

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960



**First Sunday of Lent
March 5, 2017**

ST. WENCESLAUS
ST. LOUIS, MO.
R. LONG '89 ©

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

“The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.” - Matthew 4:10

THIS WEEK’S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 4th

7:45 AM + Ansel Grant Davis
4:00 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, March 5th

9:00 AM + Marcella Keim

Monday, March 6th

7:45 AM Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F.

Tuesday, March 7th

7:45 AM + Gerry Harrington

Wednesday, March 8th

7:45 AM Marvin & Barbara Rothweil

Thursday, March 9th

7:45 AM Paul Jolly

Friday, March 10th

7:45 AM + Walter Schaefer

Saturday, March 11th

7:45 AM In Thanksgiving
4:00 PM Alice & Chris Paton

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Elmer Arndt, Emmanuel Aziz, Chris Bardo, Harry Bardo, Sue Barnowski, Jerry Bielicke, Tom Bolen, Patricia Carr, Dennis Curtis, Margie Sosa Delgado, Chris Doerr, Darlene Doerr, Esther Ellspermann, Don Fielder, Jean Finn, Rosa Flores, Joshua Galaster, Dennis Holland, Margaret Kalbac, Patricia Kennedy, Jim King, Everleigh Lauber, Mary Helen Malle, Tom Malle, Bonnie Martin, Joyce McKiernan, Deacon George 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

CABRINI NEWS

This Sunday, March 5th, students from our parish school, St. Frances Cabrini Academy, will be selling raffle tickets for their Cabrini Auction which takes place on Saturday evening April 22nd, 2017. For any questions, or for more information, please contact Mrs. Kaitlyn Holdmeyer at 776-0883, or email at holdmeyer@cabriniacademy.org. Please support our parish school.

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

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

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we may learn the difference between what we want and what we need, trusting that God will provide all that we need.

STRENGTH AGAINST TEMPTATION

The first Sunday of the season of Lent always includes a Gospel account of the temptation of the Lord Jesus in the desert by the devil. This year, the story is set against the backdrop of the first reading from Genesis, which recounts the very first temptation by the devil. That story is set in a garden of delight. The Gospel story is set in the desert. As believers, we know that temptation comes our way in our own gardens of delight as well as the deserts of our lives. As Lent begins, our attention is drawn to that temptation within each of us to become like God - we want control, power, and answers to all of life's difficult questions. As communities of faith, we are given this season of repentance so that we can join our hearts with others on the difficult journey of conversion. We look to God and to one another for strength against temptation.

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. Thank You to those who have volunteered to help with this wonderful event. We are excited and looking forward to this special day for our parish community.

LENTEN DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Our **Ladies of Mary** invite all women (16 and over) to a Lenten Day of Recollection this **Saturday, March 11th**, at the Sisters of St. Joseph at Carondelet Motherhouse from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. The cost is \$20.00 per person. Sign-up sheets, with contact names and additional information, are available in the vestibule of the church.

EWTN LENTEN PROGRAMMING

Learn more about your Faith during this special time of the year. EWTN will have movies, documentaries and more to help you grow your spiritual life. Get program details at www.ewtn.com or call 1-800-854-6316.

FEBRUARY PASS-THE-CASH

\$50 WINNER: Thom Pancella
\$25 WINNERS: Sean Dunn, Mary Faye Rempe
Mr. & Mrs. E. Peters, Justin Stein

MARCH 5th, 2017

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Table with 2 columns: Item Name and Amount. Includes Last Week's Collection (\$896.60), Weekly Collection Goal (\$3,035.00), Average Collection Fiscal Year (\$2,121.34), Parish Appeal 2017 (\$80.00), Maintenance (\$20.00), and Food for the Poor SVDP (\$00.00).

Stewardship Reflection

“It is written: The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.” - Matthew 4:10

Tempted between the riches and power of this world and service to God, Jesus chose service to His Father. If we wish to truly follow Jesus, we, too, must decide to turn away from power and riches and put God at the center of our lives. How is God calling you to serve?

SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend is the annual Black and Indian Missions Collection. Please be generous to this special collection. Envelopes are included in your monthly packet.

**OPERATION RICE BOWL
Catholic Relief Services (CRS)**

Join our parish community, and more than 13,000 Catholic communities across the United States in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's rice bowl in church today, and remember, your Lenten sacrifices change lives.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The Ladies of Mary are meeting this Monday evening, March 6th, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center. The Men's Club will be meeting this Tuesday evening, March 7th, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center.

PERMANENT DIACONATE

Are you being called to the Permanent Diaconate? Come to an Information Night on Thurs., April 6th, at 7:00 pm at the Cardinal Rigali Center, or call 792-7431.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: First Sunday of Lent
Tuesday: Ss. Perpetua and Felicity
Wednesday: St. John of God
Thursday: St. Frances of Rome
Friday: Abstinence

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 03/11/17, at 4:00 PM *****

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Jim Teschner, Rich Fogelbach
To Choir & Disabled: Dave Huelsing
Commentator & Lector: Maury Prater
Server: Matt Kellner
Cantor: Dan Zdrodowski
Musician: Mary Martin

***** SUNDAY, 03/12/17, at 9:00 AM *****

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Carmelita Pelch, Terry Dabrowski
To Choir & Disabled: Rich Olliges
Commentator & Lector: Jody James
Server: Jose Campos
Cantor: Lisa Holland
Musician: John Harper

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross begin this Wednesday, March 8th, at 6:00 pm in the church, and on all Wednesdays during Lent. Please make this special time each week a part of your Lenten Journey.

CHOIR PRACTICE

There will be choir practices on Wednesday nights during Lent following the Stations of the Cross. Practices will start on March 8th and begin shortly after 6:30 pm. They will finish no later than 7:30 pm. Please plan to attend.

HISTORY OF THE SACRAMENTS

Fr. Jim will present a class on the History of the Sacraments beginning Tuesday, March 14th, and continuing on Tuesday nights, whenever possible, until completion of the program (approx.10 weeks). The class will be from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm, including a 10 minute break. Sign-up sheets are in the vestibule of the church. Please come!

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.

BEYOND SUNDAY

The Beyond Sunday Campaign has ended. We would like to collect everyone's Pledge Card / Commitment Card. If you have already turned one in, we Thank You. If not, please do so soon, whether you can make a pledge at this time or not. Your participation is greatly appreciated.