

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 21, 2018**

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. 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 6:30 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

The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel. - Mark 1:15

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 20th

7:45 AM Cathy O'Brien
4:00 PM + Harry O'Brien, Sr.

Sunday, January 21st

9:00 AM + Genevieve Geisel

Monday, January 22nd

7:45 AM Lisa & Ralph Hueneburg & Family

Tuesday, January 23rd

7:45 AM + Evelyn Haring

Wednesday, January 24th

7:45 AM + Kathy Ogier

Thursday, January 25th

7:45 AM + Marie Kubik

Friday, January 26th

7:45 AM Bill & Susan Pelch

Saturday, January 27th

7:45 AM + Tim Morrissey
4:00 PM Barb Kellner

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Emmanuel Aziz, Chris Bardo, Harry Bardo, Kathy Becker, Jerry Bielicke, Tom Bolen, Elam Burbage, Patricia Carr, Sharon Crocker, Dennis Curtis, Margie Sosa Delgado, Chris Doerr, Darlene Doerr, Esther Ellspermann, Harry Fabick, Don Fielder, Jean Finn, Rosa Flores, Dennis Holland, Margaret Kalbac, Carol Kozemczak, Everleigh Lauber, Ana Clara Lightle, Richard Loy, Jr., Bonnie Martin, Joyce McKiernan, Deacon George Miller, Carmelle Minton, Matt Moore, Krista Myers, Austin Needham, Silvia Osorio, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Carol Plassmeyer, Rosemary Rivituso, Bob Roelke, Makena Roelke, Barb Rothweil, Marvin Rothweil, Clem Ruemker, Marie Rundle, Tek Schaefer, Ruth Schneider, Ariane Sery, Georgia Stockton, Gladys Stubblefield, Lucille Tangel, Fr. Alberto Trevino, Mary Ullo, Tom Vossmeier, Pat Wevers, Evelyn Williams, Marsha Williams, Betty Wolf, Eric Wolf, Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F.

MEN'S CLUB - MASS & BREAKFAST

The Men's Club will be attending the 9:00 am Mass next **Sunday, January 28th**. Breakfast follows at Ari's, 3101 Hampton Ave. All men of the parish are invited, but reservations are required. If interested, please call Paul Jolly at the parish office at 865-1020, no later than Tuesday, January 23rd. Please join us!

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 hear Jesus' personal invitation to "**Follow Him**" and respond by generously sharing all our gifts.

THE DEMANDS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Today, we encounter readings that already have a Lenten feel about them. Nineveh undergoes a forty-day fast, the psalmist reminds us that God alone can show sinners the way, Paul shows us how fleeting the things and events of this world are, and Jesus cries out "Repent!" before he calls his new followers. "Come after me," Jesus says, but if we are to truly live out the commands and demands of our discipleship through baptism, we must first know our need for conversion, our repentance, our need to believe in the gospel fully. Today's Gospel opens with the stark reminder of what befell John the Baptist for completely living out his vocation as the herald of Christ and the gospel: he was arrested, imprisoned, and martyred. Though few of us will experience consequences that extreme, we must all be ready to risk some sort of rejection as, heeding the call of Jesus, we live out the kingdom of God at hand, repent of our sins, and believe in the good news of salvation.

SCHOLARSHIP SUNDAY

Catholic School week begins, and Scholarship Sunday is celebrated next Sunday, **January 28th**. A Cabrini board member or volunteer will be at Mass to discuss Cabrini and their Scholarship Fund. Please consider making a Scholarship donation and attend the Open House at the school from 1 - 3 pm to meet the faculty, staff and student ambassadors. Call Kaitlyn Holdmeyer at 776-0883 for more information. (Envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church).

MASS & FELLOWSHIP

Join with members of our Holy Family Prayer Association for Mass this **Wednesday, January 24th**, at 6:30 pm to pray for your family and all families of the world. Fellowship and refreshments will follow Mass. Call Maury at 577-6300 for more information. We hope to see you on the 24th!

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of former parishioner **Gene Wnuk**, uncle of Don Cooper, who passed away recently. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!

JANUARY 21st, 2018

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 1,203.72
Weekly Collection Goal (revised)	\$ 2,840.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 1,876.90
(Fiscal Year is July 2017 thru June 2018)	
 Parish Appeal 2018	 \$ 20.00
Maintenance	\$ 35.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 70.00

Stewardship Reflection

“Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.”
- Mark 1:17

Jesus' call to **“Follow me”** is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are “ready” or have everything in order. Good stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren't always going to go according to our schedule and that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.

ST. LOUIS REVIEW

Place your renewal envelope for the St. Louis Review in the collection this weekend. Stay informed about Church news from around the archdiocese, nation and world. For **just \$30.00**, you get 50 issues, plus full access to the website. Subscription forms are available in the vestibule of the church or contact Paul Jolly at the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST

Archbishop Robert J. Carlson has issued a directive that parishes not offer communion under both species while our country is dealing with such a serious flu epidemic. Effective next weekend, we will receive the sacrament of communion under only one species, the Sacred Host. This change will only be temporary. We will offer the Sacred Wine as soon as possible. Fr. Wasser will discuss this change in more detail at both Masses this weekend.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Tuesday:	St. Vincent; Saint Marianne Cope
Wednesday:	St. Francis de Sales
Thursday:	The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
Friday:	Ss. Timothy and Titus
Saturday:	St. Angela Merici; Blessed Virgin Mary

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** **SATURDAY, 01/27/18, at 4:00 PM** *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	LeEllen Aboussie Martie Aboussie
To Choir & Disabled:	Charlie Reichert
Commentator & Lector:	Rich Fogelbach
Server:	Alina Mendoza
Cantor:	Ed Koeninger
Musician:	Ryan Jones

***** **SUNDAY, 01/28/18, at 9:00 AM** *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Kathy Blosser Mike Blosser
To Choir & Disabled:	Karen Holthaus
Commentator & Lector:	Paul Jolly
Server:	Jose Campos
Cantors:	Andrea Harper & Stephanie Blosser
Musician:	John Harper

CATHOLIC MEN FOR CHRIST

The Catholic Men for Christ Conference will be held on **Saturday, February 3rd**, at the Touhill Performing Arts Center, University of Missouri, St. Louis Campus. There is a discounted price of \$20.00 for all men attending the conference. Sign-up is available in the vestibule of the church. See the bulletin boards, or call Matt Kellner at 638-7941 for more details. We hope you can attend.

CATHOLIC WOMEN FOR CHRIST

The Catholic Women for Christ Conference will be held on **Saturday, March 10th**, also at the Touhill Performing Arts Center, University of Missouri, St. Louis Campus. There is a discounted price of \$20.00 for all women that attend the conference. See the bulletin boards for more information, or call Adela Peugnet at 315-7347. Perhaps you would like to send someone to the conference as a Valentine's gift. We hope you can attend.

TRIVIA NIGHT

Our Trivia Night will be on **Saturday, February 17th**, in the Parish Hall. Doors open at 6:15 pm and Trivia begins at 7:00 pm. The cost is \$20 per person; limit of 10 players per table. This includes drinks (beer, wine, soda and water), snacks, and paper products. Basket Raffles are also being planned, so please consider donating any extra Christmas gifts as a prize for our event. Donations of Beer (cans, AB products preferred) and Soda (name brands please) for the Bar are also welcome.

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