

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960

Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time
January 22, 2017



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
Rev. Aloysius Irawan, M.S.F., In Residence
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. should 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

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Wait for the Lord with courage; be stouthearted, and wait for the Lord.
- Psalm 27:14

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 21st

7:45 AM + Charlie McGrail
4:00 PM + Everett & + Catherine Ludwig

Sunday, January 22nd

9:00 AM + Gerry Harrington

Monday, January 23rd

7:45 AM + Walter Schaefer

Tuesday, January 24th

7:45 AM + John Rothweil

Wednesday, January 25th

7:45 AM + Marie Kubik

Thursday, January 26th

7:45 AM The Finney Family

Friday, January 27th

7:45 AM + Shirley Rancilio

Saturday, January 28th

7:45 AM + Jack Morrissey
4:00 PM + Marcella Keim

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Emmanuel Aziz, Chris Bardo, Sue Barnowski, Norma Berry, Jerry Bielicke, Tom Bolen, Patricia Carr, Richard Carr, Jr., Dennis Curtis, Margie Sosa Delgado, Chris Doerr, Darlene Doerr, Esther Ellspermann, Don Fielder, Jean Finn, Rosa Flores, Joshua Galaster, Dennis Holland, Jody James, Margaret Kalbac, Patricia Kennedy, Jim King, Everleigh Lauber, Robbie Ludwig, Mary Helen Malle, Tom Malle, Bonnie Martin, Joyce McKiernan, Deacon George Miller, Ellen Miller, Carmelle Minton, Tom Moran, Krista Myers, Roberta Noeth, Silvia Osorio, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Carol Plassmeyer, Ray Rancilio, Rosemary Rivituso, Bob Roelke, Katherine Rothweil, 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

MASS & FELLOWSHIP

Please join with members of our Holy Family Prayer Association for Mass this **Wednesday, January 25th**, at 6:30 pm to pray for your family and all families of the world. Fellowship and refreshments will follow Mass, in the Parish Center. Call Maury at 577-6300 for more information. We look forward to seeing you this Wednesday evening!

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH
We welcome all of our guests and parishioners here celebrating the Eucharist with us on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we may faithfully follow Jesus, wherever and whenever He calls.

LIBERATION AND REFORM

While you might have to reach for an atlas to determine that Isaiah is speaking about Galilee, today's first reading (part of which was read at Christmas) is prophetic of Jesus' future ministry in that province. The light that brings salvation and rejoicing is, ultimately, Christ. Liberation is the theme: liberation from both ignorance ("darkness") and sin (the "yoke").

As Isaiah identifies a place, so Paul describes an attitude: the attitude that develops, even among good people, of equating their own will with the common good. This always brings dissension, and so it has done in Corinth. Paul will not allow this; we are all members of "Christ's party." The gospel is not to divide us.

Matthew quotes from Isaiah in today's Gospel, presenting Jesus as the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecies. The theme is "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" (Matthew 4:17). To spread this message, Jesus begins to select disciples, four of whom we meet today: Peter, Andrew, James, and John.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Elementary and High School Scholarship Applications for the 2017-2018 school year are available. You must apply between January 30th and February 28th, 2017. Be sure to **see the bulletin insert** for all the important information you will need to know, and be sure to apply as early as possible.

MASS MOB VOLUNTEERS

St. Wenceslaus Parish is honored to host the Archdiocesan "Mass Mob" on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14th, 2017, at 9:00 am. Each Mass Mob averages between 400 and 500 visitors. This is a great opportunity to promote our beautiful church, but it will take many volunteers in a variety of committees. If you are willing to help in any way, please contact Maury Prater at 577-6300. Thank you!

REST IN PEACE

Pray for the repose of the soul of parishioner **Genevieve Geisel**, who passed away recently. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!

JANUARY 22nd, 2017

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 1,245.20
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 3,035.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 2,226.63
(Fiscal Year is July 2016 thru June 2017)	
Parish Appeal 2017	\$ 155.00
Maintenance	\$ 5.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 33.00

Stewardship Reflection

“He called them, and immediately they left their boat, and their father, and followed Him.” - Matthew 4:22

Just as Jesus called the first apostles, He calls each of us to follow Him, too. Not everyone is called to leave their business or family behind, but we are expected to put God first in everything. Everything from our time in daily prayer, our talent in participating in one of our parish ministries, to our treasure to support the financial needs of our parish mission.

ST. LOUIS REVIEW

If you were unable to turn in your renewal envelope last weekend, its not too late to do so. If you do not have a renewal envelope, but would like to subscribe, forms are available in the vestibule of the church. You may also contact Paul Jolly at the Parish Office.

TRIVIA NIGHT

Our Trivia Night will be held **Saturday, February 18th**, beginning at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Tables of up to 10 are \$20 per person. This includes drinks (beer, wine, soda and water), snacks, and paper products. Basket Raffles are also planned, so please consider donating any extra Christmas gifts as a prize for our event.

To make reservations, or for more information, flyers are available in the vestibule of the church, or call Kathy Styer at 588-0770. Please support this fundraising event.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children; St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope
Tuesday:	St. Francis de Sales
Wednesday:	The Conversion of St. Paul
Thursday:	Ss. Timothy and Titus
Friday:	St. Angela Merici
Saturday:	St. Thomas Aquinas; Chinese New Year 4715

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 01/28/17, at 4:00 PM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Dave Huelsing Harry Bardo
To Choir & Disabled:	Matt Kellner
Commentator & Lector:	Barb Kellner
Server:	Matt Kellner
Cantor:	Ed Koeninger
Musician:	Mary Martin

***** SUNDAY, 01/29/17, at 9:00 AM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Kathy Blosser Mike Blosser
To Choir & Disabled:	Jan Harper
Commentator & Lector:	Mike Ackermann
Server:	Tommy Nguyen
Cantors:	Stephanie Blosser & Andrea Harper
Musician:	John Harper

MEN'S CLUB - MASS & BREAKFAST

The Men's Club Mass and breakfast has been moved to **Sunday, February 12th**. The Men's Club will attend the 9:00 am Mass with breakfast to follow. Save the date!

SCHOLARSHIP SUNDAY

Catholic School week begins, and Scholarship Sunday is celebrated, on January 29th. Next weekend, we will have a Cabrini board member at Mass to discuss Cabrini and their Scholarship Fund. There will be an Open House at the school from noon to 2:00 p.m. to meet the faculty, staff and student ambassadors. Call Kaitlyn Holdmeyer at 776-0883 for more information.

CATHOLIC MEN FOR CHRIST

The Catholic Men for Christ Conference will be held on **Saturday, February 18th**, at the Touhill Performing Arts Center, located on the University of Missouri, St. Louis Campus. There will be a discounted price for all men attending this conference. Sign-up is available in the vestibule of the church. Call Matt Kellner at 638-7941, or Paul Jolly at the Parish Office for more details.

BEYOND SUNDAY

Beyond Sunday Campaign Presentations will be held at St. Wenceslaus on Wednesday, February 8th at 6:30 pm in the church, and again on Saturday, February 11th at 10:00 am, also in the church. Abby Cole, a Beyond Sunday representative, will be here to lead the program. Parishioners who have not yet attended a Beyond Sunday presentation are asked to please attend on one of these two dates in February. If you have any questions, please contact Paul Jolly at the Parish Office.