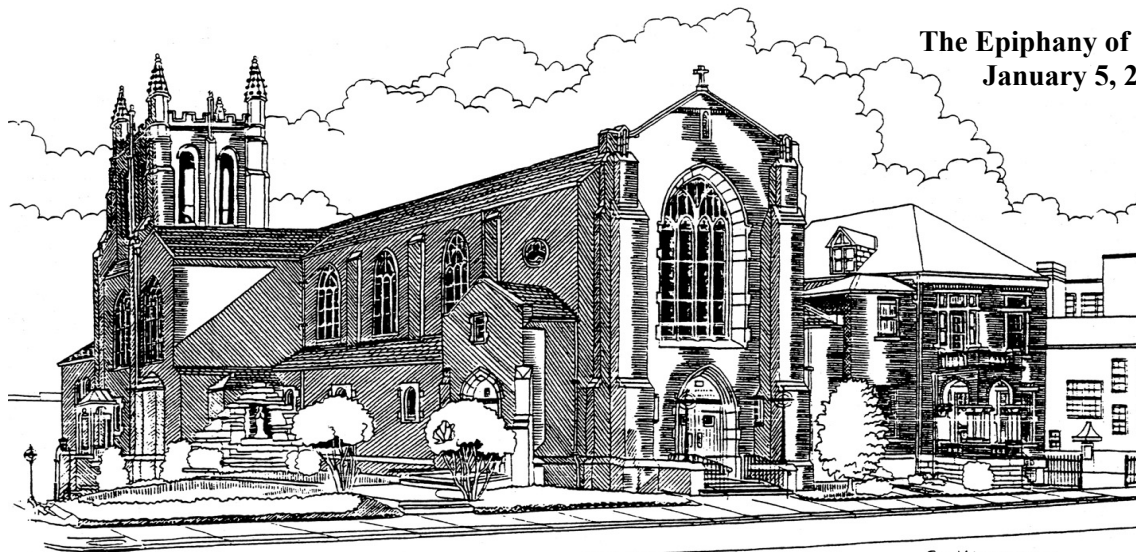


ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

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The Epiphany of the Lord
January 5, 2020

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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

Rev. Angelot Andriamamitahina, M.S.F.,
(In Residence)

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.

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

MSF WEB SITE ADDRESS:

www.msf-america.org

SEND BULLETIN INFORMATION TO:

stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Matthew 2:11b

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 4th

7:45 AM Holy Family Novena

4:00 PM Carol A. Blankmann

Sunday, January 5th

10:00 AM Holy Family Novena

Monday, January 6th

7:45 AM Holy Family Novena

Tuesday, January 7th

7:45 AM + Gene Smugala

Wednesday, January 8th

7:45 AM Sr. Janet Dohr, C.P.P.S.

Thursday, January 9th

7:45 AM Don & Jan Denham

Friday, January 10th

7:45 AM Kathleen Truxton & Family

Saturday, January 11th

7:45 AM Holy Family Circle & Friends
Prayer Association

4:00 PM + Richard Fogelbach

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, Rich Cullen, Dennis Curtis, Margie Sosa Delgado, Sr. Janet Dohr, C.P.P.S., Jim Estes, Harry & Judy Fabick, Don Fielder, Jean Finn, Rosa Flores, Lou Gehr, 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, Carmelita Pelch, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Janet Pinski, Carol Plassmeyer, Mary Faye Rempe, Bob Roelke, Marvin Rothweil, Edward Rotter, Jr., Clem Ruemker, Tek Schaefer, Ruth Schneider, Ariane Sery, Georgia Stockton, Tom Vossmeier, Evelyn Williams, Marsha Williams, Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F.

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of parishioner **Richard Collins**, husband of Mary Lee Collins, who passed away recently. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

We welcome all of our guests and parishioners here celebrating the Eucharist with us on the feast of The Epiphany of the Lord.

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we are generous with all of our gifts, especially the one thing that means the most to us.

LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Epiphany can be understood as an extension of the Nativity of the Lord that we celebrate on December 25th. While at Christmas, we celebrate Jesus' coming as the long-awaited king and Messiah of the Jewish people, on Epiphany we celebrate the revelation that Jesus is the Savior and Light of all nations--Jews, Gentiles, and all people.

