



# 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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### 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**  
**The Feast of Corpus Christi**  
**May 29, 2016**

## *From the Pastor . . .*

### **My Sisters and Brothers:**

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, also known as the Feast of *Corpus Christi*. On this occasion, and as I reflect on the significance of the great gift of the Eucharist, I can't help but to recall the words of the revered prayer "*O Sacrum Convivium*," composed nearly eight hundred years ago by the renowned Dominican friar and theologian, Saint Thomas Aquinas. In part, the prayer reads: "*O Holy Banquet, in which Christ is received, the memory of his passion is recalled, the soul is filled with grace, and the promise of future glory is given to us . . . he has given us bread from heaven, containing in itself all delight.*" These words give us a wonderfully concise perspective into what we believe and celebrate on this *Feast of Corpus Christi*.

As I study and reflect on Aquinas' prayer, I am compelled to think about all of the events that our community of faith recalls during the annual observance of the Easter Triduum: On Holy Thursday, Good Friday and concluding with the beginning of the Great Easter Vigil, we remember the "*Last Supper*," the passion, the sacrifice, the death, the burial and the resurrection of the Lord Jesus! During our Masses and prayers during those days, we remember that Jesus offered his very life for us, that he gave us the gift of the Eucharist, that by his death on the Holy Cross he became for us a "*perfect sin offering*" (*one that never needs to be repeated, unlike those offered by the priests of the Old Testament days*), that he was completely victorious over sin and death, and that he rose to new life and now and forever shares the fullness of God's life with each one of us.

I believe the themes noted above, so vividly presented to us during the Easter Triduum, and summarized so precisely by St. Thomas Aquinas, are realities at the very heart of our understanding of the great gift of the Holy Eucharist. We recall these ideas of our faith each time we gather around Table of the Lord (*the altar*) in order to celebrate the Mass and to share and receive the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ! In this celebration we hear again the words of Jesus: "*Take my body and blood . . . poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins . . . do this in memory of me*" (*cf. Luke 22:19 and 1st Corinthians 11:24-25*). And so each time we rejoice in the great gift of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, may we never forget what we believe and what we truly receive: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the one who suffered and died for us in order to give us the fullness of grace and the promise of a future and glorious life forever with the Father in heaven; a God who loves us more than we can ever possibly imagine!

Today therefore, may we also recall the concluding words of the *O Sacrum Convivium* of St. Thomas Aquinas, and let us pray: "*Lord, Jesus Christ, you gave us the Eucharist as the memorial of your suffering and death. May our worship of this sacrament of your body and blood help us to experience the salvation you won for us and the peace of the Kingdom where you live and reign forever and ever. Amen*"

**Praise God! Friar Timothy**

### MEMORIAL DAY

On this holiday weekend we remember all our beloved dead, especially those who gave their lives in the service of others.



### PRAYER REQUESTS

Continue to remember in your prayers Fr. Timothy and his family, all parishioners who are sick or recovering from an illness, especially Marie Troch, Charles Supik, and Donald Benedict, relatives, friends, our city, those who serve our country in the military and all the needs recorded in our parish prayer intention book.

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**FIRST FRIDAY**

June 3<sup>rd</sup> is the First Friday of the month. Our holy hour begins with Mass at 8:00 a.m. and continues with Vocations for World Peace.

**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 12:00 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.**

**SENIOR APPRECIATION LUNCHEON**

The Annual Senior Appreciation Luncheon for St. Ann's and St. Wenceslaus members 65 and older will take place in St. Wenceslaus' lyceum on Saturday, **June 11, from 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm.** The event is hosted by the Sunday School staff and students and includes lunch, prizes, and entertainment. Please sign the list in the back of the church if you are able to attend. **Limited to 25 Seniors from each parish.**

**50<sup>th</sup> JUBILEES OF FR. PETER &  
FR. JORDAN**

St. Ann's and St. Wenceslaus will travel together to **St. Francis University in Loretto, PA.** to celebrate the **50th Jubilees** of both Fr. Peter and Fr. Jordan at a special Mass and reception on **Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.** There will be a **chartered bus leaving from St. Ann's Church promptly at 11:30 AM and arriving back to St. Ann's Church approximately at 11:00 PM.** The cost of the trip will be **\$40 per person and includes transportation and a light meal during the bus ride.** Please use the sign-up sheet in the back of the church if you are interested in attending. **Deadline to sign-up is June 19<sup>th</sup>.** **All money due NLT July 8<sup>th</sup>,** see Alicia or turn money into the church office.

**FAMILY PHOTO OP**

Family photo portraits will be taken in July for a new church directory. Watch bulletin for more information.

**CRAB FEAST**

The Crab Feast for the benefit of the Lucielle Fitzgerald Outreach Center will take place in the lyceum on **Saturday, July 16, from 2:00 to 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$50 each – for children and adults - or \$450 for a table of ten** and are available in the Outreach Center and the church office.

**DAILY MEDITATIONS FOR CATHOLICS**

Copies of **The Word Among Us**, a monthly booklet of the Complete Catholic Mass and Daily Meditations, is being provided each month of June, July and August. A **donation of \$2.00**, for each month, is requested if you would like a copy of the booklet. Turn your money into the church office.

**PRAYER WALK**

Bishop Madden's next Prayer Walk is on **Tuesday, May 31st at St. Veronica's (806 Cherry Hill Rd.)** in Cherry Hill. Time: 5:30 meal, with the walk beginning about 6:00 p.m. There is ample street parking.

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

**Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading	Kings 17:17-24
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Galatians 1: 11 – 19
Gospel	Luke 7:11-17

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sun.	May 29	8:00 am	Fr. Wenceslaus Kolar, CSSR	11:45	For the Parishioners
Tues.	May 31	8:00	Deacon Arden G. Livingston, Sr.		
Wed.	Jun 1	8:00	Patricia Roskos (deceased)		
Thur.	Jun 2	7:00	Aaron J. Wilson (Gift of Hope)		
Fri.	Jun 3	8:00	Fr. Wabel, CSSR		

**SUNDAY ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS**

	<i>Masses</i>	<i>Attendance</i>	<i>Collection</i>
5/22/2016	8:00 am	63	
	11:45	<u>37</u>	
		100	
Total			\$2,058.67
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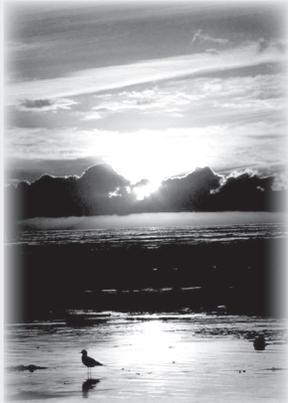
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