

# 11<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 13, 2021



The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower.  
All who come to him will live forever.  
- Luke 8:11

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**We welcome you...**

Welcome to the greater St. Wenceslaus Catholic Parish which includes the Church of St. Wenceslaus and St. John the Evangelist and St. Scholastica. We are so glad you are here. Should you be visiting just for today, WELCOME! If you are seeking a church home, we would be honored to have you consider joining our faith community. If you are interested in membership, please phone the parish office for assistance and registration. If you are over the age of 21, we ask that you register. Please feel free to stop by the parish office during office hours to register or you may do so online. Again, we are happy you are here.

**At the Church of St. Wenceslaus****PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday – Friday ~ 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

**MASS SCHEDULE****Weekend Masses**

Saturday..... 5:00 pm  
Sunday..... 8:30 & 10:30 am

**Rosary Only**

Monday..... 7:30 am

**Weekday Masses**

Tuesday-Friday..... 8:00 am

If you are homebound or ill, *the previous weekend's Mass may be viewed on our website ~ [npcatholic.org](http://npcatholic.org)*

**SACRAMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION****Anointing of the Sick**

Available to those who are seriously ill or suffering from a prolonged illness. Call 952-758-3225

**Confirmation**

Preparation required. Call Laura Schoenecker at 952-758-5131

**Reconciliation**

Friday from 3:00-4:00 pm in the church  
Saturday 4:00-4:40 pm

**Baptism**

Preparation required. Call 952-758-3225

**Marriage**

Six months to one year preparation time required.  
Call 952-758-3225

**Rosary**

Monday – Friday 7:30 am in the church.

**Fatima Prayer Cell**

Thursday after 8 am Mass

**Adoration**

Friday 8:30 am to 6 pm in the church.

**Early Morning Scripture Study**

Wednesday 7:00 to 8:00 am in church basement.

**Prayer Chain**

Judy: 952-758-2220 or Arnita: 952-758-4943

**BeFrienders**

Ann Schoenbauer: 952-758-3456 or  
Lois Giesen: 952-758-2138

**From the Desk of Father Eugene Theisen****Padre's Pen ~****Missionary Cooperation,  
Thank You, and Totus Tuus**

We welcome this weekend to our Saturday and Sunday Masses at St. Wenceslaus the Brothers of Hope (they have already visited St. Scholastica and St. John Sunday Masses a few weeks ago). They are our assigned group for the Archdiocese Missionary Support Program. They work with our college and university campuses to bring the light of Christ and our Catholic faith to the students. We are very pleased to have them with us and I am very edified to see that some of our very own members in our parish who go to the University of Minnesota know these missionary men and are involved in their programs. It is a great grace to see that our generosity to these missionaries has a direct impact to the people of our parish as well as the general populations on campuses throughout the United States.

I am moved to send out a "Thank You!" to Kathy McNamara, the whole Green Team, and our maintenance team of Steve and Paul! Our campus looks so beautiful and well maintained.

Speaking of "Thank you," Many thanks to the many, many volunteers and to Catholic United Financial for making our Corpus Christi Procession and Burger Picnic such a great success out at St. John! The Benedictions went out to our whole parish from each of the altars that faced north, east, south, and west. The only bump in the road was that I could not get the newspaper out of the time capsule we found in the St. John cornerstone from 1883 (Thanks to Brett and Tammy Simon for the extra effort to move some brick and find it). We intend to put a time capsule back in the corner stone and seal it back up for another 138 years, and if anyone has a good idea how to get a rolled-up newspaper from 1883 out of a 1-quart Mason jar (without breaking the jar), please let me know.

Finally, we have our Catholic Vacation Bible School and Teen Retreat (titled "Totus Tuus" meaning "Totally Yours") coming next weekend. I have worked with this program for over a decade, and they are top of the line quality for Catholic VBS. Contact our Faith Formation department for more information and to get registered.

***Ad Christum per Mariam,  
Fr. Theisen***

Parish Debt Last Month	Parish Debt This Month
\$256,268.52	\$247,728.83



**Learn about the Virtues and Beatitudes and the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary while growing in your relationship with the Lord!  
Register Early!**

Brochures available in the back of church, online registration soon.

