



# Parish Newsletter

**"If we can just communicate,  
Together we'll walk thru Heaven's Gate"**



**ST. WENDELIN'S - LUXEMBURG, MN \* August 3, 2025 - 666th Edition**

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Prepare for the best just as diligently  
As you brace yourself for the worst.

"There's a lot that is good in your life--don't take it for granted. Don't get so focused on the struggles that you miss the gift of today".

### COMMUNICATE FACE-TO-FACE

That friend or family member you're about to text...don't. Pick up the phone or, even better, go and visit them in person instead.

## NEXT NEWSLETTER

**September 28, 2025**

**DEADLINE for News:**

**Monday September 22, 2025**

**If you can get your items in earlier,  
it would appreciated.**

**Get your articles to Sheila Albers  
7876 Ahles Road St. Cloud, MN  
Phone 320-251-7116**

**Or e-mail: [alberssheila@gmail.com](mailto:alberssheila@gmail.com)**

## MARKETPLACE

Hey St. Wendelin's!

It's training camp time-  
and we don't mean for the Vikings...  
St. Wendelin Festival Marketplace  
training camp starts now!!!

Workout those muscles by

1. Sewing with your fingers to gain dexterity
2. Racing down deals for the silent auction baskets
3. Studying the playbook (aka recipe books) for great baking ideas

Lets all get started training for 2026 festival!

Marla and Mary

## SCHOOL NEWS

St. Wendelin's School will have a full-house this fall. A total of 91 students from 49 families will be joining us this year. The increase includes 7 students from SMHOC school and 16 others from homeschools and other public and Catholic Schools in the area.

Over this past year we had 3 additional teachers complete the Montessori Certification program and we have one teacher who will be working on this certification over this next school year. St. Wendelin's Parish can be proud of the great work being done by the staff of St. Wendelin's.

"Live simply.  
Dream big.  
Be grateful.  
Give love.  
Laugh lots".

# FESTIVAL RESULTS 2025

Annual Profits	2019	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Beer Stand	\$ 2,770.90	\$ 6,777.25	\$ 6,514.35	\$ 7,591.05	\$ 6,600.35	\$ 6,244.39
Bingo	\$ 723.00	\$ 1,369.00	\$ 1,602.75	\$ 1,671.75	\$ 1,177.75	\$ 982.75
Cake Spin	\$ 1,479.00	\$ 2,693.25	\$ 3,061.90	\$ 2,787.95	\$ 2,905.91	\$ 3,089.75
Dinner	\$ 5,471.52	\$ 3,406.76	\$ 4,804.27	\$ 5,315.80	\$ 4,993.16	\$ 3,596.10
Dinner Food Sales	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Marketplace	\$ 2,121.31	\$ 1,863.00	\$ 2,138.00	\$ 5,447.75	\$ 6,950.13	\$ 8,723.65
Gambling	\$ 1,268.00	\$ 2,821.00	\$ 2,587.46	\$ 2,249.00	\$ 1,632.23	\$ 2,461.82
Games	\$ 1,756.50	\$ 3,149.28	\$ 4,475.01	\$ 4,420.47	\$ 3,879.70	\$ 2,433.00
Lucky Straw	\$ 669.75	\$ 819.10	\$ 1,231.50	\$ 1,624.03	\$ 1,456.80	\$ 1,010.00
Lunch Stand	\$ 1,602.02	\$ 3,633.78	\$ 3,877.23	\$ 6,012.93	\$ 4,734.25	\$ 5,301.02
Misc Expenses	\$ (1,341.08)	\$ (3,156.10)	\$ (2,469.51)	\$ (1,959.60)	\$ (1,707.40)	\$ (1,689.40)
Misc Income	\$ -	\$ 1,064.96	\$ 648.85	\$ -		\$ 970.34
Pop/Ice Cream	\$ 306.00	\$ 1,935.75	\$ 1,718.08	\$ 2,863.40	\$ 2,576.83	\$ 1,909.00
Quilt Auction	\$ 10,140.00	\$ 21,690.00	\$ 26,175.00	\$ 28,020.00	\$ 24,600.00	\$ 28,155.00
Raffle	\$ 11,330.05	\$ 15,216.75	\$ 16,392.00	\$ 18,095.77	\$ 18,397.00	\$ 19,129.86
Dice Stand	\$ 169.00	\$ 137.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 369.00	\$ -	
Wheel of Fortune	\$ 317.00	\$ 549.50	\$ 351.50	\$ 376.00	\$ 810.00	\$ 711.00
Accounting Misc Expense	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>\$ 38,782.97</b>	<b>\$ 63,970.28</b>	<b>\$ 73,163.39</b>	<b>\$ 84,885.30</b>	<b>\$ 79,006.71</b>	<b>\$ 83,028.28</b>

