

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 3, 2026



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OFFICE HOURS

Sunday & Monday: Closed

Tuesday - Saturday: By Appointment

TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS APOSTOLATE AT ST. HEDWIG'S

LATIN MASS: Sunday at 9:30AM

Tuesday at 5:30PM

MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:00PM: St. Stanislaus

Sunday 9:00AM: St. Stanislaus

Sunday 11:00AM: St. Casimir

Monday-Friday 12:05PM: St. Ann's

First Saturday 9:00AM: St. Ann's

Weekday at St. Stanislaus: Call Parish Office

MASSES FOR THE WEEK (Our Mother of Sorrows)

Sunday, May 3rd: Fifth Sunday of Easter

Private: Galla and Walach Families by Paul and Lisa Galla
11:00am (SC) Intentions of Osiecki & Wodecki Families by Caroline Larson

Monday, May 4th: Easter Weekday

12:05pm (SA) All Souls in Purgatory by Scott, Paula and Danica Hilinski

Tuesday, May 5th: Easter Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Dorothy Travers by Lisa Austin

Wednesday, May 6th: Easter Weekday

12:05pm (SA) John W. Vargo by Theresa Paluh

Thursday, May 7th: Easter Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Patricia Parmarter, Anniversary by Aunt Caroline Larson

Friday, May 8th: Easter Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Jenette Becker by The Dombkowski Family

Saturday, May 9th: Easter Weekday

Private: Bernice Zilonka by Gloria Palmer and Family

Sunday, May 10th: Sixth Sunday of Easter/Mother's Day

Private: Agnes Priscaro by Parishioners
11:00am (SC) Theresa Juchno by Ann Juchno

CONFESSIONS: Monday-Friday, 11:30-11:55AM (St. Ann's)

May 3, 2026
John 14:1-12

We generally approach life with the question, "What can this do for me?" We try a new workout, a low-carb diet, intermittent fasting, or a new career path, hoping it will make us healthier, stronger, happier. The assumption is that if I invest in this, I'll eventually reap some benefit.

It is easy to think of faith the same way: if I really practice my faith, what will it do for me? Will it make me calmer, more moral, more successful?

But in today's Gospel, Jesus says something astonishing. He doesn't present himself as a teacher who shows us the way to life. He says, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life." He is not merely a guide toward some higher benefit. He is the benefit itself. To know him is to know Life.

Thomas Aquinas explains that every desire in the human heart — love, joy, meaning, all of our restless cravings — is really an indirect cry for life. Even despair testifies to this longing: people despair precisely because they feel they are not, and might never be, fully alive.

The good news is that Jesus is not simply the means to a better life; He is Life itself. To believe in him is to share in God's own eternal vitality. Not simply later but even now. Faith is not a transaction that produces results — it is a union that fills us with joy. To be in communion with Christ is to be truly, fully alive.

— Father John Muir

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., May 4th - Private Intention

Tues., May 5th - Ted Dylewski (Jane & David Thiemann)

Wed., May 6th - Tom Konkol (Debbie Oldenski)

Thur., May 7th - John Subotnik (Family)

Fri., May 8th - Special Intention

Sat., May 9th, 4:00PM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)

Sun., May 10th, 9:00AM - Josephine Przybyszewski (Michael, Karen, Jack, Scott)

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Readings for the week of May 3, 2026

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/ Ps 115:1-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/ Ps 145:10-13, 21/Jn 14:27-31

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/ Ps 122:1-5/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/ Ps 96:1-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/ Ps 57:8-10, 12/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/ Ps 100:1-3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

Next Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

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SANCTUARY CANDLES

SAINT STANISLAUS: Ted Dylewski (Jane & David Thiemann)

OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS: Robert Merski, Sr., and Mildred Merski by The Merski Family

ST. ANN'S: 1) For all Parishioners; 2) Habas, Kulig & Laszewski Families by Kulig Estate

ST. CASIMIR'S: 1) All Mothers, Living & Deceased; 2) Galla and Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Stanislaus will host the next Eucharistic Adoration on May 17th, following the 9:00AM Mass until 11:00AM.

