

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

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**Third Sunday of Lent
February 28, 2016**

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Members of St. Wenceslaus Parish are Christian People on a journey seeking companions to join us as we move toward our eternal goal. We strive to be a stabilizing and strengthening factor in our community by being a source of service and help to our neighbors. We invite others to join us in bringing their unique gifts, as together, we care, nurture and love one another. United by the love of Jesus Christ, we strive to be more fully connected with God's people everywhere.

PARISH STAFF

Rev. James E. Wuerth, M.S.F., Pastor
Deacon George W. Miller
Mr. Paul Jolly, Business Manager
Mr. Ron Williams, Parish Maintenance
Mr. Bob Bollinger, Parish Maintenance

MASSES FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Saturday 4:00 PM, Sunday 9:00 AM

MASSES FOR WEEKDAYS

Monday thru Saturday, 7:45 AM in the Church

MASSES FOR HOLYDAYS

8:00 AM and 6:00 PM (No Vigil Mass)

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 3:00 - 3:30 PM. Anytime by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Parents of children to be baptized must be practicing Catholics and registered in the parish. Please call the parish office for further information.

WEDDINGS

Practicing Catholics, registered in the parish, must make arrangements six months before the wedding. No arrangement for a dinner or reception etc. may be made until after the Church has officially set a Wedding date.

PARISH BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon
Tuesday - Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
12 Noon - 1:00 p.m. Closed
865-1020 FAX # 664-8260
PARISH HALL (On Event Nights) 865-1027

SOUTH CITY DEANERY PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Nancy Haselhorst (314) 773-3070

ST. FRANCES CABRINI ACADEMY 776-0883

COMMUNION CALLS

To have Communion brought to your home contact the Parish Office.

LADIES OF MARY 1st Monday of Month 6:30 PM in the Parish Center

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel
1st Wednesday (including Evening Prayer) at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel
1st Saturday (including Morning Prayer) at 7:00 a.m. in the Chapel

MEN'S CLUB 1st Tuesday of Month 6:30 PM in the Parish Center

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

3rd Tuesday of Month 7:00 PM in the Parish Center

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

PARISH WEB SITE ADDRESS:

www.stwenceslaus.website

SEND BULLETIN INFORMATION TO: stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Merciful and gracious is the Lord, slow to anger and abounding in kindness. - Psalm 103:8

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 27th

7:45 AM + Bill Martin
4:00 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, February 28th

9:00 AM + Betty Blankmann

Monday, February 29th

7:45 AM + Marcella Keim

Tuesday, March 1st

7:45 AM + John & + Odelia Rothweil

Wednesday, March 2nd

7:45 AM + Betty Ruemker

Thursday, March 3rd

7:45 AM In Thanksgiving

Friday, March 4th

7:45 AM Holy Family Circle & Friends
Prayer Association

Saturday, March 5th

7:45 AM + Tim Morrissey
4:00 PM + Captain Kevin Roche, USMC

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Emmanuel Aziz, Sue Barnowski, Jerry Bielicke, Patricia Carr, Richard Carr, Jr., Dennis Curtis, Margie Sosa Delgado, Chris Doerr, Pat Feeler, Don Fielder, Jean Finn, Rosa Flores, Leon Frigillana, Joshua Galaster, Lon Griffard, Gerry Harrington, Margaret Kalbac, Patricia Kennedy, Dolores LaBruyere, Everleigh Lauber, Mary Helen Malle, Tom Malle, Mary Mattammal, Carmelle Minton, Tom Moran, Krista Myers, Roberta Noeth, Silvia Osorio, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Anna Pierce, Ray Rancilio, Rosemary Rivituso, Bob Roelke, Clem Ruemker, Cathy Schlueter, Ariane Sery, Pat Thomas, Mary Ullo, Pat Wevers, Evelyn Williams, Marsha Williams, Eric Wolf, Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F., Bill Zib

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross, Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction will be held on **all Wednesdays during Lent at 6:00 p.m. in the church.** Please make this special time each Wednesday a part of your Lenten Journey.

2015 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Final Notice! Your individual contribution statement for 2015 is now available. If you would like to obtain one, contact Paul Jolly at the parish office at 865-1020.

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

We welcome all of our guests and parishioners here celebrating the Eucharist with us on the Third Sunday of Lent.

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we spend more time in prayer, not only thanking God, but listening to what He has in mind for us.

