Simistanistanis Kostka Catholic Church

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Rev. Walter M. Ciesla • Pastor Brother Shaun Gray • CSC, Pastoral Associate

Mass Schedule:

Tuesday, Friday 8:00 a.m. Saturday, Vigil 4:00 p.m. Sunday 7:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

Sacraments:

Baptism –After 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays, Call rectory/office to schedule Confessions—Friday, 7:00 a.m. Weddings—Call rectory six months in advance

Church Office: 1506 Washington Street

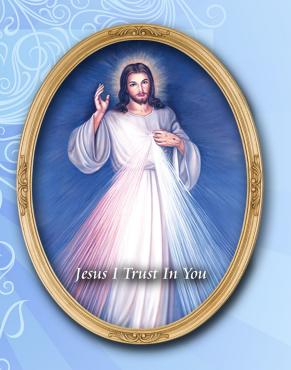
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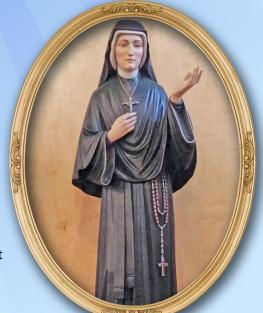
Hours—M,W, & Thurs. 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. ststanskostka@yahoo.com

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Mission Statement

The St. Stanislaus Kostka family is a welcoming Catholic community sent forth from our celebration of the Eucharist to walk in faith, live in hope, and act in love. We join together as disciples of Christ to share our gifts through prayer, education, evangelization, and stewardship. We remember, We celebrate, We believe.

Liturgy Intentions For The Week



Mass Schedule

Tuesday, November 14th Weekday

8:00 a.m. ††Henry & Ann Kawecki

Int. Collette Bracken

Thursday, November 16th Weekday

9:30 a.m. For Parishioners who are sick

Friday, November 17th Saint Elizabeth of Hungary

8:00 a.m. †Eileen Neylon

Int. Tim & Nancy Scannell

Saturday, November 18th Weekday

4:00 p.m. †Delores Miller

Int. Penny & Ed Miller

Sunday, November 19th Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. †Walter Fields

Int. Jerry & Mary Maillett

10:00 a.m. ††Jozef & Anna Dudek

Int. Son

Capital Campaign

We are asking our parishioners to please attend one of the informational meetings that will take place after all Masses, the weekend of November 11th-12th in the school instructional room. This is an opportunity to hear details firsthand and to ask questions. We look forward to seeing your there.

Angel Tree

Our Parish will once again be participating in the Christmas Angel Tree program this holiday season. We will be partnering with the local Salvation Army to help provide Christmas gifts to families in need. Stay tuned for more information.





Schedules

Sunday November 18th & 19th

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00pm Louise Pawloski

Mary Kay Senderak

7:00am Brother Shaun

Ruth Mokrycki

10:00am Stan Przybylinski

Deb Wozniak

Lectors

4:00pm Jane Eisele7:00am Brother Shaun10:00am Kathy Sadlowski

Ushers

4:00pm M. Duszynski, R. Labis,

D. Pishkur, S. Janus

7:00am F. Adrian, J. Gallas,

R. Worek, T. Pawlik

10:00am S. Poplawski, B. Gabrunas,

D. Przybylinski, C. Kamont

Money Counters

November Money Counters: Barb Skierkowski, Cliff Wozniak, Gail Bonfield

Michigan City Catholic Community Meeting

Please make plans to attend the Michigan City Catholic Community meeting on Thursday, November 15th at 6:00pm to be held at Queen of All Saints. We would like a good representation from our Parish attending this important meeting.

Thanksgiving Mass

We will have our Annual Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9:00am. We also will be collecting food items for the Sacred Heart Food Pantry.

Upcoming Events In Our Parish

Tuesday Nights 6:00pm—Bingo

Nov. 11th & 12th—Campaign Info Meetings

Nov. 15th—City-wide Meeting at Queens 6:00P December 3rd—Rosary Christmas Party 11:30am

