

# ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

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



The Holy Family of Jesus,  
Mary, and Joseph  
December 27, 2015

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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 E. Wuerth, M.S.F., Pastor  
Deacon George W. Miller  
Rev. Petrus Prasetyo, M.S.F., In Residence  
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 8:00 and 10:00 AM

### MASSES FOR WEEKDAYS

Monday thru Saturday, 7:45 AM in the Annex 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. may 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 Chapel  
1st Saturday (including Morning Prayer) at 7:00 a.m. in the Chapel

**MEN'S CLUB** 1st Tuesday of Month 6:30 PM in the Parish Center

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

3rd Tuesday of Month 7:00 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)

# THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. - 1 John 3:2a

## THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday, December 26th

7:45 AM Ernestina Peugnet-Osborne

4:00 PM + Louis Paszkiewicz, Jr.

### Sunday, December 27th

8:00 AM People of the Parish

10:00 AM Holy Family Novena

### Monday, December 28th

7:45 AM Holy Family Novena

### Tuesday, December 29th

7:45 AM Holy Family Novena

### Wednesday, December 30th

7:45 AM Holy Family Novena

### Thursday, December 31st

7:45 AM Holy Family Novena

4:00 PM + Members of our Parish Family Who Were Called Home by the Lord This Past Year

### (Vigil Mass for Holy Day)

### Friday, January 1st

9:00 AM Holy Family Novena

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

### (Holy Day of Obligation)

### Saturday, January 2nd

7:45 AM Holy Family Novena

4:00 PM + Mary Siess

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Emmanuel Aziz, Sue Barnowski, Jerry Bielicke, Patricia Carr, Richard Carr, Jr., Dennis Curtis, Chris Doerr, Pat Feeler, Don Fielder, Jean Finn, Rosa Flores, Leon Frigillana, Joshua Galaster, Lon Griffard, Gerry Harrington, Margaret Kalbac, Patricia Kennedy, Dolores LaBruyere, Everleigh Lauber, Mary Helen Malle, Tom Malle, Marion Mentzer, Carmelle Minton, Tom Moran, Krista Myers, Roberta Noeth, Silvia Osorio, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Ray Rancilio, Mary Ray, Rosemary Rivituso, Bob Roelke, John Rothweil, Clem Ruemker, Cathy Schlueter, Ariane Sery, Pat Thomas, Mary Ullo, Evelyn Williams, Marsha Williams, Eric Wolf, Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F., Bill Zib

## CABRINI NEWS

The faculty and staff at St. Frances Cabrini Academy wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We will be on Christmas break until Monday, January 4th. We hope you enjoy this holiday season!

## WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

We welcome all of our guests and parishioners here celebrating the Eucharist with us on the Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

## Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That as grateful children of God, we remember to tell family and friends that we love them every day.

## FAMILY LIFE

Family life is sacred, but it is not without trial. Perhaps this is the most important message we can glean from today's readings. If Jesus, Mary, and Joseph can trip up sometimes, can disconnect, then we shouldn't find it surprising when such things happen to us as well. And parents everywhere (children, too) can probably relate to, and take some solace in, the Gospel's account of Mary and Joseph after Jesus explained why he stayed behind in the temple. They heard his words, Luke tells us, "But they did not understand what he said to them" (Luke 2:50). Amen! Nevertheless, Jesus does go back home with them, and continues to thrive under their care.

## JESSE TREE

Consider making a special gift to our Parish Food Pantry and help needy families during this Christmas Season which continues through Sunday, January 10th, 2016.

## FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

### Sunday, December 27th

Novena to the Holy Family begins this Sunday and ends on Monday, January 4th, with the 7:45 a.m. Mass.

Holy Family Novena pamphlets are available in the vestibule of the church. You are encouraged to come to Mass as often as possible during the Novena, and of course you can also say the prayers at home as a family or wherever you are.

