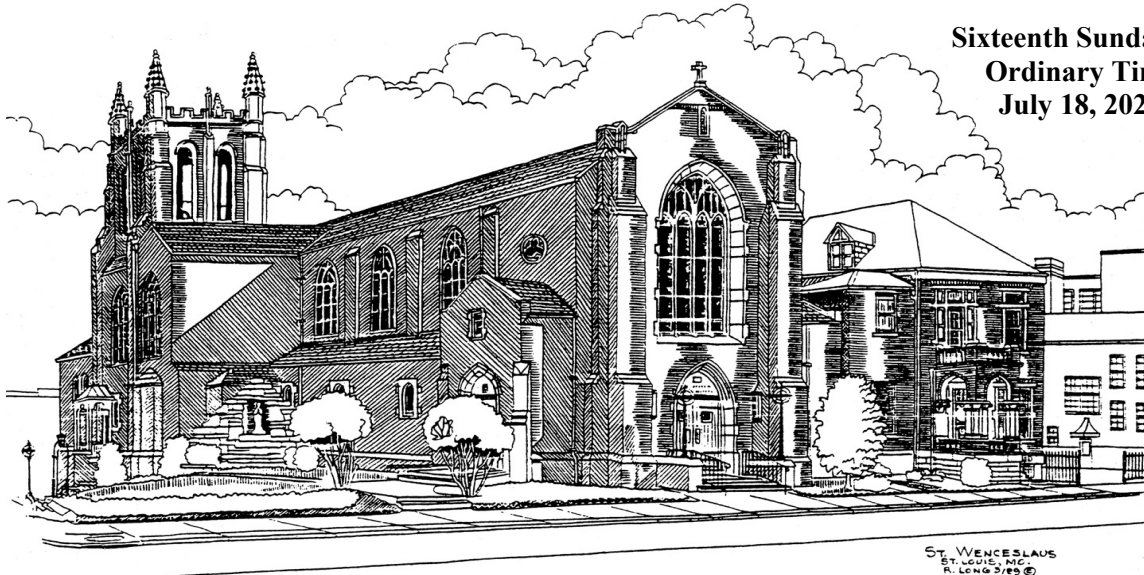


ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960



Sixteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
July 18, 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

Rev. Benoit Ramanandraibe, M.S.F.,
(In Residence)

Mr. Paul Jolly, Business Manager

Mr. Micah Caldwell, 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 Church

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

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up a righteous shoot to David. - Jeremiah 23:5a

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 17th

7:45 AM + Dennis Curtis
4:00 PM + Gene Smugala

Sunday, July 18th

10:00 AM + Patricia Kennedy

Monday, July 19th

7:45 AM + Linda Misch

Tuesday, July 20th

7:45 AM + Mike & + Neoma McDermott

Wednesday, July 21st

7:45 AM + Ed & + Rhoda McGrail

Thursday, July 22nd

7:45 AM Special Intention

Friday, July 23rd

7:45 AM + Everett & + Catherine Ludwig

Saturday, July 24th

7:45 AM + Chester & + Marie Prater
4:00 PM People of the Parish

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Chris Bardo, Harry Bardo, Kathy Becker, Fr. Jim Beegan, Bob Blankmann, Margie Sosa Delgado, Judy Fabick, Don Fielder, Rosa Flores, Donna Frank, Pat Griffard, Dennis & Lisa Holland, Margaret Kalbac, Patrick Kennedy, Carolyn Koeninger, Sr. Marie Loeffler, Bonnie Martin, Maria Mendoza, Angel Mendoza, Cathy Miller, Mary Moran, Carmelita Pelch, Jim & Nancy Pender, Janet Pinski, Debbie Rappe, Frank Reichert, Marvin Rothweil, Tek Schaefer, Evelyn Williams, Ron & Marsha Williams, Shirley Wooten, Tom Wooten

OUR SUNDAY VISITOR

Our Sunday Visitor is once again available at the entrances to the church. Your support is appreciated.

GENEROUS AND MERCIFUL GOD

Generous and Merciful God, fill us with compassion and concern for others, young and old; that we may look after each other in these challenging times, especially those among us who are vulnerable. May your example give us the courage we need to go to the margins, wherever they may be. Heal us of our fear.

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

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

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we may take time everyday to rest in God's presence.

THE DAYS ARE COMING

Separation, isolation, and hostility are terrible things. We are, sadly, too familiar with all of them in our modern life, whether we look at world events or events in our own neighborhoods and families. All three readings today refer to these same sad human conditions.

