

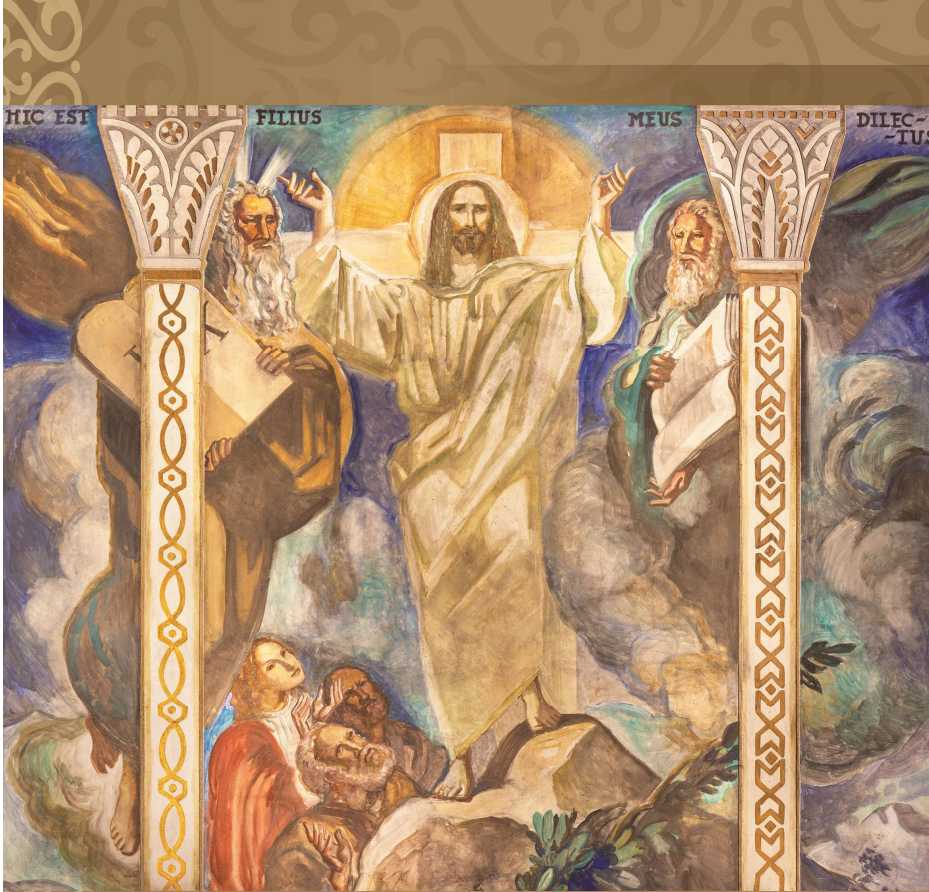
Second Sunday of Lent ~ March 1, 2026



St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church

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2nd Sunday OF LENT

"Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light." Mt 17:1-2

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Mission Statement

St. Wenceslaus Parish is a welcoming community committed to preparing disciples to live the mission of Jesus Christ through spirit-filled worship, life-long faith formation and service to each other and the world.

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00 PM*

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM*

12:00 PM and 5:30 PM

*there is incense at these Masses

Daily Masses

Monday - Friday: 6:45 AM

Monday - Saturday: 8:30 AM

Monday - Thursday: 5:30 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday - Thursday

5:00 PM until line ends

Saturday

9:00 AM until line ends

3:30 - 4:45 PM

Rev. Mike Eckley
Pastor

frmike@stwenceslaus.org

Rev. Tobias Letak
Associate Pastor
frtobias@stwenceslaus.org

Rev. Tim Podraza
Sr. Associate Pastor
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Rev. Andy Sohm
Hospital & Care Facilities
frandrew@stwenceslaus.org

Mass Intentions for March 2nd - 8th

Monday, March 2

6:45 AM †Laura Domet
8:30 AM †Daniel J. Smith, Sr.
5:30 PM †Ed Hengemueller

Tuesday, March 3

6:45 AM Int. of Linda Miller
8:30 AM †Margaret Rose Balkus
5:30 PM †Ed Hengemueller

