

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960



Twenty-fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
September 13, 2015

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

Nancy Haselhorst (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

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced.
- Isaiah 50:7

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 12th

7:45 AM Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F.
4:00 PM + Deborah Conley

Sunday, September 13th

8:00 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM + Beverly Plassmeyer

Monday, September 14th

7:45 AM + Mike Mattammal

Tuesday, September 15th

7:45 AM + Charles Kubik, Sr.

Wednesday, September 16th

7:45 AM + Andy & + Frances Wurm

Thursday, September 17th

7:45 AM + Souls in Purgatory

Friday, September 18th

7:45 AM + Rich Hibbs

Saturday, September 19th

7:45 AM + Walter Schaefer
4:00 PM + Martie J. (Jay) Aboussie, Jr.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Emmanuel Aziz, Mary Bardo, Jerry Bielicke, Norma Brouk, Richard Carr, Jr., Dennis Curtis, Pat Feeler, Don Fielder, Jean Finn, Rosa Flores, Leon Frigillana, Joshua Galaster, John Gardabie, Lon Griffard, Gerry Harrington, Margaret Kalbac, Patricia Kennedy, Dolores LaBruyere, Everleigh Lauber, Mary Helen Malle, Tom Malle, Marion Mentzer, Carmelle Minton, Tom Moran, Krista Myers, Roberta Noeth, Karleen Osia, Silvia Osorio, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Ray 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, Eric Wolf, Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F., Bill Zib

FATHER JIM WUERTH, M.S.F.

Our pastor, Father Jim Wuerth, has returned home after two weeks of medical tests and physical therapy. He will continue his therapy and rehabilitation in the weeks ahead and hopes to return to a normal schedule in the near future. Please keep Fr. Jim in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Your cards and other expressions of concern and caring have been most deeply appreciated by Fr. Jim.

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

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

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

Remembering that absolutely everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God.

SERVANT

Sometimes the hour and the person meet. Sometimes, when a task or mission is set upon our shoulders, we know we must meet our responsibilities and we are ready. These are heady and invigorating times. The first reading and the Gospel proclamation today are intimate glimpses of a commencement, an inauguration of a challenging future. In both readings, a sense of gravity prevails.

The first reading is from the mysterious Servant Songs from the book of Isaiah. The person is steadfast and brave. His courage and bravery are not located in his stout heart, but in God. We are reminded, "The Lord GOD opens my ear that I may hear" (Isaiah 50:4), so the servant understands the mission. And twice, "The Lord GOD is my help" (50:7, 9), so that the servant can endure the coming struggle.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The **Ladies of Mary** will meet this Monday, September 14th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

The **Parish Pastoral Council** meets this coming Tuesday, September 15th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

FALL FESTIVAL

Please mark you calendars! Our Fall Festival will be held on **Saturday, November 7th**. We are in need of new items for the Toy Booth, Cherry Tree Booth and Christmas Booth, and home-made/hand-made goods for our Country Store. We also need items for our Auctions. Your donated items will help make our festival a wonderful success. Not able to shop?...perhaps you would consider a monetary donation to be used to purchase needed items. Thank you very much!

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Our newly appointed Parish Pastoral Council members are Mary Mattammal and Terry Dabrowski. They will replace outgoing members Leon Frigillana and Dennis Holland. Congratulations to both of our new members, and thank you to the other nominees who offered their time and service.

The new members and officers of the PPC will be installed during the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 4th.

SEPTEMBER 13th, 2015

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 3,688.51
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 3,035.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 2,277.48
(Fiscal Year is July 2015 thru June 2016)	
 Parish Appeal 2015	 \$ 273.00
Maintenance	\$ 201.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 217.00

Stewardship Reflection

“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.” (Mark 8:34)

When we truly believe that all we have is a gift from God, then we must be willing to give up some things so that we can share our blessings as God intended. Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for our own life, but the lives of others as well.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Thank you for your contributions to last week's second collection for The Catholic University of America! Your gift will make great things possible by providing direct financial aid to more than 4,000 students from dioceses across the country.

SAVE THE DATE

The Ladies of Mary will be hosting a **Chili Dinner** on **October 3rd** from 3:00 - 6:30 p.m. Please make plans to attend and support this fundraising effort. Thank You!

TAILGATE SALE

Our Men's Club is hosting a Tailgate Sale on **Saturday, September 26th**, from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. To reserve a space @ \$15.00 each, contact Tim Moore at 814-0486, or the parish office at 865-1020. **Reservations and payment must be received by Monday, September 21st.** Please take some flyers located in the vestibule of the church, and help us promote this fundraising event.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day; Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year 5776) begins at sunset
- Monday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- Tuesday: Our Lady of Sorrows
- Wednesday: Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian
- Thursday: St. Robert Bellarmine
- Saturday: St. Januarius; Blessed Virgin Mary

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** **SATURDAY, 09/19/15, at 4:00 PM** *****

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Evelyn Reichert
Charles Reichert
- To Choir & Disabled: Dave Huelsing
- Commentator & Lector: Mary Bardo
- Server: Dave Huelsing
- Cantor: Ed Koeninger
- Musician: Richard Carr

***** **SUNDAY, 09/20/15, at 8:00 AM** *****

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Darlene Doerr
Mary Ann Gajdosik
- To Choir & Disabled: Anthony Nguyen
- Commentator & Lector: Terry Dabrowski
- Server: Theresa Nguyen

***** **SUNDAY, 09/20/15, at 10:00 AM** *****

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Kathy Blosser
Mike Blosser
- To Choir & Disabled: Rich Olliges
- Commentator & Lector: Paul Jolly
- Servers: Teresa & Ismael Aguayo
- Cantor: Mary Pichler
- Musician: John Harper

CANTORS NEEDED

We are looking for individuals who can sing and would like to become a cantor at our Masses. If interested, contact John Harper, our Music Director, or Fr. Jim Wuerth.

CABRINI NEWS

St. Frances Cabrini Academy has worked a beer tent at the Soulard Oktoberfest for several years. It has been a great way to get involved in the community, raise awareness and funds for Cabrini. Money raised goes to support tuition. They are looking for volunteers to help at this year's event, the weekend of October 9th - 11th. If you're interested, please see the bulletin boards for additional information.

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

Archbishop Carlson has made it a goal to make the Archdiocese of St. Louis **“a model stewardship diocese”**.

On Sunday, **September 27th**, our parish will observe Stewardship Awareness Sunday. This year's theme - **Stewardship: Build My Church** - asks each of us to reflect on God's love and grace that is active in each of us. It is through prayer that true peace enters and a grateful and generous heart is born.

Brochures, with Giving Guides, and prayer cards will be available beginning next week. Please be sure to read and reflect on these stewardship aids.