**You Belong Here!**

*Totus Tuus* is coming to St. Wenceslaus Catholic Parish

June 21-25 Grades 1-6 (9-2:30)

June 19-24 Grades 7&8, and 9-12 (6:30-8:30 pm)



Find more details including an informational video: [archspm.org/totustuus](http://archspm.org/totustuus)



Registration available online here:

<https://npcatholic.org/2021-totus-tuus-registration>

**Mass Schedule Volunteers - St. John & St. Scholastica**

June 19 / 20 2021	Saturday St. John 8:15 PM	Sunday St. Scholastica 8:00 AM	Sunday St. John 10:00 AM
<b>Lector</b>	Sandy Kubes	Karen Odenthal	Audrey Zurn
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Fr. Theisen	Fr. Skluzacek	Fr. Skluzacek
<b>Servers</b>	No Servers	No Servers	No Servers
<b>Gift Bearer Family</b>	No Gift Bearers	No Gift Bearers	No Gift Bearers

**Western Catholic Community**

**Important Information**

**Weekend Masses**

Saturday..... 8:15 pm ..... St. John  
Sunday ..... 8:00 am ..... St. Scholastica  
Sunday ..... 10:00 am ..... St. John

**Weekday Masses**

Wednesday ..... 5:30 pm ..... St. John

**SACRAMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION**

**Reconciliation**

Saturday..... 7:30 pm ..... St. John

**Baptism & Confirmation**

Preparation required. Call the Parish Office at 952-758-3225.

**Anointing of the Sick**

Call the Parish Office at 952-758-3225.

**Marriage**

Prep required. Call Fr. Eugene Theisen.

**Adoration**

Fridays 8:30 am to 6:00 pm at St. Wenceslaus Church

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**COLLECTION INFORMATION**

**WESTERN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY  
SUNDAY, JUNE 06, 2021**

**Total Collected for 06/06 ..... \$2,619**

Collections at Mass ..... \$1,959

Electronic Collections..... \$660

Under Budget for Week ..... -\$535

Actual Collections YTD..... \$142,999

Under Budget YTD ..... -\$11,540

Budget for Next Week ..... \$3,154

**Thank you for your support!**

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### Saint Alphonsus Liguori

(to pray anytime you are unable to physically participate in Communion)

My Jesus, I believe that You  
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

### Extended Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament!

We would like to extend the hours of Adoration and need people to cover the 6:00 to 7:00 pm and 7:00 to 8:00 pm hours. We will have two people scheduled for each time slot. Adoration takes place in the main church every Friday. Once we fill these hours, Adoration will extend to 9:00 pm ending with Benediction. This is a wonderful way to spend quiet time in prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Please contact Ann Soderlund at 612-669-4014 or at [annsoderlund@hotmail.com](mailto:annsoderlund@hotmail.com) if you are interested. Thank you!

**Last Sunday we celebrated the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.** At St. John the Evangelist they practice the old tradition of Eucharistic Procession after Mass (Except for the last two-year interruption: first due to transition and illness, second due to COVID). During the procession, the Blessed Sacrament is taken for Benediction at three outdoor altars before returning to the church for final Benediction and repossession. About 150 joined in celebrating Mass and procession. Afterward, there was a Burger Burn to help raise additional funds to continue the restoration of years of deferred maintenance. **A special thank you to the fol-**

**lowing (EVERYONE!):** Altar servers, Altar decorators, Flag bearers, Knights of Columbus, Choir, Congregation for coming, First Communicants, Canopy bearers, Catholic United Financial St. John's Council, Father Theisen, St. Wenceslaus staff, Hamburger cooks, and food servers! It was a windy but joyful day!

**Festival News: the 2021 Top Six Festival Committee consists of Missy Trnka, Dan Novak, Liz Neiderhiser, Chad Franek, Erica Scheffler and Adam Weiner.** The big weekend is Saturday, August 7 and Sunday, August 8. We are looking forward to a weekend of food, fun and fellowship with old and new traditions including polka Masses, euchre tournament, beer tent, bingo, food trucks, bucket raffle and live music entertainment. ALL ARE WELCOME! #YOUBELONGHERE! Watch for envelope pick up coming soon. Call Missy Trnka at 612-708-2741 or Dan Novak at 952-715-1387 with any questions.

