

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960



Twenty-fifth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
September 23, 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 10:00 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

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace. - James 3:18

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 22nd

7:45 AM + Charlie McGrail
4:00 PM + Martie J. (Jay) Aboussie, Jr.

Sunday, September 23rd

10:00 AM + Blankmann Family

Monday, September 24th

7:45 AM + Jim Bujnak

Tuesday, September 25th

7:45 AM + Marie Kubik

Wednesday, September 26th

7:45 AM Special Intention

Thursday, September 27th

7:45 AM + Tim Morrissey

Friday, September 28th

7:45 AM Missionaries of the Holy Family

Saturday, September 29th

7:45 AM + Mary Seiss
4:00 PM + Everett & + Catherine Ludwig

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, Carol Plassmeyer, Rosemary Rivituso, Bob Roelke, Justina Roling, 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

Please pray for the repose of the soul of parishioner **Joseph Delassus**, who passed away recently. May his 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 Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That through our service and our sacrifice we may grow closer to Jesus and help others to know the love and care of Our Lord.

HOW DO WE TREAT THE MESSENGER?

Let's not be too hasty in defining who is "the wicked one" and who (namely us) is just! We are very quick to label others as evil, because we tend to label ourselves as good guys. We don't like it when we are brought up short by a prophetic voice that brings us some bad news about our own behavior. We don't like to be reproached for transgressions of the law or charged with violations of our training.

We may condemn and abuse those who bring us up against these truths about ourselves when, if we were really good, we would thank them for helping to keep us on the right path. This is the way they treated the prophets and the way they treated Jesus. Is this also the way we treat those whose message we don't like?

STS. PETER AND PAUL FALL FESTIVAL

Sts. Peter and Paul will hold their Fall Festival in the Historic Soulard Neighborhood, 816 Allen, next **Sunday, Sept. 30th**, from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm. The day will begin with Mass at 9:30 am followed by a reservation only breakfast. Please see the bulletin boards for additional information.

MEN'S CLUB - MASS & BREAKFAST

The Men's Club will be attending the 10:00 am Mass next **Sunday, September 30th**. Breakfast will follow at the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet Mother House. All men of the parish are invited, but reservations are required. If interested, contact Paul Jolly at the parish office at 865-1020, no later than Tuesday, September 25th. Please join us!

FALL FESTIVAL

Please mark your calendars! Our Fall Festival will be held on **Saturday, November 3rd**. We need new items for the Toy Booth, Christmas Booth and Cherry Tree Booth, and home-made / hand-made goods for our Country Store. We also are in need of a variety of items for our Auctions.

Your donated items will help make our festival a wonderful success. Not able to shop? Perhaps you would consider a monetary donation to be used to purchase needed items.

SEPTEMBER 23rd, 2018

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 2,651.25
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 2,840.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year (Fiscal Year is July 2018 thru June 2019)	\$ 1,967.67
Parish Appeal 2018	\$ 134.00
Maintenance	\$ 110.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 115.00

Stewardship Reflection

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." - Mark 9:35

Jesus teaches us that we are called to serve one another. Sacrifice is not a word that many people like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want. However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is "to make holy," from the words "**sacer**" = **sacred** and "**facere**" = **to make**. In other words, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.

TAILGATE SALE

Our Men's Club is hosting a Tailgate Sale on **Saturday, October 6th**, from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. To reserve a space @ \$17.00 each, contact Tim Moore at 814-0486, or the parish office at 865-1020. Spaces must be reserved no later than Thursday, October 4th. Flyers are available in the vestibule of the church. Please support this event.

UPCOMING MEETING

The **Fall Festival Committee** will meet this Thursday, September 27th, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center. All chairpersons please attend this important meeting.

PANCAKE/SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

The Ladies of Mary will be hosting a Pancake/Sausage Breakfast on **Sunday, October 14th**, starting at **9:00 am** in the Parish Hall. A bake sale will also take place.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Sukkot (Jewish harvest festival) begins at sunset; Autumn begins
Wednesday:	Ss. Cosmas and Damian
Thursday:	St. Vincent de Paul
Friday:	St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions; St. Wenceslaus
Saturday:	Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 09/29/18, at 4:00 PM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Rich Fogelbach Jim Teschner
To Choir & Disabled:	Matt Kellner
Commentator & Lector:	Weldon Tieken
Server:	Matt Kellner
Cantor:	Mary Bardo
Musician:	John Harper

***** SUNDAY, 09/30/18, at 10:00 AM *****

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

This Wednesday, **September 26th**, the last Wednesday of the month, Eucharistic Adoration, Evening Prayer & Benediction will be held in the church at 6:30 pm.

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, must be submitted by this Sunday, September 23rd. If you would like to nominate someone, perhaps yourself, please speak to Father Jim or Paul Jolly. Are you being called to serve?

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

This Sunday, **September 23rd**, our parish will observe Stewardship Awareness Sunday. This year's theme - "**Share the Joy**" - means when we use our gifts in the way God intends, we experience true joy, a supernatural joy that others notice. We are called to live with that joy, and also gratitude, for the many blessings we have received, and to return those gifts to God and others.

Please welcome **Weldon Tieken**, this year's Stewardship Lay Witness Speaker, who will speak at both Masses this weekend.

FEAST OF ST. WENCESLAUS

This Friday, Sept. 28th, is the Feast of St. Wenceslaus and also the feast of the Missionaries of the Holy Family who were founded on the same day and in the same year, 1895. May St. Wenceslaus accompany you on your journey to the Eternal Kingdom; and may the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph bless all your families and endeavors!