



Saint Stanislaus Parish – Saint Paul the Apostle Parish Saint Thomas Aquinas Church

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NEWS: SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

ADORATION –Come to Adoration at St. Thomas Aquinas Church from 5pm-8pm Monday and Tuesday. All are welcome and encouraged to adore our Lord. As He Himself asks each of us, “So, could you not watch with Me one hour (Mt 26:40)?” Remember how in need we are of this prayer of adoration: “Why do you sleep? Rise and pray that you may not enter into temptation (Lk 22:46).” Please sign up at the back of the church if you can help with this essential ministry.

REMEMBERING 9/11 – This year marks the twentieth anniversary of the horrific events of that day in NYC. Let us keep the victims of this tragedy, and all victims of terror and persecution, in our prayers this week. "How in awe I was seeing the crowds along the New York streets praying and saluting as we wheeled the American flag-draped bodies to the makeshift morgue." -Father Bruce Nieli, C.S.P.

US COPY MONEY – Several times now the counters have found fake bills in the collection. These bills appear very close to real US currency but also clearly state that they are COPY money on the front and back. While we are not sure how copy money is getting into circulation, please know that these bills do not get deposited. Bank tellers, unlike some cashiers, are more attentive to the money they take in. Fraudulent bills are seen and destroyed. It may not significantly dent Home Depot or Big Y's bottom line but it certainly takes away from ours. Please (and we can't believe we are about to say this) make sure that the cash you place in the offering is in fact “legal tender for all debts public and private.” We appreciate your collaboration.

PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS:

VACATION ? – Will you be going away at some point during the summer? Wonderful! Please remember, though, that the parishes are still here when you are gone, continuing in ministry, and ready to welcome your return. While you may find temporary refuge at another parish during your vacation we still need your support, even while you might be enjoying some due time of relaxation. Please remember your weekly offering for the parish before your departure or once you return. Your kind consideration is most appreciated!

A LASTING GIFT – Would you consider naming your parish as a beneficiary in your will? Your gift will mean that you share in the continued work of preaching the Gospel and assisting those in need. Everyone in the parish family, old and young, are asked to remember your parish in your estate planning. With your help, and God's abundant grace, we will keep the Church's mission alive and transform the parish's future!

SUNDAY READINGS– Novus Ordo: Is 35:4-7a; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

Praise the Lord, my soul!

Usus Antiquior: Gal 5:25-26; 6:1-10; Lk 7:11-16

WEEKLY OFFERING 08/29/2021:

St. Stanislaus – \$185.00 – \$1,000.00 needed weekly for utilities and administrative costs.

St. Paul – \$1,695.00 – \$3,000.00 needed weekly for utilities and administrative costs.

Your support of the parishes is needed and appreciated!

XXIII SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – XV SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

MASS SCHEDULE:

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	INTENTION
Saturday, September 4	4:00pm	St. Stanislaus (NO)	<i>† Doris Tetreault by Bud & Diane Fontanine</i>
Sunday, September 5	8:30am	St. Paul (NO)	<i>† Pro Populo</i>
Sunday, September 5	10:30am	St. Paul (MC)	<i>† Brian Rheäume by Audrie Honsinger</i>
Monday, September 6 Feria	8:00am	St. Thomas (LM)	<i>(L) Martin Flebotte by Audrie Honsinger</i>
Tuesday, September 7 St. Raymond Nonnatus	8:00am	St. Stanislaus (NO)	<i>(L) Lucille Witaszek by A Parishioner</i>
Wednesday, September 8 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	8:00am	St. Thomas (LM)	<i>(L) Deceased Members of the Gamwell & Steiner Families by Eileen Steiner</i>
Thursday, September 9 Feria	8:00am	St. Stanislaus(NO)	<i>Special Intention by Mike Sullivan</i>
Friday, September 10 St. Nicholas of Tolentino	7:00pm	St. Thomas (LM)	<i>(L) Michaella Lopez by A Parishioner</i>
Saturday, September 11 Saturday of Our Lady	8:00am	St. Paul (LM)	<i>(L) Shirley Searles by Lynda Collins</i>
Saturday, September 11	4:00pm	St. Stanislaus (NO)	<i>† Robert Ksen by Helen & Karen Ksen</i>
Sunday, September 12	8:30am	St. Paul (NO)	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Sunday, September 12	10:30am	St. Paul (MC)	<i>(L) Sandra Reed Aulenbach by Audrie Honsinger</i>

(Key – NO: *Novus Ordo*; LM: *Latin Low Mass*; MC: *Latin Missa Cantata*)
 (Confessions – Weekday – 7:30am; Saturday – 2:30pm-3:15pm;
 Sunday – 8:00am; 9:45am-10:15am; by appointment)

From a homily by Saint John Chrysostom, bishop (Hom. De diabolo tentatore 2, 6: PG 49, 263-264) Five paths of repentance

Would you like me to list also the paths of repentance? They are numerous and quite varied, and all lead to heaven.

A first path of repentance is the condemnation of your own sins: Be the first to admit your sins and you will be justified. For this reason, too, the prophet wrote: I said: I will accuse myself of my sins to the Lord, and you forgave the wickedness of my heart. Therefore, you too should condemn your own sins; that will be enough reason for the Lord to forgive you, for a man who condemns his own sins is slower to commit them again. Rouse your conscience to accuse you within your own house, lest it become your accuser before the judgment seat of the Lord.

That, then, is one very good path of repentance. Another and no less valuable one is to put out of our minds the harm done us by our enemies, in order to master our anger, and to forgive our fellow servants' sins against us. Then our own sins against the Lord will be forgiven us. Thus you have another way to atone for sin: For if you forgive your debtors, your heavenly Father will forgive you.

Do you want to know of a third path? It consists of prayer that is fervent, careful and comes from the heart.

If you want to hear of a fourth, I will mention almsgiving, whose power is great and far-reaching. If, moreover, a man lives a modest, humble life, that, no less than the other things I have mentioned, takes sin away. Proof of this is the tax-collector who had no good deeds to mention, but offered his humility instead and was relieved of a heavy burden of sins.

Thus I have shown you five paths of repentance: condemnation of your sins, forgiveness of our neighbor's sins against us, prayer, almsgiving and humility.

Do not be idle, then, but walk daily in all these paths; they are easy, and you cannot plead your poverty. For, though you live out your life amid great need, you can always set aside your wrath, be humble, pray diligently and condemn your own sins; poverty is no hindrance. Poverty is not an obstacle to our carrying out the Lord's bidding, even when it comes to that path of repentance which involves giving money (almsgiving, I mean). The widow proved that when she put her two mites into the box!

Now that we have learned how to heal these wounds of ours, let us apply the cures. Then, when we have regained genuine health, we can approach the holy table with confidence, go gloriously to meet Christ, the king of glory, and attain the eternal blessings through the grace, mercy and kindness of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

*The mosaic at the top of the bulletin comes from the *Basilica di Sant'Apollinare in Classe* (549 AD) located in Ravenna, Italy. It depicts Saint Apollinaris, whose relics were once housed in the church, below a scene of the Transfiguration.