Wednesday, March 4

6:45 AM †Kellie Kopecky
8:30 AM †Marcy Lackovic (5-8 Gr. School Mass)
5:30 PM †Patricia Faur

Thursday, March 5

6:45 AM †Kellie Kopecky
8:30 AM †Ed Regan (K-4th Gr. Mass)
5:30 PM †Casimir & Mary Kaczmarek

Friday, March 6

6:45 AM †Adelyne Koranda
8:30 AM †Ryan Shaw
5:30 PM †Margaret Weckinger

Saturday, March 7

8:30 AM Int. of ShelbyAnn Marie Ross
5:00 PM Int. of ShelbyAnn Marie Ross

Sunday, March 8

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. Wenceslaus
10:00 AM †Steven J. Kolar
12:00 PM †Mary Helen McAndrews
5:30 PM Int. of AJ & Rachael Gray and Family

July Mass Intentions Now Open



We are now scheduling Mass Intentions **six months at a time**. Currently, intentions are available through the end of August 2026.



PARISH MISSION
Fr. Taylor Leffler
MARCH 1 & 2 | 6 PM

- 5:30 Sunday Mass moved to 4:30
- Talk from 6-7 PM Sunday & Monday
- Treats and fellowship to follow

ONE IN HOPE
ST. WENCESLAUS

Ministry Schedule for March 7th & 8th

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Priest: Fr. Tim Podraza

SAC: Keven Sorensen, Gail Werner-Robertson

Deacon: Patrick Simons

LEC: Thom Sisson, Jerry Smith

EMHC: Mindy Boone-Eggertsen, Paul Harlow, Romona Harlow, Elaine Kissel, Amy Steinauer (**sub req**), Nick Steinauer, Marian Weaver, Mike Weaver, Clayton Jones, Joanie Jones, Robin Stec, Cristina McDermott, Charlie Link, Deborah McDermott

SER: Caedmon Wieser, Ethan Buechler, Owen Buechler, Scarlett Eggertsen, Livvy Phillips, Nate Phillips, Eddie Sisson

HOS: Jim Fiala, Tom Hall, Nancy Jackson, Dean Jacobsen, Nancy Lee, Rich Lee

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Priest: Fr. Tobias Letak

SAC: Lori Kolasinski

Deacon: Mike Masek

LEC: Don Kluthe, Anna Coutant

EMHC: Margie Davis, Roxanne Alter-Kluthe, Dodie Graham, Casey Kennelly, Joni Learch, Rick Learch, Kelly Turner, Steven Davis, Olivier Coutant, Amy Williams, Shirley Hahn, Brittany Hemmer, Mike Swerczek, Paula Swerczek

SER : Miriam Soucek, Gianna Soucek, Joseph Soucek, Jude Soucek, Ella Turner

HOS: Deb LeMay, Greg Opitz, Marilyn Opitz, Steven Schmidt, Janet Sorensen (**sub req**), Ken Sorensen (**sub req**),

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Priest: Fr. Mike Eckley

SAC: Brad Davis, Don Ridder

Deacon: Mark Capoun

LEC: Eric Mueller, Staci Mueller

EMHC: Megan Hoch, Tim Glover, Lynne Capoun, Tate Mueller, Mary Ann Casey, Frannie Ferrer, Julie Friend, John Weitzl, Halli Smith, Bob Tabor, Katie Tabor, Jean Koliha, Jerry Buresh, Kristy Churchill

SER : Eli Churchill, Gabe Churchill, Sam Churchill, Baron Hoch, Silas Hoch, Ceci Froschheiser, Jonas Froschheiser

HOS: Katie Clark, Steve Clark, Jim Morrison, Jack Trisler, Kim Trisler, Kristine Schweser

Sunday, 12:00 PM

Priest: Fr. Tobias Letak

SAC: Brigitte Langdon

Deacon: Jack Miller

LEC: Cat Teetor, Mark Jaksich

EMHC: Terri Aulner, Rita Bartlett, Julie Sebree, Leigh Kuhry

SER : Max Teetor, Emma Grauman, Gavin Grauman, Miles Green, Cooper Komp

HOS: Jim Griswa, Laurie Griswa, Daniel Kane, Liam Kane, Ryan Kane, (**1 MORE NEEDED**)

