

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960



Sixteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
July 23, 2017

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
Rev. Aloysius Irawan, M.S.F., In Residence
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 & BENECTION

Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel
1st Wednesday (including Evening Prayer) at 6:00 p.m. in the Church
1st Saturday (including Morning Prayer) at 7:00 a.m. 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

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Those who are just must be kind. - Wisdom 12:19

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 22nd

7:45 AM + Walter Schaefer

4:00 PM + Leona Cooper

Sunday, July 23rd

9:00 AM + Donald & + Mary Morris

Monday, July 24th

7:45 AM + Robert Frigillana

Tuesday, July 25th

7:45 AM + Marie Kubik

Wednesday, July 26th

7:45 AM Paul & Sue Jolly

Thursday, July 27th

7:45 AM + Everett & + Catherine Ludwig

Friday, July 28th

7:45 AM In Thanksgiving

Saturday, July 29th

7:45 AM + Souls in Purgatory

4:00 PM + Rose Roelke

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Elmer Arndt, Emmanuel Aziz, Autumn Baker, Chris Bardo, Harry Bardo, Kathy Becker, Jerry Bielicke, Tom Bolen, Elam Burbage, Patricia Carr, Sharon Crocker, Dennis Curtis, Margie Sosa Delgado, Chris Doerr, Darlene Doerr, Esther Ellspermann, Harry Fabick, Don Fielder, Jean Finn, Rosa Flores, Joshua Galaster, Dennis Holland, Margaret Kalbac, Patricia Kennedy, Carol Kozemczak, Everleigh Lauber, Richard Loy, Jr., Mary Helen Malle, Tom Malle, Bonnie Martin, Joyce McKiernan, Deacon George Miller, Carmelle Minton, Tom Moran, Krista Myers, Silvia Osorio, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Carol Plassmeyer, Rosemary Rivituso, Bob Roelke, Makena Roelke, Clem Ruemker, Tek Schaefer, Ruth Schneider, Ariane Sery, Don Sparks, Lucille Tangel, Pat Thomas, Mary Ullo, Tom Vossmeier, Pat Wevers, Evelyn Williams, Marsha Williams, Eric Wolf, Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F., Bill Zib

HISTORY OF THE SACRAMENTS

Father Jim's class on the History of the Sacraments will not meet this Thursday, July 27th. Classes will resume on **Thursday, August 3rd**, beginning at 6:00 pm in the Parish Center. Classes end at 7:30 pm. If you haven't attended a class yet, please consider coming to one. They are very informative and worth your time. Everyone is welcome!

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

We welcome all of our guests and parishioners here celebrating the Eucharist with us on the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we may allow stewardship to blossom in our hearts and joyfully share our gifts.

THE MERCY, POWER, AND LOVE OF GOD

The first reading today, from the book of Wisdom, makes its point over and over, at least five times in five verses! God is mighty, but lenient to all. God's power is shown in kindness and clemency, not in harshness and condemnation, and those who govern God's people must govern in the same way, with kindness. This loving kindness and gentleness is not contrary to God's might, but is a direct result of God's primacy over all. Who are we, then, to judge what is in the hearts of our fellow Christians and all people, when God commands justice with love and clemency?

Likewise, the Holy Spirit makes up for our ignorance of what we need, speaking in a language we do not yet understand. But God knows our needs before we do, understands the intercessions of the Spirit, and helps us in our weakness. This is our hope: God's mercy, power, and love.

CABRINI NEWS

Our parish school, St. Frances Cabrini Academy, is currently enrolling grades kindergarten through 8th for the 2017-2018 school year. The 3rd and 4th grades already have 25 seats (capacity) filled. Kindergarten students should turn 5 by July 31, 2017. For more information, call 314-776-0883, or e-mail admissions@cabriniacademy.org.

The school has informed us that the South Central District of the CYC is in need of Soccer Referees for the upcoming fall soccer season. Requirements for new, as well as returning, referees, along with other important information, can be found on the bulletin boards in the vestibule of the church.

MEN'S CLUB - MASS & BREAKFAST

The Men's Club will be attending the 9:00 am Mass next **Sunday, July 30th**. Breakfast follows at Ari's Restaurant, 3101 Hampton Ave. All men of the parish are invited, but reservations are required. If interested, call Paul Jolly at the parish office at 865-1020, no later than Tuesday, July 25th.

GATEWAY GRIZZLIES BASEBALL

All men signed-up to attend the Grizzlies baseball game this coming **Thursday, July 27th**, should be at the parish by 5:45 p.m. to car pool to the game. Please be prompt!

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GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 1,654.00
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 3,035.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 1,910.40
(Fiscal Year is July 2017 thru June 2018)	
Parish Appeal 2017	\$ 95.00
Maintenance	\$ 80.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 60.00

Stewardship Reflection

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom." - Matthew 13:24, 37-38

As children of God, we are all "good seeds," blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God's plan when we share our talents and our financial gifts to help build God's kingdom on earth. Through our stewardship we sow "good seeds" on earth to ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend, we will have a special collection for our **St. Vincent De Paul Fund**. Your support is greatly needed to continue our ministry of serving the poor and needy. Envelopes are included in your monthly packet and also available in the vestibule of the church.

CASINO TRIP

Plans are being made for a Casino Trip for either Sunday, August 20th, or Sunday, August 27th. If interested, you should hold these dates. More details to follow soon.

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, September 7th, at 6:00 p.m. and ends on Sunday, September 10th, at 2:00 p.m. For more information, call Rich Olliges at 323-7688.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Sharbel Makhluf
Tuesday:	St. James
Wednesday:	Ss. Joachim and Anne
Saturday:	St. Martha

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 07/29/17, at 4:00 PM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Rich Fogelbach Jim Teschner
To Choir & Disabled:	Matt Kellner
Commentator & Lector:	Maury Prater
Server:	Jose Campos
Cantor:	Ed Koeninger
Musician:	John Harper

***** SUNDAY, 07/30/17, at 9:00 AM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers:	Sandy Moore Tim Moore
To Choir & Disabled:	Karen Holthaus
Commentator & Lector:	Jody James
Server:	Paula Nguyen
Cantors:	Stephanie Blosser & Andrea Harper
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, call the parish office at 314-865-1020, or e-mail stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

The Missionaries of the Holy Family will be hosting a First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary here at St. Wenceslaus on **Sat., Aug. 5th**, beginning with the Sacrament of Reconciliation at 2:30 pm and ending with Mass at 4:00 pm. The Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy prayers will be included. For more information, please call Maury at 577-6300.

FALL FESTIVAL

Please mark your calendars! Our Fall Festival will be held on **Saturday, November 4th**. 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.

2017 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

To date, our parish has recorded pledges of **\$11,360.00**, or 65% of our ACA Challenge Goal of \$17,603.00. Thank you to those who have generously donated.

If you have not yet done so, please prayerfully consider making a gift to this year's campaign. Let's all work together to make our Challenge Goal a reality.