

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

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**Fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
January 28, 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

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel
before the Lord who made us. - Psalm 95:6

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 27th

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

Sunday, January 28th

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Monday, January 29th

7:45 AM Special Intention

Tuesday, January 30th

7:45 AM + Walter Schaefer

Wednesday, January 31st

7:45 AM + Clyde & + Evelyn Jolly

Thursday, February 1st

7:45 AM + Mary Jane Kubik

Friday, February 2nd

7:45 AM Holy Family Circle & Friends
Prayer Association

Saturday, February 3rd

7:45 AM Marty & Pam Keeven & Family
4:00 PM + Martie J. (Jay) Aboussie, Jr.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Emmanuel Aziz, Chris Bardo, Harry Bardo, Kathy Becker, Jerry Bielickie, Tom Bolen, Elam Burbage, Patricia Carr, Jack Cooper, 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, 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.

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of parishioner **Barbara Rothweil**, who passed away recently. May her soul, 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 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we may open our hearts to receive more fully all of God's simple and abundant blessings.

TRUE PROPHETS

In Deuteronomy today we hear that God's very words will fill the mouth of a true prophet, but a false prophet will, in a manner of speaking, put mere mortal words into God's mouth. In Mark's Gospel, we see Jesus teaching and healing as a true prophet, one filled with the authority of God's own voice. The whole history of our church is filled with both true and false prophets. Some false prophets were extremely popular and quite well-versed in scripture, and even held positions of authority. But in today's Gospel we learn that Jesus' fame spread because he taught with authority; he wasn't an authority because he was popular or famous. Elsewhere, we also learn from him, in his desert temptation confrontations with Satan, that anyone can quote scripture, even against God's purposes. Today we hear that his authority was not like that of the scribes, who held the official positions of religious authority in his day. Our work is to do our best to discern the true prophets in our midst, and to be true prophets as well. The psalmist tells us how to do this: by not hardening our hearts when God speaks. If we truly listen to God, it will be God's very words filling our mouths.

SCHOLARSHIP SUNDAY

Catholic School week begins, and Scholarship Sunday is celebrated this Sunday, **January 28th**. Please consider making a Scholarship donation and attend the Open House at the school from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. You can call Kaitlyn Holdmeyer at 776-0883 for more information regarding your donation.

PSR TRIVIA NIGHT

The South City Deanery Parish School of Religion will hold its Trivia Night on Sat., Feb 3rd, at Immaculate Heart of Mary. The cost is \$22 per person or a table of 8 paid in advance is \$160. Call Greg at 810-6735 for more information.

BLESSING OF THROATS

Next weekend, we will have the Blessing of Throats at the conclusion of all Masses. In this special blessing, we pray that through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, we will be delivered and healed from all illnesses of the throat and from every other evil.

JANUARY 28th, 2018

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 1,610.99
Weekly Collection Goal (revised)	\$ 2,840.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 1,868.03
(Fiscal Year is July 2017 thru June 2018)	
Parish Appeal 2018	\$ 52.00
Maintenance	\$ 40.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 165.00

Stewardship Reflection

"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties." - 1 Corinthians 7:32

How much anxiety do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about not having enough or attaining more things? God won't necessarily give you everything you want, but He will provide everything you need. Try this - use the word "pray" instead of the word "worry" in the future.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next weekend, we will have a special collection for our **St. Vincent De Paul Fund**. Your support is greatly needed to continue our ministry of serving the poor and needy. Envelopes are in the vestibule of the church.

ST. LOUIS REVIEW

You can place your renewal envelope for the St. Louis Review in the collection this weekend. Subscription forms are also available in the vestibule of the church.

SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST

As previously stated, Archbishop Robert J. Carlson has issued a directive that parishes not offer communion under both species while our country is dealing with a serious flu epidemic. Effective this weekend, we will receive the sacrament of communion under only one species, the Sacred Host. This change is only temporary. We will offer the Sacred Wine as soon as possible.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week
- Wednesday: St. John Bosco
- Friday: The Presentation of the Lord; Groundhog Day; First Friday
- Saturday: St. Blaise; St. Ansgar; First Saturday; Blessing of Throats; Blessed Virgin Mary

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

******* SATURDAY, 02/03/18, at 4:00 PM *******

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Monica Fingerhut
Phil Fingerhut
- To Choir & Disabled: Matt Kellner
- Commentator & Lector: Jim Teschner
- Server: Matt Kellner
- Cantor: Ed Koeninger
- Musician: Ryan Jones

******* SUNDAY, 02/04/18, at 9:00 AM *******

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Sandy Moore
Tim Moore
- To Choir & Disabled: Jan Harper
- Commentator & Lector: Dennis Holland
- Server: Paula Nguyen
- Cantor: Lisa Holland
- Musician: John Harper

CATHOLIC MEN FOR CHRIST

The Catholic Men for Christ Conference will be held next **Saturday, February 3rd**. Sign-up is still available in the vestibule of the church. Please see the bulletin boards, or call Matt Kellner at 638-7941 for more details.

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. 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.

Contribution Statements for 2017 will be available as of this Wednesday, January 31st. Contact Paul Jolly at the Parish Office at 865-1020 to request your statement.