

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960



**Twenty-first Sunday in
Ordinary Time
August 21, 2016**

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 Wasser, M.S.F., Pastor

Deacon George W. Miller

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 9:00 AM

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. No arrangement for a dinner or reception etc. may be made until after the Church has officially set a Wedding date.

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.

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel

1st Wednesday (including Evening Prayer) at 6:00 p.m. in the Church

1st Saturday (including Morning Prayer) at 7:00 a.m. in the Church

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-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees.
Make straight paths for your feet, that what is lame
may not be disjointed but healed.

- Hebrews 12:12-13

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 20th

7:45 AM + Jack Morrissey
4:00 PM + Shirley Rancilio

Sunday, August 21st

9:00 AM + Gerry Harrington

Monday, August 22nd

7:45 AM + Michael Rothweil

Tuesday, August 23rd

7:45 AM + Ed & + Rhoda McGrail

Wednesday, August 24th

7:45 AM + Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, August 25th

7:45 AM + Marie Kubik

Friday, August 26th

7:45 AM + Everett & + Catherine Ludwig

Saturday, August 27th

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Emmanuel Aziz, Chris Bardo, Sue Barnowski, Jerry Bielicke, Tom Bolen, Alice Bryant, Patricia Carr, Richard Carr, Jr., Dennis Curtis, Margie Sosa Delgado, Chris Doerr, Pat Feeler, Don Fielder, Jean Finn, Rosa Flores, Leon Frigillana, Joshua Galaster, Lon Griffard, Jody James, Margaret Kalbac, Patricia Kennedy, Dolores LaBruyere, Everleigh Lauber, Mary Helen Malle, Tom Malle, Mary Mattammal, Joyce McKiernan, Deacon George Miller, Carmelle Minton, Tom Moore, Tom Moran, Krista Myers, Roberta Noeth, Silvia Osorio, Jim & Nancy Pender, Mary Pichler, Rosemary Pichler, Carol Plassmeyer, Ray Rancilio, Rosemary Rivituso, Bob Roelke, Clem Ruemker, Ariane Sery, Don Sparks, Pat Thomas, Mary Ullo, Pat Wevers, Evelyn Williams, Marsha Williams, Eric Wolf, Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F., Bill Zib

REST IN PEACE

Pray for the repose of the soul of former parishioner **Sr. Grace Berger, DC**, and also for the soul of **Eddie Adams**, a volunteer worker with our neighborhood food pantry, both of whom passed away recently. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

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

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That through our good stewardship, we may build up God's kingdom here on earth and earn a place at God's eternal banquet.

DISCIPLINE

It is no accident that the words "disciple" and "discipline" are nearly identical. Their relationship in Christian faith and life, however, has fallen somewhat out of favor in the past generation, as certain prescribed Church rules and regulations have been reduced and relaxed. These rules were often referred to as "disciplines." We are mistaken, however, to think that it no longer takes discipline to follow Christ. The Letter to the Hebrews assures us of that today. Our discipline is more like that of an athlete pursuing a victory or a personal best, or a musician striving for a concert career or to master a new piece of music. This discipline comes from desire, not from regulations. It was the desire to do the will of God that led Jesus on the path to his cross. It is that same desire he encourages in us today: to strive to enter through the narrow gate, to find ourselves in the kingdom with a surprising assortment of people who are there not because of mere observation of rules, but out of a genuine desire to recline at the table of the heavenly banquet.

INDEPENDENT LIVING

The Little Sisters of the Poor have openings in their Independent Living Area at their home located at 3225 N. Florissant Ave., St. Louis, MO 63107. A resident must be at least 65 years of age, have limited financial resources to be considered, and be able to take care of their basic needs. If you or someone you know might be interested in this opportunity, call 421-6022 and ask to speak to Ron Kostedt in Social Services. See the bulletins boards for more details.

2016 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

To date, our parish has recorded pledges of **\$16,460.00**, or **97% of our ACA challenge goal of \$17,003.00**. This was the last week of the campaign, and the final numbers should be available soon. Thank you for your prayers and support!

AMERISTAR CASINO TRIP

If you're attending our Parish Casino Outing this Sunday, August 21st, please remember to be at St. Wenceslaus and ready to leave by 2:00 pm. Thank you, and see you there!

AUGUST 21st, 2016

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 1,943.52
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 3,035.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 2,218.36
(Fiscal Year is July 2016 thru June 2017)	
Parish Appeal 2016	\$ 107.00
Maintenance	\$ 48.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 165.00

Stewardship Reflection

"For behold, some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last." - Luke 13:30

Our standards in our society are so different from God's standards. We often rate or rank people by what they have, how powerful they are, or how successful they are. Jesus reminds us that God will not judge us by the same earthly standards.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

We are looking for dedicated parishioners to serve on our Parish Pastoral Council. Nominations for the next 3-year term, beginning in October, can still be submitted. If you would like to nominate someone, perhaps yourself, please fill out one of the nomination forms located in the pews or in the vestibule of the church. Forms must be submitted no later than Sunday, September 4th. Good Stewardship includes our gifts of time and talent. Are you being called to serve?

BAKE SALE

Many thanks to our Ladies of Mary for hosting a bake sale last weekend. The sale raised \$259.00 for our parish food pantry. Thanks to everyone for your support.

GARAGE SALE

A garage sale to benefit the Little Sisters of the Poor is taking place next Saturday, August 27th, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Little Sisters residence at Hebert Street, between N. 22nd and N. 23rd. Cash only please! Please help our sisters by supporting their upcoming fundraiser.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday:	St. Rose of Lima
Wednesday:	St. Bartholomew
Thursday:	St. Louis of France; St. Joseph Calasanz
Saturday:	St. Monica

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 08/27/16, at 4:00 PM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	LeEllen Aboussie Martie Aboussie
To Choir & Disabled:	Charlie Reichert
Commentator & Lector:	Mary Bardo
Server:	Dave Huelsing
Cantor:	Ed Koeninger
Musician:	Mary Martin

***** SUNDAY, 08/28/16, at 9:00 AM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Rich Olliges Karen Holthaus
To Choir & Disabled:	Anthony Nguyen
Commentator & Lector:	Adela Peugnet
Server:	Theresa Nguyen
Cantor:	Mary Pichler
Musician:	Mary Martin

WEDDING JUBILEE MASS

The Annual Silver and Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass will be on Sunday, Sept. 25th, at 2:30 pm at the Cathedral Basilica on Lindell Blvd. Archbishop Robert Carlson will be the celebrant. Couples celebrating their **25th, 50th or 50-plus wedding anniversary during 2016** are invited to this annual Mass. Couples should register by Sept. 10th. See the bulletin boards for additional information.

SPECIAL CONCERT

This Sunday, August 21st, at 2:00 p.m., Richard Carr returns to St. Wenceslaus for a concert of solo piano music in celebration of his new album, *Matters of Balance*, currently being released. The concert is free of charge, but a free will offering of \$10.00 is suggested. Come and enjoy a relaxing afternoon of piano music.

FALL FESTIVAL

Please mark your calendars! Our Fall Festival will be held on **Saturday, November 5th**. We will need new items for the Toy Booth, Christmas Booth and Cherry Tree Booth, and home-made / hand-made goods for our Country Store. We will also need items for our Auctions. It's not too early to shop. 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! Our Ladies of Mary are in need of your recipes for a new cookbook, to be sold at this year's festival. Send your recipes to Pat Griffard at mamagriffard2010@gmail.com, or bring your recipes to the parish office during regular business hours. For questions, contact Pat at 239-4735.