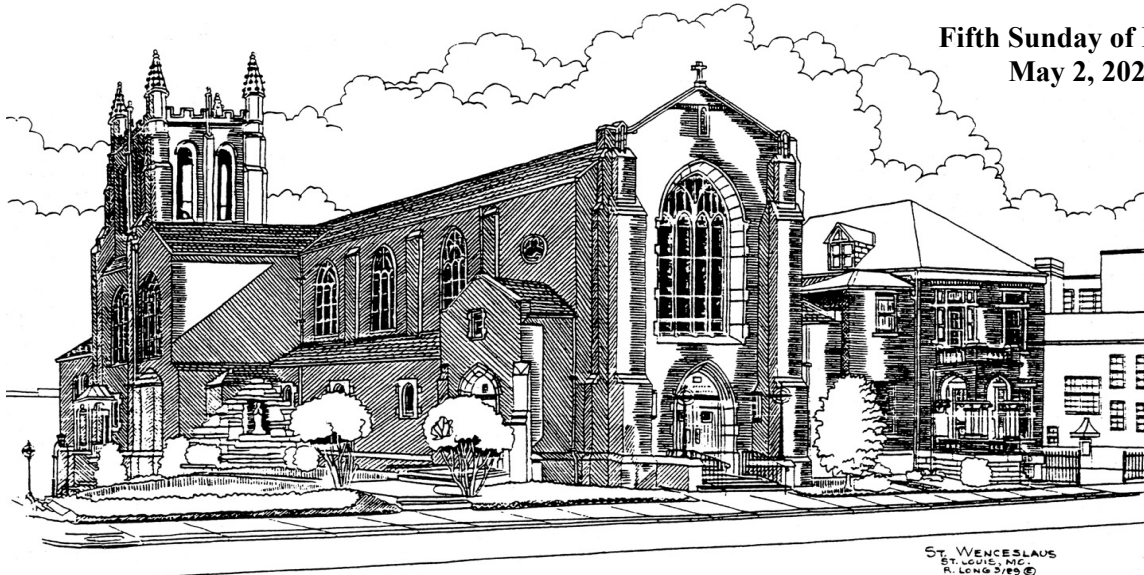


# ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

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

**Fifth Sunday of Easter  
May 2, 2021**



## 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. Philip Sosa, M.S.F., Parish Administrator

Rev. Angelot Andriamamitahina, M.S.F.,  
(In Residence)

Rev. Benoit Ramanandraibe, M.S.F.,  
(In Residence)

Mr. Paul Jolly, Business Manager

Mr. Micah Caldwell, Parish Maintenance

Mr. Bob Bollinger, Parish Maintenance

### MASSES FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Saturday 4:00 PM, Sunday 10:00 AM

Sunday 12:00 PM (Spanish)

### 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.

### 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

Deacon George Watson (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

**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](http://www.stwenceslaus.website)

### MSF WEB SITE ADDRESS:

[www.msf-america.org](http://www.msf-america.org)

### SEND BULLETIN INFORMATION TO:

[stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net)

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.  
- 1 John 3:18

## THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, May 1st

7:45 AM + Mary Jane Kubik  
4:00 PM + Dennis Curtis

### Sunday, May 2nd

10:00 AM + Marcella Keim

### Monday, May 3rd

7:45 AM + Mary Teschner

### Tuesday, May 4th

7:45 AM Carmelita Pelch

### Wednesday, May 5th

7:45 AM + Rosemary Rivituso

### Thursday, May 6th

7:45 AM Bonnie Martin

### Friday, May 7th

7:45 AM Holy Family Circle & Friends  
Prayer Association

### Saturday, May 8th

7:45 AM + Charlie McGrail  
4:00 PM + Chester & + Gladys Reichert

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Chris Bardo, Harry Bardo, Kathy Becker, Fr. Jim Beegan, Bob Blankmann, Margie Sosa Delgado, Harry & Judy Fabick, Don Fielder, Rosa Flores, Donna Frank, Pat Griffard, Dennis & Lisa Holland, Margaret Kalbac, Patrick Kennedy, Sr. Marie Loeffler, Bonnie Martin, Maria Mendoza, Angel Mendoza, Cathy Miller, Mary Moran, Carmelita Pelch, Jim & Nancy Pender, Janet Pinski, Debbie Rappe, Frank Reichert, Marvin Rothweil, Edward Rotter, Jr., Tek Schaefer, Joseph Styer, Evelyn Williams, Ron & Marsha Williams, Shirley Wooten, Tom Wooten

## GOD OF WISDOM

God of Wisdom, we ask you to guide the leaders in healthcare and governance; that they may make the right decisions for the wellbeing of people.

## RESPECT FOR LIFE

Join our Respect Life Group as they pray the rosary in church before weekend Mass on Saturdays at 3:20 pm and on Sundays at 9:20 am. If you are interested in joining this group, contact Tom Wooten at 252-9649.

## WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

We welcome all of our guests and parishioners here celebrating the Eucharist with us on the Fifth Sunday of Easter.

### Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That our daily actions reflect our goal of good discipleship.

