

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 19, 2025



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OFFICE HOURS

Sunday & Monday: Closed

Tuesday - Saturday: By Appointment

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, October 19th: Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Private: The suffering souls in Purgatory by Dr. Hal Angeloff
11:00am (SC) Bernice Zilonka by Family

Monday, October 20th: Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Maria Shin by Lucia Lee

Tuesday, October 21st: Weekday

12:05pm (SA) David K. Wienczkowski by his mother Kay Wienczkowski

Wednesday, October 22nd: Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Raymond Draskiewicz by Barbara Berdis and Family

Thursday, October 23rd: Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Regina and Joseph Lorelli by Dr. Hal Angeloff

Friday, October 24th: Weekday

12:05pm (SA) Charles and Charlotte Chase by Family

Saturday, October 25th: Weekday

Private: Special Intentions of Stephen Waterford

Sunday, October 26th: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Private: Special Intentions of Sister Irene by Lucia Lee
11:00am (SC) Baran and Mikoda Families by Loretta

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

MASS INTENTIONS (Saint Stanislaus)

Mon., Oct. 20th - Private Intention
Tues., Oct. 21st - Al Szkoda (Dan Erdely)
Wed., Oct. 22nd - Roberta Chzanowski (Rose Marie)
Thur., Oct. 23rd - Stella Dombrowski (Mary Ann Kupniewski)
Fri., Oct. 24th - Marie & Ron Inter (Family)
Sat., Oct. 25th, 4:00PM - For the People of Saint Stanislaus (*Pro Populo*)
Sun., Oct. 26th, 9:00AM - Camille Riffe (K. Stankiewicz & B. Tuszyński)

Readings for the week of October 19, 2025

Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-8/2 Tm 3:14-4:2/Lk 18:1-8
Monday: Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-75/Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15, 17-21/Ps 40:7-10, 17/Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1-8/Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94/Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1-6/Lk 13:1-9
Next Sunday: Sir 35:12-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-23/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14

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Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 18:1-8

A woman in my parish has an adult son who has rejected his faith. She prays for him every day. She lights candles, says rosaries, and asks God again and again to bring him back. But nothing changes. Is God listening? Is He delaying? She told me once that she feels like the widow in Jesus' strange parable — crying out for justice, but hearing only silence. And yet, she said, she is at peace. I asked why. She responded, "God is already answering. I just can't see it yet."

She embodies something of the mystery in Jesus' parable this week in Luke 18. A powerless widow demands justice from a corrupt judge. This isn't about wearing God down until He gives in. It's about faith in the justice that is already coming. The widow isn't just persistent; she believes that justice is inevitable. And when Jesus points to the judge's words — his fear of being "struck" — He hints at something deeper: God's justice does not creep in gradually. It strikes. It comes like lightning.

Blessed Mary is, of course, the ultimate widow demanding justice. At the foot of the cross she stands before what looks like the ultimate injustice — the brutal execution of her son. But she did not despair. She did not beg for a last-minute rescue. She knew that justice was not delayed. In fact, it was happening. The power of the cross was already unleashing justice upon the world — suddenly, decisively, like a blow that would topple every corrupt power, making even the most corrupt fear her strike.

This parable asks us: will the Son of Man find faith on earth? Or will we mistake God's silence for absence? The cross proves that justice is not slow. It is only hidden. The lightning has already struck. In the cross, justice is speedily being done.

— Father John Muir

SANCTUARY CANDLES

SAINT STANISLAUS: Victoria & Joseph Baniszewski (Diane & Rich)

HOLY FAMILY: 1) Galla & Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla; 2) Habas, Kulig, & Laszewski Families by Kulig Estate

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

ST. ANN'S: 1) Rose Marie Skrypek by Robert Skrypek; 2) All Living & Deceased Parishioners

ST. CASIMIR'S: 1) Bernie Zilonka by Gloria Palmer & Family; 2) Theresa Juchno by Ann Juchno

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Stanislaus will host the next Eucharistic Adoration today, October 19th, following the 9:00AM Mass until 11:00AM.