The star shines so brightly that it attracts magi who come from far distant countries to worship Jesus. They are not Jews, yet they are drawn to the Light of the world. The letter to the Ephesians reveals that the Light of the world was for the Gentiles as well as the Jews--Christ gathers all people into the light of his love. The reading from Isaiah also describes a gathering of diverse peoples, but this time it is to the light that emanates from the people of God.

ROSARY & FELLOWSHIP

Please join with members of our Holy Family Prayer Association in our Church's Parish Center to pray the Rosary on **Wednesday, January 15th, at 6:30 pm**. We will pray for your family and all families of the world. Fellowship and refreshments will follow the Rosary. All are welcome! You can call Maury at 577-6300 for more information.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The Ladies of Mary, Men's Club and Parish Pastoral Council will not meet in January. Meetings will resume in February.

2020 CALENDARS

Our new Parish Calendars are available in the vestibule of the church. We gratefully thank **Kutis Funeral Home**.

NOVENA TO THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

The Holy Family Novena began on Sunday, December 29th, and ends tomorrow, Monday, January 6th, with the 7:45 am Mass in the church. Please make plans to attend this last day of the Novena. If you are unable to attend, the Novena pamphlets are available in the vestibule of the church. You can say the prayers at home as a family or wherever you may be.

JANUARY 5th, 2020

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collections (as of 12/22/19) \$ 3,550.67
Weekly Collection Goal \$ 2,700.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year \$ 2,104.00
(Fiscal Year is July 2019 thru June 2020)

Parish Appeal 2019 \$ 125.00
Maintenance \$ 45.00
Food for the Poor SVDP \$ 35.00

Stewardship Reflection

“Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.” - Matthew 2:11

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all of our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to you.

DECEMBER PASS-THE-CASH

\$50 WINNER: William & Mary Lou Peters
\$25 WINNERS: Russ Ficker, Richard Engelman
David Yarbor, Leon Frigillana

JESSE TREE

The Jesse (Giving) Tree will be available through next Sunday, January 12th, for anyone who would still like to give a gift card for our Parish Food Pantry. We are very grateful to everyone who has already given.

BAKE SALE

The Ladies of Mary would like to thank everyone who supported their bake sale last month. They were able to realize a profit of \$219.00 from their fundraiser.

CATHOLIC MEN FOR CHRIST

The Catholic Men for Christ Conference will be held on **Saturday, February 1st**. Please hold the date. Sign-up sheets will be available next weekend. You can call Matt Kellner at 638-7941 for questions and more details.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord;
National Migration Week
Monday: St. Andre Bessette
Tuesday: St. Raymond of Penyafort

MINISTER’S SCHEDULE

***** **SATURDAY, 01/11/20, at 4:00 PM** *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Marge Place
Weldon Tieken
Jim Teschner
To Choir & Disabled: Charlie Reichert
Commentator & Lector: Maury Prater
Server: Jose Campos
Cantor: Ed Koeninger
Musician: Barb Kellner

***** **SUNDAY, 01/12/20, at 10:0AM** *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Adela Peugnet
Karen Holthaus
Mike Blosser
To Choir & Disabled: Rich Olliges
Commentator & Lector: Kathy Styer
Servers: Emily Martinez-Hernandez
Teresa Perez
Cantor: Mary Pichler
Musician: John Harper

BANNS OF MARRIAGE III

Matthew Wallis & Audra Plassmeyer
January 11, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

A Mass of Remembrance will be celebrated on **Sunday, January 19th**, at 10:00 a.m. for those who have lost a loved one. A luncheon follows Mass in the Parish Hall. Please read the insert in this week’s bulletin; an RSVP is requested for the luncheon. You can contact Mary Bardo or Barb Kellner at the numbers listed on the insert.

TRIVIA NIGHT

Our Trivia Night will be on **Saturday, February 8th**, in the Parish Hall. Doors open at 5:45 pm and Trivia will begin at 6:30 pm. The cost is \$20 per person; limit of 10 players per table. This includes drinks (beer, wine, soda and water), snacks, and paper products. Basket Raffles are also being planned, so please consider donating any extra Christmas gifts as a prize for our event. Donations of bottled wine and low value gift cards would also be gratefully appreciated.

To make reservations, or for more information, flyers are available in the vestibule of the church, or you can call Kathy Styer at 588-0770. Please support this fundraiser.

THANK YOU

Many thanks to everyone who helped or assisted in any way in preparation for The Feast of the Nativity of our Lord. Everything turned out beautifully. Thank you!