

# ST. STANISLAUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

February 2, 2025

## The Presentation of the Lord

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**BAPTISM:** Contact Monsignor Cox regarding preparation sessions and scheduling

**PENANCE:** Saturday 4:30-5:00 p.m. or by appointment

**MARRIAGE:** Contact Monsignor at least six months in advance for preparation and scheduling

### MASS INTENTIONS: February 3 through February 9

<b>Monday:</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	† Pauline Braun
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	† Victor, Virginia, John, Judy & James Cassmeyer
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	† Deceased Members of the Falter & Sommers Families
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	† Lori Burnell
<b>Friday:</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	† Clara Anne Eaton
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	† Jerry & Carletta Wilbers
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>7:30 a.m.</b>	† Deceased Members of the John & Thecla Buschjost Family
	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	† People of the Parish

### Perpetual Adoration Open Holy Hours

Thursday morning 12:00 midnight-1:00 am

Thursday morning 2:00–3:00 am

Saturday morning 1 am - 2 am (every other)

Saturday mornings 2:00–3:00 am

Sunday morning 2 am - 3 am (1st & 3rd)

Please call Donna at (573) 680-1470 if you are interested in joining our Perpetual Adoration Chapel program.

### St. Stanislaus Welcome

Please welcome Emmett Samuel Sterling, son of Samuel and Leslie (Frank) Sterling, who was baptized into the faith on January 26, 2025.

### Rosary Leaders Needed

We currently have 1 person listed that we can schedule to lead the rosary before the 10:30 mass. If anyone would be interested in being added to the list of rosary leaders, or any other liturgical roles, please contact the Parish Center at 573-636-4925. Any help would be appreciated.

### Jubilee 2025 Pilgrims of Hope

This year of jubilee is a year of grace and opportunity. Please consider joining the Pilgrimage to Rome on May 28 through June 5. This is a time to visit the holy places in Rome, attend the Wednesday Papal audience, and visit the holy village of St. Francis of Assisi. There are also holy sites to visit in our own Diocese. Please make this year a time of growing in your Catholic Faith. The next Jubilee year is 2050.

### First Saturday Devotion

Saturday, February 1 with Confessions at 7:00 am, the Rosary will begin at 7:40 am and Mass will begin at 8:00 am. Meditation will follow Mass. All are welcome to join us.

### Ladies Sodality Meeting

The Ladies Sodality will be praying together at the 7:30 am Mass on **Sunday, February 2**. Meeting in the Parish Center following Mass. **This meeting will not be rescheduled.** All ladies of the parish are welcome.

### Faith-Food-Fellowship

Our next gathering for Faith-Food-Fellowship will be on February 4 after 5:30 mass in the Parish Center so mark your calendars and join us.

### Wardsville/Osage Bend Knights of Columbus

The next meeting will be on Monday, February 10– KC Hall— Doors open at 6 pm, meal served at 7 pm with a meeting at 7:30 pm.

### Women Ministry

Our Women Ministry will meet on the 2nd and 3rd Wednesday of each month. Please join us on Wednesday, February 12 from 8:30–10:30 am in the Parish Center. Everyone is welcome! Please contact Mary Kay Hoelscher at 573-230-6227 for information.

### A Valentine's Day Party!



The St. Stanislaus/St. Margaret Pro-Life Group

Invites all those 50 and over to join us **Friday, February 14, 9-11 a.m.**

St Stanislaus/St. Margaret Community Center  
Please join us for the all-school Mass at 8:00 a.m. at St. Stanislaus Church

For a FUN morning of bingo, snacks and prizes  
No need to RSVP. We hope to see you there. Event will be cancelled if inclement weather occurs.

Please let us know if you need transportation.

Suzette Mertens 573-291-9713

sdmertens96@gmail.com

### Bishop McKnight's February prayer intention for our Local Church

For mutual respect of the unique roles and responsibilities we are given as members of the Body of Christ. May we recognize and draw strength from the distinctive gifts God has given each of us with a spirit of co-responsibility. We pray to the Lord.

## St. Stanislaus

Happy Catholic Schools Week! This year's theme, *Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community*, reminds us that we all play a vital role in fostering faith and service to God and others. We cannot do this alone. Our dedicated staff, supportive parents, students, and parish and community members all help shape our students' faith journey. Together we provide them with both a strong education and solid faith foundation to help them grow as disciples in Christ. Thank you for choosing Catholic education and for being a part of the St. Stanislaus community!

