TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - OCTOBER 22, 2023

ST WENCESLAUS CATHOLIC PARISH





Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 PM SW*

Sunday: 8:00 AM SS

8:30 AM SW

10:00 AM SJ

10:30 AM SW*

T/W/Th/F: 8:00 AM SW*
Monday: 5:30 PM SW
Wednesday: 5:30 PM SJ

*Our Livestreamed Masses & Rosary may be viewed on our website, npcatholic.org; on our Facebook Page, New Prague Catholic; or on YouTube, search "New Prague Area Catholic Community" at YouTube.com.
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WELCOME

WELCOME to the greater St Wenceslaus Catholic Parish, which includes the Church of St. Wenceslaus, 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. Please feel free to call, or stop by the parish office during office hours to register, or you may do so online. #youbelonghere

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 8:30 am to 3:00 pm 952-758-3225

SACRAMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION

Anointing of the Sick - Available to those who are seriously ill or suffering from a prolonged illness. Call the office.

Confirmation Preparation required. Call Britt LaVigne at 952-758-0486.

Reconciliation See the schedule or call for an appointment.

Baptism Preparation is required. Call the office. **Marriage** Initial in-person visit with priest, followed by six months to one-year preparation time required.

Rosary Monday – Friday 7:30 am in the church. **Fatima Prayer Cell -** Thursday in church after Mass.

Adoration Friday 8:30 am to 6:00 pm. Friday before the First Saturday, Adoration is overnight in the chapel.

Scripture Study Wednesday 7:00-8:00 am – Church Basement.

Prayer Chain Judy Siemon: 952-758-2220

Carol Bauer: 952-457-4057

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

Hall Rental

SW Lynn Sticha: 952-758-3225 **WCC** Pamela Sherlock: 952-758-0477

Padre's Pen – St. Scholastica Capital Update & More.

Moving on to St. Scholastica this week for updates. First, what have we done since July 1, 2019?

- Paid the required portion of the Capital Campaign Expenses (2% assessments to the Archdiocese).
- Paid for Condition Reports.
- Tuck pointed the church, sacristy, and steeple (interior and exterior of steeple).
- Repaired/tuckpointed/recapped north and south entrances to the basement.
- Repaired hole in the church roof.
- Replaced furnaces and air conditioning units.
- Bricked up the old window opening at the crown of the A-frame on the sacristy.
- Repaired/replaced the under ceiling for the choir loft and installed new lighting.
- Removed the unused chimney stack which was unsafe and closed the opening in the roof.
- Removed the cabinets and ceiling in sacristy entryways, repaired brickwork, window area, and roof trusses.
- This list is not exhaustive or all-inclusive.

We did all this with a combination of Capital Campaign donations, fundraising, and rent monies. The numbers are as follows:

Total income raised (Capital Campaign alone): \$165,000 Total expenses (Campaign funds alone): \$139,000 Total remaining (Campaign funds alone): \$26,000 Capital Maintenance Account (rent, etc.): \$18,000 Total available for Capital Projects: \$44,000

Just in the past few weeks, we did some testing on the roof above the sacristy entryways (while we still have the ceiling and cabinets out) and have found the leaky area in the roof. We are now able to proceed with a proper fix for that area in the roof and can work on getting our entryways finished.

Looking ahead, there are some decisions to be made on what constitutes the most needed projects. The contractor who found the leak in our roof has indicated that our church roof will probably need to be replaced in the foreseeable future. Our condition reports indicated that the gutters should be replaced, since they are really too small for the size of our roof (this would likely be done with a roof replacement). Also, we need to look at the driveway between the church and the rectory. It is breaking up and there should be some regrading to properly divert water away from the buildings. We could also use some proper flashing along the wall where the ramp meets the church to prevent water infiltration between them. These are all decisions that we can make in the next few years based on need and availability of funds.

I thank everyone for their ongoing support and look forward to building up not just the structure and infrastructure of our church, but especially her people within.

Ad Christum per Mariam,

Fr. Theisen

PARISH NEWS

Prayer of Remembrance Service.

