

SAINT WENCESLAUS PARISH

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 21, 2017

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

Contributions from May 6-7:

Adult Envelopes	\$1,080.00
Collection Plate	\$270.00
Votive Candle Donations	\$51.00
Additional Property Insurance Donations	\$100.00

Contributions from May 13-14:

Adult Envelopes	\$1,023.00
Collection Plate	\$234.00
Youth Envelopes	\$2.00

Mass Schedule:

Mon, May 22 – 8am (Easter Weekday) for:
Bernard Boylen by Teresa Sharp

Tue, May 23 – 6:30pm (Easter Weekday) for:
**Margaret Pettera
by the Beers & Becwar Families**

Wed, May 24 – 8am (Easter Weekday) for:
Ruth Zlabek

Thr, May 25 – 8am (Easter Weekday) for:
John Fisher by Lonnie & Jane Achenbach

Fri, May 26 – 8am (St. Phillip Neri) for:
Jack & Norma Slama

Sat, May 27 – 4pm (Feast of the Ascension) for:
Karen Fisher by Greg & Mary Fisher

Sun, May 28 – 10am (Feast of the Ascension) for:
**The Living & Deceased
of St. Wenceslaus & Sacred Heart**

Upcoming Liturgical Roles:

Saturday, May 27th : 4pm

Lector: Roger Wall
Ushers: Ron Colson & Charles Linder
Servers: Any Available Servers

Sunday, May 28th : 10am

Lector: Donnie Fisher
Ushers: Sam Tesar & Dan Sprosty
Servers: Group E: Andrew Deegan, Lucas
Kramer, Carson & Cohen Redman

Sunday, May 28th Rosary Leaders:

The Don & Toni Lenzendorf Family

Parish Announcements:

Family Photos

This June 8th-10th, our parish households will be professionally photographed for a new St. Wenceslaus family directory. Reserve your free photo session today at: tinyurl.com/Pix-Times

“Nun Camp”

This June 12th-16th, two Dominican sisters will lead a summer school at St. Wenceslaus. All youths (who have completed 1st up through 8th grade) are welcome to join our faith-filled fun. Registration forms are available in the back of church.

Baccalaureate Service

This Wednesday, May 24th at 7pm, Sacred Heart Church will host the 2017 Baccalaureate service. Fr. Feltes will be joined by Pastor Oines & Pastor Schreck to commend the Wauzeka area graduates to our Lord Jesus Christ and the grace of God.

Picnic & Homecoming Raffle Donations

To donate items to be raffled at this year's Picnic & Homecoming, contact Ronald & Joanne Prew at 874-4542 before June 15th.

St. Wenceslaus Milestones

June 19, 2016—May 19, 2017

New Christians — Baptisms

Grant Gasior	Lucas Slagle
Cosmas Kramer	Damian Kramer
Brendan Beers	Aria Laxton

New Tabernacles — First Communions

Ryan Cale	Olivia Colson
Penelope Fisher	Colett Kramer
Carter Simmons	Jacob Sprosty
Lucas Sprosty	

Greater Temples — Confirmations

Korbin Bachman	Lindsey Boylen
Ashley Bedtka	Tabitha Check
EmmaRae Brown	Lindsey Krachey
Sawyer Brown	Ravyn Krachey
Samuel Kramer	Ashley Mezera
Theresa Kramer	Austin Mezera
Angela Redman	Bianca Mullikin
Mitchell Sipos	Brad Nagel
Alayna Teynor	Gavin Ralph
Luke Wright	Christopher Reising
	Dawson Swatek

Holy Unions — Marriages

Holden & Sara Stuckey
Bradley & Aphton Check

Passings — Funerals

Lawrence Pelock	Ruth Zlabek
Mary Ellen Lechnir	John Fisher
John Kilburg	Loyde Beers
Sharon Mezera	Roger Martin
LaVerne DuCharme	Velda DuCharme

June Hospitality Activities:

Hall Spring Cleaning (June 24th @ 9am) All Groups
Farewell Potluck (June 25th @ 11am) All Groups

Summer Vocations Events

Meet the Sisters

On Tuesday, June 13th at 6:30pm, come meet two Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist at St. Wenceslaus. (One of these sisters, Sr. Mariana, visited us before in the summer of 2015.) They will pray with us, share their stories and answer questions, and join us for a meal.