Stand Details	Gross Income	Expenses	Net Profit
Beer Stand	\$ 9,792.14	\$ 3,547.75	\$ 6,244.39
Bingo	\$ 982.75	\$ -	\$ 982.75
Cake Spin	\$ 3,089.75	\$ -	\$ 3,089.75
Dinner	\$ 14,230.96	\$ 10,634.86	\$ 3,596.10
Donations	\$ 970.34	\$ -	\$ 970.34
MarketPlace	\$ 8,723.65	\$ -	\$ 8,723.65
Gambling	\$ 2,932.00	\$ 470.18	\$ 2,461.82
Games	\$ 4,013.00	\$ 1,580.00	\$ 2,433.00
Lucky Straw	\$ 1,010.00	\$ -	\$ 1,010.00
Lunch Stand	\$ 6,874.30	\$ 1,573.28	\$ 5,301.02
Misc. Expenses	\$ -	\$ 1,689.40	\$ (1,689.40)
Pop/Ice Cream	\$ 2,409.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,909.00
Quilt Auction & Raffle	\$ 28,155.00	\$ -	\$ 28,155.00
Raffle	\$ 19,542.00	\$ 412.14	\$ 19,129.86
Dice Stand	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Wheel of Fortune	\$ 711.00	\$ -	\$ 711.00
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 103,435.89</b>	<b>\$ 20,407.61</b>	<b>\$ 83,028.28</b>

## Dinners Served

2019 Total	816
Adult	775
Children	41

2021 Total	961
Adults	837
Children	24
Donated	100

2022 Total	1010
Adult	866
Children	39
Donated	105

2023 Total	1037
Adult	912
Kids	26
Donated	99

2024 Total	888
Adult	762
Kids	24
Donated	102

2025 Total	824
Adult	721
Kids	26
Donated	77

This information is the FINAL RESULTS



## **ST. WENDELIN CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

August 19, 2025  
Unapproved Minutes

**CALL TO ORDER** at 7:00 p.m.  
Prayer led by Bonnie Massmann

### **ROLL CALL:**

Bonnie Massmann, Cassie Edelbrock, Todd Hurrle, Jason Salzbrun, Lance Watrin, Corey Gerads, Leanne Donnay, Amber Laudenbach

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Routine Matters

### **PRINCIPAL REPORT**

1. Donations
  - a. St. Augusta Legion
  - b. Knights of Columbus

### **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

- a. Review 24-25 Finance Report –discussed
- b. Budget for 25-26 –discussed

### **FINANCE REPORT FOR JULY** –reviewed/discussed

### **OLD/CONTINUING BUSINESS**

#### **A. Enrollment 91**

Preschool 15

K class 17

1 /2 class 29 w/2 teachers

3 /4 class 17

5 /6 class 13

(7 students were from SMHOC)

49 families

(Past year 68 students, 33 families)

LRP committee will continue to look at facility needs

#### **B. FUNDRAISERS**

- a. Misc. Fundraising –discussed keeping fundraisers at a minimum to maximize participation and avoid burnout.
- b. Spring Dinner (due to increase in # of families we may need to review setup, # attending, etc.)

#### **c. CALENDAR**

Board Meeting-Decided that since scheduled December meeting is on same date as Christmas program, we would have tentative meeting date on December 9<sup>th</sup> if it is needed.

## **ST. WENDELIN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONTINUED**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **WCEA ACCREDITATION**

- A. Basic overview/timeline-visitation will be 2<sup>nd</sup> week of February 2027.
- B. Accreditation committees-board will support Bonnie

### **BUILDING MAINTENANCE PLAN**

- A. Carpets-Todd stated that there is a plan through parish and will share with Bonnie. Was asked by committee member for Todd to share with committee as well.
- B. Ceiling Fans-discussed to install in rooms not yet having A/C. Bonnie will reach out to find electrician to help install.

### **QUESTIONS FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

- A. Staff/Admin assistant is Cassie Edelbrock 32-35/hrs./week
- B. Discussed summer care and after care for this year. Seth Walls, Theresa Bechtold, Denise Ziebarth, Jacob Walz and one additional high school helper.
- C. Internet-switched to MidCo with doubled speed and bundled with phone and cost is less than what we had with Century Link. Have option to increase Mbps. If needed

### **MEETING GUESTS**-none

### **CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS** – none

**NEXT MEETINGS:** September 16, October 21, November 18, December 9??, January 20 , February 17 , March 17, April 21, May 19

**MEETING ADJOURNED** at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Leanne Donnay**

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### **THE LORD COMFORTS ME**

*Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.*

*Matthew 11:28*

Dear Lord,

I am only human. I get tired carrying all these burdens and responsibilities. When it all feels too much for me, I remember all the sacrifices you made for me. My burdens seem small in comparison. You give me so much comfort and rest. It is all I need to keep going.

