

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

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**The Ascension of the Lord
May 17, 2015**

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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. James E. Wuerth, M.S.F., Pastor
Deacon George W. Miller
Rev. Petrus Prasetyo, M.S.F., In Residence
Rev. Denis Velomana, 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 8:00 and 10:00 AM

MASSES FOR WEEKDAYS

Monday through Saturday
7:45 AM in the Annex 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

Deborah Halter (314) 773-3070

ST. FRANCES CABRINI ACADEMY 776-0883

COMMUNION CALLS

To have Communion brought to your home contact the Parish Office.

NOVENA

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal 9:45 AM on Sunday.

LADIES OF MARY 1st Monday of Month 6:30 PM
in the Parish Center

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION

1st Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in the Church
1st Saturday at 7:00 a.m. in the Chapel

LITURGY COMMITTEE When announced

MEN'S CLUB 1st Tuesday of Month 6:30 PM in the Parish Center

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

3rd Tuesday of Month 7:00 PM in the Parish Center

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

PARISH WEB SITE ADDRESS:

www.stwenceslaus.website

SEND BULLETIN INFORMATION TO: stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved.
— Mark 16:16

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 16th

7:45 AM Our Family of Saints Novena
4:00 PM + Ted Lott

Sunday, May 17th

8:00 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM Our Family of Saints Novena

Monday, May 18th

7:45 AM Our Family of Saints Novena

Tuesday, May 19th

7:45 AM Our Family of Saints Novena

Wednesday, May 20th

7:45 AM + Ervin Roelke

Thursday, May 21st

7:45 AM + Charles Kubik, Sr.

Friday, May 22nd

7:45 AM + Everett Ludwig

Saturday, May 23rd

7:45 AM + Marcella Keim
4:00 PM + Catherine Ludwig

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Fred Ackermann, Jerry Bielicke, Deb Conley, Dennis Curtis, Don Fielder, Rosa Flores, Donna Frank, Joshua Galaster, John Gardabie, Lon Griffard, Gerry Harrington, Margaret Kalbac, Tony Kalbac, Patricia Kennedy, Dolores LaBruyere, Everleigh Lauber, Tom Malle, Gerald Mengwasser, Marion Mentzer, Carmelle Minton, Tom Moran, Krista Myers, Roberta Noeth, Silvia Osorio, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Judy Plassmeyer, Shari Plassmeyer, Ray & Shirley Rancilio, Clarence & Caroline Randall, Mary Ray, Rosemary Rivituso, Bob Roelke, John Rothweil, Katie Rothweil, Clem Ruemker, Ariane Sery, Mary Siess, Pat Thomas, Wilma Turnbull, Mary Ullo, Joseph Waelterman, Evelyn Williams, Marsha Williams, Bill Zib

MASS FOR MARRIAGE & FAMILY

All are invited to attend a Mass to Pray for the Protection of Marriage & Family on **Sunday, May 31st**, at the **Cathedral Basilica**, 4431 Lindell Blvd. Most Rev. Edward M. Rice will be the celebrant for this **5:00 pm Mass** on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. Please join us in praying for the Defense of Marriage & the Family during the months leading up to the Supreme Court decision regarding the definition of marriage.

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

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

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we have the courage to defend our faith and share our witness with others.

PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL

Today we celebrate one of the tenets of our creed: that the Lord ascended into heaven. From Mark's Gospel, we hear the final words Jesus spoke to his disciples shortly before he ascended into heaven. Those were words of commissioning, no less real for us today than they were to the disciples then. We are called to "proclaim the gospel to every creature." For the vast majority of us, this means that we proclaim the gospel by the witness of our everyday lives. Treating others with dignity and respect, providing for those less fortunate than ourselves, being good stewards of the many gifts showered on us, coming together as God's family in worship and praise—these are all signs that the gospel has taken root in our lives.

CABRINI NEWS

Our Catholic elementary school, St. Frances Cabrini Academy, is now enrolling grades Kindergarten through Eighth for the 2015-2016 school year. Please contact the school at 776-0883 to set up a visit and tour. Provide your children with a quality academic and faith filled atmosphere! Tuition assistance is available. St. Frances Cabrini, pray for us!