It is at this time of year when nature begins to enter into its winter sleep that we are reminded of our loved ones who have died. On October 29, at 3:00 pm, at



St. Wenceslaus Church, we will be remembering in prayer all those from our community who have died since All Souls Day of last year. We invite all who grieve the death of a loved one to pray with us that afternoon. Hospitality on the lower level of the church will follow our prayer.

St. John Church Cleaning.

Fall church and school basement cleaning at St. John, is scheduled for Monday, October 30. The church and school will be open for cleaning from 9 am -11 am and 3 pm - 5 pm. Please bring a mop, rags, and a bucket. Men, women, and children are encouraged to help.

Floral Remembrance Memorials.

The beautiful flowers that adorn our altar and sanctuary throughout the year are a special part of our liturgical celebration and are an opportunity to remember your loved ones throughout the year with fresh flowers for our altars. We remember loved ones, honor friends, and thank God for prayers answered and blessings received. There are forms in the back of church.



All Soul's Day Prayers.

On Thursday, November 2, join us at St. Wenceslaus as we pray the Rosary from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Volunteers will lead the Rosary every half hour. Mass will be celebrated at noon in the Cemetery Chapel.

9:00 - 9:30	11:00 - 11:30	1:00 - 1:30
Carolyn Dorzinski	Jean Geiger	Vi Chromy
9:30 - 10:00 Diane Vaughn	11:30 - noon Karen Lee	1:30 - 2:00 Joanie Tupy & Sr. Kathy Trenda
10:00 - 10:30	Noon	2:00 - 2:30
Ann Schoenbauer	Mass - Cemetery Chapel	Darlene Witt
10:30 - 11:00	12:30 - 1:00	2:30 - 3:00
Marion Skluzacek	Carol Sticha	JoAnn Zaun

Financial - Weeks of 10/15 2023 St. Wenceslaus

Total Collected 10/15	\$25,740
Under Budget YTD	\$9,824
Actual Collections YTD	\$225,471

Western Catholic Churches

Total Collected 10/15	\$3,697
Under Budget YTD	
Actual Collections YTD	

Thank you for your support!

Blessed Karl's Corner -

The following prayer was on the old Bl. Karl website prior to his Beatification: Almighty God, Lord of Lords and King of Kings, in Your infinite fatherly love you are keeping watch over the fate of men and nations. You called Your servant, Emperor and King Karl of the House of Austria, to serve as a father to his peoples in difficult times and to promote peace with all his strength. By sacrificing his life, he sealed his willingness to fulfill Your holy will. Grant us the grace, with his intercession, to follow his example and serve the true cause of peace, which we find in the faithful fulfillment of Your holy will. We ask this through Him, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

World Mission Sunday- October 21/22, 2023 – "Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move"

World Mission Sunday is celebrated this weekend, October 21/22. On this weekend, every parish, school, and order celebrates World Mission Sunday and our baptismal call to be witnesses to all. World Mission Sunday is the Society for the Propagation of the Faith's celebration that supports over 1,100 vulnerable communities worldwide, enabling those whose "hearts are on fire, and feet on the move " to encounter Christ in mission. Please contribute to this appeal at your parish, or at https://centerformission.org/contribute-donation-form/. Thank you.

Turkey Bingo!

St Catherine Church/CCW invites you to their annual Turkey Bingo on Sunday, Nov 5, at 2:00 pm, at St Patrick Church Social Hall, 24425 Old Hwy 13 Blvd, Jordan. Included are door prizes and a light supper with beverages.



SCHOOL NEWS

Our Mission Statement.

St. Wenceslaus Catholic School is a Christ-centered family community committed to the intellectual and spiritual formation of our students. We provide a high-quality academic program that builds leadership and self-confidence while nurturing a loving relationship with God and encouraging service to others.

Psalm 86:11 Teach me Your way, O Lord



Dear Parishioners, Parents, Grandparents, and Friends of SWS,

We are now at the point in the school year when we are into a solid routine. Lessons are being presented, and learning is progressing at record speed. Our staff is focused on academic learning, and the students at all levels are settled in. Teachers are looking deep into the fall NWEA test scores so that they can plan to meet the needs of their class and individual needs that arise. This is a good time for much progress. Please try to keep your kids in school and healthy so that they do not miss out on these weeks. Life at SWS gets kind of crazy during other times of the year, so let's take advantage of this great time to study. Parent and teacher conferences are coming soon. This will be an excellent time to check in and see how things are going with your child's academic, social, and spiritual growth.