**While working on the exterior brickwork at St. John's, Brett Simon and Father Theisen uncovered a time capsule from 1883 (est.)** At noon, last Sunday, people gathered in Koenig Hall to witness the opening of the capsule. Which, alas, produced a very stubborn document/paper/letter in German which refused to leave its mason jar confines. A glass cutter (or ingenuity!) will be needed for the step to remove the contents. And... someone who reads German. Do you read German and want to help?



### ~ COLLECTION INFORMATION ~

#### St. Wenceslaus Site SUNDAY, JUNE 06, 2021

Total Collected for 06/06.....	\$9,437
Collections at Mass.....	\$5,712
Electronic Collections.....	\$3,725
Under Challenge for Week.....	-\$8,798
Actual Collections YTD.....	\$716,509
Under Challenge YTD.....	-\$70,566
Challenge for Next Week.....	\$18,235

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**Is your heart open to bringing the Eucharist to our senior buildings' residents?** We have returned to distributing Holy Communion to our community in senior housing. If you would love to give this most precious gift to those who have waited so long in isolation, please contact MaryCarol Wolf at 952-758- 0463 or email MaryCarol.Wolf@npcatholic.org. **There are just two spots left: 2nd Saturday every other month at Praha Village and the 4th Sunday every month at Mala Strana.**

**Returning to Mass: July 1 Marks End of Dispensation in Minnesota.** The COVID-19 pandemic has been a painful time of separation that necessitated the dispensation from the Sunday obligation to attend Mass. Now, as the pandemic subsides, and public gathering restrictions and safety protocols are lifted, it is time to gather as the Body of Christ once again. Therefore, the bishops and diocesan administrators of the Minnesota Catholic Conference have decided to reinstate the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation beginning the weekend of July 3-4, 2021. Learn more at [backtomassmn.org](http://backtomassmn.org).

**You are invited to join many in prayer to Pray for the healing for Our Country.** Every Friday from now until October at St. Wenceslaus Church (during Adoration): at 3:00 pm Join us out loud as we pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet. At 5:35pm, come and pray the Rosary, stay for Benediction.

**On Thursday, June 17 at 7:00 pm,** join us as we pray the rosary outside in St Wenceslaus' Mary Garden. (Located between the church and school building). Bring a blanket or chair to sit on; bring your kids, grandkids, and join us to pray for our country.

**Archbishop Flynn Catechetical Institute — Applications Available for Class of St. Joseph! Monday, 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Transfiguration, Oakdale, and other satellite sites.** Ever Wonder What God has Planned for Your Life? This fall, the Archbishop Flynn Catechetical Institute will offer the two-year Pillars Program in person at Transfiguration Catholic Church in Oakdale and at various CI Satellite Sites, where students will participate in the small group dynamic and gather to watch the lectures via live stream. Taught by some of the best instructors in the Twin Cities, such as Bishop Andrew Cozzens, Jeff Cavins, Deacon Joe Michalak, Deacon Dan Gannon, Fr. John Klockeman, Dr. Todd Flanders, Christina Smith, Liz Kelly, and more, the CI: Pillars Program follows the four pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church and will make sense of all things Catholic, deepen your faith, and layout the roadmap to heaven. Applications are now being accepted for the Class of St. Joseph. For more information, CI: Satellite Sites loca-

tions, and an application, visit [semssp/ci](http://semssp/ci) or call (651) 962-5072.



## FAITH FORMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

**Totus Tuus: Totally Yours - Have we got a summer experience for you!**

Students entering grades 1-6: June 21-25; 9-2:30

Students entering grades 7-8: June 20-24; 6:30-8:30 pm

Students entering grades 9-12: June 20-24; 6:30-8:30 pm

*Totus Tuus* will be co-hosted with St. Patrick/St. Catherine's parish at the Saint Wenceslaus site. This camp has been very popular throughout the Archdiocese, and we are excited to be able to bring it to our parish this year. The leaders of the program are college aged students (two men, two women).

The cost is \$40 per child/teen with a \$100 family cap. Lunches will be provided for the daytime program, snacks in the evening. Informational brochures/ registration forms are available in the back of church. We will also need some adult/High School aged volunteers for the daytime program and additional adults for the evening program. Contact Laura at 952.758.5131 for more information or to volunteer.



