

Saint Stanislaus Parish

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October 12, 2025

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Most of us take many of the blessings God has given us for granted. We are blessed to have food, shelter, clothing, and money. Yet do we notice how many others struggle for these? Do we see how many people live paycheck to paycheck just to keep a roof over their heads or food on their table? What is surprising is these people with the least are usually the most grateful. They are in extremely difficult circumstances but are finding hope and new life in their faith. Shouldn't this be the other way around? We, who have received so many graces, need to take time every day and thank God for all He has given us and discern how He is calling us to share our gifts. We can see the transformative power of faith and the abundant power and grace of God working in our lives. May the Lord increase and sustain us in faith so as to be strident witnesses of His love and mercy to the world.

Dear Parishioners,

Adoration is on October 14, 2025, from 5PM to 7PM. There are no Confessions.

Next weekend (October 18/19) there will be a second collection for the World Mission Day 2025 appeal. There are special envelopes in the back. Please see the attached letter from Bishop McManus describing this special offertory. As always, your generosity is greatly appreciated.

It's Respect Life Month! Join Catholics nationwide in celebrating Respect Life Month. Visit respectlife.org/celebrate. I have included the Prayer for Hope below. Additional information has been posted to our parish website, www.ststanislauswestwarrenmass.org, including the Novena, which starts on October 22.

Are you or someone you know House Bound and are unable to attend church services? Have you or someone you know lost loved ones, had recent hospitalizations, or just need a friend to talk to? If you or the person you know wish to be visited by a Eucharist Minister to receive the Eucharist or have someone from the parish to stop by to say hello, please send an email to ststanoffice@gmail.com or call either the office at 413-436-8020 or me directly at 774-200-6868.

Yours in Christ,
Deacon Dom

Quote: "An old Irish proverb says, 'It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.' Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life's end, we may not know how best to 'shelter' them. Here are some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them: usccb.org/end-of-life-care."

- *USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities: Caring for Loved Ones at Life's End*

REST IN PEACE

Mary Ann Sablack. May she rest in the arms of the Lord and rejoice in the glory of heaven, and may her family find comfort in their faith.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

DEACON DOM'S IN-OFFICE SCHEDULE: Deacon Dom plans on being in the rectory office Monday (10/13), Tuesday (10/14), and Friday (10/17). He may always be reached at ststanoffice@gmail.com or 774-200-6868.

ANNUAL HOMEMADE PIEROGI SALE: Orders for pierogies are now being accepted. Please contact Louise Mundell at 413-436-5867.

ORGAN CONCERT: On **Sunday, Oct. 12 from 3PM to 4PM**, all are invited to a multi-chorus organ concert at **Notre Dame Church, St. John Paul II Parish**, 446 Main St., Southbridge. Featuring organist Maria Czarnecka-Cieslak and soloist Rev. Dr. Zbigniew Stepniak and the historic Tapin Organ, one of the finest Casavant organs in the area. Free admission/refreshments to follow. The concert is part of the celebration for the Jubilee Year of Hope.

JUBILEE VESPERS AND CELEBRATIONS: On **Thursday, Oct. 16 at 6PM**, there is a Bilingual Contemplative Rosary, and on **Saturday, Oct. 18 from 10AM to 1PM in LaSalle Hall** there is Brunch. On **Sunday, Oct. 19 at 4PM**, all are invited to join Bishop McManus in a local Pilgrimage to **Notre Dame Church at St. John Paul II Parish in Southbridge** for evening Vespers. Confessions will be heard beginning at 3PM for those seeking the graces of the Jubilee Year pilgrimage. Last, on **Sunday, Oct 19 at 10AM in Notre Dame Church**, there is a Bilingual Mass. All are welcome.

MARIAN TEA: The **Cathedral of St. Paul** will host a "Marian Tea" on **Sunday, Oct. 19 at 2PM** in the **Cenacle (lower level)**. All are welcome to join for refreshments and fellowship (you are welcome to bring your favorite teacup and a treat to share, though not required to attend), followed by Benediction and recitation of the rosary in the Chapel. For more information and to RSVP contact Cathy at cperch1031@gmail.com.

"WALKING WITH PURPOSE" DISCUSSION FOR ALL WOMEN: Walking with Purpose-Charlton invites all women to "Between Heartbreak and Hallelujah" presented by Lisa Brenninkmeyer on **Thursday, Oct. 23 at 7PM at St. Joseph Church, 10 H Putnam Road Ext., Charlton**. When life shatters and doubt creeps in, you may find yourself wondering "is God still good?" "Does he care?" Lisa will explore these questions and remind you that you are not alone. To register visit stjosephscharlton.com/walking-with-purpose.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS: Bishop McManus will celebrate this wedding anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of St. Paul, Worcester on **Sunday, October 26 at 3PM**. This liturgy honors couples who this year are marking significant anniversaries (25, 40, 50 years etc). A light reception will follow. Family and friends are welcome! Couples should pre-register by October 14 at worcesterdiocese.org/weddinganniversary-mass or call 508-929-4311 to request a copy of the registration form.

