

# ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

*Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960*



Twenty-third Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
September 8, 2019

## 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. Philip Sosa, M.S.F., Parish Administrator  
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 10:00 AM  
Sunday 12:00 PM (Spanish)

## 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

**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](http://www.stwenceslaus.website)

**SEND BULLETIN INFORMATION TO:**  
[stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net)

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness, that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days. - Psalm 90:14

### THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday, September 7th**

7:45 AM + Dr. Gary Michael Gutting  
4:00 PM + Rich Fogelbach

**Sunday, September 8th**

10:00 AM People of the Parish

**Monday, September 9th**

7:45 AM + Delores LaBruyere

**Tuesday, September 10th**

7:45 AM Special Intention

**Wednesday, September 11th**

7:45 AM + Magdalena Fabick

**Thursday, September 12th**

7:45 AM + Mary Teschner

**Friday, September 13th**

7:45 AM Lisa & Ralph Hueneburg

**Saturday, September 14th**

7:45 AM + Betty J. Blankmann  
4:00 PM + Mary Ullo

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Emmanuel Aziz, Chris Bardo, Harry Bardo, Kathy Becker, Fr. Jim Beegan, M.S.F., Bob Blankmann, Tom Bolen, Elam Burbage, Dennis Curtis, Margie Sosa Delgado, Darlene Doerr, Sr. Janet Dohr, C.P.P.S., Jim Estes, Harry & Judy Fabick, Don Fielder, Jean Finn, Rosa Flores, Lou Gehr, Nerie Goff, Dennis & Lisa Holland, Jody James, Margaret Kalbac, Patrick Kennedy, Carol Kozemczak, Ana Clara Lightle, Sr. Marie Loeffler, C.P.P.S., Bonnie Martin, Ray Miles, Deacon George Miller, Carmelle Minton, Mary Moran, Austin Needham, Fr. Arthur Ockwood, M.S.F., Ray Orf, Silvia Osorio, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Janet Pinski, Carol Plassmeyer, Mary Faye Rempe, Bob Roelke, Justina Roling, Marvin Rothweil, Edward Rotter, Jr., Clem Ruemker, Tek Schaefer, Ruth Schneider, Ariane Sery, Georgia Stockton, Abigail Stottlar-Seiter, Tom Vossmeier, Evelyn Williams, Marsha Williams, Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F.

### SPAGHETTI DINNER

Our neighbor, **Five Star Center**, is having an All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner on **Friday, September 27th**, from 4:00 - 8:00 pm. Eat-in or Carry-out is available. Proceeds benefit Five Star Center and their programs. See the bulletin boards for more information.

### WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

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

### Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we may come to recognize that everything we have is a gift from God and we are called to generously share all of our gifts.

### POST-SUMMER CHALLENGES

With any luck, summer delights will continue a while past last weekend's Labor Day: refreshing recreation (with maybe an occasional swim) or enjoyable relaxation on the deck (with tasty outdoor grilling). Truth is, for some of us, this year's Labor Day came way too early. With many schools back in session for a while already, mealtimes and driving schedules needed readjustment to coordinate youth sports with adult commitments. Some religious education and parish programs resumed, too. No surprise, then, that this weekend's scriptures sound a little like post-summer challenges. For instance, Wisdom reminds us that believers in God can never be content with "timid deliberations" and "unsure plans." Paul challenges longtime friend and follower Philemon to "let the good you do be voluntary." Jesus instructs "great crowds" traveling with him, including us, on three things necessary for all true disciples to accomplish. On this early autumn weekend, our scriptures describe disciples' lifelong labors.

### FALL FESTIVAL

Please mark your calendars! Our Fall Festival will be held on **Saturday, November 2nd**. We will need new items for the Toy Booth, Christmas Booth and Cherry Tree Booth, and home-made / hand-made goods for our Country Store. We will also need a variety of items for our Auctions.

It's not too early to shop. Your donated items will help make our festival a wonderful success. Gift cards are especially appreciated as they are so flexible and can be used as prizes, or used to purchase filler items for the baskets. Not able to shop? Perhaps you would consider a monetary donation to be used to purchase needed items. Thank you for your help.

### TAILGATE SALE

Our Men's Club will be hosting a Tailgate Sale on **Saturday, October 12th**, from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. To reserve a space @\$17.00 each, contact Tim Moore at 814-0486, or call the parish office at 865-1020. Spaces must be reserved no later than Thursday, October 10th. Flyers are available in the vestibule of the church. Please support this event.

## SEPTEMBER 8th, 2019

### GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collections	\$ 2,362.24
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 2,700.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 1,968.51
(Fiscal Year is July 2019 thru June 2020)	
Parish Appeal 2019	\$ 163.00
Maintenance	\$ 150.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 123.00

#### Stewardship Reflection

*"Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." - Luke 14:33*

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.

### AUGUST PASS-THE-CASH

**\$50 WINNER:** Karla Kenton  
**\$25 WINNERS:** Pat Kennedy, Sharon Smugala  
Larry Auer, Dennis Oliver,  
Charlie Gitto

Congratulations to all our winners!  
Thank you for supporting St. Wenceslaus Parish.

### STS. PETER AND PAUL FALL FESTIVAL

Sts. Peter and Paul are holding their annual Fall Festival on Sunday, September 29, from 11:00 am - 4:00 pm. A breakfast is being served from 11:00 am to noon. See the bulletin boards for all the events and reservation details.

### SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Grandparents Day  
Monday: St. Peter Claver  
Wednesday: Patriot Day  
Thursday: The Most Holy Name of Mary  
Friday: St. John Chrysostom  
Saturday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

### MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

\*\*\*\*\* SATURDAY, 09/14/19, at 4:00 PM \*\*\*\*\*

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Marge Place  
Weldon Tieken  
Evelyn Reichert  
To Choir & Disabled: Charlie Reichert  
Commentator & Lector: Weldon Tieken  
Server: Ismael Aguayo  
Cantor: Mary Bardo  
Musician: Barb Kellner

\*\*\*\*\* SUNDAY, 09/15/19, at 10:00 AM \*\*\*\*\*

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Bill Kren  
Rich Olliges  
Kathy Blosser  
To Choir & Disabled: Pat Lohmar  
Commentator & Lector: Paul Jolly  
Server: Jose Campos  
Cantors: Stephanie Blosser & Andrea Harper  
Musician: John Harper

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

The **Ladies of Mary** will meet this Monday evening, September 9th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

The **Parish Pastoral Council** will meet on Tuesday, September 17th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

### FUNDRAISER

Our **Ladies of Mary** are sponsoring a dinner and movie night to be held on **Saturday, September 21st**, following the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Tickets and flyers are available in the vestibule of the church. Please support this fundraiser. Call Mary Bardo at 606-5584 for more details.

### MEN'S WHITE HOUSE RETREAT

Need 3-days of rest, prayer and spiritual rejuvenation? Join with other men in a 3-day silent, spiritual retreat at the White House, the Jesuit retreat center overlooking the Mississippi River. The retreat begins Thursday evening, October 10th, and concludes on Sunday afternoon, October 13th. For more information contact Rich Olliges at (314) 323-7688.

### PART-TIME HELP NEEDED

The Missionaries of the Holy Family are looking for part-time help in their provincial office here at St. Wenceslaus rectory. Knowledge of Word and Excel is required, along with attractive handwriting. Must be a Catholic in good standing. Please send resume to [msf@msf-america.org](mailto:msf@msf-america.org).