Sunday, 5:30 PM

Priest: Fr. Tim Podraza

SAC: (**STILL NEEDED**)

Deacon: Joe Kulus

LEC: Cathy Kulus, Bob Decker

EMHC: Julie Bloomingdale, Lindsey Harrahill, Lisa Shockley, Dan Latch

SER : James McNaughton, Piper Bolton, Maddie Kenkel, Norah Rozmus, Simon Rozmus

HOS: AJ Lara, Yazmin Lara, Aurora Oshel, Daniel Oshel, Emily Oshel, Keeley Oshel



A Word from Fr. Mike

frmike@stwenceslaus.org

(402) 991-3101 (O)

(402) 719-4165 (C)

Note Regarding this weekend: We welcome Fr. Taylor Leffler back to St. Wenceslaus for our Lenten Parish Mission. Fr. Leffler served here, as a newly ordained priest, as associate pastor from July 2018 - June 2023. Please come and hear Fr. Leffler on Sunday night and Monday night. He will be speaking at 6:00 PM with refreshments and fellowship in the Narthex following his presentation in the Church. If you are not able to make it to both nights, please do come to the one that you are able to make.

Because Fr. Leffler will be here and preaching at all the weekend masses, I will be in Humphrey and Lindsey covering Fr. Leffler's weekend responsibilities. I will be back for the Sunday evening presentation.

Note Regarding Last Weekend: For those who were at the 10:00 AM mass last Sunday you know that we had an unusual circumstance happen. For those who were not there, you may have heard what happened.

During the beginning of the Eucharistic Prayer we had a person come up into the sanctuary and sit in one of the deacon's chairs. He didn't say anything nor did he make any threatening or aggressive moves. As I was praying the Eucharistic Prayer, I could see a number of the men present move and position themselves near the sanctuary. I was comforted and confident knowing that they were there and watching carefully. I want to thank our great Knights of Columbus; in particular Todd Trautman, Jeff Krohn, Chris Miller, Doug Dunning and Brad Davis; for quickly taking action and defusing the situation in a peaceful way.

I know this has raised concern regarding safety and security at the Church. We have defined processes and procedures for common emergencies that are most likely to happen and have happened during a mass (fire, medical emergency, tornado). Also, in the past when there has been a heightened national threat against churches (such as the announcement of the Supreme Court Dobbs Decision), we coordinated with our great Knights of Columbus to watch the parking lot, entrances and worship space at each of the weekend masses.

We live in a unique time. As a priest for 35 years, I don't remember having to be as concerned or focused on safety in my previous assignments. The event that happened last weekend is only the second time in my time as a priest that I've had something like this happen.. Safety is the responsibility of all of us. If you

see something suspicious on campus, whether at a mass or other event, you need to let others know. If you see something before, during or after mass, let a Hospitality Minister, Priest or Deacon know what is happening.

We have an excellent safety committee in place made up of law enforcement members who continue to look at our procedures and safety protocols. Our plan is to consult with them and provide some preparation and training for Hospitality Ministers and our Knights of Columbus. As mentioned before, our Knights have been generous in responding to the safety needs of the parish and are willing to do so now.

St. Wenceslaus is to be a home for all, a place to come and encounter Jesus and one another. All should be confident that when they are here, they are safe. We will continue to work to ensure this is the reality.

Parish Lenten Penance Service

Sunday, March 8th | 2:30-4:00 PM



The Guild will be hosting Donut Sunday, next Sunday, March 8th in the Narthex after the 8:00 and 10:00 AM Masses. Stop by to get a donut and visit with other parishioners.

Honor your loved one with an

Easter Lily Donation



*Scan Code or fill out a
Paper Form at the Office*

Donations are due April 1 to
receive recognition in the bulletin




St. Wenceslaus
**Children's
Faith
Formation**

Julie Lukasiewicz
Director of Children's
Faith Formation
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lukaj@stwenceslaus.org

Upcoming Children's Faith Formation Events for March:

March 11th NO CLASS sessions-Catechist Meeting. Please pray for our catechetical team as they too, grow in faith.



