

# SAINT STANISLAUS KOSTKA CATHOLIC CHURCH



Beloved, we are God's children now;  
what we shall be has not yet been revealed.

— 1 John 3:2a



Liturgy Intentions  
For The Week



## Mass Schedule

**Tuesday, December 30th**

**Sixth Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**

8:00 a.m. †George Pawloski  
*Int. Sister*

**Wednesday, December 31st**

**Seventh Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**

4:00 p.m. ††Gordon & Gloria Slisher  
*Int. Keith, Brian & Doug*

**Thursday, January 1st**

**Solemnity of Mary**

7:00 a.m. †Tommy Lippens  
*Int. Family*

10:00 a.m. For the Parish

**Friday, January 2nd**

**Saints Basil the Great & Gregory**

8:00 a.m. NO MASS

**Saturday, January 3rd**

**Christmas Weekday**

4:00 p.m. †Louise Lewinski  
*Int. Lynn & Diane Haverstock*

**Sunday, January 4th**

**Epiphany of the Lord**

7:00 a.m. †Harriet Ciesla  
*Int. Father Walter*

10:00 a.m. †Ralph Mark  
*Int. Heironimus Family in Oregon*

## Welcome New Members

Alice Beckman  
Natalie Kazimera  
Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell Aeling  
Kevin Walsh  
Cassandra Sever  
Tracey Jeronczyk & Family  
Raymond Niemcewicz  
Welcome to our Saint Stanislaus Family!

## Schedules

### New Years

#### December 31st & January 1st

##### Celebrant— (Subject to change)

4:00 pm Fr. Rakoczy  
7:00am Fr. Ciesla  
10:00am Fr. Ciesla

##### Eucharistic Ministers

4:00 pm L. Pawloski, N. Herbert  
7:00am M. Amm, M. Przybylinski  
10:00am D. Wozniak, D. Rice

##### Lectors

4:00pm Abby Knoll  
7:00am Janice Plamowski  
10:00am Johnny Gardner

##### Ushers

4:00pm M. Duszynski, R. Labis,  
S. Sebert, D. Pishkur  
7:00am J. Gallas, T. Pawlik,  
F. Adrian, J. Lippens  
10:00am S. Poplawski, D. Przybylinski,  
B. Gabrunas, W. Johns

#### January 3rd & 4th

##### Celebrant— (Subject to change)

4:00 pm Fr. Ciesla  
7:00am Fr. Ciesla  
10:00am Fr. Rakoczy

##### Eucharistic Ministers

4:00 pm L. Pawloski, M. Senderak  
7:00am M. Amm, K. Wojasinski  
10:00am M. Eisele, M. Przybylinski

##### Lectors

4:00pm Nick Gonzalez  
7:00am Janice Plamowski  
10:00am Jane Eisele

##### Ushers

4:00pm W. Yackus, R. Labis,  
D. Pishkur, L. Haverstock  
7:00am J. Lippens, J. Gallas,  
F. Adrian, S. Sebert  
10:00am S. Poplawski, T. Poplawski,  
J. Gardner JR, J. Gardner

**December Money Counters:** Ruth Mokrycki,  
Bill Pier, Jackie Kravetz, Janice Plamowski

## Upcoming Events In Our Parish

Tuesday Nights 6:00pm—Bingo; doors open at 4:00pm  
 Resale Shop—Open Fridays & Saturdays 9:30am-3:30pm  
 Bible Study—Every Thursday with Father Rakoczy  
 5:00pm Instructional Room, School Building  
 Polish Class—Every Second Wednesday of the Month  
 January 5th—School Resumes

## The Story of our Nativity Scene

In 1954, as a Marian Year Project, the Saint Stanislaus Choral Group purchased and presented to the Parish, a new Christmas Crib and Nativity Scene.

To raise funds for this project, the choir members hosted a Traditional Polish Wedding on October 14, 1954. They also sponsored many Bingo's.

Monsignor Doktor was Pastor, Henry Strugalski was Choir Director and Sister Mary Leoncy was the Sacristan. Sister Leoncy found a company to purchase the Nativity from and handled all the correspondence. That company was, International Statuary and Altar Company from Milwaukee, WI.

The design was selected by photographs provided and was constructed of wood and bark. The Scene was made by hand and covered with a bonding agent of whiting and glue sizing. Depending on the size, the pieces are constructed in seven to ten pieces. This makes it easier to transport and store.

The stable ordered was 10 feet 7 inches in length by 5 feet in depth. The landscape scene was hand-painted on canvas with a transparent star showing through the canvas.

The above was ordered in November 1954 at a cost of \$990.00 and the Parish had it in time for that Christmas. However, because of time restraints the company supplied the figurines made out of composition material. After Christmas they replaced these with the hand carved wood pieces we have today. The landscape was also replaced with the one we have now.

How blessed are we to have this marvelous piece of art to enjoy every Christmas here at Saint Stanislaus Kostka!



## Our Stewardship

### December 13th & December 14th

Regular Collection .....	\$4,014.55
Renovation .....	938.15
Immaculate Conc.....	469.00
Flowers.....	748.00
School Support.....	102.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$6,271.70</b>

Thank You!