Thank you to everyone who supported our parish school on May 5th, Give St. Louis Day 2015. The school was able to raise \$700.00. Your generosity was truly appreciated.

The 8th Grade Musical, **Wizard of Oz**, will be performed in the school gym this Thursday evening, May 21st, at 7:00 pm. All parishioners and friends of Cabrini are invited.

PSR NEWS

Have you considered sharing your faith with grade school children? The South City Deanery Parish School of Religion that serves our parish has openings for classroom catechists and substitute catechists. The teacher's manual comes with prepared lesson plans and worksheets to assist you. Classes meet Monday evenings throughout the school year from 6:20 to 7:40 p.m. Contact Deborah Halter at (314) 773-3070 or at stl.scdpsr@gmail.com for more information.

COME AND SHOP—St. Pius V, 3310 S. Grand, **May 23rd**, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm. Lots of treasures and Bake Sale too!

MAY 17th, 2015

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 2,452.39
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 3,035.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 2,412.38
(Fiscal Year is July 2014 thru June 2015)	
Parish Appeal 2015	\$ 165.00
Maintenance	\$ 97.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 650.00

Stewardship Reflection

"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God." — 1 John 4:15

How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to defend your faith or clarify a question about your faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in your faith and share your witness with others.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend we will have a special collection for the **Catholic Communication Campaign**. This collection communicates the Gospel through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through television, radio, and print media. Please be generous and support this important work.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Mercy Conference and Retreat Center in Frontenac is seeking a Housekeeper/Floor Technician. If interested, send a resume to mercysearch@yahoo.com, or mail to Mercy Center, 2039 N. Geyer Rd., St. Louis, MO 63131.

BABY SHOWER

The Ladies of Mary are collecting items to support Our Lady's Inn Spring Shower. A collection box, including their "wish list", is located in the vestibule of the church. Items are being accepted through this Sunday, May 17th. For more information, contact Mary Bardo at 606-5584.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	The Ascension of the Lord; World Communications Day
Monday:	St. John I
Wednesday:	St. Bernardine of Siena
Thursday:	St. Christopher Magellanes and Companions; Julian Calendar Ascension
Friday:	St. Rita of Cascia
Saturday:	Vigil of Pentecost; Shavuot (Jewish observance) begins at sundown

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 05/23/15, at 4:00 PM *****

Extraordinary Ministers:	Priest & Deacon
To Choir & Disabled:	Charles Reichert
Commentator & Lector:	Sister Lorraine
Servers:	Brandon & Melanie Hernandez
Cantor:	Dan Zdrodowski
Musician:	Richard Carr

***** SUNDAY, 05/24/15, at 8:00 AM *****

Extraordinary Minister:	Jody James
To Choir & Disabled:	Anthony Nguyen
Commentator & Lector:	Terry Dabrowski
Server:	Jose Campos
Cantor:	Lisa Holland
Musician:	Richard Carr

***** SUNDAY, 05/24/15, at 10:00 AM *****

Extraordinary Minister:	Mike Blosser
To Choir & Disabled:	Karen Holthaus
Commentator & Lector:	Don Fielder
Server:	Tommy Nguyen
Cantor:	Leon Frigillana
Musician:	John Harper

CHOIR PRACTICE

There will be a choir practice on **Tuesday, May 26th**, at 6:30 p.m. During this practice, we will learn the Gloria from the Mass for Christian Unity by Jan Vermulst, and learn other music selections to be used during the summer months. All cantors, choir members, and musicians please make plans to attend.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE III

Gustavo Morales-Ortega & Ashley Gage
May 23, 2015 at 1:00 p.m.

UPCOMING MEETING

The **Parish Pastoral Council** will meet this Tuesday, May 19th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

2015 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

To date, our parish has recorded pledges of **\$12,679.00**, or 75% of our ACA challenge goal of **\$17,003.00**. Our parish has benefitted in many ways from the ACA. We ask for your continued prayers and financial support.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to parishioner **Paula Nguyen** who graduated this past week from Notre Dame High School. May God bless and be with you Paula as you begin college this Fall at Maryville University. We are very proud of you!