March 25th is Faith Formation Family Reconciliation Children in grades 2nd-8th will begin in class at 6:15 PM. Parents and guests are invited to attend the Reconciliation Service with their children at 6:30 PM in the church.

There is NO CLASS for PreK-1st Grade this evening. OCIA for Children will also celebrate Reconciliation/ Penitential Rite March 25th. Participating families will meet in the church at 6:30 PM.



Vacation Bible School (VBS) Announcement:

There is much organization and planning that needs to be set in place now for Vacation Bible School to occur June 15th-19th. Again, many **adult volunteers** are needed in order to conduct VBS safely. If you are Safe Environment trained, willing to have fun and feel inspired to join us in faith and prayer, please contact Julie at 402-330-1889 or lukaj@stwenceslaus.org

Adult Volunteers can-

- ♥ Lead a Bible adventure through story and acting
- ♥ Lead a craft, art project or experiment
- ♥ Lead a discussion on applying the Bible lesson in our daily lives
- ♥ Lead fun team-building games
- ♥ Lead organizing snacks and sharing with friends
- ♥ Lead in skits, song and dance to open and close the VBS day

Save the dates today. Registration will open in mid March when adult volunteer goals are achieved. 20 Adults needed.

Mitchell Hochstein

Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministry

hochsteinm@stwenceslaus.org

(402) 991-3429

Witness Wednesday

Come join the fun of our high school youth group - Witness Wednesdays! Open to all 9th - 12th grade students. Be part of a community that focuses on growing closer to Jesus through building true friendships, authentically living out the Catholic faith, and having plenty of fun. Invite a friend, complete the registration form, and join us! Do so through this link <https://stwenc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/93/responses/new>.

February/March Schedule:

Mar. 4th Scripture Study Night: "Why be Catholic Living the Fullness of Faith"

Mar. 11th: Testimony Night: Jen Brown (Spirit Catholic Radio)

Mar. 18th: Adoration Night

Fireside Middle School Ministry

Spring Semester (Sundays from 6:30 - 8:00 PM)

- March 8th

EVENT SCHEDULE

SPRING & 20
SUMMER 26

19

APRIL
5:30PM

SENIOR GRADUATION
MASS & DINNER

TBD

JUNE
TBD

WORLDS OF FUN

10-12

JULY
09:00AM

STEOBENVILLE

19-24

JULY
07:00AM

TOTUS TUUS

19-25
26-1

JULY
15:00PM

V2 CAMP

Registration Links Below



hochsteinm@stwenceslaus.org

2026 Graduation Mass & Dinner

<https://stwenc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/427/responses/new>

Steubenville Registration Open!

<https://stwenc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/361/responses/new>

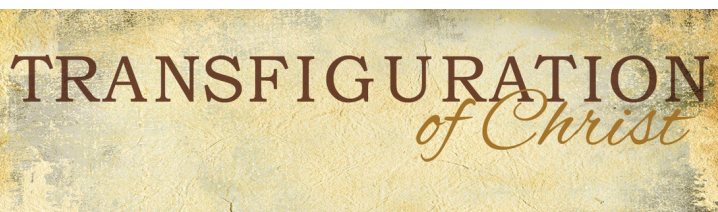
Emily Barker
 Director of Evangelization
evangelization@stwenceslaus.org (402) 991-3425

This Sunday, we hear the Gospel story of the Transfiguration. Though the Feast of the Transfiguration is August 6th, the Church invites us to also ponder it during Lent. Why? There are many reasons, but I find myself pondering the seasons.

In this part of the world, Lent falls during the transition from winter to spring. As we often experience in Nebraska, this transition is not a gradual, consistent turning. No, it is a dramatic pendulum swing, a battle, until finally one day - spring conquers. In the midst there is often a sunny 65 degree day - then it returns to cold and clouds. But if we look more closely, there are sign of spring preparing to burst forth permanently - green peeking through the snow, buds on the trees and early blooming flowers like the crocus.

