



# **THE CHURCH OF ST. STANISLAUS BISHOP & MARTYR**

**AMSTERDAM, NEW YORK**

**Second Sunday of Advent  
December 10, 2023**

## **Pastoral Team**

Very Rev. O. Robert DeMartinis, E.V., Pastor  
Deacon Michael C. Ryba, Director of Finance  
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## **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.  
Holy Days: As Announced  
Daily Mass: Check bulletin for schedule

## **PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

The Mission of St. Stanislaus Parish is to perpetuate the message of Jesus Christ, which is to worship God and to bring the Good News of God's unconditional love to his people. We, therefore, commit our time, talents, and treasures to the love and service of all people by proclaiming and witnessing to the word of God through prayer and sacraments, evangelization, education, social action and outreach.

## **Sacrament of Baptism**

Please contact the pastor for preparation and arrangements. Baptisms should be scheduled for the third weekend of the month on Saturdays at 1 p.m. or on any Sunday of the month at the 9:00 a.m. liturgy.

## **Sacrament of Marriage**

Please contact the pastor at least 6-12 months prior to the proposed marriage date.

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available every Saturday between 3:00 and 3:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church in Amsterdam. Fr. Juanito Asprec, Fr. Nate Resila and Fr. Bob DeMartinis will be available each week to hear confessions.

## **Pastoral Visitations**

Please notify the parish office if a family member has been admitted to a healthcare facility or hospital.

## **Faith Formation and RCIA**

A Faith Formation program for school-age children is held primarily during school year. Sacramental preparation and Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is available year-round as requested and appropriate for the background and age of a candidate.

Please call the parish office to schedule and plan a program.





**BLUE CHRISTMAS**  
Thursday, December 21, 6:00 p.m.  
St. Stanislaus Church

**In Invitation To All**

Christmas can be a painful time for some. It may be the first Christmas without a loved family member who has recently died. It may be a time that has already been difficult.

Our spirits sink as the days grow shorter. We feel the darkness growing deeper around us. We need encouragement to live the days ahead of us. For those reasons, **we offer a special "Longest Night" service at St. Stanislaus Church on Thursday, Dec. 21 at 6:00 p.m.**

Come out, and join with us in sharing and hearing prayers, scripture, and music that acknowledge that God's presence is for those who mourn, for those who struggle—and that God's Word comes to shine light into our darkness. Everyone, regardless of church background (or lack of it) is welcome!

The service will be followed by a brief time for light refreshments and fellowship. In hopes to see to see you then ...

*Deacon Mike Ryba*



Sunday, December 10, 3:00 p.m.  
**Selections from "The Messiah"- St. Stanislaus**

Tuesday, December 12, 6:00 p.m.  
**Advent Penance Service-St. Stanislaus**

Saturday, Dec. 16, 4 p.m. & Sunday, Dec. 17, 9 a.m.  
**Bambanelli Sunday**  
(Bring the Baby Jesus you will be using in your manger scenes to be blessed this weekend.)

Sunday, December 17, 3:00 p.m.  
**Program of Music and Readings-OLMC**

Thursday, December 21, 6:00 p.m.  
**Blue Christmas**

Saturday, Dec. 23, 4 p.m. & Sunday, Dec. 24, 9 a.m.  
**Fourth Sunday of Advent Masses**



**ST. STANISLAUS CHURCH**  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 3:00 p.m.**

Welcome again to holiday selections from Handel's Messiah, performed by a dedicated community choir—also featuring soloists and organist Al Fedak. It is open to the public—bring a friend. A free will offering is appreciated and a reception with light refreshments will follow.



**Christmas Mass Schedule**

Sunday, December 24, 2:00 p.m.  
**Christmas Vigil Mass**

Sunday, December 24, 10:00 p.m.  
**Shepard's Mass**

Monday, December 25, 9:00 a.m.  
**Christmas Day Mass**

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Budgeted Ex- penses for the  
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 are  
\$327,101. The average weekly collection needed to  
meet our expenses (including income from all other  
sources is \$6,290). THANK YOU.