Dare To Follow Weekend

This June 16th-18th retreat is for boys entering 6th to 10th grades to learn more about their Catholic faith, talk about the vocation of priesthood, and have a lot of fun. Contact Fr. Alan Wierzba at 608-791-2667 or awierzba@diolc.org to register.

High School Immersion

This June 19th-23rd retreat is for young women ages 13-18 who would like to "live in" at the Mater Redemptoris House of Formation in La Crosse for five days. You will pray, have fun, serve, and learn with the sisters. Parish grants are available. For details, visit: tinyurl.com/MRIImmersion

Priestly Ordinations

On June 24th at 10:30am in our St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral in La Crosse, three young men are scheduled to be ordained priests for our diocese: Aaron Becker, Peter Kieffer, & Juan Pedro Roblez Baltazar. All are invited to this special Mass.

Threshold Retreat

This July 14th-16th, young men ages 17 to 20 are invited to these three days of prayer, conversation, and reflections on the priesthood. Contact Fr. Alan Wierzba at awierzba@diolc.org or 608-791-2667.

Come, Follow Days

This July 18th-19th retreat is for girls aged 9 to 13 who want to learn about convent life and spend an overnight with the Sisters and other young ladies at the Mater Redemptoris House of Formation in La Crosse. Parish grants are available. To learn more or register, visit: tinyurl.com/MROvernight

St. Phillip Neri Quotes

An Italian priest called "the 3rd Apostle of Rome" after Sts. Peter & Paul (July 21, 1515–May 25, 1595)

- "Do not grieve over the temptations you suffer. When the Lord intends to bestow a particular virtue on us, He often permits us first to be tempted by the opposite vice. Therefore, look upon every temptation as an invitation to grow in a particular virtue and a promise by God that you will be successful, if only you stand fast."
- "To be without pity for other men's falls, is an evident sign that we shall fall ourselves shortly."
- "The cross is the gift God gives to his friends."
- "A joyful heart is more easily made perfect than a downcast one."
- "Obedience is the true holocaust which we sacrifice to God on the altar of our hearts."
- "The best way to prepare for death is to spend every day of life as though it were the last."

The Two Trees

From a sermon by St. Theodore the Studite (758-826 A.D.)

How precious the gift of the cross, how splendid to contemplate! In the cross there is no mingling of good and evil, as in the tree of paradise: it is wholly beautiful to behold and good to taste. The fruit of this tree is not death but life, not darkness but light. This tree does not cast us out of paradise, but opens the way for our return.

This was the tree on which Christ, like a king on a chariot, destroyed the devil, the Lord of death, and freed the human race from his tyranny. This was the tree upon which the Lord, like a brave warrior wounded in his hands, feet and side, healed the wounds of sin that the evil serpent had inflicted on our nature. A tree once caused our death, but now a tree brings life. Once deceived by a tree, we have now repelled the cunning serpent by a tree. What an astonishing transformation! That death should become life, that decay should become immortality, that shame should become glory! Well might the holy Apostle exclaim: Far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world! The supreme wisdom that flowered on the cross has shown the folly of worldly wisdom's pride. The knowledge of all good, which is the fruit of the cross, has cut away the shoots of wickedness.

The wonders accomplished through this tree were foreshadowed clearly even by the mere types and figures that existed in the past. Meditate on these, if you are eager to learn. Was it not the wood of a tree that enabled Noah, at God's command, to escape the destruction of the flood together with his sons, his wife, his sons' wives and every kind of animal? And surely the rod of Moses prefigured the cross when it changed water into blood, swallowed up the false serpents of Pharaoh's magicians, divided the sea at one stroke and then restored the waters to their normal course, drowning the enemy and saving God's own people? Aaron's rod, which blossomed in one day in proof of his true priesthood, was another figure of the cross, and did not Abraham foreshadow the cross when he bound his son Isaac and placed him on the pile of wood?

By the cross death was slain and Adam was restored to life. The cross is the glory of all the apostles, the crown of the martyrs, the sanctification of the saints. By the cross we put on Christ and cast aside our former self. By the cross we, the sheep of Christ, have been gathered into one flock, destined for the sheepfolds of heaven.
