



Saint Wenceslaus Catholic Church

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*St. Wenceslaus is "twinned" with St. Ann Church,
at Greenmount Ave. and E. 22nd St.
410-235-8169*

*Masses at St. Ann: Sunday – 9:45 a.m.
Thursday - 7:00 p.m.*

MASSES

SUNDAY
WEEKDAYS
HOLYDAYS

8:00 and 11:45 am
8:00 am
As announced in the bulletin

CONFESSIONS:

Please contact the parish office to schedule an appointment for confessions

DEVOTIONS:

Infant of Prague Novena - Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena - Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m.

First Friday Holy Hour for Vocations - 8:30 a.m.

BAPTISMS:

Adult candidates and parents of infants are invited to contact the pastor so that we can begin preparations for baptism.

MARRIAGE:

We extend a warm welcome to couples desiring to be married in the church. Please contact us early (six months or more) so that we can work with you to prepare for your wedding.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK:

Please notify the pastor when a member is unable to come to church. We will be happy to provide pastoral care at home or in the hospital.

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Sunday School classes for children and youth meet every Sunday in the Lyceum from 9:30 to 11:30A.M. To register call the church office or Ms. Edith Pumphrey, Director, at 410-488-7069.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

We urge you to register as a member of the parish, so that we can keep you informed of church activities. We will be happy to provide you with church envelopes to assist you in the support of the church. You may register in person at the church office weekdays between 9:00 to 2:00 or by completing the following form.

Name _____

Street _____

Phone _____ Zip _____

Check:

New Registration Moving out of Parish

Change of Address Want Envelopes

Catholic Review Yes No

Please cut out and drop in the collection box or mail to the rectory.

SAINT WENCESLAUS CHURCH

Third Sunday of Easter

April 17, 2016

From the Pastor . . .

My Sisters and Brothers:

In today's Gospel, Jesus says "my sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me" (see John 10:27). The discourse about "the Good Shepherd" is part of a larger teaching found in all of chapter ten of John's Gospel. We are taught that Jesus is our "pastor" and that we are his faithful "flock." As we contemplate this, we might think of those in our lives who help us to understand the simple relationship between a "pastor" and his or her "sheep." We might then ask: "who are those in whom we have great confidence and with whom we feel very safe?" I believe they can give us great insight into the trusting relationship that exists between "pastor" and "flock." Accordingly, we might even say these people have actually been kinds of "pastors," and as such have really been instruments of Jesus in our lives! Perhaps, they have been our parents who have always guided us to do the right things and who have helped us to be good people and productive members of society. Perhaps, our "pastors" have been our best friends who have always been with us in both good and bad times. Or perhaps, they have been our teachers, or the many ministers of our Church, and they have effectively shared their wisdom or the truth of our faith with us. I'm sure each of us can think of people who have done these things for us. And isn't it true that we need these men and women in order to grow in wisdom and knowledge, and to find satisfaction within our lives? And of course, we also may have been like "pastors" to those we have ourselves mentored and guided. At the same time, we know there are people around us who are the complete opposites of these kinds of "pastors," and in whom we ought never to place our trust. In fact, Jesus warns us that some of those whom we might otherwise assume to be "pastors" and "guides," are actually not trustworthy at all (see John 10:1-21). These people will turn away from us at times when there are problems, and/or when we have things going on in our lives that are difficult to bear. In the earlier verses of chapter ten, Jesus had referred to these people as "thieves and robbers." They are like those who abandon the sheep by walking away when they see the wolf coming. Maybe we have had the misfortune of knowing people like this in our own lives; perhaps, they have even pretended to be our friends, but then left us when they realized that we needed some kind of help, or when we had difficulties, or when an uncomfortable situation in our lives needed resolution. With all of this in mind, I believe an important message in today's Gospel is that we must be careful who we choose to "pastor" us. Jesus offers himself as the model, and so as we gather to celebrate our faith in him, our Good Shepherd, we profess confidence that he will always protect and guide us. As we continue to celebrate this Easter season, we are grateful that we have Jesus, our pastor whose voice we hear, and whom we always desire to follow! May we also and always be grateful to those in our lives who forever mirror the pastor's love for us!

Christ is Risen, Truly, He is Risen, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise God! *Friar Timothy*

PRAYER REQUESTS

Continue to keep in prayer Friar Timothy and his family, all our parishioners who are sick or recovering from an illness and all the needs recorded in our parish prayer intention book.

