

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

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**Twenty-ninth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
October 22, 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

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 6:30 PM in the Parish Center

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

PARISH WEB SITE ADDRESS:

www.stwenceslaus.website

SEND BULLETIN INFORMATION TO: stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God.”
- Matthew 22:21

THIS WEEK’S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 21st

7:45 AM + Souls in Purgatory
4:00 PM Patrick & Patricia Kennedy

Sunday, October 22nd

9:00 AM Carmelita Pelch

Monday, October 23rd

7:45 AM + Gerry Harrington

Tuesday, October 24th

7:45 AM + Ed & + Rhoda McGrail

Wednesday, October 25th

7:45 AM + Marie Kubik

Thursday, October 26th

7:45 AM + Ervin Roelke

Friday, October 27th

7:45 AM + Walter Schaefer

Saturday, October 28th

7:45 AM In Thanksgiving
4:00 PM + Marcella Keim

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Elmer Arndt, Emmanuel Aziz, Autumn Baker, Chris Bardo, Harry Bardo, Kathy Becker, Jerry Bielicke, Tom Bolen, Elam Burbage, Patricia Carr, Sharon Crocker, Dennis Curtis, Margie Sosa Delgado, Chris Doerr, Darlene Doerr, Esther Ellspermann, Harry Fabick, Don Fielder, Jean Finn, Rosa Flores, Joshua Galaster, Dennis Holland, Margaret Kalbac, Patricia Kennedy, Carol Kozemczak, Everleigh Lauber, Ana Clara Lightle, Richard Loy, Jr., Mary Helen Malle, Tom Malle, Bonnie Martin, Joyce McKiernan, Deacon George Miller, Carmelle Minton, Matt Moore, Tom Moran, Krista Myers, Austin Needham, Silvia Osorio, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Carol Plassmeyer, Rosemary Rivituso, Bob Roelke, Makena Roelke, Marvin Rothweil, Clem Ruemker, Tek Schaefer, Ruth Schneider, Ariane Sery, Georgia Stockton, Lucille Tangel, Pat Thomas, Mary Ullo, Tom Vossmeier, Pat Wevers, Evelyn Williams, Marsha Williams, Eric Wolf, Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F., Bill Zib

CATHOLIC RADIO

For inspiration and encouragement in your spiritual life listen to **AM 1080 WRYT, Catholic radio**. Programs include daily Holy Mass, the Holy Rosary, and the Divine Mercy Caplet. For a program schedule, please call (314) 752-7000 or toll-free 1-877-305-1234.

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

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

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we realize we aren't "owners" of anything but merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us.

POWER STRUGGLE

Power struggles occur on every level of society, from the world stage to relationships at work, to our own homes. We struggle for position in the hierarchy of power: Who has power over whom? How do they wield it? What is the source of that power? What is the healthy response?

In this Sunday's Gospel reading the Pharisees engage Jesus in a power struggle over whether Jews should show tribute to Caesar by paying taxes. Jesus' response puts this and every struggle for power into perspective. In harmony with the words of Isaiah and Paul, Jesus teaches us that God is the ultimate source of all power - the power of earthly rulers, the Pharisees, Jesus, the Church, and the power within ourselves.

ST. MARY'S HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

St. Mary's High School has established five new scholarships for incoming freshmen based on the five Characteristics of Marianist Education. Multiple scholarships will be awarded for four of these characteristics. Other scholarships are also available. See the bulletin boards for all the information you will need and how to apply.

Recently, St. Mary's High School junior, **Samuel Russo**, grandson of parishioner Charles Russo, Sr., was inducted into the St. Mary's Chapter of the National Honor Society; he also earned Gold Honors as a Renaissance Assembly Award recipient. Congratulations, Samuel! We are all very proud of you!

MEN'S CLUB - MASS & BREAKFAST

Just a reminder that this Sunday is our Men's Club Mass and Breakfast. Immediately following the 9:00 am Mass, all men of the parish who made reservations will gather at Ari's Restaurant at 3101 Hampton Ave. for breakfast and fellowship. Hope you will be joining us!

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Marvin Groppe**, stepfather of parishioner Dennis Holland, who passed away recently. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!

OCTOBER 22nd, 2017

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 1,663.40
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 3,035.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 1,884.16
(Fiscal Year is July 2017 thru June 2018)	
 Parish Appeal 2017	 \$ 25.00
Maintenance	\$ 55.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 90.00

Stewardship Reflection

“Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s and to God the things that are God’s.”
- Matthew 22:21

Everything we are and everything we have belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given each of us. All God is asking is that we give back a portion of what He gave us. This is the essence of Stewardship. God should be our first priority in everything. All else comes second.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend our parish will celebrate **World Mission Sunday**. We are invited to help those less fortunate living day-to-day without clean water, adequate food, and other daily necessities. Mission churches cover more than half the territory of the globe and serve millions of people annually. Please keep the Missions in your daily prayers and be generous in this weekend's collection for the Propagation of the Faith. There are collection envelopes available in the vestibule of the church.

PUMPKINS FOR THE PANTRY

Following all Masses next weekend, Oct. 28th & 29th, parishioner Scott Brouk will again this year have several carved pumpkins available for purchase, complete with two candles. All proceeds will go to benefit our Parish Food Pantry. You can order additional carved pumpkins for Halloween by contacting Scott at 773-7828. Pick up a great purchase for Halloween and help support our ministry of serving the poor and needy. Thank you!

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
World Mission Day
- Monday: St. John of Capistrano
- Tuesday: St. Anthony Mary Claret
- Saturday: Ss. Simon and Jude

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 10/28/17, at 4:00 PM *****

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: LeEllen Aboussie
Martie Aboussie
- To Choir & Disabled: Charlie Reichert
- Commentator & Lector: Weldon Tieken
- Server: Jim Teschner
- Cantor: Ed Koeninger
- Musician: Ryan Jones

***** SUNDAY, 10/29/17, at 9:00 AM *****

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Joan Frigillana
Leon Frigillana
- To Choir & Disabled: Pat Lohmar
- Commentator & Lector: Adela Peugnet
- Server: Paula Nguyen
- Cantor: Lisa Holland
- Musician: John Harper

UPCOMING MEETING

The **Parish Pastoral Council** will meet this Tuesday, October 24th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

PRAYER CAMPAIGN

The **Friends of Priests Prayer Campaign** for all Priests, Deacons, Seminarians, and Consecrated Religious **began last Sunday, October 15th, and ends on Friday, December 8th**, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

All parishioners are invited to sign a pledge to pray ten Hail Marys each day from now until December 8th. The completed, returned pledge sheets will be presented in book form to the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

FALL FESTIVAL

Our Fall Festival is on **Saturday, November 4th**. We need new items for the Toy Booth, Christmas Booth and Cherry Tree Booth, and home-made / hand-made goods for our Country Store. We are also in need of items for our Auctions, such as electronic games and devices, small household appliances, sports memorabilia & collectibles.

Your donated items will be greatly appreciated. Not able to shop? Perhaps you would consider a monetary donation to be used to purchase needed items. If you would like to purchase some additional raffle tickets, you can contact Paul Jolly at the parish office at 865-1020.

We also need volunteer workers to make our Fall Festival a success. If you would like to volunteer to work the day of the festival, sign-up sheets are located in the vestibule of the church. Please take some flyers also, and help us to advertise this event. Thank you for your support!