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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
Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time
October 16, 2016

From the Pastor . . .

My Sisters and Brothers:

In today's Scriptures, we are told of upright individuals who unrelentingly and successfully pursued noble and just causes against the evil of oppression and injustice. The Book of Exodus gave us an account of a battle between the Israelites and the forces of Amalek. We're told Moses stood upon a nearby hill, and with the help of his companions, held high his arms and his staff, and was able to empower his people who pushed back the enemy forces (*see Exodus 17:8-13*). In the Gospel, Jesus offered a parable in which we were told of an "*unjust judge*" and a "*persistent widow*." Until she was satisfied, the widow tirelessly sought justice from the unscrupulous judge, who then because of her persistence eventually rendered a decision in her favor (*see Luke 18:1-8*). These Scriptural accounts have much to say about the unending confidence of prayerful, spiritual, and God-fearing people. I believe they also demand such faith-based people never to give up in their pursuit of true justice for all people, especially in the face of any type of oppression and/or injustice.

It's obvious Amalek and the "*unjust judge*" were Godless individuals who desired to abuse their power to the detriment of others. Amalek unjustly wanted to defeat the goodness of God and his people on the battlefield. If he had been victorious, surely he would have destroyed Moses (*and his companions*), and would have brutally ended the Israelites' journey toward the Promised Land. The judge described by Jesus, as one "*who didn't fear God, and who didn't respect any human being*," similarly had no desire to achieve true justice for his fellow human beings. In fact, the judge's first preference was to ignore the needs of the poor widow and the justice she demanded. Can't it be said we have been delighted by these Scriptural reports telling us the evil intentions of Amalek and the "*unjust judge*" were ultimately defeated? Today's Scriptures therefore teach us to have confidence we too will ultimately find true justice where once there might have been evil threats of power-abuse, injustice and oppression.

The unfortunate reality is that we continue to know of individuals, communities, corporations, systems, and even countries, which oppress and abuse those under their control. We know of systemic problems manifesting themselves in our own communities, in our country, and certainly throughout the world; we know these to be the cause of gross injustices, harm and oppression for many people. We hear about rich countries subjugating poor countries, about multinational corporations quashing the successes of much smaller companies and individual entrepreneurs, about the wealthy failing to help the poor, about ethnic and racial groups discriminating against others, about "*the powerful*" of any type (*even some within "faith communities"*) unjustly subduing "*the powerless*" under their control, and *etcetera, etcetera*. But let's not be discouraged in the face of all of this!

Acknowledging all that's noted above, I believe we must understand our work in pursuit of justice will always be part of our common Christian identity; we must be unrelenting as we embrace this responsibility toward others. And so, as with Moses (*along with his companions*) and the persistent widow, we are called to remain steadfast when we challenge and overturn unjust systems, traditions, attitudes, behaviors and actions! As faith-filled people, who always strive in pursuit of true justice for all, may we always have confidence in the victory God promises to us! My friends, let's encourage each other with the message of today's Scriptures!

Praise God! *Friar Timothy*

OCTOBER PRAYER

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. We will pray the rosary together fifteen minutes before each mass. Come early and join in prayer for the many needs of our parish, peace in our city and throughout the world.

WITH SYMPATHY

Let us pray for the eternal rest of John Bean, brother of Inez Bean, who was called home to be with God. We ask that the Lord bring comfort and strength to all of Mr. Bean's family and friends.

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50/50 RAFFLE WINNER

Congratulations to Edward Santora the winner of the Feast Day 50/50 raffle. Mr. Santora won \$950.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please continue to pray for our sick and homebound, especially **Donald Benedict, Beatrice Hradsky, Irene Gist, Sheila Lambert, Albert J. Novak, II, Mary Schwartz, Charles Supik, and Joan Pittman.**

13th ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE

The St. Wenceslaus Men's Holy Name Society will begin their **Annual Christmas Food Drive** today by passing out grocery bags after Mass. We encourage you to bring back a bag filled with non-perishable food items not outdated to be used in the Outreach Center for our Christmas baskets. We count on our church members to help restock the shelves for Christmas. If you prefer to give a monetary donation there will be a collection basket at the front of the altar. **The food drive will end on December 11th.**

PEACE WALK

Bishop Denis Madden will lead another in a series of Prayer Walks for Peace on **Thursday, October 20th at St. Ann Church.** We begin with a light meal at 5:30 and walk the neighborhood praying at scenes of violence and signs of rebirth.

OLDIES BUT GOODIES DANCE

The Survivors Club is sponsoring a night of old fashion fun and dancing. **Friday, October 21st** in the lyceum from **9pm – 1am.** Free set-ups and snacks will be provided. Music by DJ Detinator. Bring your own food/liquor. Tickets are **\$10 per person** and can be purchased from any Survivors Club member. See flyers in back of church for more information.

COMBINED PARISH LEADERSHIP DAY

Due to unforeseen health circumstances of our facilitator, Sr. Gwynette Proctor, SND, our planned Pastoral Leadership Day **for Saturday, October 22, 2016** has to be **postponed until further notice.** We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused our parishioners who had planned to be with us on the 22nd. Please remember to pray for the good health of Sr. Gwynette. As soon as possible, she is planning to reschedule and to join us on another day sometime in the near future.

OBLATE SISTERS' OF PROVIDENCE EVENT

The annual **"Tea Time" Fundraiser** begins at **11:30am on Saturday, October 22nd** at Sacred Heart Hall, 701 Gun Road. **Tickets are \$35.** Proceeds benefit the Mother Lange Guild's efforts to promote the Cause for the Beatification of Mother Mary Lange. For more information see flyer on bulletin board in back of church.

NEXT SUNDAY

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18
 2nd Reading 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
 Gospel Luke 18:9-14

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Oct 16 8:00 am Dr. Lawrence & Bernice Shimanek
 11:45 For the Parishioners
 Tues. Oct 18 8:00 Frank Michal
 Wed. Oct 19 8:00 Lisa & Wanda Basarab (Living)
 Thur. Oct 20 7:00 C.E. Goldbeck IV (Gift of Hope)
 Fri. Oct 21 8:00 Colin Sawyer (Living)

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS

	Masses	Attendance	Collection
10/09/2016	8:00 am	38	
	11:45	<u>45</u>	
		83	
Total			\$2,323.66
Last Year's Total 10/11/2015			\$1,751.36

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

On Sunday, October 23rd we remember missionaries throughout the world who bring the saving message of Jesus Christ to underserved areas. We will offer our monetary gifts for the support of the missions in next week's second collection.

FYI FROM OUR SISTER PARISH

St. Ann's will celebrate their **143rd Anniversary** next **Sunday, October 23. Bishop Denis Madden** will celebrate the **9:45 am Mass.** After mass there will be a luncheon reception next door in Mother Seton Academy.

BLACK CATHOLIC CONGRESS XII

The Pre-National Black Catholic Congress Gathering will be held **Saturday, October 29, 2016, 9:30am – 2pm** at St. Cecilia Church Hall. For more information see flyer on bulletin board in back of church.

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