

# ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

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

**Fourth Sunday of Lent  
March 22, 2020**



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

### MSF WEB SITE ADDRESS:

[www.msf-america.org](http://www.msf-america.org)

### SEND BULLETIN INFORMATION TO:

[stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net)

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

- Psalm 23:1

### THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENSIONS

#### Saturday, March 21st

7:45 AM + Dr. Gary Michael Gutting

4:00 PM + Gene Smugala

#### Sunday, March 22nd

10:00 AM + Fr. Jim Wasser, M.S.F.

#### Monday, March 23rd

7:45 AM Nighisti Tecele

#### Tuesday, March 24th

7:45 AM + Mary Teschner

#### Wednesday, March 25th

7:45 AM + Everett & + Catherine Ludwig

#### Thursday, March 26th

7:45 AM + Mary Jane Kubik

#### Friday, March 27th

7:45 AM + Evelyn O'Brien

#### Saturday, March 28th

7:45 AM + Souls in Purgatory

4:00 PM + Richard Fogelbach

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Emmanuel Aziz, Chris Bardo, Harry Bardo, Mary Bardo, Kathy Becker, Fr. Jim Beegan, M.S.F., Bob Blankmann, Tom Bolen, 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, Sr. Marie Loeffler, C.P.P.S., Bonnie Martin, Ray Miles, Cathy Miller, Deacon George Miller, Mary Moran, Fr. Arthur Ockwood, M.S.F., Ray Orf, Carmelita Pelch, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Janet Pinski, Carol Plassmeyer, Debbie Rappe, Bob Roelke, Marvin Rothweil, Edward Rotter, Jr., Clem Ruenker, Sr., Tek Schaefer, Ruth Schneider, Georgia Stockton, Tom Vossmeier, Evelyn Williams, Marsha Williams, Tom Wooten

### UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

All scheduled parish meetings and church events are being postponed or cancelled at this time. This includes all organization meetings and special event meetings. We hope to be able to reschedule soon. We will keep you updated. Thank you.

### WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

We welcome all of our guests and parishioners to celebrate the Eucharist with us again on Holy Thursday, April 9th.

### Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we are less concerned about our outward appearance and more concerned with our interior conversion of heart.

### LIGHT

“Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light” (Ephesians 5:14). We are at the midpoint of our Lenten journey of conversion. As always, God never gives up on us, especially those who have “fallen asleep” along the road to conversion. The most powerful stories of conversion are proclaimed during these final weeks of Lent. They have the power to shake us out of our sleep. Today’s Gospel story of the healing of the man born blind exposes the real blindness in the time of Christ - the blindness of the self-righteous religious leaders. In a few weeks, at the Easter Vigil, the Church will proclaim “Christ our Light” as the paschal candle is carried into darkened churches throughout the world. May the darkness of sin that still pervades our lives, communities, and world, be dispelled by the Christ who comes to bring sight to the blind and light to the world.

### CABRINI NEWS

Our parish school, St. Frances Cabrini Academy, asks you to join them for *Many Cultures, One Family* 2020 Dinner & Auction on **Saturday, April 25th**. Please save the date! Visit <https://Cabrini2020.givesmart.com> for reservations and additional information. We hope to see you there!

### POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER TO MARY DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

## MARCH 22nd, 2020

### GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collections	\$ 1,405.00
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 2,700.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 2,190.68
(Fiscal Year is July 2019 thru June 2020)	

Parish Appeal 2020	\$ 65.00
Maintenance	\$ 10.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 50.00

#### Stewardship Reflection

**“Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart.”**

**- 1 Samuel 16:7**

How often do we invest our time, talent and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent and treasure here on earth.

### SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend is the **Catholic Relief Services** collection. These funds provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. Please give generously to this collection, and **help Jesus in disguise**.

### OPERATION 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' humanitarian relief programs in nearly 100 countries. You can pick up your rice bowl in church, and remember, your Lenten sacrifices change lives. **Thank you for making CRS' Operation Rice Bowl a part of your Lenten Journey!**

### SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Fourth Sunday of Lent
Monday:	St. Turibius of Mogrovejo
Tuesday:	World Day for Truth Concerning Human Rights Violations
Wednesday:	The Annunciation of the Lord
Friday:	Abstinence

### MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

\*\*\*\*\* SATURDAY, 03/28/20, at 4:00 PM \*\*\*\*\*

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:

**This schedule is discontinued  
until April 9th, Holy Thursday.**

To Choir & Disabled:

Commentator & Lector:

Server:

Cantor:

Musician:

\*\*\*\*\* SUNDAY, 03/29/20, at 10:00 AM \*\*\*\*\*

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:

To Choir & Disabled:

Commentator & Lector:

Server:

Cantor:

Musician:

### CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

The following excerpts are from a March 16th letter to all Priests and Deacons from Archbishop Robert J. Carlson.

New details and guidelines below are to be implemented immediately and maintained through April 5, 2020, pending further updates:

- **All public celebrations of the Mass, as well as Liturgy of the Hours, Stations of the Cross and all other group services, Bible studies and activities are to cease beginning immediately.** The dispensation I have offered for all Catholics in our archdiocese from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is now extended through April 5th (Palm Sunday).

- **Holy Communion:** may be distributed outside of Mass at times determined by the pastor.

- **Collections:** Please remind parishioners that collections remain essential to the continued operation of our parishes and their missions. Encourage them to use online giving, drop-off or mail their contributions.

- **Assisting individuals in need:** Please continue to work to support individuals who depend on parish charitable efforts for food and other necessities. Refer parishioners and others who request assistance to The Society of St. Vincent de Paul of St. Louis: dial 211; and/or Catholic Charities of St. Louis: dial (314) 367-5500 or email [info@ccstl.org](mailto:info@ccstl.org).

Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson  
Archbishop of St. Louis