THE HAGAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

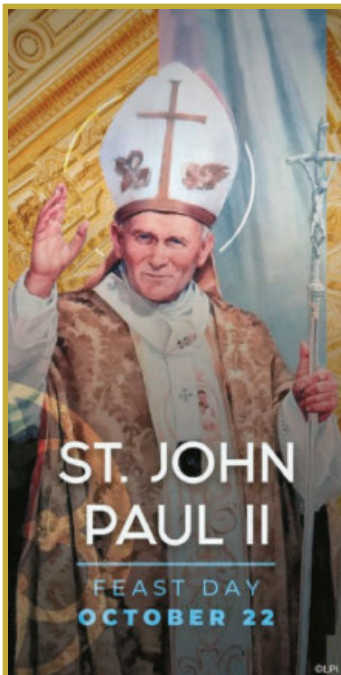
...proudly announces the opening of a landmark exhibit, "The Story of Us, Erie Polonia: Churches & Neighborhoods," curated by St. Stan's very own Bobby J. Sulecki. The exhibit runs through January 30, 2026, on the second floor of the Wood-Morrison House, 338 West 6th St., and is included with general admission. The exhibit explores the founding of St. Stanislaus, the Mother Church of Erie's Polonia, followed by Holy Trinity, St. Hedwig, and St. Casimir's, and others.

KNIGHT NEWS-BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER 2025

It is our pleasure to inform you that the total contributions to the 2025 Baby Bottle Fundraiser was \$104,000. This is an outstanding amount which we are so grateful in helping to fund the ongoing efforts and mission of pregnancy centers such as the Women's Care Center of Erie in saving the lives of unborn children. God bless all of you who participated.

GCAC COAT DRIVE

GCAC is inviting our parishes to participate in their annual Coat Drive. Yellow index cards are available in the back of our churches that offer details of the recipient of your generosity (age, gender, size, preferences, etc.). If you are interested in participating, take a card and return the donated coat to the church before the end of the month. Thank you for helping to keep our children warm this winter!



FEAST OF ST. JOHN PAUL II

On October 21st, we celebrate the pope who inspired the world! Born Karol Wojtyla in Krakow, Pope John Paul II became the first-ever Polish pope. He lived through both the Nazi and communist occupations of Poland. His resistance activities were cultural, operating an underground theater company and entering a secret seminary. Karol was ordained a priest in 1946 and later a bishop. He was elected pope in 1978. As pope, the interests that captured his heart as a young man continued -- his pastoral concern for young

people, his philosophical emphasis on the human person, and his devotion to Mary and to the mercy of God.

FOOD PANTRY

We are currently inviting members of Our Mother of Sorrows and St. Stan's to join our Food Pantry Ministry. The food pantry is affiliated with Second Harvest Food Bank. It operates out of St. Casimir's and is open on the second, third, and fourth Saturdays of the month. However, volunteers are needed throughout the week to procure the food from Second Harvest and other sources to be given away. There are sign-up sheets in the back of the church for anyone who may be interested in this important ministry. Please sign up and someone will be in touch with you.

FROZEN PIEROGI

St. Stanislaus has homemade frozen pierogi available for purchase. The cost is \$25 per dozen. If interested, call the Parish Office, or talk to John Villa or Fr. Jason.

LECTOR WORKBOOKS

St. Stanislaus has Lector Workbooks available for our lectors in the sacristy. Lectors are invited to take one home to use in preparation for reading at Mass.

2026 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

After soliciting feedback through bulletin announcements, the Parish Council of Our Mother of Sorrows has made the decision to have our 2026 offertory envelopes mailed to parishioners every other month, saving us nearly \$400 annually in postage.

St. Stanislaus will return to our pre-Covid practice of having envelopes mail in bulk to the parish. The envelopes will be placed on tables in the back of the church for parishioners to take their box for the year. Again, this will provide the parish with substantial savings in postage.



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