ELECTION DAY

Primary Elections will be held next **Tuesday, April 26, 2016**. Polling will be open from 7 am – 8 pm. For

sample ballots and polling locations in your area visit: www.elections.maryland.gov or call **410-396-1444** for city residents or **800-222-8683** for locations in your zip code. **Remember to get out and vote!**

INVESTMENT CLUB WINNERS

Week 6 Winners

\$100 – Ricky R. Krall	Seller: Richard E. Krall
\$ 50 – Marie Trock	Seller: Self
\$ 25 – Russell & Mary Topper	Seller: Self

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TOWN HALL MEETING

St. Wenceslaus Needs Our Help. We need ideas and plans to help our church to continue to move forward. We will be having a Town Hall meeting to encourage the exchange of ideas that we can utilize to help our church grow in faith, family, and community. It will be held **Saturday June 4 2016, at 2:00 pm.** Pot luck style refreshments will be served, so bring a dish and your ideas so that we can get our church on track to a bigger and better future together. Remember to mark the date on your calendar.

SAVE THE DATE

St. Ann and St. Wenceslaus bus trip to the **Sight and Sound Biblical Theater in Lancaster, PA is October 29, 2016** to see the production "*Samson*". The signup sheets and flyers are on the table in the back of the church. Remember, to guarantee your seat a **Non-Refundable Deposit of \$25 per ticket is due by May 22, 2016.**

SUBSCRIPTION SUBSCRIBERS

Reminder: We have had several events take place and participation has been great. Please remember subscribers if you have not paid on your subscription plan in full or monthly to do so. **We appreciate the continued support of our subscribers to all the events. Thank you for your cooperation.**

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Fifth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading Acts 14:21-27
2nd Reading Revelations 21:1-5a
Gospel John 13:34

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun, Apr 17	8:00 am	Raymond Ulich
	11:45	For Parishioners
Tues, Apr 19	8:00	Vicky Wilson
Wed, Apr 20	8:00	Marie K. Vicen
Thur, Apr 21	7:00	No Intention
Fri, Apr 22	8:00	Gladys M. Hayes

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS

	<i>Masses</i>	<i>Attendance</i>	<i>Collection</i>
4/10/2016	8:00 am	55	
	11:45	35	
Total		90	\$2,432.30
Last Year's Total - 4/12/2015			\$1,747.77

INTERFAITH PRAYER SERVICE

The **Archdiocese of Baltimore** will co-host a Prayer Service for Peace in Baltimore, **Monday April 25 at 7 pm** at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 409 Cathedral St. All faiths are invited to pray for healing in Baltimore on the one-year anniversary of the unrest following the death of Freddie Gray. Parking is available in the garage on Franklin Street between Charles and Cathedral Streets.

OUTSIDE THE PARISH...

PRODUCE MARKET

Bon Secours Hospital 2000 W. Baltimore St. Middle Dining Room, 1st Floor Time: **7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**
April 14-15, May 12-13, June 9-10

HEALTH FAIR

Israel Baptist Church...18th Annual Community Care Initiative Health Fair Sunday April 17 from 12 - 3 pm, 1220 N. Chester St. Free health screenings, health insurance, free snacks and groceries. For more information flyers are on the table in back of church.

SENIOR NEWS

"Spring Cleaning: De-clutter". Join Action In Maturity on Tuesday, April 26 at 11:30 in the library at Keswick (700 W. 40th Street) for lunch and a talk on how best to tackle projects to better organize your living space.

CARDINAL CUP RACE

Mother Seton Academy & the School of the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen invite everyone to participate in or support the 22nd Annual Cardinal Cup 5K run and family fun 1-mile walk. The event will take place on **Saturday, April 30, 2016** at the School of the Cathedral, 111 Amberly Way, Baltimore, MD 21210. If you are interested in the run please contact Joan Drebing at 410-563-2833 or jdrebing@mothersetonacademy.org.
<http://www.mothersetonacademy.org/events/cardinal-cup/>

RAFFLE TICKETS

53rd Annual Raffle in support of the **Msgr. O'Dwyer Retreat House.** Tickets are \$100 each, there is a limit of 4 people on one ticket. Only 500 tickets are available. Raffle will be held on June 3, 2016 at 6:30 pm. Call Jackie at 410-666-2400 ext 810 - www.jmsgrodyer.org. Be a Hero and support our youth today!

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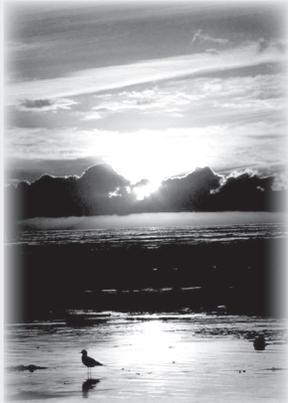
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