

SAINT STANISLAUS KOSTKA CATHOLIC CHURCH

A personal parish of the Diocese of Manchester entrusted to the Institute of the Good Shepherd



"In obedience all is secure; out of it all is to be suspected." Saint Francis de Sales

Sundays

Low Mass at 8:30 a.m. • High Mass at 10:30 a.m. • Vespers at 1:00 p.m.

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Rectory hours: Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Closed on Thursday
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Weekday Masses Schedule

Monday 9:00 a.m., Tuesday 7:15 a.m. Wednesday 11:30 a.m.
Friday 6:30 p.m., Saturday, 9:00 a.m.

September 27, 2026 • XVIII after Pentecost

Mass Calendar & Intentions

Sunday, Sept. 27: XVIII after Pent.

8:30 a.m. Low Mass, Intention of the Donor
10:30 a.m. High Mass, pro populo
1:00 p.m. Vespers & Benediction

Monday, Sept. 28: Saint Wenceslaus

9:00 a.m. Low, Intention of the Donor

Tuesday, Sept. 29: Saint Michael the Archangel

7:15 a.m. Low, Intention of the Donor

Wednesday, Sept. 30: Saint Jerome

11:30 a.m. Low, Intention of the Donor

Thursday, Oct. 1: Feria

7:15 a.m. No Mass

Friday, Oct. 2: Holy Guardian Angels, 1st Fri.

6:30 p.m. Low, Intention of the Donor, Benediction

Saturday, Oct. 3: Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, 1st Sat.

9:00 a.m. Low Mass, Intention of the Donor

Sunday, Oct. 4: XIX after Pent., Rosary

8:30 a.m. Low Mass, Intention of the Donor
10:30 a.m. High Mass, pro populo
1:00 p.m. Vespers & Benediction

Sacristy

Sacristy is a place of silence where the priests need to recollect before Mass and liturgy.

In the Morning, priests are not available to talk before 9:00 a.m. as they do thanksgiving & Meditation. Thank you for understanding!

WEEKLY NOTE

The identity and mission of Saint Michael the Archangel are uniquely rooted in dogmatic teachings on the angelic realm, salvation history, and sacramental liturgy. Michael is not merely a symbolic figure or literary archetype.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church anchors the vision of Saint Michael within its broader doctrine on angels, emphasizing that while angel denotes their office as servants and messengers, their nature is spirit to serve God according to their rank and role within the 9 choirs. Under this strict theological framework, Catholic tradition attributes four distinct offices to Saint Michael that shape his devotion: supreme commander in spiritual warfare, protector of the dying, minister of judgment, and guardian of the universal Church.

The first office, his role as the Supreme Commander in Spiritual Warfare, stems from the battle detailed in the Book of Revelation. His very name, *Mikha'el* ("Who is like God?"), is a rhetorical weapon of absolute humility used to shatter the pride of Lucifer. Theology teaches that Michael's victory originates entirely from his total dependence on God, rendering him the ultimate guide for the faithful in overcoming personal temptation and demonic influence. Closely tied to this spiritual warfare are his second and third offices, which govern the end of human life.

Parish Announcements

The church doors open 30 minutes before Mass begins, allowing time for quiet prayer, reflection, or preparation. For any Mass scheduled later than 7:15 AM, the doors will open in the morning. Confessions are heard 30 minutes before each Mass. The church remains open after these services conclude until the 5:00 PM closing time.

Sanctuary Lamp: offered by the Rita Skiffington up to October 26th, 2026. Thank you very much!

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<https://saintstanislaus.flocknote.com/give>

NHCA 2026 goal: 20,350.00

**Up to date: \$20406.46; above goal: \$56.46
90% above the goal will come back to the Parish.**

Volunteers: we need Ushers and Collection counters. Thank you.

1st Catechism Meeting Saturday Sept. 26th at 10am.

Oktoberfest: Oct. 17th at 5pm: Black forest contest, German food, potluck...

In Catholic pastoral tradition, Saint Michael is invoked as the Protector of the Dying, standing at the bedside of the soul in its final, most vulnerable earthly moments to preserve it from despair and defend it against the "wickedness and snares of the devil."

Following death, he functions as the Weigher of Souls at the Particular Judgment. Rather than acting as the judge himself, a role belonging solely to Jesus Christ, Michael acts as the minister of divine justice, traditionally depicted holding balanced scales to weigh human merits and safely escorting the souls of the redeemed into Purgatory or Paradise.

His fourth office establishes him as the Guardian of the Universal Church. Just as Michael was recognized under the Old Covenant as the angelic patron of Israel, theology proclaims him the defender of the mystical body of Christ, invoked specifically during eras of systemic crisis, persecution, or institutional challenge. This high esteem is woven directly into the Roman liturgy. In the traditional Litany of the Saints, such as the one chanted during the Easter Vigil, Saint Michael is the first angel invoked by name.

Furthermore, his protection was universally codified in 1886 when Pope Leo XIII officially mandated that the Prayer to Saint Michael be recited at the foot of the altar after every Private Low Mass across the globe to beg for the protection of the Church. While structural liturgical changes in the mid-20th century removed this as a strict requirement, modern Popes have continuously exhorted Catholics to revive this practice both privately and publicly to combat the spiritual battles of the modern age.

Parish activities:

Men's group, Women's group, Youth group Conference on Wednesdays every other week, St. Joseph Men's group work, Saint Ann's meal group, Catechism, Altar boys, Homeschool Co-op, Adoration. Volunteering: Not yet in, talk to a priest!

Saint Stanislaus Homeschool Co-op:

Coordinators: Michelle Filipi, Christine Bryan

- Safe Environment Coordinator
Daniel Berger • Bookkeeper

Confessions: Are heard before each Mass and on demand.

Baptism:

Registered and active parishioners should call well ahead of the baptism to get the form. A class will be provided. The form should be submitted before the ceremony.

Holy Matrimony:

Catholics must be married in the Catholic Church to have a valid marriage in the eyes of God and the Catholic Church. There is a six-month preparation prior the desired date of wedding. It is available for registered and active parishioners.

First Confession, First Holy Communion & Confirmation:

Preparation for the reception of sacraments is available for families registered and active at the parish. The preparation is announced before the beginning of the academic year.

"It is not hard to obey when we love the one whom we obey." St. Ignatius

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

THE WEEKLY GOAL IS \$3215.00

SEPT. 20TH COLLECTION: \$1644.00

ONLINE GIVING: \$378.28

TOTAL: \$2022.28

**FUEL: \$100.00 FLOWERS: \$20.00 BUILDING FUND:
\$20.00**

LITURGICAL NEEDS: \$0.00

Prayer in adopting a dying Soul.

Heavenly Father, through the loving intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, I humbly offer my prayer today by adopting a dying soul, known or unknown to me. May they be reconciled with You through an act of perfect contrition and be strengthened by the Sacraments of the Church, with the assistance of their loved ones. Amen.

One Our Father, One Hail Mary, and One Glory Be.