



# Saint Wenceslaus Catholic Church

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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**  
**Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 1, 2016**

*From the Pastor . . .*

**My Sisters and Brothers:**

In today's Gospel, Jesus says "*all who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our dwelling with them*" (see John 14:23). These words make it very clear that Christians must follow what Jesus says in order to be genuine and faithful children of the Heavenly Father. If they don't "*keep his word,*" Jesus tells his followers they really can't claim to love him, and even more importantly, God will not " *dwell*" within them.

Jesus wants his followers to be true to his "*word,*" but how can they know what this "*word*" is? I think it's obvious that the most excellent way to know the "*word*" of Jesus is to study the Scriptures very deliberately, and as thoroughly as possible. I believe this is done best when accompanied by careful consideration of the Church's teachings on all that the Bible has to say. And then I think Christians can continue their study of "*God's word*" through enthusiastic familiarity with examples from the lives of holy people, such as all the saints and many other faithful people who have undoubtedly followed the will of God in their lives. Isn't it true that such holy ones certainly have much to teach about the God who has "*dwelt within them?*" A study of these things, and fidelity to the messages and examples they provide, gives Christians the perfect recipe for living in the love of Jesus and of the Father.

With all of this in mind, we might want to ask ourselves the following: How is it possible for Christians to say they have learned from all the things noted above, that they love Jesus and follow his word, but then have no problem taking more "*worldly, materialistic and selfish*" approaches to dealing with others? How is it possible for them to say they love Jesus and follow his word, but have no problem holding anger and resentment toward neighbors, family members, co-workers and others? How is it possible for them to say they love Jesus and follow his word, but then fail to seek justice for the oppressed and refuse to help those in need? How is it possible for them to say they love Jesus and follow his word, but then exploit others in order to promote their own gain? How is it possible for Christians to say they love Jesus and follow his word, but then neglect to show respect, care and concern for others as he did? And aren't there many similar questions we could ask?

As we continue celebrating the love of God and the promise of new life during this Easter season, may we earnestly strive to remain in God's love! May the Scriptures, the teachings of our Church, and the lives of other holy people, always inspire us in this great love! May our faith, rooted in God's word and put into action by the way we serve others, always give testimony to God's love dwelling within us both personally and communally!

*Christ is Risen, Truly, He is Risen, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

**Praise God!** *Friar Timothy*

PRAYER REQUESTS

Keep in prayer Fr. Timothy and his family, Naomi Bennett's daughter Denise, Loretha Pitts son Freeman, our parishioners who are sick or recovering from an illness and all the needs recorded in our parish prayer intention book.

INVESTMENT CLUB WINNERS

**Week 8**

\$100 – Rosemary Picek  
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**FIRST FRIDAY**

May 6 is the First Friday of the month. Our holy hour begins with Mass at 8:00 a.m. and continues with Vocations and World Peace.

**ROSARY IN MAY**

We pray the rosary fifteen minutes before each Mass during the month of May. Come early and join in prayer for the many needs of our church and our world.

**MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA**

**A nine day novena of Masses for mothers**, living and deceased, will **begin on Mother's Day, May 8**. Envelopes are in the back of the church on which to list names to be placed on the altar for the novena. **A free will offering may be enclosed but is not required**. There are Mother's Day novena cards available in the church office. During the Masses on Mother's Day we will offer prayers and blessings for our mothers, grandmothers and other special ladies. The Men's Club will distribute flowers to the mothers.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**

The next monthly meeting of the Pastoral Council will be held on Tuesday, May 10 at 7:00 pm in the church rectory. All members are encouraged to attend.

**FAMILY AND FRIENDS DAY**

We will celebrate Family and Friends Day on **Sunday May 15 with a single Mass at 11:30 a.m.** followed by a complimentary luncheon in the Lyceum. Plan ahead and invite your family and friends to join us.

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

**Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**

1st Reading	Acts 1:1-11
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Ephesians 1:17-23
Gospel	Luke 24:46-53

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sun.	May 1	8:00 am	Michael & Anna Kalista
		11:45	For Parishioners
Tues.	May 3	8:00	Michael & Anna Kalista
Wed.	May 4	8:00	Eboselome Ak
Thur.	May 5	7:00	Ashley Goldbeck
Fri.	May 6	8:00	Ed & Vicki Goldbeck

**SUNDAY ATTENDANCE & COLLECTIONS**

	<i>Masses</i>	<i>Attendance</i>	<i>Collection</i>
4/24/2016	8:00 am	60	
	11:45	<u>52</u>	
Total		112	\$1,558.56
Last Year's Total – 4/26/2015			\$1,514.65
<b>Last Week's Correction</b>			
4/17/2016	8:00 am	60	
	11:45	<u>37</u>	
Total		97	\$1,433.72
Last Year's Total – 4/19/2015			\$1,872.99

*OUTSIDE THE PARISH...*

**NAACP ANNUAL PRAYER BREAKFAST...** Baltimore City branch of the at the Forest Park Senior Center (4801 Liberty Heights Ave) on Saturday, **May 7th from 9 a.m. - 12 noon**. For more information or ticket sales contact Joe Aston (443-226-9459 or [joeaston1@hotmail.com](mailto:joeaston1@hotmail.com)).

**International Sisters in the Struggle BI-Annual Retreat...** **May 13-15**, at Oblate Sisters of Providence Retreat and Conference Center, 701 Gun Road, Baltimore, MD. Join us for a weekend of Reflection, Renewal and Rest. **Donation \$250**. See flyer posted in back of church for more information. **Contact: Debbie Edwards (410) 467-2313**.

**Raffle Tickets...** To benefit the **International Sisters in the Struggle**. **Drawing will be held on May 16<sup>th</sup>**, tickets are **\$5 each**. Winner need not be present to win. **See Debbie Edwards for tickets**.

Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> place - \$100  
 2<sup>nd</sup> place - \$50

**ST. ANN'S HEALTH & WELLNESS FAIR...** for our church family and our neighbors from the surrounding area. The date for the fair is set for **Saturday May 21, 12 – 3 pm**. There will be free health information and screenings, along with snacks and entertainment for children. If you can help with set up, clean up or any of the activities planned for that day please **contact Doris Foster (410-254-3479) or the parish office (410-235-8169)**.

**OSP GUILD RECOMMITMENT CEREMONY...** Sponsored by the Mother Mary Lange Guild Board will be held on **Saturday May 21, 2016 at 2:00 pm** in Our Lady of Mount Providence Chapel, 701 Gun Road, Baltimore, MD. Reception follows the ceremony.

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