

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960



**Twenty-seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time
October 3, 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. 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

MSF WEB SITE ADDRESS:

www.msf-america.org

SEND BULLETIN INFORMATION TO:

stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

- Mark 10:14

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 2nd

7:45 AM + Deacon George Miller

4:00 PM + Tom Moran

Sunday, October 3rd

10:00 AM + Elmer Blankmann

Monday, October 4th

7:45 AM + Helen Fabick

Tuesday, October 5th

7:45 AM + Ludmilla Fabick

Wednesday, October 6th

7:45 AM + Gene Smugala

Thursday, October 7th

7:45 AM Bonnie Martin

Friday, October 8th

7:45 AM + Ron Kanne

Saturday, October 9th

7:45 AM + Dennis & + Salvadora DeMierre

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, Judy Fabick, Don Fielder, Rosa Flores, Donna Frank, Pat Griffard, Dennis & Lisa Holland, Margaret Kalbac, Patrick Kennedy, Carolyn Koeninger, Sr. Marie Loeffler, Bonnie Martin, Maria Mendoza, Angel Mendoza, Cathy Miller, Mary Moran, Carmelita Pelch, Jim & Nancy Pender, Janet Pinski, Debbie Rappe, Mary Ray, Frank Reichert, Marvin Rothweil, Merion Rothweil, Tek Schaefer, Evelyn Williams, Ron & Marsha Williams

PSR REGISTRATION UPDATE

South City Deanery PSR has begun, but it's not too late to register. SCD PSR provides formal Catholic Religious Education (Pre Sacramental Prep) for children in the parishes of the South City Deanery. **Students must be registered this year to receive sacraments next year.** For more information, call Deacon George at 314-773-3070.

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.

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

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

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we may care for the planet and be better stewards of the earth's resources.

THE BARRIERS THAT SEPARATE US

We live in a society that has many technological avenues for stimulation and entertainment, one in which the urban population exceeds the non-urban. It is curious that loneliness is a prevalent malady. It is easy to reach out and touch someone, we are told. But-in truth-it is not all that easy, and statistics from the mental health field will reinforce that opinion. Today's readings are about the ways in which we can authentically reach out: God touches Adam to create a mate and end his solitude; God-in-Jesus takes on human flesh and death in order that we might come to glory; Jesus reaches out to the children whom the disciples had tried to keep away, showing us the manner in which we must approach the loving embrace that awaits us in heaven. Until that day, however, we must remember that ours is a sacramental church, a church of signs of the love of God. And so we are called to reach out continually to ease the loneliness and the barriers that separate us from one another and, therefore, from the love of Christ.

FROM ST. FRANCES CABRINI ACADEMY

Our school year is officially underway with 166 students! Our school theme this year is *Go Make a Difference*. In October, we will be hosting Cocktails at Cabrini to replace our annual auction. It will be an opportunity for guests to see the wonderful things happening at Cabrini! All are welcome. Go to: <https://cabrini2021.givesmart.com> to register.

SEPTEMBER PASS-THE-CASH

\$50 WINNER: Brian Lohmar

\$25 WINNERS: Sharon Farrell, Jeremy Meyer
Katie Zeller, Tony Kremer

DEACON COLLECTION

This weekend, we will have a special collection for the **Formation of Permanent Deacons**. There are 44 men in formation at this time, each seeking to answer the call to be a Deacon. Every single gift received is essential to provide a quality formation. Please be generous!

OCTOBER 3rd, 2021

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collections \$ 2,678.75

Weekly Collection Goal \$ 2,700.00

Average Collection Fiscal Year \$ 2,260.56

(Fiscal Year is July 2021 thru June 2022)

Parish Appeal 2021 \$ 109.00

Maintenance \$ 42.00

Food for the Poor SVPD \$ 42.00

Stewardship Reflection

“So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name.” - Genesis 2:19

The creation story reminds us of two important points. First, since the start, God has put the entire world into our care. Second, stewardship has been around since the beginning of mankind, it isn't something recently invented by the Church. Just as past generations built our Church, it is now our responsibility to continue to nurture and develop these gifts for future generations.

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

We will observe Stewardship Awareness Sunday next weekend. This year's theme - **“Grateful & Generous”** asks the question, “How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me?”

Dave Baranowski, Director of Parish Stewardship for the Archdiocese of St. Louis, will be our Lay Witness Speaker who will speak to us at all Masses.

TOWARD HEAVEN

Think well. Speak well. Do well. These three things, through the mercy of God, will make a person go to heaven. - St. Camillus de Lellis

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday

Monday: St. Francis of Assisi

Tuesday: Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos

Wednesday: St. Bruno; Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher

Thursday: Our Lady of the Rosary

Saturday: St. Denis and Companions;
St. John Leonardi; Blessed Virgin Mary

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 10/09/21, at 4:00 PM *****

Commentator & Lector: Jim Teschner

Cantor: (Congregational)

Musician: Barb Kellner

***** SUNDAY, 10/10/21, 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.

Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski has lifted the dispensation of the faithful to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation as of July 1, 2021. Parishioners who are sick, homebound, immunocompromised and gravely concerned for their health retain the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass, which has always been the case in normal times.

The mask mandate now applies to all parish faithful.

All other restrictions and measures at parishes will be determined by the parish pastor and what he deems is needed to provide for the safest possible environment.

We will continue 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.

UPCOMING MEETING

The **Men's Club** will meet this Tuesday, October 5th, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center.

FALL FESTIVAL

This year our annual Parish Fall Festival is scheduled for **Saturday, November 6th**. Due to COVID, and the Delta Variant virus, most of our activities must be, once again, “virtual,” on-line or by mail. We will have auctions and raffles, and our annual Ad Book. We're asking for your help during this difficult time by providing items, prizes, gift cards, and/or advertising in our Ad Book. Gift cards are especially appreciated as they are so flexible and can be used for our baskets and auctions. If you're unable to shop, please consider a monetary donation to be used to purchase needed items. Thank you for your help!