

St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church

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Bulletin for the Week of November 8, 2009



In today's readings, two generous widows give us an insight into how God views our giving. We are to give in the spirit of the Lord's Prayer, in which we ask not for tomorrow's bread, but for today's. These widows show us how to trust in God to provide for tomorrow.

Our giving is more effective when we live in solidarity with the poor. Catholic Charities has joined with other social service agencies and faith communities to cut poverty in America in half by the year 2020. Go to <http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/poverty>. The site offers suggestions for prayer, scripture, reading, study of Catholic social teaching, and ways to form community action groups. You can learn how to advocate for the poor through elected officials and discover opportunities for volunteer work and donations. Choose and commit to an action. Invite friends, family, and fellow parishioners to join you.

One way in which you can help the poor is by bringing any non-perishable, not expired food items to Mass with you. We will be collecting the following items through the month of November: baked beans, hamburger/tuna helper, instant mashed potatoes, jelly, pudding mixes, Jell-O, canned peas, canned fruit, ramen soup, cake mixes and frosting, vegetable oil, facial tissue, and paper towels.

Thank you for helping supply a family with tomorrow's bread.

SECURING the PRESENT

Capital Campaign

Special Thanks To Those Who Have Participated!

“Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” Luke 12:34

† Many thanks to those who have returned their financial commitment.
 † We are off to a good start. However, we have a long way to go to complete our objectives of receiving a response from every registered household and to raise our \$2,500,000 financial goal.
 † If you have not returned your completed letter of intent, please take time this week to offer your response based on your blessings and capacity. Return the commitment form to me in the sealed envelope. Please mail it, deliver it to the church or school office, or you may place it in the collection basket next weekend.
 † In the weeks ahead, we will begin our follow up efforts to contact an invite those parishioners that have not responded. Please save us the time, energy and resources to personally contact you by returning your commitment form as soon as possible.

Thank you very much for your cooperation!
Fr. Kevin

Festival News:

I am very pleased to report that once again the Festival was a huge success! Festival income was \$82,231.93 while expenses were \$23,559.60. The profit from the festival is \$58,672.33. Thank you to all the volunteers and families that made this year's Festival a success. Special gratitude goes to the members of the Top 6 for all of their hard work. A more detailed accounting will follow sometime later in November and will be communicated through a bulletin insert, but I wanted you to know the overall results. The Festival profit helps to fund parish ministries and your generosity enables us to fulfill the mission of the parish.

BIBLE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Nov 09: Ez47:1-2,8-9,12; Jn 2:13-22
 Nov 10: Wis 2:23-3:9; Lk 17:11-19
 Nov 11: Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19
 Nov 12: Wis 7:22-b-8:1; Lk 17:20-25
 Nov 13: Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37
 Nov 14: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8

PASTORAL MINISTRY

Baptism Preparation class will be held on Monday, November 9. The next scheduled class will be Monday December 14th at 7 pm in Pius X room, church basement.

The Separated and Divorced Area Support Group, meets the first and third Tuesday of the month, from 7-8:30 pm. Our next meeting will be Nov. 17th, *but will be held in the dining room of the Parish House rather than Pius X room.* Please use the rear door. Our topic of conversation will be, “Creating Memories That Bring Strength & Joy”. Come and experience support as you move through this time in your life. For more information call Mary at 952-873-6781 or Deacon Bob at 758-0463.

