



## ST. STANISLAUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

December 7, 2025

### Second Sunday of Advent

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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: December 8 through December 14

Monday:	8:00 a.m.	† Lucy Kolb
	5:30 pm	† Catherine Siebeneck
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Living & Deceased members of the Boessen & Obershulte Families
Wednesday:	8:00 a.m.	† Betty Castrop
Thursday:	8:00 a.m.	† Bernie Forck, Julie Scheppers, Deceased members of the Scheppers and Forck Families
Friday:	8:00 a.m.	† Betty Kroll, Kara Carr, Dennis & Denny Holtmeyer
Saturday:	5:30 p.m.	† People of the Parish
Sunday:	7:30 a.m.	† Shirley Stockman
	10:30 a.m.	† Robert Werdehausen

#### Perpetual Adoration Open Holy Hours

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

Sunday Morning 3 am - 4 am (1st, 3rd, 5th)

Please call Donna at (573) 680-1470 if you are

interested in joining our Perpetual Adoration Chapel program.

#### Mass for the Immaculate Conception of Mary

##### Monday—December 8th

8:00 am—All School mass at St. Stanislaus

5:30 pm—Mass at St. Stanislaus

7:00 pm—Mass at St. Margaret's

#### Advent Penance Services

December 9— Cathedral of St. Joseph 4-6:00 pm

December 10— St. Andrew 6:30 pm

December 10 — St. Stanislaus 6:00 pm

December 16— Russellville 7:00 pm

December 18— St. Cecilia 6:30 pm

**Confession Opportunity-** During Advent, we will have confession available on Tuesday evening before 5:30pm mass. Confession will be 5:00 until 5:30, Tuesdays December 9, 16 and 23.

#### Mass Times for Christmas

##### **Christmas Eve**

5:30 pm—St. Stanislaus

7:00 pm - St. Margaret's

12:00 Midnight—St. Stanislaus

##### **Christmas Day**

7:30 am—St. Stanislaus

9:00 am—St. Margaret's

**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.

#### Ladies Sodality Meeting—Today

The Ladies Sodality will be praying together at the 7:30am Mass. Meeting in the Parish Center following Mass. All ladies of the parish are welcome.

#### Wardsville/Osage Bend Knights of Columbus

The next meeting will be on Monday, December 8— KC Hall— Doors open at 6 pm, meal served at 7 pm with a meeting at 7:30 pm.

#### Over 50 Club Meeting

The next meeting of the Over 50 Club will be held on Friday, **December 12** in the Parish Center. We will begin praying the Rosary at 11 am., followed by a pizza lunch, Bingo and a 50/50 drawing will follow. Please plan to attend.

#### Legion of Mary Rosary

Saturday, December 13, The Legion of Mary will be praying the rosary in front of church at 8:30 am. All are welcome.

#### Ladies Sodality Christmas for Care Facilities

Christmas is around the Corner. The Ladies Sodality is wanting to bring a little joy to those of our parish that are in Care Facilities, and you can help.

We are looking for the following:

Lotions	Colors
Puzzles	Color Pencils
Word Search (Large Print)	Washable markers
Coloring Books (Regular & Adult)	Warm Fuzzy Socks

Please turn in by December 12th to the container in the back of church marked "Lady Sodality Christmas". Thank you for making a difference—We have to help each other.

#### Wardsville Christmas Parade

##### December 13th—11:00 am

The parade will start at Blair Oaks High School and travel around the Blair Oaks campus, then travel up Route M, turning onto State Highway W, and end at the back of St. Stanislaus Church. Afterwards everyone is invited for refreshments and pictures with Santa at the Knights of Columbus Community Center. You can register to enter the parade on the Knights of Columbus website at [www.kofc8399.org](http://www.kofc8399.org) or the Village of Wardsville website at [www.wardsville.org](http://www.wardsville.org). If you have any questions, you can contact Darrell Mantle or Brad Schrimpf.

#### St. Stanislaus Facebook Page

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

### St. Stanislaus School News

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving break and was able to spend some time with family. The first week of December has flown by, and there are only a few weeks left of 2025.

**NATIVITY AT THE CAPITOL:** Did you hear what I heard? It was the voices of angelic 5th, 6th, and 7th graders from St. Stanislaus School that filled the Rotunda on Tuesday. Thank you to the kids for an amazing performance, to Ms. Stumpe for her guidance, and to Mrs. Andrews for sharing her talent.

**STAFF TREAT:** Thank you to Corey and Danielle Vocks for the bagels and cream cheese from Panera. It was delicious and much appreciated!

**MORNING DROP OFF:** Please remind your child(ren) to walk the yellow line after exiting the vehicle, rather than walking between the cars. This allows our staff to clearly see each student before moving the line forward. Thank you for helping us keep all students safe during morning arrival.

