

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

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Twenty-third Sunday in
Ordinary Time
September 4, 2016

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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 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-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness, that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days. - Psalm 90:14

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 3rd

7:45 AM + Marcella Keim
4:00 PM + Justin Seipp

Sunday, September 4th

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Monday, September 5th

7:45 AM + Joan M. Jerome

Tuesday, September 6th

7:45 AM + Tim Morrissey

Wednesday, September 7th

7:45 AM + Margie Rothweil

Thursday, September 8th

7:45 AM Bonnie Martin

Friday, September 9th

7:45 AM + Jimmy Collins

Saturday, September 10th

7:45 AM In Thanksgiving
4:00 PM + Everett & + Catherine Ludwig

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Emmanuel Aziz, Chris Bardo, Sue Barnowski, Jerry Bielickie, Tom Bolen, Alice Bryant, Patricia Carr, Richard Carr, Jr., Dennis Curtis, Margie Sosa Delgado, Chris Doerr, Pat Feeler, Don Fielder, Jean Finn, Rosa Flores, Joshua Galaster, Lon Griffard, Margaret Kalbac, Patricia Kennedy, Dolores LaBruyere, Everleigh Lauber, Mary Helen Malle, Tom Malle, Joyce McKiernan, Deacon George Miller, Ellen 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

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Mary Morris**, a former parishioner, who passed away earlier this week. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!

CANONIZATION OF MOTHER TERESA

Tune in to the EWTN Global Catholic Network for television coverage of the canonization of Blessed Mother Teresa, live from Rome, this Sunday, Sept. 4th.

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

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

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we may come to realize everything we have is a gift from God and we are called to generously share these gifts.

INVITED

The Good News is that we have all been invited, invited to the Kingdom, invited to be disciples. It's a life-changing invitation, and like so many other such invitations, it requires a great deal of deliberation and discernment. Whether we choose marriage, ordination, single life, or community life, we know the serious planning and consideration that accompany these profound decisions. Like the tower-builder in the Gospel, we have weighed both the monetary and emotional cost. We have pondered and planned our lives in the direction to which we believe God has called us. And while we pray for guidance and acceptance of God's will, we often fail to understand so much. Like Solomon, we turn to God for wisdom and counsel in our life-changing decisions.

CABRINI NEWS

Our parish school, St. Frances Cabrini Academy, would like to invite you to their next fundraiser; an Authentic Mexican Dinner on Saturday, September 17th, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Make a reservation and save \$2.00 per adult plate. See the bulletin boards for additional information.

BAKE SALE

Our Ladies of Mary are hosting a bake sale the weekend of **September 24th & 25th**, following the Masses. Please make plans to support this fundraising event. Thank you!

LABOR DAY

In observance of Labor Day, the parish office will be closed this Monday, September 5th. Enjoy the holiday!

AUGUST PASS-THE-CASH

\$50 WINNER: Rick Gangloff
\$25 WINNERS: Marlene Kren, Andy Leeser
Jolene Battles, Justine Licari

THANK YOU

Our sincerest thanks to **Matt & Barb Kellner** for their outstanding work as our ACA Chairpersons. Your tremendous effort each year is truly appreciated. May God bless you!

SEPTEMBER 4th, 2016

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 1,251.60
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 3,035.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 2,030.04
(Fiscal Year is July 2016 thru June 2017)	
Parish Appeal 2016	\$ 85.00
Maintenance	\$ 25.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 00.00

Stewardship Reflection

“Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.” - Luke 14:33

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

This week is the National Collection for **The Catholic University of America**. The university provides an education based in Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students each year. More than 4,000 students will receive scholarship aid, including many from our own diocese. Envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church. Please be generous to this special collection.

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 vestibule of the church. Forms must be submitted no later than this Sunday, September 4th. Good Stewardship includes our gifts of time and talent. Are you being called to serve?

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	Labor Day
Thursday:	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday:	St. Peter Claver
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 09/10/16, at 4:00 PM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Joan Frigillana Leon Frigillana
To Choir & Disabled:	Matt Kellner
Commentator & Lector:	Don Fielder
Server:	Matt Kellner
Cantor:	Dan Zdrodowski
Musician:	Mary Martin

***** SUNDAY, 09/11/16, at 9:00 AM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Sandy Moore Tim Moore
To Choir & Disabled:	Karen Holthaus
Commentator & Lector:	Dennis Holland
Servers:	Tina Nguyen & Kathryn Holland
Cantor:	Lisa Holland
Musician:	John Harper

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.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The **Men's Club** will meet this Tuesday, September 6th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

The **Ladies of Mary** will meet Tuesday, September 13th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. (Please note the date change for September, due to the Labor Day Holiday.)

The **Parish Pastoral Council** will not meet in September.

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.