



## *Pentecost Sunday*

May 23, 2021

# *St. Wenceslaus Church*

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### MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, are a Christian community which God has called to be a visible sign of the living and active person of Jesus Christ.

### MASS SCHEDULES

#### *Weekend Masses*

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

#### *Weekday Masses*

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 AM

### PRAYER TIME

Monday 8:30 AM-12:00 PM

### RECONCILIATION (BEHIND SCREEN)

By appointment, or, until further notice: Saturdays, 2:30–3:30 PM in church; behind screen only.

### MARRIAGE/BAPTISM

Please contact the parish office.

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8:00 AM-12:00 PM

### BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please submit items to office by Sunday evening of the weekend prior to their desired publication date. Email: [office@stwenceslaus-scappoose.com](mailto:office@stwenceslaus-scappoose.com).

**PASTORAL STAFF**

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**PARISH HALL RENTALS:**

Mya Millager .....See staff info above

**PARISH MINISTRIES**

Adult Education Coordinator - G. Klobes ..... Contact the Office  
Altar Server Coordinator - Joseph Louie..... Contact the Office  
Catholic in Recovery .....efoll0820@gmail.com  
.....No meetings for the next few months  
Coffee & Donuts - Mya & Elizabeth Millager . Contact the Office  
Knights of Columbus - Andy Robinson ..... Contact the Office  
Liturgical Minister Scheduling..... Contact the Office  
EDGE Youth Group (6-8) - Mary Greisen ..... Contact the Office  
Music Coordinator - Fr. Chuck (interim)..... Contact the Office  
Prayer Chain - Mary Jo Schlosser ..... Ext 208  
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**PASTORAL COUNCIL**

David Herr (Chairperson) Aaron Berger Diane Erhardt  
Josette Hugo Sue Pinto

**FINANCE COUNCIL**

Jessica Leader (Chairperson) Marty Baldwin  
Danny Frangipani Julie Pond

**COLLECTIONS**

**Week Ending May 16, 2021**

Offertory at Masses/mailed \$2,203.96  
Offertory through online giving \$ 635.00

**Thank you for your continued support during the pandemic.**  
*Your parish's ministries, programs, services, and long-term vitality all depend on your continued investment.*

**MASS INTENTIONS: MAY 22-29**

Sat	22	Vigil Mass	4:30 PM	Kenny & Elizabeth Tatum
Sun	23	Sunday	8:30 AM	NE Portland Parishes
			11:00 AM	The Parish
Tues	25	Mass	9:00 AM	Marcia DeCormier
Wed	26	Mass	9:00 AM	Ana Steidley
Thur	27	Mass	9:00 AM	John Newburn
Fri	28	Mass	9:00 AM	†Anadito Plasabas
Sat	29	Vigil Mass	4:30 PM	†Philyls LaFauci

**MASS—IMPORTANT UPDATES!**

*For all Masses...we are going to try not doing Mass signups. Please keep in mind this may change if any complications arise trying to accommodate everyone.*

**Attending Mass**

- **Arriving at Mass without a mask:** You are affirming that you are fully vaccinated. The greeters will direct you to sit anywhere on the **left side** of the church. This side is for fully vaccinated only and **will not** have physical distancing.
- **Not fully vaccinated or prefer to wear a mask and physically distance:** The greeters will direct you to a specific spot on the right side of the church to allow for physical distancing. If the right side becomes full, we will use the balcony.
- **The Cry Room remains closed:** We are still required to have space available for someone who is unvaccinated and requires a mask accommodation for a medical reason or disability.

**Sanitizing after Mass:** Since we currently are not doing Mass signups, we will need volunteers to help sanitize after the 4:30 pm and 8:30 am Masses. Please check in with the greeters to let them know you are available to help. Please don't leave the sanitizing to the same people each week, or to the greeters who already are volunteering their time. Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

**2021 ST. WENCESLAUS CAMPOUT**



Calling all campers! The 2021 Annual Parish Campout will be at Big Eddy Park August 13th-15th. Big Eddy Park is a beautiful peaceful facility located on the Nehalem River, less than an hour's drive from Scappoose.

To reserve your camping spot, please mail your \$75 campsite fee—made payable to St. Wenceslaus—to:

Gwynn Klobes  
32232 EJ Smith Rd.  
Scappoose, OR 97056

If you have any questions, please call Gwynn at 503-341-8810.

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE**

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, May 31st, in observance of Memorial Day, so there will not be Prayer Time. See information on page 3 regarding the Memorial Day Mass.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND**

A special collection takes place this weekend for Cemetery Maintenance. Our new fence will be installed this summer. Unfortunately, the cost of steel has increased since the first of the year, and the fence will cost approximately 48% more than originally planned. Please pray about contributing to this fund.

**EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Items for the June 6th bulletin are due in the office by midnight May 25, 2021.