12th ANNUAL CELEBRATE PRIESTHOOD EVENT: On **Thursday, October 30 from 5:30PM to 7:30PM** at St. Paul Diocesan Jr/Sr/ High School, a benefit will be held for retired priest's care. The benefit features cuisines from local restaurants and ethnic cuisines from parishes around our diocese, along with a variety of wines and beers. To make a gift or purchase a ticket, go to worcesterdiocese.org/celebrate-priesthood.

FALL MINI-RETREAT FOR WOMEN: The Commission for Women of the Diocese of Worcester will be having a Mini-Retreat for Women with Kitty Cleveland on **Saturday, Nov. 15 from 9:30AM to 1PM** at St. Anne Parish, Shrewsbury. Kitty is a singer/songwriter, inspirational speaker, and artist from New Orleans. Kitty leads hundreds of people in praying the rosary each weekday morning at 5:45 a.m. (CT). Visit www.kittyleveland.com. For more information, please email worcestercommissionforwomen@gmail.com.

CALL TO VOCATION: "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" How will you respond in gratitude to the mercy the Lord has shown you? Consider giving thanks as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life. Contact the Vocation Office at (508) 630-4473 or email: donato.infante@gmail.com.

PROJECT RACHEL: Not every pregnancy is easy to talk about. Project Rachel is the Catholic Church's ministry of healing and reconciliation to those who have been wounded by a past abortion. Services are free and strictly confidential. Begin your healing journey by calling 508-791-HOPE(4673).

A PRAYER FOR HOPE:

Heavenly Father, in the sacrament of Baptism, You have given us the gift of new life. Through Your son our Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, You have made us Your own.

Help us to recognize the gift of human life as a sign of hope in our world.

Reveal to us the places where Your precious gift of life is most in need of protection and strengthen us to defend life in all stages and circumstances, from the child in the womb to the elderly and dying.

Guided by Your Holy Spirit, guard us from discouragement and give us the grace to be messengers of hope, filled with confidence that nothing can separate us from Your love.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, October 11, Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 4PM, St. Stanislaus:
† Gloria Davison by Ruth Tuttle Mann, Sandra LaMay & family, and Mark & Karen

Sunday, October 12, Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 8:30AM, St. Stanislaus:
† Rita Mary Wolkowicz by Wolkowicz family

Monday, October 13, Monday of the Twenty-eighth Week in Ordinary Time, 8AM, St. Stanislaus:
Special Intention by Mike Sullivan

Tuesday, October 14, Tuesday of the Twenty-eighth Week in Ordinary Time, 8AM, St. Stanislaus:
† Albert Wolkowicz by Wolkowicz family

Wednesday, October 15, Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church, 8AM, St. Stanislaus:
† Fr. Casmir Kuzawski by Wolkowicz family

Thursday, October 16, Thursday of the Twenty-eighth Week in Ordinary Time, 8AM, St. Stanislaus:
† John Perron, Sr. by Wife and family

Saturday, October 18, Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 4PM, St. Stanislaus:
† George LaPalm by Marie LaPalm

Sunday, October 19, Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 8:30AM, St. Stanislaus:
† Mary Wolkowicz by Wolkowicz family

Collections weekend (10/05/2025):

Offertory	\$1033
Maintenance	\$240
Mass Intentions	\$10



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October 9, 2025

My dear friends in Christ,

Before his death, Pope Francis shared the following for his message for World Mission Day 2025: “Through his disciples, sent to all peoples and mystically accompanied by him, the Lord Jesus continues his ministry of hope for humanity. . . May we too feel inspired to set out in the footsteps of the Lord Jesus to become, with him and in him, signs and messengers of hope for all, in every place and circumstance that God has granted us to live. May all the baptized, as missionary disciples of Christ, make his hope shine forth in every corner of the earth!”

This year **World Mission Sunday** is celebrated around the world on the weekend of October 19. Our diocese joins with the worldwide church in supporting the work of the Holy Father through the various missionary societies.

The Holy Father continued, “In the human and divine heart of Jesus, God wants to speak to the heart of every man and woman, drawing all of us to his love. “We have been sent to continue this mission: to be signs of the heart of Christ and the love of the Father, embracing the whole world.”

Your donation on the weekend of October 19 is critical. The Pontifical Mission Societies serve the Church’s universality as a global network of support for Pope Leo XIV in his missionary commitment by prayer, the soul of mission, and charitable offerings from Christians throughout the world. These donations assist the Pope in the evangelization efforts of particular Churches (the Pontifical Society for the Propagation of the Faith), in the formation of local clergy (the Pontifical Society of Saint Peter the Apostle), and in raising missionary awareness in children (Pontifical Society of Missionary Childhood).

In a world where so much divides us, World Mission Sunday rejoices in our unity as missionaries by our Baptism. It also provides an opportunity to support the life-giving presence of the Church among the poor and marginalized in nearly 1,200 mission dioceses. Thank you for prayerfully reflecting on your own baptismal call, and support World Mission Sunday in your parish.

With every prayerful best wish, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
Bishop of Worcester

Please announce the Collection for World Mission Sunday in your parish on the weekend of October 12 and take up the collection on the weekend of October 19.