“I AM”

Kindness and mercy are what the enslaved people of Israel needed, and they came in the form of deliverance. They came through a leader, Moses, who was once plucked from the Nile River and was now herding his father-in-law's sheep in the land of Goshen. The bush that burned but was not consumed shows us that God is inexhaustible mystery.

Moses' awe and deference are mixed with a touching conversational tone as he seeks to learn God's name. And God sweetly responds. The somewhat abstract “I AM” distinguishes the God of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob from the minor gods in the territory who “are not.” They are helpless, powerless, and useless. Moses is to step out into an amazing future, and God will be there with outstretched arm. Just go and see, God seems to say.

LENTEN DAY OF RECOLLECTION

You are invited to join Archbishop Robert Carlson, Bishop Robert Hermann, and the clergy of the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis for a Lenten Day of Recollection this **Saturday, March 5th.** The day begins at 10:00 a.m. and concludes with the celebration of Mass at 5:00 p.m. This event is free, but advance registration is requested. See the bulletin boards for additional information or to find out how to register.

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation! Our parish will be holding a Lenten Reconciliation Service on Saturday, **March 12th, from 3:00 - 3:50 p.m.** Additional priests will be available to hear your confession. Please use this opportunity to go to confession during the Lenten Season.

CABRINI NEWS

Next **Sunday, March 6th,** students from St. Frances Cabrini Academy, our parish school, will be selling raffle tickets for the Cabrini Auction & Dinner to be held on April 30th. Help our kids by buying tickets and show your support for SFCA.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Teresa Aguayo** and **Elizabeth Porras,** parishioners who earned First Semester Honors at Rosati-Kain High School. We are very proud of you both!

FEBRUARY 28th, 2016

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 1,576.05
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 3,035.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 2,253.54
(Fiscal Year is July 2015 thru June 2016)	
Parish Appeal 2016	\$ 97.00
Maintenance	\$ 35.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 23.00

Stewardship Reflection

"He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.'" (Luke 13:7)

Are you like the barren fig tree? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, we are called to develop and nurture our gifts and return with increase.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next weekend, we will have a special collection for **Catholic Relief Services**. This collection supports six Catholic agencies that touch more than 100 million lives around the world. Our gifts help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ's love and respect to all people. Please give generously to this collection next weekend and **help Jesus in disguise**.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

Catholic Relief Services (CRS)

This week, our CRS Rice Bowl journey takes us to the African nation of Rwanda, where we're reminded to care for the unborn. This week we pray for pregnant mothers, that they may have the medical and nutritional support they need to raise healthy, thriving children.

Pick up your family's rice bowl in church today, and remember, your Lenten sacrifices change lives.

FISH FRY

St. Pius V is holding a Fish Fry every Friday during Lent. See the bulletin boards for more information.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Third Sunday of Lent
Thursday:	St. Katharine Drexel
Friday:	St. Casimir; World Day of Prayer; First Friday; Abstinence
Saturday:	First Saturday

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 03/05/16, at 4:00 PM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Monica Fingerhut Phil Fingerhut
To Choir & Disabled:	Dave Huelsing
Commentator & Lector:	Barb Kellner
Server:	Dave Huelsing
Cantor:	Matt Kellner
Musician:	Mary Martin

***** SUNDAY, 03/06/16, at 9:00 AM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Bill Kren Carmelita Pelch
To Choir & Disabled:	Anthony Nguyen
Commentator & Lector:	Terry Dabrowski
Servers:	Paula & Tina Nguyen
Cantor:	Mary Pichler
Musician:	John Harper

Constants for Lent:

Chant Mass
Kyrie #848
Santus #850
Amen #852
Agnes Dei #854
Memorial Acclamation
Mass of St. Wenceslaus
Save Us Savior of the World
Gospel Acclamation
Lectionary C153 with Psalm Tones

BAPTISM

This Sunday, February 28th, at 1:00 pm, we will celebrate the Baptism of **Brendon Mills**, child of parishioner Kristin Eigelberger. Welcome into God's family, Brendon! Congratulations to you and all your family!

TUITION ASSISTANCE

Final Reminder!

Any **Catholic** family wishing to apply for tuition assistance from the **Catholic Families Tuition Assistance Endowment Fund** or the **Parish Employee Endowment Fund** for the 2016-2017 school year must submit a **Today and Tomorrow Educational Foundation (TEF)** application. The application is due **Feb. 29th**. If you need assistance, contact Paul Jolly at the parish office.

UPCOMING MEETING

The **Men's Club** will meet this Tuesday, March 1st, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.