## *The Holy Famíly of Jesus*, Mary, & Joseph December 26, 2021

St Wenceslaus Church

Worshipping God, Nurturing Faith, Serving Our Neighbors since 1911



51555 SW Old Portland Road & Scappoose, Oregon 97056 & (503) 543-2110

## Parish Life

Gingerbread houses on display at our recent Advent Fair from three generations of one of *our* HOLY FAMILIES!!







(These ladies challenge you all to a gingerbread house competition at next year's Advent Fair . . . *Game On!*)

#### **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: 5:00 PM Sunday: 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Weekday Masses No daily Masses December 28–31

<u>Monday Prayer Time</u> No Prayer Time December 27–January 10

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Fridays following Mass No Eucharistic Adoration December 31

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30–4:30 PM in church and by appointment

<u>MARRIAGE/BAPTISM</u> Please contact the parish office.

OFFICE HOURS The Office is closed December 27, 2021 to January 9, 2022

#### **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

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

## PASTORAL STAFF

FASTORAL STAFF
Office phone
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Fr. Charles "Chuck" Wood, Pastor Ext 202
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PARISH MINISTRIES
Adult Education Coordinator - G. Klobes Contact the Office
Altar Server Coordinator - Joseph Louie Contact the Office
Coffee & Donuts - 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
Prayer Chain - Mary Jo Schlosser Ext 208

S.V.D.P. Food Bank & Emergency Assistance .... 503-543-7495

#### **PASTORAL COUNCIL**

David Herr (Chairperson) Aaron Berger Diane Erhardt Josette Hugo Dave Molinari John Zavage

#### **FINANCE COUNCIL**

Jessica Leader (Chairperson)Danny FrangipaniPat KessiNate OliverJulie Pond

## FOCUSED LEADERSHIP TEAM

Fr. Chuck Diane Erhardt Janell Greisen Paul Hayduk

## COLLECTIONS

## Week Ending December 12, 2021

Offertory at Masses/mailed	\$7,151.00
Offertory through online giving	\$1,633.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 197.00
Religious Retirement	\$1,213.78
Average Estimated Weekly Expenses	\$5,900.00

There will be delays in reporting collection information during the holidays due to early bulletin deadlines.

## MASS INTENTIONS: DEC. 25-JAN. 1

Sat	25	Vigil Mass	5:00 pm	Catholic Charities Intentions
Sun	26	Sunday	8:30 am	⁺David Heller
		-	11:00 ам	The Parish
Tues	28	No Daily Ma	ass	
Wed	29	No Daily Ma	ass	
Thur	30	No Daily Ma	ass	
Fri	31	No Daily Ma	ass	
Sat	1	New Years	10:00 AM	⁺Antonio Plasabas Sr.
Sunda	ay Ob	ligation		
Sat,	1	Vigil Mass	5:00 pm	†Bill Currie



#### Parish Office Closed

December 27th - January 9th Messages checked.

#### **Daily Mass**

No daily Mass December 28th - 31st

#### Monday Prayer Time

Cancelled on December 27th, January 3rd and January 10th

#### Mary, the Holy Mother of God

January 1st Mass 10:00 AM (Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year; *does not* fulfill Sunday obligation for Epiphany)

#### The Epiphany of the LORD For Sunday Obligation

January 1st January 2nd	Saturday Vigil Sunday Masses	5:00 PM 8:30 & 11:00 am
January 2nd	Coffee & Donuts Epiphany Celebration	After 8:30 AM Mass After 11:00 AM Mass
January 9th	Adult Education David Turnbloom presents Disability: Health and Ano.	

#### CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP

All 8<sup>th</sup> grade St. Wenceslaus parishioners attending a Catholic High School next year: The Catholic Schools Endowment Foundation is accepting applications for the St. Wenceslaus Endowed Scholarship made possible each year through the generosity of an anonymous St. Wenceslaus parishioner. If interested in applying, visit https://cseforegon.org/scholarship/. Complete the application and essay and return it by the application deadline of January 14, 2022.

YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR: 6th-12th Grades			
	Date	Time/Location	
Youth Choir Practice	1/2	12:15 - 1:15 рм	
Celebrate Youth Sunday	1/9	11:00 ам - 1:00 рм	
Faith Formation	1/16	9:30 - 10:45 ам	
Middle School Youth Group (6th - 8th graders)	1/19	6:45 - 8:00 рм	
Confirmation			
Class	1/16	7:00 - 8:30 рм	
Service project with sponsors	1/23	1:00 - 7:00 PM Revised end time	

## FAITH FORMATION

PRE-SCHOOL THROUGH 5TH GRADE

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Sun 26th	No Class Christmas break	
Jan		
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>	No Class Christmas break	
	Epiphany Celebration	12:00-1:30
Sun 9th	Classes resume	9:40-10:50

**Coordinator of Religious Education, Wanda Van Ortwick. Office Hours:** after morning Mass–3 PM on Wednesdays & Thursdays and by appointment. Contact Wanda at 503-543-2110 Ext. 207

#### ST WENCESLAUS EPIPHANY CELEBRATION SUNDAY JAN 2ND AFTER 11:00 AM MASS Let's celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany of Our Lord NATIVITY DISPLAY

Please bring your favorite Nativity from home to share with our Parish community! Please label with your name and a little about what makes it special, we will ask Fr. Chuck to bless them before you take them home.

## LEARN ABOUT THE TRADITIONAL EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSING

We'll send blessed chalk home with you to bless your own house for 2022.

Bring your own sack lunch; we'll provide coffee and drinks.

## HOW TO PRAY FOR YOUR LOVED ONES



Do your loved ones no longer practice the faith or believe in God? St. Wenceslaus is offering a 12-episode DVD series that helps us apply Biblical lessons to loved ones' needs while praying the Rosary & growing in faith & hope. Know God's peace as you discover how God is at work in them through *your* 

*prayers*. **Sign up now** for *How to Pray for Your Loved Ones* so we can have materials ready for a mid-January 2022 start; date and time coming soon. Sign-up sheet is on the church bulletin board. For information contact Cristela Daniel or Betty Foll via the Parish Office, or email at efollo820@gmail.com.

## AUTISTIC YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY

On the second Thursday of every month, Holy Trinity in Beaverton provides a space for neuro-diverse Catholics (ages 21-35) to create community, foster faith and minister in the church. Join in a sensory-sensitive evening, on January 13th, from 6:00 - 7:30 pm at Holy Trinity in Beaverton. For information or to register contact Cecily Lehrfeld at CecilyMesa1@gmail.com. Registration requested but not required.

## December 26, 2021 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Everything human can be found in family stories. Our greatest joys and our greatest wounds are usually connected with the experience of family. Our needs, experiences, and unresolved baggage often color what we bring to our familiar relationships. They contribute to our level of defensiveness, how guarded and protected we become, and what prejudices we believe.

In order to break the cycle of dysfunction we have to remember that it is not only by human effort that we negotiate the difficult and challenging events of our lives. There is a Divine Effort at work as well. For sure, the human effort can create quite a mess and easily destroy lives. This is true of any family with which we are associated.

Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of hardship, determination in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness.

Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families." While this is most certainly true, we can only really begin to do this when we realize that we are still works in progress, not anchored to the wounds and sins of our past, and still a leading star in God's continually unfolding story of love. The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too. ©LPi

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# Blessings & Graces to you all for the coming New Year!