**ALL SCHOOL MASS:** We will have an all school Mass on Monday, December 8th at 8:00 am to celebrate the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

God is good all the time! Have a great weekend and remember to spend some time with God at Mass.

Many blessings,  
Tina Forbis, Principal

### Children's Choir Mass

The Children's Choir mass is typically scheduled for the 10:30am mass on the second weekend of the month. We are excited to offer the opportunity for the children of the parish to serve in the Liturgical Roles during these masses. If your child is interested in being a reader, Rosary Leader, Usher, Greeter or bring up offertory, please contact the Parish Center to have them added to the list.

### Called to Serve? Come and See!

Have you been discerning a call to work with the youth of St. Stanislaus? We warmly invite you to **join us any Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm in the gymnasium** to experience the pure joy of walking alongside our PSR and Confirmation students. Come witness the energy, faith, and wonder of our young Church—and discover the spiritual enrichment that comes from giving back. **No commitment required—just come and see.** Your presence could be the spark that lights a young soul's path to Christ.

### 2026 Steubenville Mid-America Conference

**CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOLERS!** In our ever-changing world, Jesus is the answer to the longing of our hearts for meaning, fulfillment, security, and love. Join hundreds of Catholic teens at **Steubenville Mid-America** in Springfield, MO on **July 10-12 & July 17-19, 2026** to be transformed by the love of Christ.

Steubenville STL Mid-America is a high-energy youth conference where thousands of teens are invited to encounter Jesus Christ through dynamic speakers, engaging music, the Sacraments, small group discussions, and fellowship with other teens.

Registration fee is \$220 per person which includes meals and on-campus housing at Missouri State University.

All rising freshmen in high school through rising freshmen in college are invited to attend this retreat with our group. Learn more at <https://steubystl.com/#about>, and contact Missy Wilbers at [ststandre@ststan.net](mailto:ststandre@ststan.net) for more information.

### Youth Group Leader

Our St. Stanislaus D.R.E. is looking for an adult leader for the Youth Group. If you are interested in working with our 8th–12th graders, leading them in faith talks, prayer and even some games, please contact Missy at 636-4925 x4.

### Christmas Adoption

The Cole County Public Administrators office cares for local individuals who are mentally incapable of being their own guardian. These clients reside in nursing homes, residential care facilities and group homes and have no support and receive little or nothing for Christmas. The Public Administrators office has asked if St. Stanislaus parishioners could adopt 33 individuals this holiday season, asking for gift cards to purchase clothing items.

We've made this gift-giving so easy! Select an individual's envelope from the basket in the back of church. In the envelope, there is a script order form for Amazon, Walmart or Target cards to be purchased from school in the amount of your choice. Simply drop your order form and payment at the school, in the collection basket or at the parish center **no later than Dec. 14**. The order will be filled and returned to the Public Administrators office for distribution.

The Public Administrators office is grateful for any and all donations.

### Men's Welcome Spiritual Renewal Weekend

All men of **St. Stanislaus and St. Margaret's Parish** are invited to attend our Welcome Spiritual Renewal Weekend — a powerful opportunity to pause, reflect, and grow in your faith.

**Dates:** Saturday, January 31 & Sunday, February 1, 2026

**Location:** St. Stanislaus/St. Margaret Community Center

This two-day retreat is designed to help you reconnect with God, renew your spirit, and strengthen the bonds of brotherhood within our parishes. Led by men from our own community, the weekend will include prayer, reflection, fellowship, and inspiring personal stories of faith.

There is **no cost to attend**, and all meals are provided. Space is limited, so sign up early!

For more information or to register, contact:

**Gary Wilbers—573-619-8700**

**Email—[gwilbers@goascend.biz](mailto:gwilbers@goascend.biz)**

Come and experience what God has waiting for you — a weekend that could change your life!

### Catholic Stewardship Renewal

#### Please Return Your CSR Packet

Thank you to everyone who have already returned your Catholic Stewardship Renewal information! We are grateful to share that **29% of our parish families and 30% of our school families** have responded so far.

If your packet is still sitting on the "to-do" pile, this is a wonderful week to take that simple next step. Your participation—through your time, talent, and treasure—helps strengthen and revitalize our parish community.

As Acts 20:35 reminds us, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Your commitment truly makes a difference in helping our parish grow and flourish.

Thank you for being a blessing to our parish family!

### Parish Directory

We still have several copies of the Parish Directory in the Parish Center. Even if you did not place a family photo in the parish directory you can purchase a directory for \$20. Please pick up your copy of the directory from the Parish Center.