## Thank you

Thank you to all who made our Christmas Food Sale a success! Thank you as always to the Holy Stuffers for making the Sausage. Also to the Rosary Sodality ladies for making the Pierogi. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



## Newly Baptized

*Liam Alexander Kniola,*  
 Son of Jacob Kniola  
*Lorelei Evangeline Sawyer,*  
 Daughter of Caitlin Kilgore  
*James Leonard Zink,*  
 Son of Joel & Tanya Zink  
*Amelia Lucille Osorio,*  
 Daughter of Andres & Holly Osorio  
*Elijah James Dimitroff,*  
 Son of David & Laura Dimitroff  
 May God bless these little angels!



## Welcome to St. Stanislaus Catholic Church

Are you looking for a Parish to join? We welcome you to ours!! Become a member of the St. Stanislaus family. Do you need to update your information? Simply fill out the form below and place in the collection basket, or call the Parish Office at 219-879-9281.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

☐ New Parishioner ☐ Address Change ☐ New Phone Number ☐ Moving, please remove from membership list



## Embracing our Future

### Brick by Brick

A capital campaign for  
St. Stanislaus Kostka Church

TRIVIA QUESTION: How many interior steps  
are there from the basement to the Towers?

Please email your answer to:

ststansbricks@gmail.com

before January 6th.

The closest answer without going over will win  
a \$25 gift card donated by SCRIP!

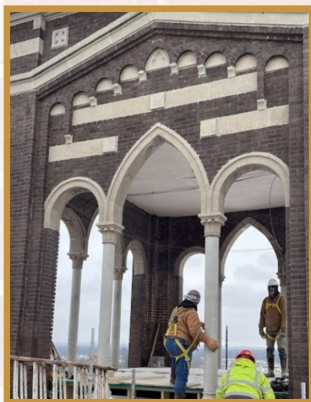
## Highlights of WHAT WE'VE ACCOMPLISHED AS A PARISH THIS YEAR regarding our capital campaign

### SCAFFOLDING WENT UP!



### WE BOUGHT BRICKS!

### WE RANG BELLS!



### WE HAVE NEW COLUMNS!



### WE HAVE FRESHLY TUCKPOINTED TOWERS IN THE ORIGINAL COLOR!

**WE'VE COME A LONG WAY ON PHASE 1 IN LESS THAN A YEAR -  
THANKS TO YOU, OUR GENEROUS PARISHIONERS AND DONORS!**

We ask Our Lord to continue to bless our Saint Stanislaus Kostka Family  
and Friends, to give us the strength to carry out our promise to not only  
renew and restore His home, but also increase our faithfulness and devotion  
to Him who provides for our every need.

To donate to our Capital Campaign, go to:  
[ststanschurch.com](http://ststanschurch.com)



# SCHOOL NEWS

## School Christmas Concert

Our School children blessed us all with their beautiful voices for the Annual Christmas Concert. Special our pianist and Music Teacher, Theresa Riehm and the teachers for organizing the program. It was a magical evening filled with love and praise for Baby Jesus!



## School Calendar

January 6th—School Resumes

January 19th—Martin Luther King Jr. Day—No School

Jan. 26– 30—Catholic Schools Week



## School Enrolling

Don't miss your chance to enroll your student for the second half of the School Year. Call or stop by the Office by January 9th for your opportunity to access Choice Funding if you are qualified. Limited number of seats available. Let St. Stanislaus School lay the foundation for your child's education!



## Box Tops

Join us in earning cash for our School by using the Box Tops App. It's an easy way to make a difference. Just download the Box Top App and use referral code: **RO394XD4**

Each time you buy a qualifying product, go to your app and scan in the receipt. Each Box Top is worth \$0.10 each and they add up quickly!

## Thank You

This year, we asked for donations to help build a new playground for our students. The first phase of the project was funded through the generous support of Big Shoulders. As with many things today, playground equipment is very expensive, and we are incredibly grateful to everyone who responded to our request.

Thanks to your contributions, we now have enough funding to make small improvements to the playground area this spring. We will continue to accept donations for those who wish to support the project further.



## A Word From Our Principal

As we approach the joyful seasons of Christmas and the New Year, I want to extend my heartfelt greetings to each of you for the faith, support, and partnership that sustain our school throughout the year. In this sacred time, we are reminded of the simple yet profound gifts Christ brings in our world—hope, peace, joy, and love.

Our school is deeply enriched by the presence and prayers of this parish community. Your commitment to nurturing the spiritual and educational growth of our students helps them flourish not only in knowledge, but in character and faith. For this, I am truly thankful.

May the light of Christ fill your homes with warmth and your hearts with peace. I pray that this Christmas brings rest, renewal, and moments of grace for you and your families.

Wishing you a joyous Christmas and a blessed New Year.

With gratitude and prayer,  
Mrs. Denise Delaney, Principal



## Christmas Break

Both the School and Church Offices will be closed for the holidays beginning Monday, December 23rd. We will reopen on Monday, January 5th. In case of an emergency, please call the rectory at 219-879-9281, ext. 3.