

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 17, 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 17th: Seventh Sunday of Easter

Private: Bernice Zilonka by Gloria Palmer and Family
11:00am (SC) Bernard Olszewski by Mark Olszewski and Family

Monday, May 18th: Easter Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Anne O’Leary, Birthday May 17 by The Morris Family

Tuesday, May 19th: Easter Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Dolores Mankosky by Scott, Paula and Danica Hilinski

Wednesday, May 20th: Easter Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Anton Rapheal Kiendig, Jr. by Lisa Austin

Thursday, May 21st: Easter Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Kevin Allen by loving mother Caroline Larson

Friday, May 22nd: Easter Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Matthew Serafini by Family

Saturday, May 23rd: Easter Weekday

Private: Leokadia Bajek by Teresa and John Mientkiewicz

Sunday, May 24th: Pentecost Sunday

Private: Bernice Zilonka, Birthday by Gloria Palmer and Family
11:00am (SC) Caroline (Mikoda) Baran & Mikoda Family by Loretta Baran

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

**May 17, 2026
7th Sunday of Easter**

Not long after my brother’s first child was born, I asked him what it was like. Was he nervous? Overwhelmed? He said, “When I first held her, I was in such shock. I think I just said, ‘I am your dad.’” That moment marked a deep transformation for him. He was not just holding a baby; he was stepping into a new identity. Over the years, I have seen him live his fatherhood with quiet sacrifice, joy, and faithfulness. It started with that moment of truth.

This, is a glimpse of what Jesus means when he prays, “Consecrate them in the truth.” To be consecrated is to be set apart in love. Consecration sends us into it with a new identity, always one that binds us to him and to others in love.

Whenever we speak deep truths about ourselves, we experience this renewal: “I have sinned;” “I need help;” “I forgive you;” “I take you as my husband;” “I believe in one God...” Whether in confession, in the liturgy, or in a recovery group, truth heals and transforms. And the deepest truth of all? That we belong to the Risen and Ascended Christ. Our lives are no longer just ours. We are his and he is ours.

Name one truth you need to step into more deeply, about yourself, someone else, or God. Maybe put it on a note on your mirror. Let that truth consecrate you this week.

— Father John Muir

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

- Mon., May 18th - Private Intention
- Tues., May 19th - Steve & Joanne Hodas-Palun (Patty Hodas)
- Wed., May 20th - Audrey Pawlak (Tony & Loretta Konieczko)
- Thur., May 21st - John Subotnik (Al, Josie, & Wanda)
- Fri., May 22nd - Vargo Family (Jackie Vargo)
- Sat., May 23rd, 4:00PM - Steve Vargo (Family)
- Sun., May 24th, 9:00AM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)

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Readings for the week of May 17, 2026

- Sunday: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47: 2-3, 6-9/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20
- Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-7/Jn 16:29-33
- Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11
- Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/ Ps 68:29-30, 33-36/Jn 17:11-19
- Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26
- Friday: Acts 25:13-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20/Jn 21:15-19
- Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4-5 7/Jn 21:20-25
- Sunday: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-34/1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

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SANCTUARY CANDLES

- SAINT STANISLAUS:** Theresa Young (Fr. Jason’s aunt)
- OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS:** Robert Merski, Sr., and Mildred Merski by The Merski Family
- ST. ANN’S:** 1) “My Lady” Rose Marie Skrypek by Robert Skrypek; 2) Galla and Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla
- ST. CASIMIR’S:** 1) Special Intentions of Loretta Baran; 2) Habas, Kulig & Laszewski Families by Kulig Estate

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

PENTECOST SUNDAY

This coming Sunday, May 24th, is Pentecost Sunday. We invite you to wear something red to celebrate the Feast Day and the official end of the Easter Season.

THANK YOU

Fr. Jason wants to thank everyone for your kind words of condolences and sympathy at the unexpected passing of his beloved aunt. He also thanks you for your understanding of his absence this past weekend. He is grateful to his brother priests who "pinch hit" for him on short notice.