**CHURCH CLEANING:** Kelly VanLoo, Debbie VanLoo, Kristin Verslues and Jamie Webb  
(Please clean church before the weekend of December 13 & 14)

**Liturgical Role Schedule for December 13 and 14 – Third Sunday of Advent**

	Saturday, 5:30 PM	Sunday, 7:30 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM
<b>Altar Server</b>	Cashton Smith Elijah Twenter	Hayden Kohmeier Hudson Kohmeier	Caroline Weeks Lorelei Weeks
<b>Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion</b>	Tony Albus	Paula Wilbers	Sharon Gulick
<b>Reader</b>	Mary Markway	Shawn McCauley	Easton Barbour Kinsley Berendzen Amelia Mingucci Mason Kaiser
<b>Rosary Leader</b>	Lynn Albus	Betty Siebeneck	Donna Bernskoetter
<b>Usher</b>	Bill Kliethermes Jim Korsmeyer Donnie Lane Sam Lock	David Moeller Doug Moeller Jeff Rackers Jeff Richter	Travis Bruemmer Charleigh Bruemmer Keith Kaiser Mason Kaiser
<b>Greeter</b>	Eric & Tiffany Jaegers	Leroy & Annie Bisges	Alison Bruemmer Sophia Grothoff
<b>Offertory</b>	Leon & Holda Eichholz	Tom & Mary Buschjost	Eliza Boessen Vera Boessen
<b>Music Ministry</b>	Leann Kampeter & Choir	Diane Bisges & Group	St. Stanislaus Children's Choir

**Upcoming Local Events**

**Way of the Star—Cathedral of St. Joseph—Monday December 8, 2025**—7:00 pm—A one-night Advent mission experience of Scripture, music, art, and Eucharistic encounter—If questions, please contact the Diocese at 573-695-9127 or you can email athompson@diojeffcity.org

**Bishop McAuliffe Council 12992 Breakfast—Sunday, December 14, 2025**— 8:00 am to 12:00 pm in Cana Hall—Breakfast to benefit Special Olympics Mid-Mo,

**St. Thomas Hometown Holiday Mart—School Gym—Sunday, December 14, 2025, 10:00am—1:00 pm**—Over 25 Vendors, For more information please contact Amanda at 573-694-1735 or Debby at 573-619-3974. Proceeds to benefit St. Thomas the Apostle School. Free Entry

**Men of Signum Crucis**

**Men of St. Stanislaus and St. Margaret of Antioch Parishes:**

You are invited to join the Men of Signum Crucis at our next gathering, which begins at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 17, at Helias Catholic High School in Jefferson City.

Just in time for Advent, our topic this month will be "Creating Silence," presented by Gabe Jones, a Field Agent of the Knights of Columbus in St. Louis. Feel free to come early to pray the Rosary at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Refreshments in the Commons will follow Gabe's presentation.

The mission of the Men of Signum Crucis is to provide Fraternity through Catholic Study, Devotion, and Service.

For more information about the Men of Signum Crucis, contact Travis Bruemmer at 573-821-0896, or visit us at [www.menofsignumcrucis.com](http://www.menofsignumcrucis.com).

**Wardsville/Osage Bend Community Center**

If you are interested in renting the K of C hall for any event, please call 573-230-4055.

<b>Immaculate Conception Monday, December 8</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>
<b>Altar Server</b>	Zoey Webb Zach Webb
<b>Reader</b>	Barb Touchette
<b>Music Ministry</b>	Donna Halbrook & Choir

<b>Offertory Budget Year-to-Date</b>	<b>\$ 444,230.77</b>
<b>Offertory Collection Year-to-Date</b>	<b>\$ 433,430.16</b>
<b>Offertory Difference Year to Date</b>	<b>\$ (10,800.61)</b>
<b><u>Collection in Church</u></b>	
<b>Offertory budget for November</b>	<b>\$ 100,961.54</b>
November 2, 2025	\$ 9,835.00
November 9, 2025	\$ 7,342.10
November 16, 2025	\$ 12,583.00
November 23, 2025	\$ 28,971.00
November 30, 2025	\$ 9,411.11
<b>Electronic Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 37,513.00</b>
<b>Monthly Collection Total</b>	<b>\$ 105,655.21</b>
<b>Monthly Difference</b>	<b>\$ 4,693.67</b>
<b>Stewardship to Diocese—October 2025</b>	<b>\$ 18,133.00</b>

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.



### Knights of Columbus Essay Contest 2025-2026

The Missouri State Council of the Knights of Columbus is conducting the annual Essay Contest. It is open to Catholic students in grades 6-8. Those students in Catholic or public schools, or who are home schooled are encouraged to participate. **This Years Topic:** "Given the Fact that Pope Leo XIV was born and raised in the United States, how do you think that can inspire young men and women in our country to consider the priesthood and religious life?"

We ask that essays be submitted no later than January 1, 2026, so they may be judged and winners submitted to the state for judging. Essays must be 350-500 words, a student's original work, reflect the assigned topic and be typed on 8 1/2 x 11" paper. All entries become property of Missouri Knights of Columbus and will not be returned. Plaques will be awarded to the top 3 places for each grade level in the state. Please mail entries to: Richard Fisher at 5826 Sterling Ridge RD, Jefferson City, MO 65101.

