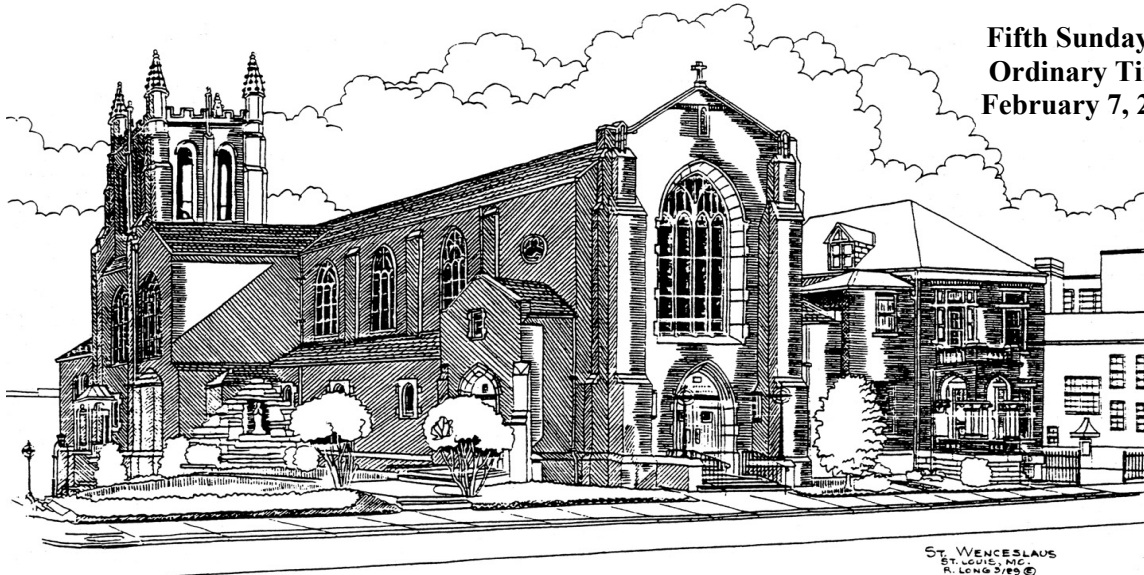


ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960



**Fifth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
February 7, 2021**

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

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Lord tells the number of the stars and calls them by name. - Psalm 147:4

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 6th

7:45 AM + Hilde Mick
4:00 PM Carmelita Pelch

Sunday, February 7th

10:00 AM + Rosemary Pichler

Monday, February 8th

7:45 AM + Mary Jane Kubik

Tuesday, February 9th

7:45 AM Bert Constant

Wednesday, February 10th

7:45 AM + Bob Roelke

Thursday, February 11th

7:45 AM Bonnie Martin

Friday, February 12th

7:45 AM + Dr. Gary Michael Gutting

Saturday, February 13th

7:45 AM + Pierre Fabick
4:00 PM People of the Parish

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

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

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

A Mass of Remembrance will be celebrated on Saturday, **February 13th, at 4:00 p.m.** for those who have lost a loved one during the past year. While your physical attendance is welcomed and encouraged, arrangements have been made to livestream the Mass on Facebook. The link is <https://fb.me/e/21IX5IwQk>. Our organizers and sponsors this year are members of the Ladies of Mary organization. For more information, contact Mary Bardo, President, at 314-606-5584.

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

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

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That - just as Jesus rose early to pray - we, too, may find time in our day to be with God and to receive strength and nourishment from Him.

THE GOOD NEWS

Today's readings begin with a few verses from the book of Job. First, Job complains that his nights drag on endlessly. Then, worse yet, "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; / they come to an end without hope" (Job 7:6). Not exactly encouraging, these lamentations, not when taken alone. Most of us have been there, though, and the antidote is the "good news" that Paul found so compelling that "an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it!" (1 Corinthians 9:16). Paul felt driven to announce the gospel to as many people as possible, "to save at least some" (9:22).

This good news is the mystery of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, who lifted Simon Peter's mother-in-law from her sickbed with a mere touch of his hand. "The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons" (Mark 1:33-34). Our woes and demons are as real as Job's, and Jesus is our savior.

JANUARY PASS-THE-CASH

- \$50 WINNER:** Rudy Rodriguez
\$25 WINNERS: Dave Seiter, Anita Beckerle
Paul Herrmann, Joan Hackett
Charlie Reichert

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

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Contribution Statements for 2020 are now available. Contact Paul Jolly at the Parish Office at 865-1020 to obtain your statement.

REST IN PEACE

Pray for the repose of the souls of long-time parishioners **Mike & Neoma McDermott**, who passed away recently. Pray for **Dennis Curtis**, son of parishioner Dorothy Curtis, who also passed away. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!

FEBRUARY 7th, 2021

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collections	\$ 5,133.00
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 2,700.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 2,175.94
(Fiscal Year is July 2020 thru June 2021)	

Parish Appeal 2021	\$ 163.00
Maintenance	\$ 46.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 68.00

Stewardship Reflection

“Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, ‘Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.’”

- Mark 1:35, 38

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus makes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find the strength to do what He wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend, we will have a special collection for our **St. Vincent De Paul Fund**. Your support is greatly needed to continue our ministry of serving the poor and needy. Envelopes are available in the back of church.

ASH WEDNESDAY

The imposition of ashes this year on February 17th will be different from what we are used to as Catholics. We will have the sprinkling of ashes on our head in silence instead of placing them on our foreheads. This is to minimize physical contact and the need to speak in close proximity. Please be sure to read the insert in today's bulletin.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Day for Consecrated Life
Monday:	St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita; International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking
Wednesday:	St. Scholastica
Thursday:	Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick
Friday:	Abraham Lincoln's Birthday
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 02/13/21, at 4:00 PM *****

Commentator & Lector:	Jim Teschner
Cantor:	Mary Bardo
Musician:	Barb Kellner

***** SUNDAY, 02/14/21, at 10:00 AM *****

Commentator & Lector:	Kathy Styer
Cantors:	Andrea Harper & Stephanie Blosser
Musician:	John Harper

PUBLIC MASSES

Anyone who is ill, symptomatic (cough, sore throat, headache, fever, among others), even if only slight, 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!

CATHOLIC MEN FOR CHRIST

The 2021 Catholic Men for Christ conference will be held on Saturday, **February 20th**. All men are welcome. Due to the pandemic, this year's event will be presented virtually. There is no charge to attend. The schedule is not finalized, but there will be separate morning and evening sessions, each beginning with an optional Mass. Please visit <https://www.catholicmenforchrist.org/> and peruse the various tabs to acquaint yourself with the list of speakers. While there, please virtually register for the event. If you have questions, or need more information, please contact our parish captain, Matt Kellner, at 638-7941.

GOD OF WISDOM

God of Wisdom, we ask you to guide the leaders in healthcare and governance; that they may make the right decisions for the wellbeing of people.