PARISH NEWS

***Our Act of Faith
 Weekly Financial Gifts***

Actual for the week 11/1	\$21,450.00
Over Budget	+\$6,993.00
Actual YTD	\$268,985.00
Budgeted for Next Week.....	\$14,457.00
<i>Please remember St. Wenceslaus Endowment Fund in your wills and other estate planning.</i>	



Thank you to the people who listened to his call for service for their church. Offering hospitality with a warm welcome today are:

4 pm- 2nd grade FF Class of Theresa Mader & Renee Bowman
 8:30am-2nd grade FF Class of Diane & Vanessa Kubes
 10:30am-Junior Youth Alive Group

2009 CALENDAR CORNER

*Thank you Mosaic Alley for being this week's calendar sponsor.
 Congratulations to the following winners:*

Nov 02: #3921 Camilla Hartmann Nov 03: #2555 Arnita Novotny
 Nov 04: #3581 Linda Wagner Nov 05: #1768 John Havlicek
 Nov 06: #2315 Bonnie Malecha Nov 07: #1820 Tim Hinricher
 Nov 08: #2938 Marvin & Ann Schaak

Dad's Belgian Waffles are coming to St. Wenceslaus on Sunday, Dec. 13th. Delicious waffles with flavored syrups, sausage and juice will be served. CCW will sponsor this event. Tickets will be presold Sunday, Dec. 6th after Masses. Hope you can make it!

Sign up for the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend at the beautiful Franciscan Retreat Center in Prior Lake, Nov. 20-22. The presenting couples are from our own local Marriage Encounter community. Sign up at www.wwme.org or call 612-840-7630.

Memorial Centers Blood Drive will be held at Queen of Peace on Wednesday, November 11, from 1-7pm. Call 758-8190 for an appointment.

Church Cleaning Crew

Donald & Mary Fahrenkamp	Janet Ferrazzo
Mark & Tracey Fall	Jamie & Clarissa Farrell
Bob & Angela Feneis	Kenneth & Paula Fennern

Adoration Needs Your Help! Is your life too busy to go on a weekend retreat? Could you squeeze in an hour of prayer? Adoration is held in the Chapel every Friday from 9am-11pm. All are welcome! We are in need of people to sit during the following hours: 11am, noon, 2pm, 3pm, 4pm, 6pm, and 7pm. Please call Diane at 758-5688 or Ann at 758-2735 if you can help. Thank you for your consideration.

Pies for Sale just in time for the holidays! These are restaurant quality pies made by Sarah Lee and Sysco brands offered to you with the cooperation of Sands Creek Golf Course. These pies are soooo good they cannot be bought at a store (just like Perkins). Orders will be taken now through Nov. 15th. Orders will also be taken after Masses on Nov. 7th & 8th as well as Nov 14th & 15th. All proceeds of this sale will go toward the expense of the 7th & 8th grade St. Wenceslaus Washington D.C. trip.

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**ADOPT-A-FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS**  
**LeSueur County**  
 For 20 years this program has operated through St. Wenceslaus Parish with assistance from Holy



## 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Autumn

Trinity Lutheran Church, and other churches in Montgomery, LeCenter, LeSueur, Kasota and Kilkenny. In early October, forms were sent out from the LeSueur County Dept. of Human Services. Parents fill out the forms listing their children's ages and gift choices with a focus on warm clothing. The forms are forwarded to a St. Wenceslaus YAC group where they are numbered and names are removed to respect the privacy of the families. Families, individuals, or groups choose a child or family to shop for and bring the gifts to the parish office. The gifts will be distributed to the families on Saturday, December 19th at five locations in the county.

Please consider helping to make Christmas brighter for a family. Family lists may be obtained after all of the Masses on November 14th 15th, 21st 22nd, Thanksgiving Day, November 28th 29th and December 5th and 6th.

If you would rather donate cash, groups of shoppers from our YAC group will shop for you. Please make checks payable to Adopt-A-Family.

For more information, call Kathy McNamara, 758-6239.

**Family shopping lists will be available the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in November.** Please consider making plans to help make Christmas brighter for a local family.



### St. Wenceslaus School thanks the Knights of Columbus for the \$200 marathon donation.

The school goal for the marathon is to collect \$50,000 in pledges. This money is used to balance fundraising budget requirements for the

school programs. So far we have collected \$45,000 towards our goal. Thanks to all who have supported our children in their fundraising efforts.