Is this not often our experience of Lent? We start with our eyes on the Paschal Mystery, that Jesus has died for our sins and risen from the grave. Then the reality of daily life sets in, we falter, and we forget who we are. Lent and our resolutions can seem monotonous and fruitless. Yet nothing given to the Lord is truly barren. He gives fruit in due season - we just want things to sprout quickly and can miss the slow, steady work He is doing.

At the Transfiguration, the three apostles get a glimpse of the Lord's glory. Jesus' identity is again proclaimed: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." We too are destined for glory. Through our Baptism, we are beloved sons and daughters. If we pay attention, as we continue to walk with the Lord, there are glimpses of glory that peek through in our lives. Sometimes they are big, but often they are small - more patience or the desire to help a neighbor, a greater awareness of the Lord's presence in our daily lives, a stronger faith in His goodness. Ask the Lord to help you: to see yourself as He does, to open your eyes to traces of His glory, and to trust in the work He is bringing to fruition.



This weekend, OCIA candidates (the already baptized) participate in a special Penitential Rite.

As they continue to prepare to receive the sacraments of Penance, Eucharist, and Confirmation, we pray:

May they humbly acknowledge their sins and failings and be freed of whatever obstacles and falsehoods keep them from adhering wholeheartedly to Your kingdom.



Take your next step this Lent

Grow in your relationship with Jesus
 Connect with fellow parishioners
 Take a break from the world

Men

March 21st - 22nd



tinyurl.com/s3pvk8hd



Women

March 28th - 29th



tinyurl.com/msnrxhpt

Welcome.
CRHP 2.0
 There is **More to Life**

We need you!

Have you ever considered accompanying those exploring joining the Catholic Church?

Whether interested in joining the OCIA team or being a sponsor, we will need your help!



Learn more by contacting Emily Barker
evangelization@stwenceslaus.org

Brian Corey, Director of Pastoral Ministry
coreyb@stwenceslaus.org (402) 697-7514

March Charity of the Month



IXIM
 Spirit of Solidarity

Any donations received in the Charity of the Month envelopes this month will go to Ixim: Spirit of Solidarity.

Ixim is an archdiocesan ministry that fosters a relationship between the people of the Archdiocese of Omaha and the people of our sister diocese of Huehuetenango, Guatemala. Ixim pronounced "ee-sheem", is the Mayan word for corn, a staple of Guatemala and a livelihood in Nebraska.

Through what you share so generously, Ixim connects those who walk with Jesus in the Archdiocese of Omaha and the Diocese of Huehuetenango. What you share supports families in their goal of providing clean water to their children, enables schools to build an encouraging learning environment, improves access to quality health products, empowers women religious to spread the Word of God in schools and rural areas, and deepens the relationship between our two dioceses by subsidizing our mission.

Have you ever considered doing a short term mission project in another country? Have you felt the call from God to share your faith with people of other lands? You could work side-by-side with our sisters and brothers to improve conditions and grow in faith. If you would like to learn more about how you can support our projects or would like to be part of a mission trip, contact Charlie Petro at (402) 934-7706.

Spring Parish Outdoor Clean-Up

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, March 28th. We are trying to get the church grounds clean for Holy Week. Meet in the church courtyard at 8:30 AM. All are welcome and help as long as you can. Inclement weather date is Saturday, April 11th. Please bring power trimmers, pruning shears, rakes, trash containers, etc. If you have a truck for hauling debris away it is greatly appreciated. We will also be spreading a lot of mulch so if you have a wheelbarrow, please bring it. In the Book of Genesis, God directs us to be stewards of his creation. Let us all take pride in our parish and please help with the spring clean-up. For questions, please call Dave Mlnarik, (402) 960-9331.



St. Wenceslaus Health Ministry Jerusalem Journey

Email parishnurse@stwenceslaus.org to become part of this Lenten journey!



Nourish for Caregivers supports and empowers caregivers through the gift of faith. We meet caregivers where they are and support them in churches, healthcare facilities, and homes across the country. Join here for free and receive their newsletter and attend weekly or monthly House Call Zoom meetings. <https://nourishforcaregivers.com/caregiver-membership/>. Contact Nancy Steier or Joan Mack with questions.