WITNESSES FOR JESUS

This journey of faith is not always easy. Sometimes the greatest wounds are those we suffer when family members and friends wander away from God and leave us behind. The faith they had when they were younger is now strained, or they see the daily walking with Jesus to be too difficult. For them, Jesus becomes what Peter wrote about when he described Jesus as the stone that causes people to stumble and the rock that makes them fall. Our journey is hard enough, but watching a loved one stumble and fall is heart-breaking.

What are we to do in such a situation? Most importantly, we pray. We must realize that God is more powerful than us, and even if we can't make them see the truth, He can. Then we witness to the transformative power of Jesus by our own lives. We need to serve him in word and deed. We should let a joy of being a disciple enlighten our faces. Allow Jesus to work through us so that others may be drawn to him. Lastly, we must never lose hope. Many have walked long journeys alone only to find God far down the road. What will it take to bring someone to Christ? It might be an action, a word, or an emotion. We never know how certain people will be touched. That loved one is a gift from God in your life. Place them back in God's hands, and let Him pick them up if they have stumbled and fallen.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

BLESSING OF PEACE

Dear Lord,

You have said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled."

Bless me with Your peace.

Fill my heart with trust in You,
and hope in Your promises.

Be my rock in times of distress,
my light in times of darkness,
and my rest in the storm.

Amen.

Sister Thelma is the bookkeeper at the church. What is her official title, you ask?



SPRING FLING

Thanks to everyone who helped us host our annual Spring Fling! The event was VERY successful and a good time was had by all. The following were reverse raffle money winners:

\$50: Allen Rose, Cecilia Chauvin, Linda Baginski, Bernie Biroscak, Kristen Baginski, Bob Przybyszewski, Dave Wilson, Joy Bula, Kay Villa, Matt Pedersen, Dennis Jaskiewski, John Villa, Rick Kupniewski, David Bernhard, Nancy Feeney, and Becky Sienkiewicz.

\$300: Dan Kerner

\$1,250: Gary Jaskiewicz

CARNATION SALE

The Ladies of St. Stanislaus will also be offering carnations on the weekend of May 9th and 10th, Mother's Day weekend. Give one to your wife, mother, or other special woman in your life. Vases will also be placed in front of our statue of Mary and our image of Our Lady of Czestochowa, if you would like to honor her this Mother's Day. Donations for the carnations are appreciated and will benefit the St. Stanislaus Flower Fund.

Question: I have been away from the Church for a few years and really want to get active again, not so much for me, but for my children. Is this a bad reason to come back to Church?

Answer: If you are on your way to the supermarket, and you are forced to detour from your usual route because of road work, does the food you buy taste different? Is the meal less filling? Are the vegetables less tasty? Of course not. In our faith journey, there are many detours called sin. Some are greater than others, some are even a bit longer. But God's grace comes to us in ways we understand and recognize and need. Your children leading you back to the Church is not as important as the fact that you are back. This is an opportunity for you to renew, strengthen, and deepen your faith. Regardless of how we get to Church, or what draws us closer to God, the fact is we are there. Do what you need to do to get right with God and the Church. Go to confession, begin good family religious practices, and be involved in the ministries your parish offers. Be more than a lukewarm parishioner. Be the kind of Catholic you want your children to be.



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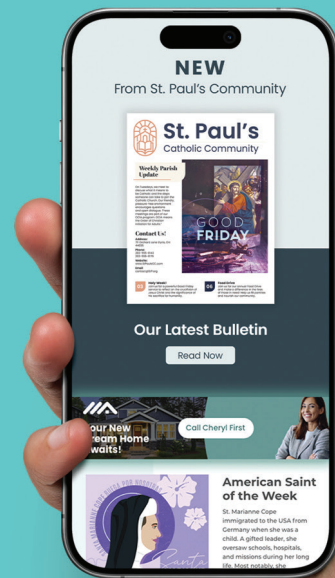


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