



# Saint Wenceslaus Catholic Church

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Lyceum

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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 \_\_\_\_\_

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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**  
**Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time**  
**June 19, 2016**

## *From the Pastor . . .*

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

We need only to read the front page of today's newspaper to know there are many "*marginalized*" people in our world who have become victims of abuse, exploitation, discrimination, ostracization, hatred, greed, oppression, famine, violence, murder, terrorism, war, and countless other types of offenses committed against humanity. Too often, the pains and anguishes experienced by such victims are simply ignored and/or tolerated through the indifference of others who fail to advocate or to act on their behalf. And isn't it true such atrocities are often committed by "*powerful*" individuals, groups of people, corporations and/or governments.

It's sad to say, but we know there are even some formal faith communities, and so-called "*spiritual people*" within them, who bear responsibility for such things. And lamentably, we don't have to look too far within our own Roman Catholic Church to find examples of the misuse of power, the victimization of people, the "*shunning*" of particular individuals or groups, and indifference about it on the part of others. Unfortunately, this is really nothing new – even when Jesus traveled and preached in Galilee, Samaria, and Judea, he warned his followers about those "*religious people*" who perverted their power, and who so easily and self-righteously condemned, oppressed, and victimized others. Today's Gospel reference to "*the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes*" calls this to mind (see Luke 9:22). Might we admit that in our own time, and possibly even within our own faith communities, there are similar and so-called "*spiritual people*" who simply and likewise abuse their power as well? And is it possible that we might enable such behavior because of our own fear of them, or because of our indifference, or because of our failure to advocate for those who are their victims?

With all of this in mind, the message of our Gospel today gets right to the point. Jesus told his disciples that if they desired to be faithful to him that they would have to suffer. He knew that he (*and they*) would have "*to suffer greatly, be rejected . . . and be killed*" by the very "*religious people*" of that time who should have known better (see again verse 9:22). Jesus knew that serving the "*marginalized*" and those most in need, and preaching the Good News about God's love, mercy, and forgiveness, certainly would come at a great price! And so I believe in order to champion the humanity, the dignity and the rights of those who were otherwise "*marginalized,*" and perhaps "*victimized*" as well, Jesus actually dared to advocate on their behalf, and even more, to become one of them. For this, and at the hands of the "*powerful,*" and even those who claimed to be "*religious,*" he ultimately became a victim too, as he suffered, was crucified, and died. But even so, and as our faith tells us, "*the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God*" (see 1 Corinthians 1:18).

My friends, following the example of Jesus, let us dare to treat all people with complete reverence and respect, especially those who are "*different*" and those who are the most "*marginalized!*" In doing so, may we embrace whatever sacrifices and sufferings we must endure, as we boldly and with great confidence proclaim the Good News of our faith!

**Praise God!** *Friar Timothy*

### HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

Today and for the next nine days we offer Mass for our fathers and grandfathers, living and deceased. May the God who is the Father of us all bless and keep them in his love. You may use the envelopes in the back of the church to place names on the altar for the Father's Day novena.



### WITH THANKS

Mary Carr and Family wishes to thank members of the St. Wenceslaus family for all your prayers, condolences and thoughtfulness on the death of her son Joseph. The family appreciated your generosity and caring efforts during this very difficult time. She would also like to thank those of you who were able to attend the birthday celebration for her daughter Elaine.

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**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Please pray for the souls of the 49 victims of the Orlando nightclub shootings and the 53 survivors. Keep in prayer members of the parish who are sick or recovering from an illness, especially Marie Troch, Donald Benedict, Albert J. Novak, Jr. and Charles Supik,

**FUND RAISING COMMITTEE MEETING**

There will be a meeting of the Fund Raising Committee today at **10:30 a.m.** in the church rectory. All members are encouraged to attend.

**LECTOR TRAINING POSTPONED**

Training session for Lectors from St. Ann, St. Francis Xavier and St. Wenceslaus churches has been postponed. Check church bulletin for new date and time.

**FAMILY PHOTO OP**

**Time is running out.** Don't forget to schedule your time for the **Family photo** for our new church directory. Sign up at the table in the back of the church.

Dates and time: **July 8, 2 – 9 pm,**

**July 9, 9 am – 4 pm**

**July 10, 9 am – 4 pm**

**IN APPRECIATION OF 30 YEARS**

There will be a **Potluck Luncheon held in the Lyceum for Craig Randall, on June 26<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm,** for his 30 years of service to the St. Wenceslaus Church Community. We are asking church members to please bring their favorite dish.

**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 a.m. and arriving back to St. Ann's Church at approximately 11:00 p.m.** The cost of the trip is **\$40 per person and includes transportation and a light meal during the bus ride.** A waiting list sheet has been started if you are interested in attending. **PLEASE NOTE CHANGE: All money for the bus is due NLT July 3<sup>rd</sup>.** See Alicia or turn money in at the church office.

**UPCOMING EVENTS...**

**September:** 9/5 – Labor Day Picnic

9/25 – Feast Day Luncheon

**October:** 10/16 – Afternoon at the Races

**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 or \$450 for a table of ten. ADVANCE TICKET SALES ONLY. You can purchase your ticket(s) now** in the Outreach Center or the church office. Please contact Alicia for more information at 443-722-6652

**SISTERS SUMMER CAMP**

The Missionary Sisters of Charity will host a **summer camp for children ages 5 to 12** in the lyceum, Monday through Friday from **July 11 to July 28.** Watch for registration information in the vestibule of the church.

**FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading	1 Kings 19:16b, 19–21
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Galatians 5:1, 13–18
Gospel	Luke 9:51–62

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sun.	Jun 19	8:00 am	Father's Day Novena For the Parishioners
		11:45	
Tues.	Jun 21	8:00	Novena
Wed.	Jun 22	8:00	Novena
Thur.	Jun 23	7:00	Novena (Gift of Hope)
Fri.	Jun 24	8:00	Novena

**SUNDAY ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS**

	<i>Masses</i>	<i>Attendance</i>	<i>Collection</i>
6/12/2016	8:00 am	60	
	11:45	<u>44</u>	
		104	
Total			\$2,399.45
Last Year's Total 6/14/2015			\$1,906.02

**FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM**

Join Archbishop Lori at the 2016 Fortnight for Freedom National Opening Mass on **Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>** at the **Basilica, 409 Cathedral St., at 7 p.m.** This year's theme is "Witnesses to Freedom".

**OUTSIDE THE PARISH...**

Remember to check the Bulletin Board in back of the church for announcements and more information on upcoming events.

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