**Calling all Veterans and current military personnel.** The school would like to celebrate Veterans' day with you by inviting you to our school Mass on Wednesday, November 11 at 8:00 am. Coffee and donuts will be served after the Mass in the cafeteria.

**The Paper Truck is here.** Recycle your papers and boxes by bringing them to the truck next Saturday from 9 - 10:30 am. The truck is open for drop off recycling on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month.



### LITTLE SPIRITS PRESCHOOL

Attention ALL parish families of preschool aged children. You are invited to the Little Spirits Classroom for Donut Hole Sunday, November 8 following both morning Masses. All children must be accompanied by an adult.



**The Peace Center's shelves look much healthier thanks to your generosity.** Pete and Steve unloaded 1,480 pounds of food and over 100

coats at the center. Our youth took Jesus' message to heart; they actively worked to help feed and clothe those in need.

**A reminder that Faith Formation youth in grades 7&8 will NOT be meeting on Wednesday, November 18 but will instead have class on Tuesday, November 17.** This NET retreat is sponsored by Junior High Youth Ministry. This event is open to all 7 & 8 grade youth in the parish. It will go from 5-9 p.m. Pre-

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registration is required by November 11, 2009. A registration form can be downloaded from the Saint Wenceslaus website @ [www.saintwenceslaus.org](http://www.saintwenceslaus.org), faith formation tab. If you have questions, call Laura at 758.5131.

**Faith Formation families are invited to a Pizza and Prayer night on Wednesday, November 18.** It will be held before class from 5:30 – 6:15. If you did not get a registration form, you can download one from the Saint Wenceslaus website. 7 & 8 grade families are invited to come even though your child does not have class that night. It is a great night to share fellowship and food with other families.

**Youth Alive Groups** and any other interested high school youth and parents: We have David Rinaldi as our guest speaker for our groups on Wednesday, November 18 from 7 – 8:30 p.m. in the PAC. This is a requirement for all confirmation students.

## MEETINGS & EVENTS

### **Monday, Nov 9:**

Fatima Prayer Cell after am service, Chapel  
Girl Scout Meeting, 2:30-3:30pm, Church Basement  
Baptism Prep Class, 7-8:30pm, Pius X Room, Church Basement

### **Tuesday, Nov 10:**

Fatima Prayer Cell after AM service, Chapel  
Befrienders, 7-9pm, Parish House Dining Room

### **Wednesday, Nov 11:**

Early AM scripture study, 6:45-7:50 am, Pius X Room  
Fatima Prayer Cell after am service, Chapel  
Faith Formation Classes

### **Thursday, Nov 12:**

B-Day Club, after am service, Church Basement

### **Friday, Nov 13:**

Adoration, 9 pm-11 pm, Chapel  
Set up for CCW fundraiser

### **Saturday Nov 14:**

Fr. Kevin's Bible Study, 9:30-11am, Pius X Room  
CCW Fundraiser

### **Sunday Nov 15:**

RCIA, 8am-12 pm, Parish House Dining Room  
Donut Hospitality, Church Basement, 8-12pm

## PARISH LITURGY

*M-F Rosary 7:30 AM Sat. at 8:00 AM*

Monday, November 9 & Tuesday, November 10  
8 AM.....Word & Communion Service  
Wednesday, November 11 Veteran's Day  
8 AM.....Mass planned by the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
.....Judy & Anna Ruzicka, All Veteran's  
Thursday, November 12  
8 AM.....Emil & Elsie Novak  
.....David Wenzel Sr. & David Wenzel Jr.  
Friday, November 13  
8 AM.....Norbert, Evelyn & Ron Deutsch  
Saturday, November 14  
4 PM.....FCSLA #W001, Evelyn Lang, Ralph Rynda  
Sunday, November 15  
8:30AM.....Les Svihel, Alice Deutsch, Fritz Novotny  
.....Frank W. & Julia Novotny  
10:30 AM.....Joe B & Rose Schoenbauer, Arnie Kes