out to a Member of the Council *to express your thoughts* so they can bring those to the meeting. In case you are unaware, the following is a list of the Members whom you can contact:

Bill Dyakon David Lesnieski Nancy Widomski Diane Valahovic Jim Burke Len Sebastian Patty Stano Mary Jo Sulecki Sue Carpenter Casandra Lockett Kathy Smith Michele Inter Marc Moore Kathy Wisniewski Marcia Nitczynski Helen ZImmerman Fr. Jason Glover Msgr. Dan Magraw

Communication will be key as we entertain the difficult and delicate decisions in our response to Covid-19. If you need contact information to reach a Member of the Council, please call the parish office and we will provide that for you.

Many thanks for your ongoing patience and prayers! - Fr. Jason

LOTTERY RAFFLE

The Women's Society at Saint Stanislaus is selling raffle tickets for a chance to win *either* \$1,000 in cash *or* \$1,000 worth of scratch-off lottery tickets. Tickets are only \$5.00 each and can be purchased by calling Diane Valahovic at 825.5748. Originally, the winner was going to be drawn at our parish picnic on July 12th.

'We cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life.'

Pope Francis



WEEKLY HOMILY

If any parishioner would like a copy of the weekend homily e-mailed to them during this time of Pandemic, please call or email St. Stan's office with your email address and we will be sure to include you on our distribution list.

THE 31 CLUB - PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

6/21) Darlene Vlahos & Dorothy Mielnik; 6/22) Kathy Wisniewski; 6/23) Heidi Jankowski & Gina Lintelman;
6/24) Len Sebastian, Tom Widomski & Diane Valahovic; 6/25) Jack Kempisty & Helen Zimmerman;
6/26) Patricia Straub & John Kleiner; 6/27) Sr. Maxine Kaminski & Regina Jaworski

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

6/21) Fr. Peter Pierjok, O.S.B.; 6/22) Fr. Phil Pinczewski; 6/23) Fr. Mark Mastrian; 6/24) Rev. Msgr. George Appleyard; 6/25) Fr. Matt Kujawinski,: 6/26) Fr. Ian McElrath; 6/27) Msgr. Joseph Wardanski

What Makes a Dad

God took the strength of a mountain, The majesty of a tree, The warmth of a summer sun. The calm of a quiet sea, The generous soul of nature, The comforting arm of night, The wisdom of the ages, The power of the eagle's flight, The joy of a morning in spring, The faith of a mustard seed, The patience of eternity, The depth of a family need, Then God combined these qualities, When there was nothing more to add, He knew His masterpiece was complete, And so, He called it ... Dad

Who except *God* can give you *peace*? Has the *world* ever been able to *satisfy* the heart? - st. GERARD MAJELLA -

Sunday, Jun 21, 2020 TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The true measure of love Jeremiah 20:10-13; Romans 5:12-15; Matthew 10:26-33 "So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows."

How do we know we're loved? It's more than a matter of hearing the words or seeing them written in a card. Love has something to do with fidelity: showing up, being there, not leaving when the stampede is moving in the direction of the door. Love makes sacrifices, shares times of want along with seasons of plenty. Love generously supports and honestly challenges. Love lets go when the time is right. On this Father's Day, celebrate those who have embraced the vocation to show a father's love and helped you recognize your true worth.

Monday, Jun 22, 2020 MEMORIAL OF PAULINUS OF NOLA, BISHOP Simplicity is next to Godliness

2 Kings 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Matthew 7:1-5 "The measure with which you measure will be measured out to you."

Paulinus of Nola had it all—a successful career and wealth that enabled him to retire early—and then he didn't. After his only child died as a baby, he and his wife started shedding their life of leisure that sorrow must have rendered insensible. Today, as the world changes dramatically, and our lives with it, we can relate. Paulinus eventually became a monk and celebrated Christian poet. After his wife died, he was named bishop and ended up being friends with many future saints, including Augustine, Jerome, Ambrose, and Gregory the Great. With God's help, you too can turn your own tragedies into triumph in Christ.

Tuesday, Jun 23, 2020 Essential work calls

2 Kings 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Matthew 7:6, 12-14 "Do to others whatever you would have them do to you."

Today, designated International Widows' Day by the United Nations, is a good day to remember all families that have lost a loved one due to coronavirus—especially families that are most vulnerable, with children or a limited livelihood. As Pope Benedict XVI affirmed in his encyclical *Deus Caritas Est,* "love for widows and orphans, prisoners, and the sick and needy of every kind is as essential" to the church "as the ministry of the sacraments and preaching of the gospel." How can you be Christ's hands and feet today, to help provide sustenance to hurting families and lessen their suffering?

Wednesday, Jun 24, 2020 SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST Give it away

Isaiah 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Luke 1:57-66, 80 "For surely the hand of the Lord was with him."

John the Baptist is considered the opening act for Jesus, the forerunner and the one who prepared people to receive the message of Jesus. A better spokesperson could not be found. John's noble counsel that we share our extra coat and food with those who need them holds true today, ever more in these difficult times when we have learned the imperative need to care for one another. Head to the closet—what can you give away?

Thursday, Jun 25, 2020 Come quick, compassion

2 Kings 24:8-17; Matthew 7:21-29 "Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock."

The COVID-19 pandemic leaves deep scars around the world. The words of today's psalm are vividly true: "May your compassion quickly come to us, for we are brought very low." The church teaches that God's compassion is always at hand. Suffering can be excruciating, but God's presence endures. Be a compassionate presence to someone who is hurting. The heart you heal may end up being your own.

Friday, Jun 26, 2020 Make us clean

2 Kings 25:1-12; Matthew 8:1-4 "Lord, if you wish, you can make me clean."

Today is International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking. This year's theme of "Health for Justice. Justice for Health" captures the complexity of the problem, including the need for widespread accountability and equal access to treatment. As a society, we recognize "international days" as a way to raise awareness about global problems and celebrate achievements. The bad news: Worldwide, 35 million people now suffer from drug disorders; the good news: Cooperation among nations is becoming more coordinated and sustained. In April 2020, during a month the church dedicated to the "drama of addiction," Pope Francis prayed that "those suffering from addiction may be properly helped and accompanied." It is a prayer worth repeating.

> Saturday, Jun 27, 2020 MEMORIAL OF CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH Mellow sainthood

Lamentations 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Matthew 8:5-17 *"He took our infirmities and bore our diseases."*

Fifth-century Saint Cyril of Alexandria began his career as archbishop with intolerant impulses, expelling Jews from the city. But with time he softened his views, and so is remembered instead for opposing the idea that Jesus' humanity was a mere disguise. How compassionate Jesus is toward the centurion in today's gospel, how tenderly he touches the hand of Peter's mother-in-law. Surely he shows the best of being human, nothing is camouflage. In the process of maturing, how have your own hard edges been softened and made compassionate?

