

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

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**Palm Sunday of the Passion
of the Lord
March 20, 2016**

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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
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 Church

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

SEND BULLETIN INFORMATION TO: stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced. - Isaiah 50:7a

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 19th

7:45 AM + Marcella Keim
4:00 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, March 20th

9:00 AM Luis & Andrea Lightle

Monday, March 21st

7:45 AM + Irma Fischer

Tuesday, March 22nd

7:45 AM Bonnie Martin

Wednesday, March 23rd

7:45 AM + Sandra Bradford

Holy Thursday, March 24th

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

7:00 PM + Marie Kubik
(Adoration until 10:00 p.m.)

Good Friday, March 25th

1:30 PM Stations of the Cross
& Chaplet of Divine Mercy

7:00 PM Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil, March 26th

7:00 PM + John Rothweil

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

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

GOOD FRIDAY

The church will be open on Good Friday, **March 25th**, from Noon till 3:00 p.m. for prayer and reflection. The Stations of the Cross & Chaplet of Divine Mercy will take place beginning at 1:30 p.m. We hope you can attend.

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

We welcome all of our guests and parishioners here celebrating the Eucharist with us on Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord.

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we may have the courage to defend our Faith through respectful dialogue when the time arises.

PASSION

The word "passion" connotes deep, focused engagement. It also relates to passivity, interestingly. The deeply passionate person in the Gospel narrative from Luke is Jesus. He appears passive, but he is not. He is wholly self-possessed and wholly present for the one day that begins on Thursday evening at his last meal with his apostles and ends with his burial before sunset the next day. Then follows the long Sabbath silence.

The narrative of the Passion is read whole and without pause on the Palm Sunday of the Passion. This story, found in each of the Gospels, is unchanging. We are the ones who change. Each year, we bring ourselves with another year's history to hear and heed the story we so badly need. Life has its way with us, and we look again to the Passion narratives to learn to follow.

DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Father Andrew Apostoli, EWTN host and Fatima expert, will conduct a Day of Recollection on **Saturday, April 9th**, at St. George Church in Affton. Doors open at 8:30 a.m., and the program begins at 9:15 a.m. The day includes Holy Mass, Holy Hour, Confession and Rosary and ends at 3:15 p.m. The suggested donation is \$15.00, which includes a Continental Breakfast and box lunch. Reservations are required before April 2nd. Please call Celeste at (314) 918-8323.

MUSIC & LITURGY SHEETS

We ask you to please return any music or liturgy handouts to the vestibule of the church after services, or simply leave them in the pew. Please do not leave them in the Breaking Bread books. Thank you for your assistance.

PANCAKE/SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

The Ladies of Mary will be hosting a Pancake/Sausage Breakfast on **Sunday, April 17th**, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass, in the Parish Hall. To help with ordering food and supplies, sign-up sheets are available in the vestibule of the church. A bake sale will also be taking place, so you can buy some wonderful baked goods to take home. See the bulletin boards for more information. Please support this fundraiser.

MARCH 20th, 2016

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 1,766.20
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 3,035.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year (Fiscal Year is July 2015 thru June 2016)	\$ 2,253.83
Parish Appeal 2016	\$ 1,665.00
Maintenance	\$ 110.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 125.00

Stewardship Reflection

"I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me." (Luke 22:34)

How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about Jesus or the Catholic faith? How do you react? Do you remain quiet not to cause a disturbance, or worst yet, because you don't want your friends or family to think negatively about you? Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful dialogue.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

We will have a special collection for the **Holy Land on Good Friday, March 25th**. In these challenging times in the Middle East, your support means that our church will conduct parish ministry, provide Catholic education, feed the hungry, build housing for Christians, maintain shrines and operate refugee centers in the Holy Land. The wars and unrest have been especially hard on all Christians. We can help support them by this collection.

The annual collection for **Regina Cleri** will take place on **Easter Sunday, March 27th**. Regina Cleri opened as a home for retired archdiocesan priests in 1959. Although retired, many of these priests continue to assist in parishes, nursing homes and hospitals. They celebrate Mass, assist with Reconciliation, and visit the infirmed. Retired priests have served our archdiocese well and deserve both our prayers and financial support.

Envelopes for both of these collections are included in your monthly packet. **Please be generous!**

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Monday:	Monday of Holy Week
Tuesday:	Tuesday of Holy Week
Wednesday:	Wednesday of Holy Week; Purim begins
Thursday:	Holy Thursday; Paschal Triduum begins
Friday:	Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday); Fast and Abstinence
Saturday:	Holy Saturday; Vigil of Easter

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** HOLY THURSDAY, 03/24/16, at 7:00 PM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Dave Huelsing Terry Dabrowski
To Choir & Disabled:	Rich Olliges
Commentator & Lector:	Mary Bardo
Servers:	Ismael Aguayo & Tommy Nguyen Israel & Jose Campos
Cantor:	Ed Koeninger
Musician:	John Harper

***** GOOD FRIDAY, 03/25/16, at 7:00 PM *****

Extraordinary Ministers:	Priest & Deacon
To Choir & Disabled:	Dave Huelsing
Commentator & Lector:	Paul Jolly
Narrator for the Passion:	Terry Dabrowski
Servers:	Paula Nguyen Brandon & Melanie Hernandez
Cantor:	Mary Pichler
Musician:	Mary Martin

***** HOLY SATURDAY, 03/26/16, at 7:00 PM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Martie Aboussie LeEllen Aboussie
To Choir & Disabled:	Karen Holthaus
Commentators & Lectors:	Mike Ackermann R1 - Don Fielder R2 - Sr. Lorraine R3 - Barb Kellner
Servers:	Kathryn Holland & Paula Nguyen Theresa & Tommy Nguyen
Cantors:	Stephanie Blosser & Andrea Harper Ed Koeninger
Musicians:	Mary Martin & John Harper

***** EASTER SUNDAY, 03/27/16, at 9:00 AM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Kathy Blosser Mike Blosser
To Choir & Disabled:	Pat Lohmar
Commentator & Lector:	Kathy Styer
Servers:	Ismael & Teresa Aguayo
Cantors:	Stephanie Blosser & Andrea Harper
Musician:	John Harper

Constants for Lent:

Chant Mass
Kyrie #848
Santus #850
Amen #852
Agnes Dei #854
Memorial Acclamation
Mass of St. Wenceslaus
Save Us Savior of the World