## SCHOOL NEWS from SWS

**Dear Parishioners, Dear Parents, Grandparents, Friends of SWS, and those who not only donated but sent letters of encouragement as we navigated the past year:**

***We are so thankful!***

We hope you are enjoying the first few hot days of the summer. Around school, things are busy! Last week we had our golf tournament; it was a very fun time for all involved and was our final event for the 2020-2021 school year. Our Club House and Little Saints Preschool programs are in full operations for the summer. At the same time, we are preparing for the next school year. Our maintenance staff is busy cleaning, we are busy interviewing new teachers/staff members, and supplies for new programs are coming in. It is exciting to have a normal focus and turn away from the Covid crisis. We look forward to the 21-22 year with confidence. As our yearly theme states, we will pray often, work hard, and we will trust in God. Enjoy the summer days and stay peaceful.

**Kim Doyle, Principal**

*Pray Often, Work Hard, Trust God*



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**Sunday, Jun 13, 2021**

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Surprising yields ahead**

Many have been glad to shake off the past year with good riddance. We're quick to write off difficult situations as sinkholes of our personal efforts, with nothing to show for our suffering. Every plague, war, and famine of history has caused its multitude of lost lives, endless grief, and economic devastation. Yet Jesus promises us that underneath the soil of human experience, the kingdom of God is always at work, pushing new life and fresh hope into existence. Many are working hard right this moment to promote a new vision for humanity. Commit to the new seed of Kingdom Coming.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezekiel 17:22-24; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10; Mark 4:26-34 (92). *"And through it all the seed would sprout and grow, he knows not how."*

**Monday, Jun 14, 2021****Make an offering**

It is fitting that today is both Flag Day in the United States and World Blood Donor Day. Many have shed their blood for the ideals a flag represents, and while most of us are not called to make the ultimate sacrifice for our country, many of us can make the small sacrifice of donating blood to save the lives of others. In some areas, the blood supply has become low because of fewer blood donations during the pandemic, and blood donation remains essential everywhere. If you are able to donate, or be supportive of someone who can, it will contribute to our much-needed healing in these hurting times.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10; Matthew 5:38-42 (365). *"Give to the one who asks of you, and do not turn your back on one who wants to borrow."*

**Tuesday, Jun 15, 2021****With respect to elders**

It's World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. Pope Francis marked the observance last year by describing a shameful and painfully obvious truth: "The COVID-19 pandemic has shown that our societies are not organized well enough to make room for the elderly, with proper respect for their dignity and frailty. When the elderly are not cared for, there is no future for the young." Eighty percent of COVID deaths have been people 65 or older. What does your parish or local community do to support and engage seniors? If programs are not in place, can you help initiate them?

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9; Matthew 5:43-48 (366). *"I say this not by way of command, but to test the genuineness of your love by your concern for others."*

**Wednesday, Jun 16, 2021****Be well intentioned**

Jesus' admonition to perform good deeds in private and pray alone in our rooms can be difficult to figure out when we belong to a church that calls the community's public gathering for Mass the "source and summit of faith." So here's the deal: Jesus isn't telling us to hide our faith but instead to check out *why* we do what we do. He frowns on giving alms to get attention or making a big public display of our prayer, as if to prove we are closer to God

than our neighbor. Instead, we are called to pray, fast, and give alms simply to draw closer to our Lord. In public or private, let's pray with the best of intentions.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18 (367). *"When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites."*

**Thursday, Jun 17, 2021****Time to move beyond temptation**

The Lord's Prayer, introduced in today's gospel, is the best-known Christian prayer the world over. Two years ago, a change in the way French Catholics say the prayer made headlines. The new translation avoids "lead us not into temptation" in favor of "do not let us fall into temptation." The point is that God doesn't lead us to sin. Rather, God gives us the strength to resist it, overcome it, learn from it, move beyond it. The next time you pray the great prayer, picture the Creator extending a hand to pull you away from sin into grace and light.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 11:1-11; Matthew 6:7-15 (368). *"This is how you are to pray: 'Our Father who art in heaven . . .'"*

**Friday, Jun 18, 2021****Get some rest**

Saint Augustine of Hippo captures the human condition perfectly when he says in his *Confessions*: "Lord, . . . our heart is restless until it rests in you." Christian prayer practices are designed to protect us from spirit-dulling anxiety and bring us to the peace of Christ. Try meditating on these words from Saint Francis de Sales for starters: "The same Eternal Father who cares for you today will take good care of you tomorrow and every day of your life. Either he will shield you from suffering, or he will give you the unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace then and put aside all useless thoughts, vain dreads, and anxious imaginations."