Collection Weekend of Dec. 2-3 \$5,969.00

Weekly:	\$4,664.00	Monthly:	\$782.00
Votive:	\$81.00	Capital Impv:	\$105.00
Imm. Concept:	\$102.00	Fuel:	\$10.00
Flowers:	\$141.00	Christmas:	\$70.00
All Saints:	\$2.00	Sol. Of Mary:	\$10.00
All Souls:	\$2.00		

Cemetery Collections: St. Stanislaus': \$2.00  
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World Mission: \$3.00

#### OPLATEK AVAILABLE



Oplatek are now available in the  
Parish Office, Monday to  
Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
A free-will offering is appreciated.

#### In Loving Memory

- † Altar Wine for the month December has been do-  
nated in loving memory of  
**Ralph DeRose**  
at the request of his Children.
- † Altar hosts for the month of December have been  
donated in loving memory of  
**Dominic & Evangeline Motyl**  
at the request of their Sons & Daughters.
- † Altar flowers for the weeks of December 9 and 16  
have been donated in loving memory of  
**Michela & Gesu Speranza**  
at the request of Daughters, Maria, Vicky &  
Anella

#### "TRY-4-A-PIE" IS BACK

Each weekend in December (except  
Dec. 23-24) we will be selling tickets at  
\$1.00 each for a fresh pie from **Smith's Bake Shop**.  
Tickets will be sold at the 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m.  
mass and a winner will be drawn immediately after the  
9:00 a.m. mass and may take the pie home.



**SATURDAY, December 9, 4:00 p.m.-** St. Stanislaus  
**Josephine Komazenski (11th Ann.)**, req. Children &  
Grandchildren

**Edward & Gertrude Wojtkiewicz** req. Niece,  
Carol Braun & Family

**Raymond Kosinski (13th Ann.)**, req. Wife, Children,  
Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren

**John & Jessie Jurusik**, req. Gayle

**Bill Bartlett, Sr.**, req. Lazarus Ministry

**Wayne Andrzejewski**, req. DeRose & List Family

**SUNDAY, December 10, 9:00 a.m.-** St. Stanislaus  
**Eugene R. Piurek**, req. Wife, Dorothy & Family

**Bill Bartlett, Sr.**, req. Marcia & Joe Kryzak

**Frances Dylong (Ann.)**, req. Dolores & Jim & Family

**Janina Jacek**, req. Janina Lis

**TUES., Dec. 12, 8:00 a.m.-** St. Mary's Hospital Chapel  
**Rick & Karen Partyka**, req. Pikul Family

**THURS., Dec. 14, 8:00 a.m.-** St. Mary's Hospital Chapel

**Fri., Dec. 15, 8:00 a.m.-** St. Mary's Hospital Chapel  
**John Sasso (2nd Ann.)**, req. Mr. & Mrs. Sal Sasso

**SATURDAY, December 16, 4:00 p.m.-** St. Stanislaus

**Ralph DeRose**, req. Children & Grandchildren

**Emilie Ochal**, req. Judy McGaffin & Family

**John & Eleanor Niemczyk**, req. Children,  
Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren

**Vincent Sasso (3rd Ann.)**, req. Sasso Family

**Bill Bartlett, Sr.**, req. Barb, Johnny & Jordan

**Joseph & Barbara Campo**, req. Matt, Johanna &  
Grandchildren

**SUNDAY, December 17, 9:00 a.m.-** St. Stanislaus

**William Skowronek**, req. Wife & Family

**Edmund Wnek (3rd Ann.)**, req. Wife & Family

**Janusz Noga**, req. Wife & Family

**Stefania & Jan Chrzanowski**, req. Daughter & Family

**Debbie Jurus**, req. Joanne Wood & Carol Rivera

**Eugenia & Taddeusz Jakubiec**, req. Stasia

**Yvonne Gutowski**, req. Husband, Bernie

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this week to the glory of Almighty God and

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

**Frances & Edmund Wiorkowski**  
req. Jim & Dolores & Family





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