Many blessings,  
Mrs. Forbis

## St. Stanislaus School Position

St. Stanislaus School is hiring a 4th grade teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. If interested, please contact Tina Forbis at [tinaf@ststan.net](mailto:tinaf@ststan.net) or 573-636-7802.

## Scholarship Opportunities



Applications for the William H. Simon Scholarship and the John L. Warack Scholarship opened on January 6, 2025 and will be accepted until midnight March 26, 2025. These scholarships are available to all parish high school seniors or current college students with a financial need who commit

to practicing their faith. The John L. Warack Scholarship is specifically for a student attending the University of Missouri-Columbia. Scholarship eligibility and applications are available at [diojeffcity.org/scholarships](http://diojeffcity.org/scholarships). If you have any questions, contact Tracy Oswald at 573-635-9127 ext. 251.

## Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) Surveys

The Catholic Missourian posted an article regarding surveys that were at all masses last weekend. The surveys began a nine-month consultation happening in our diocese on the importance of music in our liturgies. If you would still like to complete the survey, please go to the Diocese website at [diojeffcity.org/sacred-music](http://diojeffcity.org/sacred-music). The surveys must be completed by February 3. Thank you for your participation.

## Volunteers Needed at Catholic Charities

Volunteers needed to cover the Welcome Desk and Phones. For more information, please call 573-635-7719 or you can go their website at [www.cccnmo.org](http://www.cccnmo.org).

## Job Opportunity—Parish Bookkeeper

St Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Taos, Missouri seeks to hire a part-time bookkeeper. This position involves Payroll & HR Duties, General Ledger Duties (Accts Rec & Accts Payables), School HL Program, Capital Campaign Duties, and Parish Collection Duties. Position will be required to work 20-25 hours per week. It is possible that duties could be shared. For a job description and an application or for further information, contact Fr. Kelechi Uzuegbu, St Francis Xavier Catholic Church, 7319 Route M, Jefferson City, MO 65101, 573-395-4401, [kuzuegbu@sfxtaos.com](mailto:kuzuegbu@sfxtaos.com).

## St. Stanislaus—St. Margarets Community Center

**Attention: All Parishioners and Knights of Columbus members.** The new KC Building has the flag up and the first paver bricks are in place. Stop by the KC building anytime to take a look. Information was mailed to everyone regarding donations for bricks or for the memorial wall on inside. If you have questions, please contact Jude Markway at 573-690-8792 ([Judemarkway@gmail.com](mailto:Judemarkway@gmail.com)) or Don Keaver 573-690-2866 ([Don.Keaver@gmail.com](mailto:Don.Keaver@gmail.com))

## Cursillo

Have you already made a Cursillo Weekend? We would love to hear from you, please contact our parish representative, Gary Wilbers, at 573-619-8700 or email [gwilbers@goascend.biz](mailto:gwilbers@goascend.biz). We would love to be connected again.

## **Have you made a Cursillo Weekend? 4th Day Social for you!**

Please join us Tuesday February 18th after the 5:30 pm Mass. Our social/dinner will start at 6pm in the Parish Center. Dinner and beverages will be provided. Whether you are grouping or not, moved from another parish or diocese, we invite you to join us for fellowship. A Diocesan Cursillo Secretariat member will be joining us. Contact our parish Gary Wilbers at 573-619-8700 or email: [gwilbers@goascend.biz](mailto:gwilbers@goascend.biz) or Becky Sander at 573-808-3758 or [jeffcity.diocese.cursillo@gmail.com](mailto:jeffcity.diocese.cursillo@gmail.com) for more information. We look forward to seeing you there!



## **2025-26 School Year Admissions Timeline**



**Applications Open**  
January 7, 2025

Families submit new student applications online through FACTS. Helias Catholic will review records from current school through first semester of eighth grade.



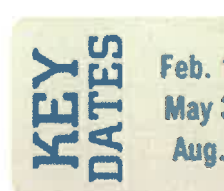
**Enrollment Deadline**  
February 3, 2025

After application is accepted, complete enrollment packet in FACTS. Enrollment includes supplementary documentation (i.e., vaccination records, custodial agreements), tuition payment plan selection, and payment of \$200 first-time enrollment fee. Students enrolled after February 3 will be assessed a \$50 late fee.



