

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960



**First Sunday of Lent
February 18, 2018**

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Your ways, O Lord, make known to me; teach me your paths. - Psalm 25:4

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 17th

7:45 AM + Arlene Martin
4:00 PM + Kenneth Fogelbach

Sunday, February 18th

9:00 AM + William H. Meadows

Monday, February 19th

7:45 AM Bonnie Martin

Tuesday, February 20th

7:45 AM Sr. Lorraine Brueggemann, C.P.P.S.

Wednesday, February 21st

7:45 AM + Patricia Kennedy

Thursday, February 22nd

7:45 AM Douglas & Jerri Rothweil & Family

Friday, February 23rd

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

Saturday, February 24th

7:45 AM + Walter Schaefer
4:00 PM + Marie Kubik

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Emmanuel Aziz, 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, Dennis Holland, Margaret Kalbac, Carol Kozemczak, Everleigh Lauber, Ana Clara Lightle, Richard Loy, Jr., Bonnie Martin, Joyce McKiernan, Deacon George Miller, Carmelle Minton, Matt Moore, Krista Myers, Austin Needham, Silvia Osorio, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Ana Pierce, Carol Plassmeyer, Rosemary Rivituso, Bob Roelke, Makena Roelke, Marvin Rothweil, Clem Ruemker, Tek Schaefer, Ruth Schneider, Ariane Sery, Georgia Stockton, Lucille Tangel, Fr. Alberto Trevino, Mary Ullo, Tom Vossmeier, Pat Wevers, Evelyn Williams, Marsha Williams, Betty Wolf, Eric Wolf, Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F.

YOUNG CATHOLIC MUSICIANS

The Young Catholic Musicians, an Archdiocesan choir and orchestra of young people, is looking for cello and violin players to complete their orchestra. If you are interested, or know someone who would be, please see the bulletin boards for additional information.

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 place our lives in God's hands and have the strength to carry out His unique plan for each of us.

PEOPLE OF THE COVENANT

If there is one word that stands out in today's readings, it is "covenant." God's faithfulness and goodness serve as examples to us of how to live. Genesis tells the story of Noah and of God's covenant not only with all people, but with all of nature. Never will the cleansing waters of the flood bring their destructive power to all the earth again. The sign, the reminder to both God and nature, is the rainbow in the heavens.

The psalm reminds us of this compassion of God, and begs God to remember us, not because of our goodness, but because of God's goodness and fidelity to the promise. God shows us how to be good, not by decree, but by example.

LENTEN DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Our **Ladies of Mary** invite all parishioners (16 and over) to a Lenten Day of Recollection on **Saturday, March 3rd**, at the Sisters of St. Joseph at Carondelet Motherhouse from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. The cost is only \$15.00 per person and includes lunch. Sign-up sheets, with contact names and additional information, are available in the vestibule of the church. Consider making this special event a part of your Lenten Journey.

FISH FRY

St. Pius V, 3540 Utah (Grand & Utah), is offering a fish fry on Fridays during Lent. The cost is \$9.00 for a full plate and \$5.00 for a half plate. The fish fry is open for business from 4:00 - 7:30 pm. See the bulletin boards for additional information.

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. Rice Bowl is the Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services, the international humanitarian agency of the Catholic community in the United States. Donations support CRS's humanitarian relief programs in nearly 100 countries. Pick up your family's rice bowl in church today, and remember, your Lenten sacrifices change lives.

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GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 992.97
Weekly Collection Goal (revised)	\$ 2,840.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 2,012.05
(Fiscal Year is July 2017 thru June 2018)	
Parish Appeal 2018	\$ 00.00
Maintenance	\$ 60.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 77.00

Stewardship Reflection

“After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God....” - Mark 1:14

Do you ever think about how difficult it must have been for Jesus to come into Galilee, knowing that John had just been arrested for teaching the same message that Jesus was proclaiming. It must have taken great love and trust for Jesus to do what the Father had sent Him here on earth to do. In the same way, following a life of stewardship takes great love and trust from us. We must be willing to surrender completely to God, trusting that God will always give us all that we need to fulfill His plan for us.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend is the 134th annual National **Black and Indian Mission** Collection. Our support helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Please be generous and help spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

ST. LOUIS REVIEW

You can still order the St. Louis Review. Subscription forms are available in the vestibule of the church.

LENTEN FILM SERIES

The Daughters of St. Paul is hosting a Lenten Film Series on Thursday evenings during Lent beginning at 6:30 pm. See the bulletin boards for additional information.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: First Sunday of Lent; Rite of Election; Rite of Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion; Rite of Sending
- Monday: Presidents' Day; Julian Calendar Lent
- Wednesday: St. Peter Damian
- Thursday: Chair of St. Peter the Apostle; Washington's Birthday
- Friday: St. Polycarp; Abstinence

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 02/24/18, at 4:00 PM *****

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: LeEllen Aboussie
Martie Aboussie
- To Choir & Disabled: Matt Kellner
- Commentator & Lector: Barb Kellner
- Server: Matt Kellner
- Cantor: Ed Koeninger
- Musician: Ryan Jones

***** SUNDAY, 02/25/18, at 9:00 AM *****

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Adela Peugnet
Karen Holthaus
- To Choir & Disabled: Anthony Nguyen
- Commentator & Lector: Paul Jolly
- Server: Anthony Nguyen
- Cantor: Lisa Holland
- Musician: John Harper

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held **on all Wednesdays during Lent** at 6:00 pm in the church. Please make this special time each week a part of your Lenten Journey.

CATHOLIC WOMEN FOR CHRIST

The Catholic Women for Christ Conference will be held on **Saturday, March 10th**, at the Touhill Performing Arts Center, University of Missouri, St. Louis Campus. There is a discounted price of \$20.00 for all women that attend the conference. See the bulletin boards for more information, or call Adela Peugnet at 315-7347. We hope you can attend.

UPCOMING MEETING

The **Parish Pastoral Council** will meet this Tuesday, February 20th, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center.

CABRINI NEWS

It is with a heavy heart, as well as new beginning, for our school principal, **Dr. Peter Schroeder**, that he will be leaving St. Frances Cabrini Academy at the conclusion of the current school year. He has accepted the position of Lower School Principal at Villa Duchesne and Oak Hill School for the 2018-19 school year. Dr. Schroeder has done an exceptional job in leading our children both spiritually as well as academically during the past seven years, and we look forward to continuing to work with Dr. Schroeder during the remainder of this school year. Our thoughts, prayers, and well wishes are with him as he continues to teach God's Children.