The prophet Jeremiah describes world conditions as if the people of his time were sheep who had been scattered by poor leadership and corrupt shepherds. But "the days are coming," he assures us (Jeremiah 23:5), when a new shepherd, a just king, will come. We meet that king in the second reading and the Gospel. Paul reminds us in the Letter to the Ephesians that all divisions can now cease in Christ Jesus, who has brought us together through his blood. In Mark's Gospel we see Jesus himself, looking with pity on those searching for him as if they were sheep without a shepherd.

SUMMER READING

The online version of the summer issue of The Messenger magazine from the Missionaries of the Holy Family is now available at, www.msf-america.org/about-us/messenger-magazine. Free printed copies are also available from the parish office. Be sure to check out the many family life articles, including The Year of Saint Joseph, Wisdom from the Bald Guy, Caring for the Elderly, Out of Egypt, and many more! Free extra copies for your family and friends are also available from the provincial office in Saint Louis, at 1-888-484-9945 or mprater@msf-america.org.

CABRINI ENROLLMENT

Our parish school is currently enrolling grades kindergarten thru 8th for the 2021-2022 school year. All grades are open until 25 spots are filled. Call 776-0883, or e-mail secretary@cabriniacademy.org for more information.

PLEASE JOIN US!

The Missionaries of the Holy Family invite you to join us every morning in St. Wenceslaus Church, Monday - Saturday for Morning Prayer at 7:05 am, Rosary at 7:20 am, and Mass at 7:45 am. If you have any questions, please call Maury at (314) 577-6300. Thank you and God bless your family.

JULY 18th, 2021

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collections \$ 2,060.50

Weekly Collection Goal \$ 2,700.00

Average Collection Fiscal Year \$ 2,507.36

(Fiscal Year is July 2021 thru June 2022)

Parish Appeal 2021 \$ 111.00

Maintenance \$ 90.00

Food for the Poor SVDP \$ 30.00

Stewardship Reflection

“He said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.” - Mark 6:31

Do you spend time, every day, alone and in silence listening to how God is calling you? If not, you are missing out on a wonderful opportunity to develop a more personal relationship with Him. Unless we talk and more importantly, listen to God every day, how else will we know how He is calling us? Consider making a retreat this year, spend some “alone” time with God.

2021 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Our Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) has recorded pledges to date of \$9,100.00, or 82% of our Challenge Goal of \$11,122.00. Thank you to those who have already donated. The campaign will be closing early next month, and we are still trying to connect with regular donors. Please prayerfully consider making your pledge soon.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Fr. Stephen N. Ogaro from the **Diocese of Nakuru, Kenya** (East Africa) will be speaking at the Masses next weekend seeking your prayers and support. The diocese of Nakuru is involved in pastoral care and promoting human development activities to a Catholic population of approximately 650,000 in the counties of Nakuru and Baringo. In most parishes, priests and nuns are serving hundreds of families with much needed food supplies. Please be generous!

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday: St. Apollinaris

Wednesday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi

Thursday: St. Mary Magdalene

Friday: St. Bridget

Saturday: St. Sharbel Makhluf

MINISTER’S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 07/24/21, at 4:00 PM *****

Commentator & Lector: Maury Prater

Cantor: Mary Bardo

Musician: Barb Kellner

***** SUNDAY, 07/25/21, at 10:00 AM *****

Commentator & Lector: Paul Jolly

Cantors: Andrea Harper & Stephanie Blosser

Musician: John Harper

PUBLIC MASSES UPDATE

Anyone who is ill, symptomatic (cough, sore throat, headache, fever, among others), or has been exposed to someone else with the coronavirus within 14 days cannot enter the church, according to local health directives.

Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski has lifted the dispensation of the faithful to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation as of July 1, 2021. Parishioners who are sick, homebound, immunocompromised and gravely concerned for their health retain the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass, which has always been the case in normal times.

The mask mandate now only applies to all parish faithful who have not received a vaccination against the COVID-19 virus.

All other restrictions and measures at parishes will be determined by the parish pastor and what he deems is needed to provide for the safest possible environment.

We will continue 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.

UPCOMING MEETING

The **Parish Pastoral Council** will meet this Tuesday, July 20th, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center. We ask that all council members please attend this important meeting.

125th ANNIVERSARY

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for a noon Bilingual Mass and luncheon reception on Sunday, September 26th, 2021 to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of St. Wenceslaus Parish and the Missionaries of the Holy Family. More details and RSVP forms will be available in August.