Care for our
 Common Home

Lenten thoughts: We are a society based on consumption. How do I resist the temptation to accumulate even more material possessions? Am I a good steward of the possessions I do own? Do I donate or recycle things I no longer need?

Catholic Social Teaching

The Palestine Justice Network of Nebraskans for Peace, meets March 2nd. Sister Cynthia Hruby, ND invites you to attend this first Monday monthly meeting with conversations on Palestine and Israel, scripture and theology in the mission of Jesus in the lands of the Bible today.



Mark your Calendars! Advance Care Planning

INTERACT (Interprofessional Advance Care Planning Conversations) is a nurse-led initiative developed to engage individuals and families in meaningful conversations about life planning.

Location: **St. Wenceslaus Cain Hall**

Info Session: **March 26, 2026 6:00 – 8:00 pm**

Appetizers and drinks available

For more information, scan the QR code or discuss with **Brian Corey @ 402-697-7514** or **Joan at parishnurse@stwenceslaus.org**



SCAN ME

Message from the Knights



Next Meeting (Note Change of Date: Monday, March 9th at 7:00 PM in Cain Hall.

New Member: Isaac Richards transferred his membership to our council.

Date Set for Men to Join the Knights: Inviting all practicing Catholic men at least 17 1/2 years of age to become a member of the Knights of Columbus. We have set **Sunday, March, 1st at 1:00 PM in Cain Hall** for the induction ceremony. The program is approximately 30 minutes and we are inviting immediate family to observe the ceremony. Snacks and refreshments will be available after the program. Questions? Email Rod Hofschulte at rhofschulte@msn.com.

Lenten Dinners Every Friday: Lenten dinners in the social hall will continue each Friday evening during Lent. We have a great selection of food available, as well as a refreshment bar. Please see the flyer in the next column for more information. Come join us for dinner. Sign-up link: www.tinyurl.com/kofc10909lent2026. See the flyer below.

Least of My Brethren: Volunteer opportunity on the fourth Saturday each month. To volunteer for delivery of furniture and household items, contact Tanner Sorensen at (310) 729-6423. For donations of furniture and household items, contact Dave Harvey at (402) 681-5424. Next opportunity to volunteer will be February 28th.

Message: *You are the light for the whole world . . . Your light must shine before people.* (Mt 5: 14, 16)

A teacher asked her students, "What if an incredible explosion destroyed all life on earth except for those of us in this classroom? Where would the church be?" They thought a minute. Then a boy said, "It would be in this room. We would be the church." The story makes an important point. The church is not a place where people gather. It is the people who gather. To have church we must gather. It is like the bread we use for the Eucharist. Hundreds of grains of wheat must be gathered to make it. In a similar way, only by gathering do we make the risen Christ visible in today's world. Jesus assured us, "Where two or three come together in my name, I am there with them." Mark Link, S.J.

I shall pass through this world but once. Any good therefore that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer it or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again. - attributed to Stephen Gilbert

Interested in Becoming a Member of the Knights of Columbus?: For more information about the Knights of Columbus, our Council at St. Wenceslaus or how to join, contact Rod Hofschulte, Council Membership Director, at (402) 510-7250 or rhofschulte@msn.com.

Insurance Representative and Investments Advisor: Contact Tim Nowak for insurance and investment advice through the Knights of Columbus. Please contact Tim at timothy.nowak@kofc.org or (402) 681-4592 for assistance.

Knights of Columbus Daily Bread Calendar

Thanks to all who purchased 2026 Calendar Club tickets. **Thank you for your support!** Please check the bulletin weekly for daily winners and all those **EXTRA** prize winners. A check is mailed to each winner at the end of the month in which they won. All previous winners can be found on our website www.kofc10909.org.