**Course Registration Deadline**  
February 21, 2025

Application/enrollment must be completed to register for courses. Submit completed course selection form to the Counseling Department. Eighth-grade students at diocesan partner schools will receive course selection information starting in January.



**Feb. 10** Math Placement Exam  
**May 31** Tuition Assistance Application Deadline  
**Aug. 9** FROSH Camp

**CHURCH CLEANING:** Teresa Wortmann, Danny Wortmann, Blake Wilbers and Kylie Wilbers  
(Please clean church before the week-end of February 8 and 9)

**Liturgical Role Schedule for February 8 and 9– Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

	<b>Saturday, 5:30 PM</b>	<b>Sunday, 7:30 AM</b>	<b>Sunday, 10:30 AM</b>
<b>Altar Server</b>	Aspen Boeckmann Aubree Buschjost	Jace Hagner Hannah Kramer	Kinsley Berendzen Madison Berendzen
<b>Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion</b>	Cheryl Boessen	David Hopkins	Melodi Graessle
<b>Reader</b>	Travis Bruemmer	Sue Rackers	Julie Hoelscher
<b>Rosary Leader</b>	Ron Adam	Debbie VanLoo	Alice Kampeter
<b>Usher</b>	Jim Korsmeyer Donnie Lane Sam Lock Paul Luebbert	Tim Backes Henry Bauer Charles Bax Leroy Bisges	Jake Faulkner Brian Fischer Dana Frese Luke Graessle
<b>Greeter</b>	Marilyn Temmen	Peggy Luebbert	Leslie, Kemper-Cole & Heidi Wilbers
<b>Offertory</b>	Doug & Julie Middleton	Jim & Pat Grothoff	Doug Kliethermes & Family
<b>Music Ministry</b>	Donna Halbrook & Choir	James and Barbara Howard	Renee Jurgensmeyer Connie Andrews

**Upcoming Local Events**

**Bishop McAuliffe Council 12992 Breakfast—Cana Hall—February 2**—To Benefit Special Learning Center—Serving Western-style eggs , sausage and pancakes, Adults—\$10, Ages 6–11—\$5; \$30 Maximum for Immediate Family

**Argyle/Koeltztown Volunteer Fire Department's Annual Pancake and Sausage Breakfast— Argyle K of C Hall—February 2, 2025**—Serving from 7:30–11 am., Adults-\$12, Kids under 12 -\$6.

**2nd Annual Bodoc Jambalaya Blair Oaks Soccer Fundraiser—Falcon Athletic Complex—February 9, 2025**— serving from 11 am–1 pm, \$12 per plate

**St. Elizabeth Anglers' Fish Fry—St. Elizabeth Community Center—Friday, February 14**—Serving from 4-7 pm, Adults/Carry Outs-\$15, Ages 6-11-\$10, Under 6 is Free.

**St. Elizabeth Memorial American Legion Post 545—Pitch Tournament—St. Elizabeth Community Center, Saturday, February 15**— Registration begins at 6 pm with tournament starting at 7 pm. Contact Tim Oligschlaeger at 573-680-1421 for more information.

**St. Anthony K of C Ham and Sausage Breakfast, St. Anthony Parish Hall—Sunday February 16**—Serving Ham and Sausage from 7:30–11:30 am, Adults-\$12, Ages 6-12-\$6, Ages 5 and under is free.

**Comets Kikin' it with Kapital Kicks—Westphalia Lions Hall—February 22**— Chicken and Ham Dinner with Silent Auction and performances by the Jazz band—Adults \$30, Students—\$15, 5 and under Free— Tickets need to be purchased by February 10th—To Benefit Fatima Music Boosters



**Save the Date— Ladies Sodality Blood Drive**

When: Sunday, March 16, 2025

Where: St. Stanislaus Gym

Time: 8:00 am–12:30 pm

Mark your calendar for the Blood Drive. Our goal this year is 50 units. As in the past we will partner with the Blair Oaks Blood Drive to help obtain an American Red Cross Scholarship for a graduating student.

**End of Year Giving Statements**

To request an end of year giving statement, please send an email to ststansec@socket.net or call the Parish Center at 636-4925. When making your request, please include your name, street address and phone number. Thank you for your generous support of our Parish in 2024.