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30; Matthew 6:19-23 (369). *"Store up treasures in heaven."*

**Saturday, Jun 19, 2021**

MEMORIAL OF ROMUALD, ABBOT

**A simple practice for inner peace**

Romuald was a 10th-century Italian monk and teacher. He started life as a wealthy aristocrat but soon found his life of pursuing comfort and pleasure unsatisfying. He sought refuge in a monastery and discovered peace as a monk. Wishing to help others achieve fulfillment, he founded the Camaldolese Order of monks and established several monasteries, instructing the monks to practice intellectual stillness and interior receptivity in meditation. "Take every opportunity you can to sing the Psalms in your heart," he wrote in his rule, "and to understand them with your mind." Take a moment today and give it a try.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10; Matthew 6:24-34 (370). *"Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself."*

*Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time*



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**LITURGIES & PRIEST'S MASS INTENTIONS**

INCLUDES ALL CHURCH LOCATIONS

WEEK OF JUNE 14, 2021 - JUNE 20, 2021

**Rosary at St. Wenceslaus**  
**MONDAY – FRIDAY at 7:30 am**  
**SATURDAY at 8:00 am**

**Monday, June 14**

7:30 am ..... Rosary SW

**Tuesday, June 15**

8:00 am ..... Leonard Meger - Mass SW

**Wednesday, June 16**

8:00 am ..... Martha Svoboda - Mass SW

5:30 pm ..... Mass SJ

**Thursday, June 17**

8:00 am ..... Jane Brezina – Mass SW

**Friday, June 18**

8:00 am ..... Mass SW

3:00 pm ..... Confessions SW

3:00 pm ..... Divine Mercy Chaplet SW

5:35 ..... Rosary SW

**Saturday, June 19**

4:00 – 4:40 pm ..... Confessions SW

5:00 pm ..... Mass for the People - Mass SW

7:30 pm ..... Confessions SJ

8:15 pm ..... Mass SJ

**Sunday, June 20**

8:00 am ..... Bob Hauer - Mass SS

8:30 am ..... Geraldine Dohmen,

..... Dorothy Sauber - Mass SW

10:00 am ..... Mass of Thanksgiving - Mass SJ

10:30 am ..... Dick Maertens - Mass SW

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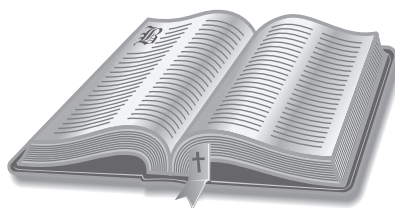
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**SCRIPTURE READINGS**WEEK OF JUNE 14, 2021 -  
JUNE 20, 2021**Monday, June 14:**

2 Cor 6:1-10 / Mt 5:38-42

**Tuesday, June 15:**

2 Cor 8:1-9 / Mt 5:43-48

**Wednesday, June 16:**

2 Cor 9:6-11 / Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday, June 17:**

2 Cor 11:1-11 / Mt 6:7-15

**Friday, June 18:**

2 Cor 11:18, 21-30 / Mt 6:19-23

**Saturday, June 19:**

2 Cor 12:1-10 / Mt 6:24-34

**Sunday, June 20:**Jb 38:1, 8-11 / 2 Cor 5:14-17  
/ Mk 4:35-41**MEETINGS & EVENTS  
CALENDAR**WEEK OF JUNE 14, 2021 -  
JUNE 20, 2021

**THERE ARE  
 CURRENTLY NO  
 MEETINGS/EVENTS  
 BEING HELD AT ANY OF  
 OUR PARISH SITES.**

**Safe Environment Information:**

Saint Wenceslaus facilitates a safe environment for minors and vulnerable adults by requiring all employees, as well as volunteers, who have regular or unsupervised interaction with minors or vulnerable adults, to be Essential 3 qualified (background check, Code of Conduct, and Safe Environment Training). For more information, contact laura.schoenecker@npcatholic.org

If you or someone you know has been abused, exploited, or harassed by a clergy member, religious brother or sister, lay employee or volunteer of a parish or Catholic school, your first call should be to law enforcement. You are also encouraged to contact the archdiocese's Victim Assistance Program at 651-291-4475.





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