

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960



**Thirtieth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
October 25, 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

Deacon George Watson (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

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.” - Matthew 22:37

THIS WEEK’S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 24th

7:45 AM + Ed & + Rhoda McGrail
4:00 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, October 25th

10:00 AM + Donald & + Genevieve Geisel

Monday, October 26th

7:45 AM + Ervin Roelke

Tuesday, October 27th

7:45 AM + Marcella Keim

Wednesday, October 28th

7:45 AM + Rose Fabick

Thursday, October 29th

7:45 AM + Dr. Gary Michael Gutting

Friday, October 30th

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

Saturday, October 31st

7:45 AM + Souls in Purgatory
4:00 PM + Harry O’Brien, Jr.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Chris & Mary Bardo, Harry Bardo, Kathy Becker, Fr. Jim Beegan, M.S.F., Bob Blankmann, Dennis Curtis, Margie Sosa Delgado, Harry & Judy Fabick, Don Fielder, Rosa Flores, Donna Frank, Dennis & Lisa Holland, Margaret Kalbac, Marie Kellner, Patrick Kennedy, Carol Kozemczak, Sr. Marie Loeffler, C.P.P.S., Bonnie Martin, Maria Mendoza, Angel Mendoza, Ray Miles, Cathy Miller, Deacon George Miller, Mary Moran, Ray Orf, Carmelita Pelch, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Janet Pinski, Debbie Rappe, Frank Reichert, Marvin Rothweil, Edward Rotter, Jr., Clem Ruemker, Sr., Tek Schaefer, Ruth Schneider, Georgia Stockton, Joseph Styer, Evelyn Williams, Marsha Williams, Tom Wooten

CATHOLIC RADIO

For inspiration and encouragement in your spiritual life Listen to AM 1080 WRYT, Catholic Radio.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Our parish has a job opening for a Maintenance Manager. The individual must be knowledgeable in electrical, plumbing and HVAC maintenance and repairs, as well as being a practicing Catholic. Send resumes to Paul Jolly at stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net.

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

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

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we recognize everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God.

LIVING JUSTLY

“You give that back right now!” How many of us have heard that line, probably more than once, as we were growing up? We come home with the trophy of what we thought was a really sweet deal, only to have our parents undo our profits by making us return the spoils. They had a different idea of what constituted a “fair trade agreement.” Justice in our dealings with others continues to be an important measure of our character, and like a good parent, God cares very much about how we treat each other and about how others treat us. God hears the cry of the poor, and answers the call of the oppressed. God’s beloved children are not to behave like bullies.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

It’s time to think about serving on our Parish Pastoral Council. Nominations for the next 3 year term, which begins in February 2021, must be submitted by Monday, October 26th. If you would like to nominate someone, perhaps even yourself, you can speak to Father Phil Sosa or Deacon George Miller. You can also place your nomination, including your name, in the collection basket. Good Stewardship includes our gifts of time and talent. Please help us by nominating an individual who will be a good addition to our council. Are you perhaps being called to serve?

2020 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal ended on October 9th. Thanks to you, our participation rate was 100%, and we raised a total of \$11,222.00. This amount, raised in one of the most challenging times in our history, is a testament to your faithfulness and generosity. We heard from many of you that you raised your pledge due to the pandemic, and the suffering of others. In union with the greater Roman Catholic Church, you gave back a portion of your gifts to God.

In gratitude to you, we say thank you. The Lord, who sees all that we do, will bless you for your faithfulness. God will not be outdone in generosity, nor can a virus extinguish His presence on the earth. May the Father bless you always!

- Matt & Barb Kellner

OCTOBER 25th, 2020

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

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| Last Week's Collections | \$ 1,458.25 |
| Weekly Collection Goal | \$ 2,700.00 |
| Average Collection Fiscal Year (Fiscal Year is July 2020 thru June 2021) | \$ 2,144.67 |

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| Parish Appeal 2020 | \$ 70.00 |
| Maintenance | \$ 50.00 |
| Food for the Poor SVDP | \$ 70.00 |

Stewardship Reflection

“You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.”
- Matthew 22:37

Do you put other “gods” before God? Is your love of money, power, status, comfort or some personal possession greater than your love for God? Do you really recognize that everything you have and that everything you are is a gift from God? The good news - it's not too late to put God first in all things in your life.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Today, we will take up a second collection, as requested by Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski, Archbishop of St. Louis, to provide immediate and long-term aid to those recovering from the hurricanes in Louisiana and the wildfires in California. Please be generous.

Next weekend, we will have a special collection for the **Retirement Fund for Religious**. Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. Today, they pray for an aching world. Yet years of serving for little or no pay have left their religious communities without enough retirement savings. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Collection envelopes are included in your monthly packets. Please be generous.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE III

Douglas Gehm & Candice Harper
October 31, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

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| Sunday: | Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| Wednesday: | Ss. Simon and Jude |
| Saturday: | Blessed Virgin Mary; Halloween |

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 10/31/20, at 4:00 PM *****

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| Commentator & Lector: | Maury Prater |
| Cantor: | Mary Bardo |
| Musician: | Barb Kellner |

***** SUNDAY, 11/01/20, at 10:00 AM *****

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| Commentator & Lector: | Dennis Holland |
| Cantors: | Stephanie Blosser & Andrea Harper |
| Musician: | John Harper |

PUBLIC MASSES

Anyone who is ill, symptomatic, or has been exposed to someone else with the coronavirus within 14 days cannot enter the church, according to local health directives.

Everyone attending Mass is obligated to wear a mask or other facial covering, **The Archdiocese of St. Louis strongly encourages the use of masks throughout Mass with the exception of receiving Holy Communion**. Pull your mask below your chin to receive Holy Communion.

You are to observe social distancing - staying at least six feet from people not in your household.

Maintaining a single-file is necessary for the distribution of Holy Communion for each Communion minister and communicant to maintain social distancing. Only the Most Precious Body will be given and only by hand.

Leave Mass together as a household, wearing your masks or other facial covering and observing six feet of distance from others. Thank you for keeping everyone safe!

FALL FESTIVAL

This year our annual Parish Fall Festival is **Saturday, November 7th**. We have on-line auctions, raffle tickets by mail and our annual Ad Book. We're asking for your help during this difficult time by providing promotional items, prizes, gift certificates, and/or advertising in our Ad Book. Gift cards are especially appreciated as they are so flexible and can be used to purchase filler items for our baskets and auctions. If you're unable to shop, please consider a monetary donation to be used to purchase needed items. **We are running short on time**; please do what you can to help make this year's festival a success.

Included in this week's bulletin is a copy of the **Online Auction Guide** for anyone who would like to participate in our Auctions for this year. Use the contact names at the bottom of the sheet to help you with any questions.

The deadline to submit your Dinner Ticket Order Form is October 30th. Contact the rectory if you need a form. Also, donated desserts are appreciated but must be single serving, pre-packaged, **store bought desserts**.