

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

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**The Nativity of St. John
the Baptist
June 24, 2018**

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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. 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

Last Wednesday of Month at 6:30 PM 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

THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

“Behold, one is coming after me; I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet.” - Acts 13:25

THIS WEEK’S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 23rd

7:45 AM + Souls in Purgatory
4:00 PM + Martie J. (Jay) Aboussie, Jr.

Sunday, June 24th

9:00 AM + Blankmann Family

Monday, June 25th

7:45 AM + Francis Devlin

Tuesday, June 26th

7:45 AM Maury Prater

Wednesday, June 27th

7:45 AM + Marie Kubik

Thursday, June 28th

7:45 AM + Fr. Joe Roelke, M.S.F.

Friday, June 29th

7:45 AM + Bill Martin

Saturday, June 30th

7:45 AM + Joesphine Sindelar
4:00 PM People of the Parish

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Emmanuel Aziz, Chris Bardo, Harry Bardo, Kathy Becker, Bob Blankmann, Therese Blomberg, Tom Bolen, Elam Burbage, Sharon Crocker, Dennis Curtis, Margie Sosa Delgado, Chris Doerr, Darlene Doerr, Joe Ebert, Esther Ellspermann, Harry Fabick, Don Fielder, Jean Finn, Rosa Flores, Lou Gehr, Mary Henderson, Dennis Holland, Margaret Kalbac, Patrick Kennedy, Carol Kozemczak, Charlie Kubik, Everleigh Lauber, Ana Clara Lightle, Richard Loy, Jr., Bonnie Martin, Joyce McKiernan, Ray Miles, Deacon George Miller, Carmelle Minton, Matt Moore, Krista Myers, Austin Needham, Silvia Osorio, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Ana Pierce, Carol Plassmeyer, Rosemary Rivituso, Bob Roelke, Marvin Rothweil, Clem Ruemker, Tek Schaefer, Ruth Schneider, Ariane Sery, Georgia Stockton, Lucille Tangel, Mary Ullo, Tom Vossmeier, Pat Wevers, Evelyn Williams, Marsha Williams, Betty Wolf, Eric Wolf, Fr. Jim Wasser, M.S.F., Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F.

THE GREATEST NEED

The world’s greatest need is not more Christians but more Christians who practice their Christianity.

- Anonymous

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

We welcome all of our guests and parishioners here celebrating the Eucharist with us on The Nativity of St. John the Baptist.

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we turn our daily focus to God and others to develop a “God-centered” lifestyle.

JOHN THE BAPTIST

Since June 24th falls on a Sunday this year, the Church has the opportunity for a more intense celebration of the birth of John the Baptist, who is often described as the last of the Old Testament prophets and the bridge between Judaism and Christianity. More commonly, John is known as the “precursor” of our Lord Jesus Christ. All the Gospels report John’s basic message: Repent, the kingdom is near at hand. One greater than I is coming.

Though he was a wandering preacher who dressed in camel skins and ate grasshoppers, John’s legacy is one of true royalty. His origins are similar to those foretold by God through the prophet Isaiah: “You are my servant, he said to me, Israel through whom I show my glory” (Isaiah 49:3). John’s humility - “I am not he” - was surpassed only by that of his Lord Jesus, the humble servant who followed.

CABRINI NEWS

St. Frances Cabrini Academy, our parish school, is currently enrolling grades kindergarten through 8th for the 2018-2019 school year. All grades are open until 25 spots are filled, so please consider enrolling soon. Call 776-0883, or e-mail admissions@cabriniacademy.org for more information.

MUSICAL COMEDY

The Fr. William Scheid Players will be performing the musical comedy, *Guys and Dolls*, July 20th & 21st, to benefit the ministries of the Catholic Youth Apostolate. See the bulletin boards for more information. Please support this fundraiser.

UPCOMING EVENT

All men of the parish are invited to join our **Men’s Club** for a Gateway Grizzlies baseball game on Thursday, July 26th. The cost is \$11.00 per person. The deadline for sign-up is July 12th. Call Paul Jolly at the parish office, at 865-1020.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration, Evening Prayer & Benediction will be held this Wednesday, June 27th, at 6:30 pm, in the church. Please join us for this special time of prayer before Jesus in the Eucharist.

JUNE 24th, 2018

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 1,937.17
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 2,840.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 2,014.50
(Fiscal Year is July 2017 thru June 2018)	
Parish Appeal 2018	\$ 160.00
Maintenance	\$ 20.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 25.00

Stewardship Reflection

"...Behold, one is coming after me; I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet." - Acts 13:25

Stewardship is a lifestyle, it's not a program or a process. It's how we are called to live our lives twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week! It challenges us to live "God-centered" lives, not "self-centered" lives. Reflect on your daily activities, do you do them for the glory of God or for the glory of your own name?

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next weekend, we will have the **Peter's Pence** Collection which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For additional information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The **Ladies of Mary, Men's Club** and **Parish Pastoral Council** will not meet during the month of July.

MAY WE PRAY FOR YOU?

The Missionaries of the Holy Family are happy to receive your prayer requests, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, through their website at www.msf-america.org. You can also always call toll-free as well at 1-888-484-9945. See the bulletin boards for additional information.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
- Monday: Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time
- Wednesday: St. Cyril of Alexandria
- Thursday: St. Irenaeus
- Friday: Ss. Peter and Paul
- Saturday: The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church; Blessed Virgin Mary

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 06/30/18, at 4:00 PM *****

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Rich Fogelbach
Jim Teschner
- To Choir & Disabled: Matt Kellner
- Commentator & Lector: Maury Prater
- Server: Matt Kellner
- Cantor: Ryan Jones
- Musician: Ryan Jones

***** SUNDAY, 07/01/18, at 9:00 AM *****

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Rich Olliges
Terry Dabrowski
- To Choir & Disabled: Anthony Nguyen
- Commentator & Lector: Dennis Holland
- Server: Anthony Nguyen
- Cantor: Lisa Holland
- Musician: John Harper

PSR NEWS

The South City Deanery Parish School of Religion (PSR) is now registering students for the 2018-2019 school year. Classes will begin on September 10th. See the bulletin boards for registration dates and additional information.

OPENING FOR MUSICIAN

Our parish is looking for a musician to lead the music at the 4:00 pm Mass on Saturday afternoons. Candidates should have some experience in liturgical planning. To apply, or for more information, contact John Harper at 752-5995, or the parish office during the day at 865-1020.

2018 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) has recorded pledges of **\$7,850.00**, or 64% of our ACA Challenge Goal of \$12,277.00. Thank you to all those who have generously donated. Your gift is greatly appreciated.

If you have not yet done so, please prayerfully consider making a gift to this year's ACA campaign. Let's all work together to make our Challenge Goal of \$12,277.00 a reality. Thank You!

RYAN JONES

Ryan Jones will be moving to Boston, MA on July 8th to begin his journey as a candidate with the Missionaries of Our Lady of LaSalette. Ryan has been our regular musician at the 4:00 pm Mass on Saturdays for the past year. He has been a hard worker, a delightful person to know, and he will be missed. We will have a reception for Ryan in the Parish Center on Saturday, June 30th, following the 4:00 pm Mass. Everyone is welcome!