Kim Doyle, Principal

Kitchen Volunteers.

We will take any time that you can give us.
One day per week or one day per month- 2-3 hours per day or even 1 hour will help.
Currently, we need people to wash dishes 8:00-9:30 AM and others to serve lunch and wash dishes – 10:30-12:30.
Please contact our school food services director, Katie, if you can help. katie.cleveland@swsaints.org



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Thank You!

Thank you to all sponsors and Confirmation candidates who joined us for our day of Formation! It was such a blessing to dive into God's word together.

Archdiocesan Synod Progress:

Small group implementation for year one of the synod has been a great success so far! We have now completed four of the seven weekly training sessions with participation exceeding the original goal of 72 parishioners. Thank you to all who have been a part of this process! We look forward to many of the small groups forming around Ash Wednesday in spring 2024.



The Leaves are falling!

The leaves are beginning to fall a bit. We have some amazing volunteers ready and willing to help you out! On Sunday, November 5, our confirmation youth will be traveling through our community to help those who want help. If you would like them to stop at your yard and clean up those leaves, call our Youth Minister, Britt at 952-758-0486. We need your name, address, and phone number. We do not charge for this service but ask that you provide your own leaf bags.

Heavens House Carnival

ALL ARE WELCOME TO COME AND CELEBRATE

10/28 5:30PM-7:30PM

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NOVEMBER 4, 2023, 9:00 AM IN THE PAC

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Women Only Night

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

DOORS OPEN AT 6, SPEAKER FROM 6:30-7:30 PM

We welcome our speaker: Amy Cummings.

Invite some women friends and join us ~ All are welcome!



Amy Cummings is a non-profit leader and wholeness coach. She knows first-hand some of the common struggles, pitfalls and lies women tell themselves that sabotage them from living with authenticity or stepping out to pursue their dreams.

Amy believes every woman is irreplaceable and has unique gifts that only she can bring to humanity. A life that is filled with truth, goodness, and beauty, no matter the wounds and challenges, is a life worth living and sharing with others.

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPING WITH US

Adoration Every Friday!

Greetings fellow parishioners. Did you know that we offer Eucharistic Adoration every Friday of the month? Adoration takes place in church after 8:00 am Mass until 6:00 pm when Father closes with Benediction. On the *First Saturday* of the month, we have 24-hour Adoration beginning Friday after Mass and going through the night until 8:00 am Mass on *First Saturday*. Adoration is in the chapel for the 24-hour First Saturday weekends. Synod Small Group training is encouraging us to spend more time in prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament. You are welcome anytime! If you have questions or are feeling called to be more involved in this ministry, please call or text Ann Soderlund at 612-669-4014.



Mass Intentions & Readings

Monday, October 23

Rom 4:20-25 / Lk 12:13-21

5:30 pm Mass SW - Stanley & Marion Sticha †

Tuesday, October 24

Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21 / Lk 12:35-38 8:00 am Mass SW - *Ray & Dorothy Lipinski †*

Wednesday, October 25

Rom 6:12-18 / Lk 12:39-48

8:00 am School Mass SW - Bella Hertaus †, LeRoy Geiger †

5:30 pm Mass SJ - Father Eugene Theisen (in honor of his birthday)

Thursday, October 26

Rom 6:19-23 / Lk 12:49-53 8:00 am Mass SW - Tom Pexa †

Friday, October 27

Rom 7:18-25a / Lk 12:54-59

8:00 am Mass SW - Jeanette Deutsch †

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

Saturday, October 28

Eph 2:19-22 / Lk 6:12-16

3:30 pm Confessions SW

4:30 pm Mass SW - Mass for the People 8:15 pm Mass SJ - Judith Glisczinski †

Sunday, October 29

Ex 22:20-26 / 1 Thes 1:5c-10 / Mt 22:34-40 8:00 am Mass SS - Don & Peggy Gleason 8:30 am Mass SW - Tom Anderson † 10:00 am Mass SJ - Camilla Hartmann † 10:30 am Mass SW - Larry Peters †

3:30 pm Prayer of Remembrance Service

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