2/16/26 Gretchen Roe
2/17/26 Paul Comlau
2/18/26 Brody Ostransky
2/18/26 Brad Schaefer (Ash Wednesday)
2/19/26 Randy & Peg Weiche
2/20/26 Kathleen Kaiser
2/21/26 Dylan Parlor
2/22/26 Margie Crowe
2/23/26 Daniel Oshel
2/24/26 Shawna Dianne McCan
2/25/26 Michael Dawson
2/26/26 Katelin Ridder
2/27/26 Mike Kirk
2/28/26 Perry & Vicki Voet
3/1/26 Bill Swanson



St. Wenceslaus Lenten Dinners

MENU

Spaghetti Dinner w/Marinara or Alfredo Sauce
Baked Fish Dinner
Pizza Slice Dinner
Macaroni & Cheese Dinner

Dinners include salad, coleslaw, fries, garlic toast, and fresh baked cookies.

Drinks Included: Lemonade, Water
Drinks Available: Beer, Wine, Seltzers

Suggested pricing:
Seniors - \$10, Adults - \$12, Children - \$8, Families - \$40

Proceeds going to support Parish, Council, and Charitable organizations

Fridays In Lent

**5:00 pm to
7:30 pm**

Feb 20th
Feb 27th
Mar 6th
Mar 13th
Mar 20th
Mar 27th

Pickle Cards

Movies for the Kids

St. Wenceslaus Social Hall • 15353 Pacific Street

Contacts: Matt Smith, Dan Bleyhl, Craig Johnson

Readings for the Week of March 1st

Sunday: Gn 12: 1-4a; Ps 33: 4-5, 18-19, 20, 22;
2 Tm 1: 8b-10; Mt 17: 1-9
Monday: Dn 9: 4b-10; Ps 79: 8, 9, 11 and 13; Lk 6: 36-38
Tuesday: Is 1: 10, 16-20; Ps 50: 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23;
Mt 23: 1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18: 18-20; Ps 31: 5-6, 14, 15-16;
Mt 20: 17-28
Thursday: Jer 17: 5-10; Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4 and 6;
Lk 16: 19-31
Friday: Gn 37: 3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105: 16-17,
18-19, 20-21; Mt 21: 33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7: 14-15, 18-20; Ps 103: 1-2, 3-4, 9-10,
11-12;
Next Sunday: Ex 17: 3-7; Ps 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9;
Rom 5: 1-2, 5-8; John 4: 5-42

Observances for the Week of March 1st

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent
Tuesday: St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin
Wednesday: St. Casimir
Saturday: Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent
Daylight Saving Time begins

Catholic Daughters Scholarship

Applications are now being accepted for a \$1,000 scholarship for a Catholic son, daughter or grandchild of a Court Mother Teresa CDA member. The scholarship is awarded to an 8th grader who will be entering a Catholic High School in the fall of 2026. The Catholic Daughter must be a member in good standing. The National Court will also award two \$1,000 scholarships to 8th grade students entering the 9th grade in the fall of 2026 to a Catholic High School. Applications for the local and national scholarships are available at <https://www.stwenceslaus.org/scholarships>.

Completed applications must be received by April 10th. The winner will be informed in May and the scholarship awarded to the Catholic High School of their choice in August.



Ways to Give in March!

Each month St. Wenceslaus highlights charities who have asked for help in meeting their financial needs. Please prayerfully consider donating to these charities. You can give through the collection basket at Mass, mail a check to the Parish Office or electronically via ACH/Credit Card using the QR code or link provided here.

The Charities for March are:

Charity of the Month:



https://ppay.com/lbemK2mf_r8



Local Outreach



<https://ppay.co/UQYZgNiDxB0>



Archdiocesan Collection



<https://ppay.com/e0Sy3rOdNr4>



For more information regarding any of the organizations we support through the Charity of the Month and other ways to donate throughout the year, please visit our giving page at stwenceslaus.org/give/online-giving.

Parish Financial Information

Sunday Giving (week of 2/22/26)	\$86,283
Sunday Giving (weekly budget)	\$72,154
Fiscal-Year-to-Date Actual	\$2,361,259
Fiscal-Year-to-Date Budget	\$2,525,390

Giving through PushPay can be set up at stwenceslaus.org/give/online-giving. If you need help getting setup with online donations, please call the Parish Office. Cash and checks are always accepted. <https://ppay.co/qOmUkKUQE1Q>.