ST. STAN'S: UPDATE

Over the past couple of weeks, we have been engaged in projects most would not notice. While we had the choir loft emptied of furnishings in order for new carpeting to be installed, we decided to turn our attention to some much needed and significant plaster-work. The plaster-work was repaired and repainted. The loft received a thorough cleaning and dusting. The furniture has been moved back in.

We also brought in a sound engineer to assist us with some problems we were having with our new sound system. Many of you probably noticed the improvement of having the choir microphones now "piped" through the speakers in the main body of the church. Now that you can better hear the choir, we have to run a wire from the sacristy to the loft so that the choir can hear from the microphones on the main floor. We will get to that ASAP because...

In the meantime, we have been "prepping" the kitchen in the Parish Hall to have it repainted starting in June. The walls have to be scrubbed of years of grease and grime before the new paint is applied. Hopefully, that will happen soon!

Finally, we are still awaiting carpeting samples to choose for the steps leading into the sanctuary.

There is a lot going on at St. Stan's and we appreciate your support and encouragement. We will keep you informed of these projects and any future plans.

OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS: UPDATE

It is still our intention to our "hub of parish activity" to St. Ann's, only City regulations and ordinances are holding us up. We had to have architecture plans drawn up for the installation of an accessible bathroom. Those have been long since submitted to the City for approval, which we have been waiting on for weeks.

We have also submitted a bid to the Redevelopment Authority to purchase the empty lot adjacent to St. Ann's rectory with the intention of utilizing it for additional off-street parking. We will continue to keep you informed...

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

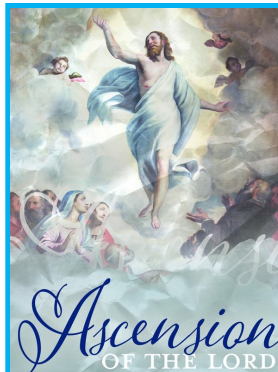
Our parishes will be participating in the Knights of Columbus annual Baby Bottle funding drive. All proceeds benefit the Women's Care Center and the programs and ministry they offer to our community. The idea is to take a baby bottle from the back of the church home with you. Each night, empty your spare change into the bottle. Then, return the bottle to the church by Father's Day weekend (June 20-21).

EVERLASTING EASTER

The Easter season is almost over. This season is always a tougher one for us Catholics. We get Advent and Lent: preparation. We are on board with Christmas, mainly because we like to keep up our decorations until someone tells us the exact day we must take them down. But Easter as a season is a bit more difficult to observe. The rest of the world has moved on. There are no Easter eggs left in store windows and all those religious movies on television have given way to reruns or season-ending episodes. It just feels like Easter anywhere ... except in the Church.

The truth is that it should feel like Easter all year-round in the Church. Every Sunday, we celebrate a mini-Easter. Our Lord is ALIVE! He is risen and alive, and we need to celebrate. We also need to be about the work of the Lord. We are an Easter people who bear witness to his resurrection through our stewardship. If he had never risen, then we would be called to nothing by no one. But he lives! As this Easter season is drawing to a close, it is prudent to reflect on what his death and resurrection mean for each of us. How has it changed us? How does it motivate us? It doesn't look like Easter in most corners of the world, so it is up to us to bring a little Easter to every place we go and to everyone we meet.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Where did he go? Many times when we think of those who have died, we imagine escape from this world to a purely spiritual place. Jesus' Ascension can leave us in a place of confusion. What happens to Jesus? And why does this matter to us?

The Ascension has been confirmed in the Creed for two millennia. In Jesus' Ascension, we're invited to consider our own ultimate end. Regardless of death's reality now, we believe in the resurrection of the body and the reunification of body and soul. One day, earth and heaven will meet perfectly and without end. We anticipate this "new heaven and a new earth" at every Mass and throughout the beauty, truth, and love of the Church and her members. Today, celebrate a foreshadowing of the fullness we all await!

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