**Missionaries of the Holy Family Collection** will take place at all Masses this weekend, Dec. 26th - 27th, which is the feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. The Missionaries of the Holy Family have served our parish since 1960. Please be generous in your support of this collection.

## REST IN PEACE

Pray for the soul of **William Velomana**, brother of Father Denis Velomana, M.S.F., and also for the soul of **Marilyn Murray**, sister-in-law of parishioner Bob Blankmann, who both passed away recently. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!

## DECEMBER 27th, 2015

### GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection (as of 12/13/15)	\$ 2,271.54
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 3,035.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year (Fiscal Year is July 2015 thru June 2016)	\$ 2,191.23
Parish Appeal 2015	\$ 115.00
Maintenance	\$ 90.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 190.00

#### Stewardship Reflection

*"See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are."*

*(1 John 3:1)*

During this season of giving, let us remember the most important gift we have received - being children of God. As God's children, it's important that we express our love for others as well. Tell your spouse, children and other family members and friends that you love them, frequently.

### CHRISTMAS CAROLING

St. Wenceslaus will sing Christmas Carols for the residents and staff of Little Sisters of the Poor this **Sunday, December 27th, from 5:30 - 6:30 pm**. If you're joining us, we'll meet at St. Wenceslaus at 4:30 pm and carpool.

### TRIVIA NIGHT

Our annual Trivia Night is scheduled for **Saturday, February 13th**, beginning at 6:15 pm. We will need players; also volunteers and prizes for our raffles. Reservations forms are in the vestibule of the church.

### SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Monday:	The Holy Innocents
Tuesday:	Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Thomas Becket
Wednesday:	Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
Thursday:	Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Sylvester I; New Year's Eve
Friday:	The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; Mary, the Holy Mother of God; World Day of Prayer for Peace; First Friday; New Year's Day
Saturday:	Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen; First Saturday

### MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

\*\*\*\*\* THURSDAY, 12/31/15, at 4:00 PM \*\*\*\*\*

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Martie Aboussie Rich Olliges
To Choir & Disabled:	Matt Kellner
Commentator & Lector:	Barb Rothweil
Server:	Jose Campos
Cantor:	Ed Koeninger
Musician:	John Harper

\*\*\*\*\* FRIDAY, 01/01/16, at 9:00 AM \*\*\*\*\*

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Darlene Doerr Terry Dabrowski
To Choir & Disabled:	Mary Mattammal
Commentator & Lector:	Paul Jolly
Servers:	Teresa & Ismael Aguayo
Cantor:	Lisa Holland
Musician:	Mary Martin

\*\*\*\*\* SATURDAY, 01/02/16, at 4:00 PM \*\*\*\*\*

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Monica Fingerhut Phil Fingerhut
To Choir & Disabled:	Matt Kellner
Commentator & Lector:	Sister Lorraine
Server:	Dave Huelsing
Cantor:	Ed Koeninger
Musician:	Richard Carr

\*\*\*\*\* SUNDAY, 01/03/16, at 8:00 AM \*\*\*\*\*

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Carmelita Pelch Terry Dabrowski
To Choir & Disabled:	Anthony Nguyen
Commentator & Lector:	Jody James
Server:	Theresa Nguyen
Cantor:	Lisa Holland
Musician:	Richard Carr

\*\*\*\*\* SUNDAY, 01/03/16, at 10:00 AM \*\*\*\*\*

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Kathy Blosser Mike Blosser
To Choir & Disabled:	Rich Olliges
Commentator & Lector:	Mike Ackermann
Servers:	Paula Nguyen & Alina Mendoza
Cantors:	Andrea Harper & Stephanie Blosser
Musician:	John Harper

### HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

**January 1st**, New Year's Day, is the Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. This is a Holy Day of Obligation and all Catholics are required to attend Mass.

### 2016 CALENDARS

Our new 2016 Parish Calendars are available in the vestibule of the church. We gratefully acknowledge and thank **Kutis Funeral Home** for providing these to our parish family.