Tuesday, February 17th - Potluck: 69 PrimeTimers attended this event. There was a lot of good food to choose from.

Please Note: We will gather for Happy Hour at 6:15 PM and food will be served at 7:00 PM.

Tuesday, March 17th - St. Patrick's Day Dinner: Dublin Dinner: Corned beef, roasted potatoes, creamed cabbage, cider glazed carrots, Irish Clementine salad, rye bread/Irish butter, Galway Bay chocolate cream cake. Entertainment: Omaha Barbershop Harmony Quartet. The cost for this event is \$18 for members and \$21 for guests. Checks, your reservation, need to be turned in by March 10th.

Please Note: Payment for this event needs to be sent to St. Wenceslaus, Attention - PrimeTimers. You can also drop off your check at the St. Wenceslaus church office or in the black box (overnight box) located near the office. Other options for payment are through PushPay by using the QR code.



Tuesday, April 15th: We are working on an event for this date.

Note: If you have a prayer request for the prayer chain please let Shirley Hahn, Wellness chair for PrimeTimers, know. Contact her at sah6@cox.net or (402) 679-4032. Also, if you know of a member who is ill or has and ill or deceased family member, let Shirley know so she can send a card.



Support St. Wenceslaus' Trail Life Troop NE-1980 by purchasing Rocket Carwash vouchers! For just \$12, you receive a \$25.99 top wash, and \$6 from each voucher goes directly back to our troop. Vouchers are digital, valid for 12 months, and usable at any Rocket Carwash. The fundraiser runs through 3/27/2026 — thank you for your support!

Proceeds from the fundraiser are used to:

- ❖ Support troop activities and campouts
- ❖ Purchase troop supplies
- ❖ Offset member and charter fees



Trail Life USA is a Christ-centered, boy-focused leadership, character, and outdoor adventure program for boys of all ages. For more information about Trail Life visit:

www.traillifeusa.com



Community OUTREACH Day

**Saturday
March 7, 2026**



**Info/Sign up to Volunteer
by Thursday, March 5th**

Academic Scholarships Available for the 2026 - 2027 School Year

Applications are now being accepted for several parish scholarships (both for high school and grade school) for the 2026 - 2027 school year. Links to the applications can be found on the parish website, under the Give tab, under Scholarships or by visiting <https://www.stwenceslaus.org/scholarships>.



Penance Services During Lent

Here is a list of the penance services at nearby Churches during the Lenten season.

St. Stephen the Martyr
Tuesday, March 17th
7:00 - 8:30 PM

St. Vincent de Paul
Tuesday, March 24th
7:00 - 8:30 PM

St. Patrick, Elkhorn
Wednesday, March 25th
4:00 - 5:15 & 5:45 - 7:00 PM

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Monday, March 30th
7:00 - 8:15 PM

St. James
Tuesday, March 31st
7:00 - 8:15 PM

Ixim Catholic Social Teaching Event

Join Ixim, our archdiocesan mission to Guatemala, for a welcoming evening of listening, reflection, and conversation with Dr. Jennifer Reed-Bouley of the College of Saint Mary, as we discern together how to respond with compassion, justice, and hope. The event will be held in the St. Frances Cabrini Parish Center on Thursday, March 12th. A social time at 6:00 PM with the presentation starting at 6:30 PM.

Men's Pickup Basketball

Lace up your shoes and join other men from the parish on Sunday nights. Ages 18 and up are welcome. No registration or fees. Bring a white shirt and dark shirt and yourself. Guys show up between 7:30 - 8:00 PM and play until around 9:00 - 9:30 PM, typically. Email Rowan Lang, rdklang@cox.net for questions or to get on the email list.

We Welcome Our New Parishioners

Baptism

River Violet Mueller

daughter of Westley & Cameo Mueller

Willow Ella Mueller

daughter of Westley & Cameo Mueller



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EPS (Essential Pregnancy Services)	402-554-0121
Gamblers Anonymous	402-978-7557
Parish Support for Families of Alcoholics	402-689-1000
Kim Foundation LOSS Team	402-891-6911
Poison Center	800-222-1222
Prayer Chain	402-469-9463
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