

# SAINT WENCESLAUS PARISH

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 26, 2017

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Saturday Evening Mass 4PM - Sunday Mass 10AM  
Confession Available Before Every Mass

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## Contributions from February 18-19:

Adult Envelopes	\$1,110.00
Collection Plate	\$248.32
Youth Envelopes	\$8.50
Coffee & Donuts (Group #6)	\$81.00

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## Mass Schedule:

Mon, Feb. 27 - 8am (Weekday) for:  
**LaVerne DuCharme**  
**by Lonnie & Jane Achenbach**

Tue, Feb. 28 - 8am (Weekday) for:  
**Emma Gunther by Nancy Hausheer**

Wed, Mar. 1 - 8am (Ash Wednesday) for:  
**Bernard Boylen by Peggy Keegan**

Wed, Mar. 1 - 8pm (Ash Wednesday) for:  
**Health & Healing for Donna Starkey**  
**by the St. Wenceslaus PCCW**

Thr, Mar. 2 - 8am (Thurs. after Ash Wed.) for:  
**Jack & Norma Slama**

Fri, Mar. 3 - 8am (Friday after Ash Wed.) for:  
**Margaret Pattera by Elaine Schmitt**

Sat, Mar. 4 - 4pm (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent) for:  
**John Fisher by Betty Fisher & Family**

Sun, Mar. 5 - 10am (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent) for:  
**Poor Souls in Purgatory**  
**by Tim & Shannon Sprosty**

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## Upcoming Liturgical Roles:

### Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> : 4pm

**Lector:** Gloria Wall  
**Ushers:** Art Wall & Derek Wall  
**Servers:** Any Available Servers

### Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> : 10am

**Lector:** Tom Martin  
**Ushers:** Tim Sprosty & T.J. Sprosty  
**Servers:** Group B: Zach, Nate, & Jacob  
Martin, Tegan DuCharme

### Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> Rosary Leaders:

The Don & Toni Lenzendorf Family

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## Parish Announcements:

### Ash Wednesday Masses

8am @ St. Wenceslaus  
6pm @ Sacred Heart  
8pm @ St. Wenceslaus

### Stations of the Cross

#### At St. Wenceslaus:

Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm  
Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm  
Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> @ 11:15am  
Tuesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> @ 7pm  
Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm

#### At Sacred Heart:

Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm

### Dennis Rosenbaum Memorial Fish Fry

Our Knights of Columbus invite you to their fish fry this Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5pm to 8pm in Msgr. Baer Hall. The meal will feature all-you-can-eat deep fried fish, baked beans, potato salad, coleslaw, rolls, and desserts. Adults are \$9 and children (12 years and under) eat for \$3. Buy raffle tickets for great prizes and invite a friend to come.

### St. Wenceslaus Council Meetings

Our Parish Finance Council will meet next Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the rectory. Our Parish Pastoral Council will next meet on Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the rectory.

### Roger Harvat Benefit

Friends of the Harvat family invite you to a benefit meal on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> starting at 5pm in Msgr. Baer Hall. The proceeds will help pay for Roger Harvat's cancer treatment bills. There will also be an auction, gun raffles, and games. Donations of items for auction are still needed. Call Adam Trautsch (412-0683) or Roger Slama (874-4631) for details.

### Catholic Life Envelopes

This month, special contribution envelopes appear in our boxes for our diocese's *Catholic Life* magazine. No second collection will be taken at Mass, but please consider dropping a freewill donation in the collection basket to support its evangelistic and catechetical work.

### Free Ultrasound Screenings

Free ultrasounds are available in PdC from February 27<sup>th</sup> to March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Contact Heather Kramer (at 874-4057 or 306-0147) for details.

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### March Hospitality Activities:

Soup & Sandwiches (March 4 <sup>th</sup> )	Groups #5&6
Coffee & Donuts (March 19 <sup>th</sup> )	Group #1
Church & Hall Cleaning	Group #6

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## **Gospel Notes**

*On Matthew 6:24-34*

- “You cannot serve God and mammon.” “Mammon” is the Aramaic word for wealth.
- Solomon (David’s son) was Israel’s wisest, richest, & (presumably) best-dressed king. Yet, God clothes short-lived plants more splendidly.
- Jesus says “do not worry what you will eat.” St. Jerome recalled God’s command, “By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food,” (Genesis 3:19) and wrote, “Toil, therefore is enjoined, worrying forbidden.”

▪ While due diligence is healthy, worrying does not “add a single moment to your lifespan”. Stress is shown rather to shorten one’s life.

▪ St. Augustine wrote of Jesus’ birds and lilies, “they are only examples to prove God’s care for the greater from His care for the less.”

▪ St. Chrysostom noted Jesus “said not ‘God knows,’ but ‘Your Father knows,’ in order to lead [us] to higher hope; for if He be [our] Father, He will not endure to forget his children, since not even human fathers could do so.” Like the Lord said through Isaiah, “Can a mother forget her infant? ... Even should she forget, I will never forget you.” (Isaiah 49:15)

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## **Confession “In Brief”**

*Catechism of the Catholic Church #1485-1498*

● “On the evening of that day, the first day of the week,” Jesus showed himself to his apostles. “He breathed on them, and said to them: ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.’” (John 20:19, 22-23)

● The forgiveness of sins committed after Baptism is conferred by a particular sacrament called the sacrament of conversion, confession, penance, or reconciliation.

● The sinner wounds God’s honor and love, his own human dignity as a man called to be a son of God, and the spiritual well-being of the Church, of which each Christian ought to be a living stone.

● To the eyes of faith no evil is graver than sin and nothing has worse consequences for sinners themselves, for the Church, and for the whole world.

● To return to communion with God after having lost it through sin is a process born of the grace of God who is rich in mercy and solicitous for the salvation of men. One must ask for this precious gift for oneself and for others.

● The movement of return to God, called conversion and repentance, entails sorrow for and abhorrence of sins committed, and the firm purpose of sinning no more in the future. Conversion touches the past and the future and is nourished by hope in God’s mercy.

● The sacrament of Penance is a whole consisting in three actions of the penitent and the priest’s absolution. The penitent’s acts are repentance, confession or disclosure of sins to the priest, and the intention to make reparation and do works of reparation.

● Repentance (also called contrition) must be inspired by motives that arise from faith. If repentance arises from love of charity for God, it is called “perfect” contrition; if it is founded on other motives, it is called “imperfect.”

● One who desires to obtain reconciliation with God and with the Church, must confess to a priest all the unconfessed grave sins he remembers after having carefully examined his conscience. The confession of venial faults, without being necessary in itself, is nevertheless strongly recommended by the Church.

● The confessor proposes the performance of certain acts of “satisfaction” or “penance” to be performed by the penitent in order to repair the harm caused by sin and to re-establish habits befitting a disciple of Christ.

● Only priests who have received the faculty of absolving from the authority of the Church can forgive sins in the name of Christ.

● The spiritual effects of the sacrament of Penance are:

- ◇ Reconciliation with God by which the penitent recovers grace.
- ◇ Reconciliation with the Church.
- ◇ Remission of the eternal punishment incurred by mortal sins.
- ◇ Remission, at least in part, of temporal punishments resulting from sin.
- ◇ Peace and serenity of conscience, and spiritual consolation.
- ◇ An increase of spiritual strength for the Christian battle.

● Individual and integral confession of grave sins followed by absolution remains the only ordinary means of reconciliation with God and with the Church.

● Through indulgences the faithful can obtain the remission of temporal punishment resulting from sin for themselves and also for the souls in Purgatory.