## BEARING FRUIT

Few of us, even when we meditate on the image of the vine and branches, stop to really think about how God "prunes" us. For some there is the danger of thinking that we are already producing fruit for the kingdom, in deed and truth as John says, perhaps raising a family, being active in our parish, and so on. But even those branches which are bearing fruit, the Gospel tells us, can be pruned to produce still more. Today Saul, freshly "pruned" by his conversion, arrives in Jerusalem and meets resistance. Since he had been persecuting Christians, this was only natural. But even after he is accepted and begins to bear fruit, he meets further adversity, and his letters are filled with many accounts of how his trials "pruned" him to produce greater fruit for the kingdom. Like him, as long as we remain in Christ we will continue to bear fruit and, when the will of the Father determines it is time to prune us, the strength of the true vine must enable us to endure it.

## HOLY FAMILY PRAYER ASSOCIATION

You are invited to join our Holy Family Prayer Association! Who knows better the difficulties and challenges faced by families today than parents and grandparents themselves? The Missionaries of the Holy Family are seeking partnerships in prayer. There are no fees to join the prayer association, plus you will receive a free Holy Family religious medal and a pocket version of our *Holy Family Prayer Book*. Interested in learning more? Visit [www.msf-america.org](http://www.msf-america.org) and scroll down to the Prayer Association button, or call us toll free at 1-888-484-9945. God bless your family!

## CABRINI ANNOUNCEMENT

St. Frances Cabrini Academy has resumed full in-person learning on Mondays-Thursdays! Enrollment is currently underway for the 2021-22 school year. We welcome families to contact us at 314-776-0883 for additional information.

## SOUTHSIDE SPORTS

St. Mary's High School is sponsoring Southside Sports Success Camps for grades 1 thru 8. The Camps run from June 1st - July 16th. Registration is now open. For more information, visit [stmaryshs.com](http://stmaryshs.com).

MAY 2nd, 2021

**GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH**

<b>Last Week's Collections</b>	\$ 2,909.70
<b>Weekly Collection Goal</b>	\$ 2,700.00
<b>Average Collection Fiscal Year</b>	\$ 2,173.43

(Fiscal Year is July 2020 thru June 2021)

Parish Appeal 2021	\$ 343.00
Maintenance	\$ 128.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 143.00

**Stewardship Reflection**

**“Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.” - 1 John 3:18**

Regarding our Catholic faith, do you “walk the talk?” Do your actions reflect what it means to be a good disciple? Are you an active participant at Sunday Mass? Are you joyful when participating in parish ministry? Do you give gratefully and generously with your financial support to your parish and other Church needs? If not, it’s not too late to start!

**2021 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

Our Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) has recorded pledges to date of \$1,550.00. Thank you to those who have already donated. There is still plenty of time to participate. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge soon. Let’s work together to make our Challenge Goal of \$11,122.00 a reality. Chairpersons Matt & Barb Kellner will once again be in the vestibule of the church this weekend asking for your support and accepting your pledge. Your continued prayers for the success of the ACA are greatly appreciated.

**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. Please be generous to this important cause.

**SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter
- Monday: Ss. Philip and James
- Wednesday: Cinco de Mayo
- Thursday: National Day of Prayer
- Friday: First Friday

**MINISTER’S SCHEDULE**

\*\*\*\*\* SATURDAY, 05/08/21, at 4:00 PM \*\*\*\*\*

Commentator & Lector:	Jim Teschner
Cantor:	Ed Koeninger
Musician:	Barb Kellner

\*\*\*\*\* SUNDAY, 05/09/21, at 10:00 AM \*\*\*\*\*

Commentator & Lector:	Kathy Styer
Cantors:	Andrea Harper & Stephanie Blosser
Musician:	John Harper

**PUBLIC MASSES**

Anyone who is ill, symptomatic (cough, sore throat, headache, fever, among others), or has been exposed to someone else with the coronavirus within 14 days cannot enter the church, according to local health directives.

Everyone attending Mass is obligated to wear a mask or other facial covering. **The Archdiocese of St. Louis has mandated the use of masks throughout Mass with the exception of receiving Holy Communion.** Pull your mask below your chin to receive Holy Communion.

You are to observe social distancing - staying at least six feet from people not in your household.

Maintaining a single-file is necessary for the distribution of Holy Communion for each Communion minister and communicant to maintain social distancing. Only the Most Precious Body will be given and only by hand.

**CATHOLIC RADIO**

Easter is more than just one day on the calendar. It is an entire season, 50 days of rejoicing in the Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. You can always count on Covenant Network to present the very best in Catholic programming. Tune into WRYT (AM 1080).

**MAY, THE MONTH OF MARY**

Praying in union with Mary, our Universal Mother, brings us into a closer relationship with Jesus, her Son and our Savior. We can serve Jesus better by serving one another, as Mary did. Pray the Rosary during the month of May.

**MOTHER’S DAY MASSES**

To remember your loved ones, living or deceased, we have Mother’s Day Spiritual Bouquet envelopes and cards available in the vestibule of the church. Please fill these out for our Mother’s Day Masses and return no later than this Thursday, May 6th. Honor all Mothers!