

# ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

*Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960*



Twentieth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
August 19, 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](http://www.stwenceslaus.website)

**SEND BULLETIN INFORMATION TO:** [stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net)

## TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you.

- John 6:53

### THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

#### Saturday, August 18th

7:45 AM + Joesphine Sindelar

4:00 PM + Barbara Rothweil

#### Sunday, August 19th

9:00 AM Sisters of the Most Precious Blood

#### Monday, August 20th

7:45 AM + Patricia Kennedy

#### Tuesday, August 21st

7:45 AM In Thanksgiving

#### Wednesday, August 22nd

7:45 AM + Deceased Members of the Roelke Family

#### Thursday, August 23rd

7:45 AM + Augustine Miller

#### Friday, August 24th

7:45 AM Alice & Chris Paton

#### Saturday, August 25th

7:45 AM + Marie Kubik

4:00 PM Very Reverend Philip Sosa, M.S.F.

### 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 **Susan Rothweil**, sister-in-law of parishioner Marvin 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 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

### Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we make wise choices in how we live as God's stewards and have the courage to turn away from foolish wants.

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### THIS EUCHARISTIC FEAST

Some things about human nature don't change, even over the course of centuries. When we celebrate a holiday, we have a meal; when we celebrate a significant event, we have a feast. In today's first reading, Lady Wisdom is setting a feast, a sign of celebrating the covenant that Israel has with God. Israel's central remembrance of its saving Exodus covenant is the Passover meal. So it is natural, and not coincidental, that the Christian celebration of the new covenant sealed by the blood of Christ on the cross happens at a meal, our Eucharist, offered first by Jesus in the context of Passover remembrance. It is easy for us, sometimes, to forget the very long and rich religious and human origins of our Eucharistic feasting on the bread and cup that are the Body and Blood of Jesus. Today, and for the next few Sundays that we hear the "Bread of Life" discourse from John, let us bring to mind the loving covenant that God makes with us, and be filled with great joy at this marvelous feast that we have come to attend!

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### 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.

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### 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 19th, 2018**

**GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH**

<b>Last Week's Collection</b>	\$ 1,025.64
<b>Weekly Collection Goal</b>	\$ 2,840.00
<b>Average Collection Fiscal Year</b>	\$ 2,035.25
(Fiscal Year is July 2018 thru June 2019)	
Parish Appeal 2018	\$ 105.00
Maintenance	\$ 96.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 102.00

**Stewardship Reflection**

***“Watch carefully then how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise...” - Ephesians 5:15***

A wise person recognizes that all we have and all we are comes from God. A wise person thanks God continually throughout the day for all his many blessings. A wise person realizes that God has blessed us for a reason and that He wants us to help Him build His kingdom on earth.

**2018 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

The Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) has recorded pledges of **12,000.00**, or **98%** of our ACA Challenge Goal of **\$12,277.00**. Thank you to all those who have generously donated. Your gift is greatly appreciated.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

The **Parish Pastoral Council** will meet this Tuesday, August 21st, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center.

The **Fall Festival Committee** will meet on Thursday, August 30th, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center.

**BACK-TO-SCHOOL PRAYER BOOK**

The *Holy Family Prayer Book: Prayers for Every Family* is available in English and Spanish from Liguori Publications. Go to the website of the Missionaries of the Holy Family, [www.msf-america.org](http://www.msf-america.org), click “Caring for Your Family” and then click “Great Books.” From there, an online order can be placed, or call 1-800-325-9521.

**SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: St. Bernard
- Tuesday: St. Pius X
- Wednesday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Thursday: St. Rose of Lima
- Friday: St. Bartholomew
- Saturday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz; Blessed Virgin Mary

**MINISTER’S SCHEDULE**

**\*\*\*\*\* SATURDAY, 08/25/18, at 4:00 PM \*\*\*\*\***

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: LeEllen Aboussie  
Martie Aboussie
- To Choir & Disabled: Charlie Reichert
- Commentator & Lector: Weldon Tieken
- Server: Matt Kellner
- Cantor: Mary Pichler
- Musician: John Harper

**\*\*\*\*\* SUNDAY, 08/26/18, at 9:00 AM \*\*\*\*\***

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Kathy Blosser  
Mike Blosser
- To Choir & Disabled: Pat Lohmar
- Commentator & Lector: Kathy Styer
- Server: Tina Nguyen
- Cantor: Mary Pichler
- Musician: John Harper

**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.

**MEN’S WHITE HOUSE RETREAT**

Need 3-days of rest, prayer and spiritual rejuvenation? Gather with other men on a White House Retreat, the Jesuit retreat house overlooking the Mississippi River. It begins on Thursday, October 11th, at 6:00 pm and ends on Sunday, October 14th, at 2:00 pm. For more information, call Rich Olliges at 323-7688.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

We are looking for dedicated parishioners to serve on our Parish Pastoral Council. Nominations for the next 3-year term, beginning this November, should be submitted by Sunday, September 9th. If you would like to nominate someone, perhaps yourself, please speak to Father Jim or Paul Jolly. Good Stewardship includes our gifts of time and talent. Are you being called to serve?

**MASS & RECEPTION**

A Mass of Thanksgiving and Reception will be held next **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. A **reservation form**, located in the vestibule of the church, must be turned in if you are planning **to attend the reception in the Parish Hall** following the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Thank you!