Dec. 21st—Jan. 3—Christmas Break

Feb. 10th—Polish Platter

"On November 25, 2023, the vigil of the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, the Diocese of Gary will return to the liturgical posture wherein the faithful kneel after the Lamb of God (Agnus Dei). Since my arrival in 2020, many clergy and lay faithful have spoken to me about the desire for our diocese to return to the norm of kneeling so that we are in union with the other dioceses throughout the country. This decision comes after prayerful consideration and with the support of the Priest Council. For two decades our diocese has adopted the permissible posture of standing after the Agnus Dei and throughout Communion. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) specifically allows for this: "In the Dioceses of the United States of America...The faithful kneel after the Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) unless the Diocesan Bishop determines otherwise." (cf. GIRM, 43). Since all the other dioceses around us (and almost all in the United States) follow the US norm of kneeling after the Lamb of God, there are moments of disunity as people from other dioceses come to Mass in our churches and they are confused why everyone else doesn't kneel. The same confusion happens when our faithful go to Mass in other dioceses. In light of the Eucharistic Revival, this is a fitting time for us to rediscover how our bodily posture is symbolic of our interior disposition. Standing is an ancient posture of respect, attention and readiness. One stands at attention when the judge enters the court. In Exodus the Israelites are instructed to eat the Passover standing, like people ready to move. We always stand for the Gospel as a sign of reverence for the words of the Lord. Standing is also a posture that has a symbolic connection to the resurrection. For this reason, when praying the Litany of Saints during the Easter Season we stand, while during the rest of the year we kneel. Depending on the context, kneeling can be considered a penitential sign, but kneeling is also a reverential act toward our Lord: "at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth" (Philippians 2:10). We believe the liturgy we celebrate here on earth is a participation in the heavenly liturgy. The Book of Revelation describes worship in heaven. While standing is certainly recognized as a posture during worship (Rev. 7:15), when the Lamb of God is presented initially before the throne of heaven, everyone falls down in worship before Him (cf. Rev. 5:1-14). As we kneel, we acknowledge that Jesus is truly present in the Holy Eucharist, and we kneel down in worship before Him because Jesus is the King of kings and the Lord of lords. That is why it is particularly fitting that we institute this change on the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Finally, a word about silence in the liturgy: Silence is a most difficult activity for us today. Our daily life is full of sound, some good, but most just noise of one sort or another. Silence is golden because it allows us to be recollected, to wonder about God's loving presence in our lives. At Mass we also need time to reflect in silence about the Word proclaimed and the Sacrament received. Some silence after each scripture reading and after the homily and after all have received communion allows each person and the community to collectively reflect on the ever-abiding presence of God in our midst. Here are some of the practical implications: After the Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) is sung/spoken, the faithful will kneel, as they are able, until it is time to rise and join in the Communion Procession. Upon returning to their place after receiving Holy Communion, the faithful are free to kneel, sit, or stand. When all have received Communion, the faithful are encouraged to kneel or sit for a period of sacred silence and prayer. The liturgy is a great gift in which we are guaranteed an encounter with Christ. Pope Francis reminds us of the richness of our encounter with the Lord in the Eucharist and all the sacraments: For us a vague memory of the Last Supper would do no good. We need to be present at that Supper, to be able to hear his voice, to eat his Body and to drink his Blood. We need Him. In the Eucharist and in all the sacraments we are guaranteed the possibility of encountering the Lord Jesus and of having the power of his Paschal Mystery reach us. The salvific power of the sacrifice of Jesus, his every word, his every gesture, glance, and feeling reaches us through the celebration of the sacraments. (Pope Francis, Desiderio Desideravi, 10-13). My prayer is that this change in posture will enhance our unity and give us a deeper appreciation for the gift of our Lord in the Holy Eucharist." Your servant, Most Reverend Robert J. McClory, Bishop, Diocese of Gary



Our Stewardship

October 29th

Total	\$5,659.24
School Support	<u>210.00</u>
CSA	50.00
All Saints	110.00
Renovation	590.00
Regular Collection	\$4,699.24

Sweater Drive

We are pleased to announce that our last Drive provided 50 sweaters to students in need. We are once again, humbly asking for donations for this years Drive. Our uniform sweaters cost \$40.00 and are unaffordable for some families. If you are able to donate any amount to this cause, we are extremely grateful. Thank you!



The Catholic Service Appeal CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL has officially begun. Our goal this year is \$43,886.00.

We aren't even half way yet. To date we only have \$21,892.53 collected. Please support the CSA. Send in your donation and/or pledges as soon as possible. Your Parish is counting on you!

Thank You

Thank you to all who participated in the Annual Taste of Poland. We are extremely grateful for your continued support. More on the Taste to follow.

October Scrip Winner

Congratulations to Sacred Heart Food Pantry who is our October Scrip winner. Sacred Heart won a \$25.00 gift card of their choice. Thank you to the Parishioner who purchased Scrip in the Pantry's name, making them eligible for the October drawing.