**FAITH FORMATION**  
**PRE-SCHOOL THROUGH 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

Happy summer everyone! Classes are over for the year! The Faith Formation office will be closed June 20th–August 19th. You'll have access to registration information for the 2021–2022 Faith Formation year in late August. We plan to begin classes on Catechetical Sunday, September 19th.

**Coordinator of Religious Education, Wanda Van Ortwick. Office Hours, 9:30 AM-3 PM on Wednesdays & Thursdays—and by appointment. Contact Wanda at 503-543-2110 Ext. 207**

**DISCERNMENT RETREAT**

Men considering the priesthood or brotherhood in the religious life, the Benedictine monks of Mount Angel Abbey invite you to the *Seek Things Above* Discernment Retreat. The retreat is June 18–20 and available both at the monastery and online. For information or to register, contact Fr. Odo Recker at 503-881-8919 or [vocation@mtangel.edu](mailto:vocation@mtangel.edu).



Save the Date: On Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, a special Mass at 8:30 am for the Feast of the Visitation and in observance of Memorial Day. We will pray a Rosary for deceased military personnel after Mass. We will also have a special collection for the Military Archdiocese.

**\*\*NEW EVENT\*\* JOIN US FOR AN OUTDOOR ROSARY!**



Please join us after all Masses on May 22nd, 23rd, 29th and 30th for an Outdoor Rosary! Meet near the front door of the Parish Hall. Please wear a mask and practice physical distancing. (Weather permitting)

**FROM YOUR PASTOR & BROTHER IN CHRIST**

**Don't Simply Celebrate Pentecost . . .  
 Receive Its Graces & Thrive in Them!**

Take a look at the cover illustration, and notice how the background version of Christ's message "Receive the Holy Spirit" (Jn 20:22, from the Gospel for Pentecost), is too big for the box.

I don't know if the illustrator intended this, but that design got me thinking about how the power and working of the Holy Spirit "can do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine" (Eph 3:20).

That same Spirit who raised Christ from the dead (see Romans 8:11) is able to burst us out of our boxes, to break down the barriers between us and God, to wallop the walls we install between ourselves and others, especially those who are different than us or with whom might disagree over this, that, or the other.

As Pope Francis prayed to the Holy Spirit at the 2020 Pentecost Mass in Rome, "Grant us the courage to go out of ourselves, to love and help each other, in order to become one family."

He preached, "the secret of the Spirit is gift. For the Spirit himself is gift: he lives by giving himself and in this way he keeps us together, making us sharers in the same gift. It is important to believe that God is gift, that he acts not by taking away, but by giving.

"Why is this important? Because our way of being believers depends on how we understand God. If we have in mind a God who takes away and who imposes himself, we too will want to take away and impose ourselves: occupying spaces, demanding recognition, seeking power. But if we have in our hearts a God who is gift, everything changes. If we realize that what we are is his gift, free and unmerited, then we too will want to make our lives a gift. By loving humbly, serving freely and joyfully, we will offer to the world the true image of God. The Spirit . . . reminds us that we are born from a gift and that we grow by giving: not by holding on but by giving of ourselves.

"There are... three main enemies of the gift, always lurking at the door of our hearts: narcissism, victimhood and pessimism.

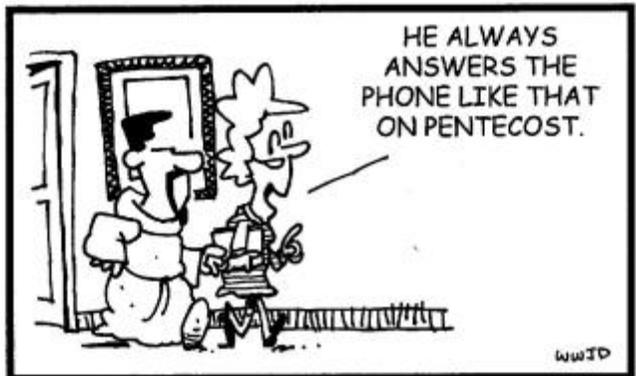
"Narcissism makes us idolize ourselves, to be concerned only with what is good for us... to be indifferent to [the needs] of others, and not to admit our own frailties and mistakes.

"[The] second enemy, *victimhood*, is equally dangerous. Victims complain [daily], 'No one understands me, no one helps me, no one loves me, everyone has it in for me!'... The victim's heart is closed, as he or she asks, Why aren't others concerned about me?"

"Finally, there is *pessimism*. Here the unending complaint is: 'Nothing is going well, society, politics, the Church...' The pessimist gets angry with the world, but sits back and does nothing, thinking: 'What good is giving? That is useless.'

"We need the Holy Spirit, the gift of God who heals us of narcissism, victimhood and pessimism. Brothers and sisters, let us pray to him: Holy Spirit..., [free] us from the paralysis of selfishness and awaken in us the desire to serve, to do good.... You always give yourself; grant us the courage to go out of ourselves, to love and help each other. Amen" © Copyright - Libreria Editrice Vaticana | 3

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