**St. Stanislaus Facebook Page**

Check out our St. Stanislaus Church Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/StStanislau.osWardsville/>

**Collection Numbers for January 26, 2025**

**Parish Collection:**

Sunday Offering	\$ 6,991.00
Loose Cash & Checks	\$ 2,597.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 425.00

St. Stanislaus parishioners are very generous—both of their talents and financially. You are appreciated! Please remember to write a separate check for anything outside of Sunday giving i.e. Samaritan Center, Memorial Masses, candles, etc. Thank you as this makes the processing of your financial gifts easier.



**Wardsville Lions Club**  
**Youth Softball and Baseball Registration**

The Wardsville Lions Club will be having registration at the Wardsville Lions Club for Youth Softball and Baseball signups, ages 5 to 15 years old on the following dates and times:

- Saturday February 22, 2025 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
- Tuesday, February 25, 2025 from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm
- Sunday, March 2, 2025 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

**DEADLINE FOR SIGN UPS IS MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup>.**

To play T-ball a child must be 7 years old before July 1<sup>st</sup>. Registration fees are \$60 for the first child, \$25 for the second child, and \$15 for the third child with a cap of \$100 per family. Fees are due at the time of sign-up. There will also be registration for 5–6-year-olds wanting to play in the Fun League. The fee will be \$30 per child. If you have any questions or concerns, contact Brian Schrimpf at 619-6170 or [bpsgopackers@gmail.com](mailto:bpsgopackers@gmail.com), or Tim Wilbers at 690-1488.

**Don't Be a Victim of a Scam**

The St. Stanislaus Parish Community, including the Pastor, Principal, Director of Religious Education, Teachers, School Staff and Parish Committees, will NEVER send an email or text message asking for a monetary donation or gift card to be paid for electronically. Please do not open any of these messages, delete immediately and don't be a victim of this scam.

**Prayer Hotline:** Contact Kay Stockman at 573-536-8777 or Karen Schenewerk at 573-635-3943 for prayer line requests or to be added to the prayer line.

**Benedictine Sisters to host**  
**Monastic Experience**

Come, let us Adore - The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration invite single women, ages 18 - 40 who are considering religious life, to a Monastic Experience March 8-13, 2025, at their monastery in Clyde, Missouri. It's a chance to experience the daily rhythm of monastic life where participants can join the Sisters in praying the divine office, attending daily Mass, spending time in personal prayer and opening their hearts to God's call by learning about discernment and prayer. There is no cost to attend, and more details are available at [www.benedictinesisters.org](http://www.benedictinesisters.org) - Vocations - Walk With Us. To register, please contact Sr. Maria Victoria at (660) 944-2221 ext. 127 or [vocation@benedictinesisters.org](mailto:vocation@benedictinesisters.org)

**Breaking the Silence of Abuse**

As a diocese, we are committed to breaking the silence of abuse. When someone is reporting abuse, we must acknowledge their pain and how difficult it is to talk about it. False allegations are very rare. Our initial response to someone who is disclosing abuse for the first time must be compassionate. For those who need to report abuse, encourage them to contact our Victims Assistance Coordinator, Jacqueline Baldwin (573-694-3199) and to make sue of the appropriate State of Missouri hotline (1-800-392-3738) or the Attorney General's clergy abuse online form. All of this information is also on our website, under the 'report abuse' tab. For those who want information or want to convey a message to Bishop McKnight, please encourage them to write to us at [reportabuse@diojeffcity.org](mailto:reportabuse@diojeffcity.org).

**BE HIS VOICE**

**CALLED BY NAME SUNDAY  
IS NEXT WEEKEND**

*Please prayerfully consider who  
you think God might be calling to  
priesthood or religious life*

**CALLED BY NAME**



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Jefferson City**





# St. Stanislaus Church

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Dear Parishioners,

Greetings in Christ!

As we begin a new year in our parish's journey, I am thrilled to share an important initiative that reflects our commitment to serving God and one another. To ensure the continued growth and strength of our parish, we formed a Planning Committee dedicated to creating a comprehensive three-year plan. The guiding purpose of this effort is to "Vitalize Our Parish," fostering a thriving, connected, and faith-filled community.

## Why a Three-Year Plan?

The Planning Committee was formed with the understanding that to "Vitalize our Parish," we need a clear vision and actionable goals that align with God's call for us. This three-year plan will allow us to:

- Deepen our spiritual lives and strengthen our communal bonds.
- Proactively address the evolving needs of our parish family.
- Lay the groundwork for sustainable growth in our ministries and programs.

