

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960

Sixth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
February 12, 2017



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 Wasser, M.S.F., Pastor
Rev. Aloysius Irawan, M.S.F., In Residence
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 Chapel

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. should 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 Church
1st Saturday (including Morning Prayer) at 7:00 a.m. in the Church

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

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, and what has not entered the human heart, what God has prepared for those who love (God), this God has revealed to us through the Spirit. - 1 Corinthians 2:9-10

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 11th

7:45 AM Bonnie Martin
4:00 PM + Shirley Rancilio

Sunday, February 12th

9:00 AM Tom Kutis III Family

Monday, February 13th

7:45 AM + Pierre Fabick

Tuesday, February 14th

7:45 AM In Thanksgiving

Wednesday, February 15th

7:45 AM + Charles Kubik, Sr.

Thursday, February 16th

7:45 AM + Sylvester Pelch

Friday, February 17th

7:45 AM + Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, February 18th

7:45 AM Sr. Lorraine Brueggemann, C.P.P.S.
4:00 PM Patrick & Patricia Kennedy

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Emmanuel Aziz, Chris Bardo, Harry Bardo, Sue Barnowski, Norma Berry, Jerry Bielicke, Tom Bolen, Patricia Carr, Richard Carr, Jr., Dennis Curtis, Margie Sosa Delgado, Chris Doerr, Darlene Doerr, Esther Ellspermann, Don Fielder, Jean Finn, Rosa Flores, Joshua Galaster, Dennis Holland, Jody James, Margaret Kalbac, Patricia Kennedy, Jim King, Everleigh Lauber, Robbie Ludwig, Mary Helen Malle, Tom Malle, Bonnie Martin, Joyce McKiernan, Deacon George Miller, Ellen Miller, Carmelle Minton, Tom Moran, Krista Myers, Roberta Noeth, Silvia Osorio, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Carol Plassmeyer, Ray Rancilio, Rosemary Rivituso, Bob Roelke, Katherine Rothweil, Clem Ruemker, Ariane Sery, Don Sparks, Pat Thomas, Mary Ullo, Pat Wevers, Evelyn Williams, Marsha Williams, Eric Wolf, Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F., Bill Zib

MEN'S CLUB - MASS & BREAKFAST

The Men's Club will be attending the 9:00 am Mass this Sunday, **February 12th**. Breakfast follows at The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet Motherhouse. We look forward to this day of Holy Mass and fellowship.

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

We welcome all of our guests and parishioners here celebrating the Eucharist with us on the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we truly love for love's sake and love not because of obligation.

CHOICE

"If you choose you can keep the commandments," Sirach tells us. God "has set before you fire and water; to which ever you choose, stretch forth your hand" (Sirach 15:15, 16). This is a great mystery: God does not control us so completely that we cannot choose our own path. We have certain boundaries, of course, but no one but we can choose our way within those boundaries.

In today's reading from Matthew's Gospel, Jesus reminds us of our freedom and our responsibility for our lives. He calls us to look beyond the words of the commandments, all the way to their meaning. Look beyond the adultery to the selfishness that poisons our love. Look beyond the murder to the anger that eats away at our compassion. Look beyond the perjured testimony to the lies and deception that drive our behavior.

Our vocation is to choose life for ourselves, and to choose a path through our part of the world that helps make life possible and more abundant for others as well.

MASS MOB VOLUNTEERS

St. Wenceslaus Parish is honored to host the Archdiocesan "Mass Mob" on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14th, 2017, at 9:00 am. Each Mass Mob averages between 400 and 500 visitors. This is a great opportunity to promote our beautiful church, but it will take many volunteers in a variety of committees. If you are willing to help in any way, please contact Maury Prater at 577-6300. Thank you!

FAITH IN ACTION!

Catholic High School, College, and Film students: This is your chance to get your work seen in over 265 million homes around the world and show your passion for our Catholic faith. Check out EWTN's Cool 2B Catholic Commercial Contest. Get the details by going online to c2bc.ewtn.com.

2016 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Your individual contribution statement for 2016 is now available. If you would like to obtain one, please contact Paul Jolly at the Parish Office at 865-1027.

FEBRUARY 12th, 2017

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 3,034.95
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 3,035.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 2,195.14
(Fiscal Year is July 2016 thru June 2017)	
Parish Appeal 2017	\$ 196.00
Maintenance	\$ 192.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 218.00

Stewardship Reflection

"For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." - Matthew 5:20

The scribes and Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear - it's the love that you have in your heart that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules out of obligation, not love, does not put you on the path to heaven. Attending Mass on Sunday and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of a modern day Pharisee.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who made a contribution to our **St. Vincent De Paul Fund** last weekend. A total amount of \$636.00 was collected. Your support will assist us in serving the poor and needy of our parish and community.

TRIVIA NIGHT

Our Trivia Night is **this Saturday, February 18th**, beginning at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Tables of up to 10 are \$20 per person. This includes drinks, snacks, and paper products. Basket Raffles are also planned and include: Liquor, Party Time, Book Lover, and Household Helpers. We would appreciate donations of new items in these categories, especially bottles of liquor and wine. Donations of Beer (cans, AB products preferred) and Soda (name brands please) for the Bar are also welcome. To make reservations, or for more information, flyers are available in the vestibule of the church, or call Kathy Styer at 588-0770. Please support this fundraising event.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day
Tuesday:	Ss. Cyril and Methodius; Valentine's Day
Friday:	The Seven Founders of the Order of Servites
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 02/18/17, at 4:00 PM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Evelyn Reichert Charlie Reichert
To Choir & Disabled:	Dave Huelsing
Commentator & Lector:	Mary Bardo
Server:	Dave Huelsing
Cantor:	Ed Koeninger
Musician:	Mary Martin

***** SUNDAY, 02/19/17, at 9:00 AM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Sandy Moore Tim Moore
To Choir & Disabled:	Anthony Nguyen
Commentator & Lector:	Mike Ackermann
Server:	Anthony Nguyen
Cantors:	Stephanie Blosser & Andrea Harper
Musician:	John Harper

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SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next weekend, we will have a special collection for the **Archdiocese for the Military Services (AMS)**. The guiding mission of the AMS is to provide the sacraments, and re-affirming Word of Christ, to the men and women serving in our armed forces, patients in VA Medical Centers, and people working for our government beyond U.S. borders. To provide these services, they need your help. The AMS receives no federal funding. Please contribute!

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CATHOLIC WOMEN FOR CHRIST

The Catholic Women for Christ Conference will be held on **Saturday, March 25th**, at the Touhill Performing Arts Center on the University of Missouri, St. Louis Campus. See the bulletin boards for additional information, or call Adela Peugnet at 315-7347. We hope you can attend.

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BEYOND SUNDAY

Beyond Sunday Campaign Presentations were held at our parish this past Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm and again on Saturday morning at 9:30 am. Abby Cole, a Beyond Sunday representative, was here to lead the program. We are thankful to those parishioners who attended one of these sessions. Your participation was appreciated.

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SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

A final reminder...Elementary and High School Scholarship Applications for the 2017-2018 school year are still available. You must apply by February 28, 2017. Handouts, with important information you will need to know, are available in the vestibule of the church. Don't forget to apply!