

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

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**Nineteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
August 12, 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

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

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever. - John 6:51

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 11th

7:45 AM + Souls in Purgatory
4:00 PM + Everett & + Catherine Ludwig

Sunday, August 12th

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Monday, August 13th

7:45 AM + Margie Rothweil

Tuesday, August 14th

7:45 AM + Salvadora DeMierre

Wednesday, August 15th

8:00 AM + Charles Kubik, Sr.
6:00 PM + Tom Moran
(Holy Day of Obligation)

Thursday, August 16th

7:45 AM Special Intention

Friday, August 17th

7:45 AM + Jack Morrissey

Saturday, August 18th

7:45 AM + Joesphine Sindelar
4:00 PM + Barbara Rothweil

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, Fr. Jim Wasser, M.S.F., Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F.

REST IN PEACE

Pray for the repose of the soul of **Ann Sanneman**, sister-in-law of parishioner Karen Holthaus, 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 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we may find the strength and courage to make our own sacrifices to build up our Church.

STRENGTHENED BY THE BREAD OF LIFE

Today we resume the "Bread of Life" discourse from John's Gospel that began two weeks ago. He makes reference to the Jews' ancestors who ate manna in the desert. These days we would think primarily of Israel wandering in the desert, but faithful Jews would also have known the story of Elijah that we hear today. Strengthened by food and drink in the desert, the angel of the Lord sends him on his forty-day and forty-night journey (the biblical number for a preparation time). Like the food given to Elijah in the desert, Jesus tells his listeners that he is bread for the life of the world. It is very important that we not stop listening to Jesus after his promise of eternal life - a marvelous promise, but this "reward" is not the only reason we feast on the Bread of Life. We also come to the table to be made strong for the journey of mission, that the whole world might have life in the fullness of Christ. We are compelled, if we have eaten of the bread of life, to go forth in service to all.

FALL FESTIVAL

Please mark your calendars! Our Fall Festival will be held on **Saturday, November 3rd**. 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.

MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE

Over the past six months or more, I have been thinking about how to make our Sunday Schedule more accessible for everyone, our senior citizens as well as our youth. I have discussed this with our Liturgy Committee, and they are in full support of the decision I have made.

Effective Sunday, September 9th, our Sunday Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. We will no longer have a 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays.

Let us continue to pray for each other as we move forward in our ministry. God bless you!

Fr. Jim Wasser, M.S.F.
Pastor

AUGUST 12th, 2018

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 3,154.25
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 2,840.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 2,203.52
(Fiscal Year is July 2018 thru June 2019)	
Parish Appeal 2018	\$ 139.00
Maintenance	\$ 185.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 212.00

Stewardship Reflection

"Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!" - 1 Kings 19:7

Jesus knows that our stewardship journey will be difficult; we are not designed to do it on our own. Fortunately, Jesus gave us the greatest gift of all - the gift of the Eucharist; His own body and blood. When we join our sacrifices with the sacrifice of the Mass, we find the strength and courage to be His joyful disciples.

2018 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) has recorded pledges of **\$11,600.00**, or **94%** 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.

JULY PASS-THE-CASH

\$50 WINNER: Jim Teschner
\$25 WINNERS: Denise Jones, Mary Goedeker
Carol Hendricks, Dottie Hinderer

PSR NEWS

The South City Deanery Parish School of Religion (PSR) is still accepting students in grades PK - 8. There will be two on-site registration opportunities this month. Classes begin on August 27th. See the bulletin boards for contact information to answer any questions you may have.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus
Tuesday: St. Maximilian Kolbe
Wednesday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Thursday: St. Stephen of Hungary
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** WEDNESDAY, 08/15/18, at 8:00 AM *****

Greeter/Extraordinary Minister: Carmelita Pelch
To Choir & Disabled: Mary Mattammal
Commentator & Lector: Maury Prater
Server: Jose Campos

***** WEDNESDAY, 08/15/18, at 6:00 PM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Rich Fogelbach
Jim Teschner
To Choir & Disabled: Rich Olliges
Commentator & Lector: Paul Jolly
Server: Emily Martinez-Hernandez
Cantor: Mary Pichler
Musician: John Harper

***** SATURDAY, 08/18/18, at 4:00 PM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Evelyn Reichert
Charlie Reichert
To Choir & Disabled: Matt Kellner
Commentator & Lector: Mary Bardo
Server: Ismael Aguayo
Cantor: Dan Zdrodowski
Musician: John Harper

***** SUNDAY, 08/19/18, at 9:00 AM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Adela Peugnet
Karen Holthaus
To Choir & Disabled: Jan Harper
Commentator & Lector: Dennis Holland
Server: Anthony Nguyen
Cantor: Lisa Holland
Musician: John Harper

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Masses on August 15th, the Assumption of Mary, will be at 8:00 am & 6:00 pm in the church. (No chapel Mass).

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.

MASS & RECEPTION

A Mass of Thanksgiving and Reception will be held on **Saturday, August 25th**, as we honor the Very Reverend Philip Sosa, M.S.F. and celebrate his 50th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood. We hope all our parishioners can join us on this special day. Please be sure to turn in a reservation form, located in the vestibule of the church, if you are planning to attend the reception in the Parish Hall following the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Thank you!