## Our First-Year Objectives

To ensure a strong start, we have outlined the following objectives based off the 4 Pillars of Stewardship for the first year:

1. Enhance Worship and Spiritual Growth: Expand opportunities for prayer, faith formation, and participation in sacraments to deepen our spiritual foundation.
2. Build Community Connections: Host events, create new outreach opportunities, and encourage fellowship to strengthen bonds among parishioners.
3. Improve Communication: Establish consistent updates to keep everyone informed and engaged in parish life.
4. Grow our Charity and Mercy: Position our parish as a hub by participating in Community Outreach programs to help those most vulnerable.

This plan is not just about what we do—it's about who we are as a parish. Through prayer, action, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we can build a future where our parish thrives in faith and unity.

We invite each of you to join us in this important journey. Together, we can achieve the goals that will truly "Vitalize our Parish." Your prayers, participation, and support are the foundation of our success. If you would like to volunteer to help in any way of the Parish Vitalization plan please send an email to: [vitalizeourparish@ststan.net](mailto:vitalizeourparish@ststan.net) or contact the parish office.

Thank you for your unwavering faith and commitment. May God bless you and our parish abundantly in the years to come.

With gratitude and blessings,

Monsignor David Cox





**St. Stanislaus Parish Vitalization Plan  
JANUARY 1, 2025**

**PARISH VITALIZATION VISION STATEMENT**

Our parish vitalization plan vision is to form courageous disciples to build up the Kingdom of God. Through fellowship and engagement, our parish community will welcome, pray, educate and serve all people as a center of charity and mercy to grow and unite our parish family.

**OVERALL PARISH GOAL: Increase Engagement in weekend masses from 202 to 250 per mass by December 31, 2027.**

**PILLAR OF HOSPITALITY**

**GOAL 1: ACTIVELY ENGAGE AND WELCOME NEW PARISH FAMILIES BY ESTABLISHING CLEAR COMMUNICATION AND A WELCOMING PROCESS.**

**Objective 1.1:** Reach out to 100% of new parish families within one week of their registration and invite them to fellowship events and St. Stanislaus feast day celebration.

**GOAL 2: DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNICATION PLAN THAT EFFECTIVELY REACHES ALL DEMOGRAPHICS WITHIN THE PARISH COMMUNITY.**

**Objective 2.1:** Update the current database and identify the preferred communication method of the parishioners by September 1, 2025.

**Objective 2.2:** Research and secure database options that will enhance communication through a mix of channels (e.g., email, social media, website, bulletin, text messages).

**PILLAR OF PRAYER**

**GOAL 3: LAUNCH A PROACTIVE INITIATIVE FOCUSED ON INCREASING VOCATIONS BY FOSTERING AWARENESS, CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCERNMENT, AND ENGAGING PARISHIONERS IN SUPPORTING VOCATIONS.**

**Objective 3.1:** Collaborate with parish leaders, vocation directors, and diocesan offices to develop resources and organize events, ensuring alignment with diocesan goals.



**St. Stanislaus Parish Vitalization Plan  
JANUARY 1, 2025**

**PILLAR OF FORMATION**

**GOAL 4: ENHANCE THE SPIRITUALITY OF PARISH MEMBERS BY OFFERING A VARIETY OF PROGRAMS, RESOURCES, AND ACTIVITIES THAT ENCOURAGE DEEPER FAITH FORMATION AND SPIRITUAL GROWTH.**

**Objective 4.1:** Host a minimum of one Welcome weekend for women and men by December 31, 2025.

**GOAL 5: INCREASE FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES**

**Objective 5.1:** Host an introductory meeting to ensure small faith sharing groups are available at a variety of times to accommodate parishioner needs.

**Objective 5.2:** Communicate faith formation opportunities through a variety of channels to include creating an online parish calendar of events that includes See City opportunities.

**GOAL 6: ESTABLISH YOUTH ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM TAILORED FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS FROM PREK TO 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE.**

**Objective 6.1:** Provide a minimum of 4 youth initiatives to include sharing opportunities for youth through See City Deanery and diocesan opportunities.

**PILLAR OF SERVICE**

**GOAL 7: POSITION OUR PARISH AS A HUB FOR CHARITY AND MERCY BY PARTICIPATING IN COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMS.**

**Objective 7.1:** Form a social concerns committee to coordinate the efforts of community outreach programs throughout the parish.

**Objective 7.2:** Promote current and potential charity and mercy activities.