Amen.

**CHURCH CLEANING  
SEPTEMBER, 2025  
GROUP 3**

(Cleaning time is 8:30 a.m.)

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>**

\*\*\*Mary Broda  
Jolene & Steve Brang  
Laurie & Steve Opatz  
Sue Eckerman  
Marie & Ron Kotzer

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>**

\*\*\*Judy & Dan Walters  
Sheila & Ron Albers  
Erin & Paul Koshiol  
Geraldyn & Todd Hurrell  
Jennifer & Damon Rice

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>**

\*\*\* Ruth & Paul Roufs  
Marla & John Honer  
Jayne & Keith Thole  
Sharon & Ray Gohman  
Margie & Dale Koshiol

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>**

\*\*\*Sandi & Mike Weber  
Gina & Joe Bartell  
Julie & Dale Kraemer  
Nancy & Jeff Albers  
Sue & Paul Koshiol

\*\*\* If you have an asterisk in front of your name, please call the other members the week prior to remind them of church cleaning. If you are unable to work your shift, please find your own replacement or switch with someone else. Thank you all so much!! You are appreciated!!!

**LET ME BE HUMBLE**

*He must become greater,  
I must become less.  
John 3:30*

Almighty God,  
I am humbled by your greatness. Let me always look to you for your guidance in my life. When I think I know better than God, show me the way. Amen.

**RECIPE CORNER**

Ron Albers

**PEACH STUFFED PORK LOIN**

1 - 3 lbs.pork tenderloin or 2 1.5 lb tenderloins  
1 ripe peach diced  
2 tbsp maple syrup  
2 tbsp bourbon  
2 tbsp chicken stock  
1 tbsp fresh thyme  
2 cup bread crumbs approx.  
Salt and pepper

If you're making your own bread crumbs, toast bread in a 300 degree oven for about 20 minutes until very dry. Then crumble.

Stir other filling ingredients together and set aside until needed.

Slice tenderloin down the center (but not all the way through), then use a sharp knife to carve it open until it lays flat. Once it's mostly flat, cover it with plastic wrap and pound it out to an even thickness.

Add filling to tenderloin in a small layer and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Leave about 1/2 inch of room around the outside of the tenderloin.

Roll the tenderloin up and secure it with kitchen twine.

Grill the tenderloin over medium-high heat until it registers 135-140 degrees in the center. This should be around 16 minutes total. Use a meat thermometer to check the temperature occasionally.

Cover the tenderloin with foil and let it rest for 10 minutes.

Slice up the tenderloin into 1/2 inch coins and serve!

## **GROUP LEADERS 2025 – 2026**

<b>GROUP 1 – Chairs: Tracy &amp; Charlie Dombrovski</b>	<b>320-255-9354</b>
<b>GROUP 2 – Chair: Kathy Watrin</b>	<b>320-253-4252</b>
<b>GROUP 3 – Chairs: Steve &amp; Jolene Brang</b>	<b>320-293-1533</b>
<b>GROUP 4 – Chair: Pat Salzbrun</b>	<b>320-980-1534</b>

## **NEW INFO FOR GROUPS**

**Our weekly Church cleaning for each group has changed so each group will have the same months from year to year.**

**GROUP 1 will clean: January, May and September**

**GROUP 2 will clean February, June and October**

**GROUP 3 will clean: March, July and November**

**GROUP 4 will clean: April, August and December**

The only items needing to be cleaned each week are: Vacuum, Dust, Clean Front Glass Doors and Take Out the Garbage. There will be a check list to mark off if anyone comes earlier to clean.

The Choir Loft will be cleaned by choir members. Other volunteers will be filling candles, straightening books, filling holy water bowls and watering plants.

The Spring and Fall Cleaning will be done as an ALL PARISH responsibility. Sp please watch the bulletin and come to help when these dates are shared.

**Reminder: GROUP BREAKFAST/FUNDRAISERS ARE  
THE SAME MONTH EACH YEAR.**

**September: GROUP 1**

**October: GROUP 2**

**November: CHRISTIAN WOMEN BREAKFAST**

**February: GROUP 3**

**March/April GROUP 4**

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for always being willing to do your part. We are blessed to have such a wonderful parish community.

Judy Walters 320-253-8658

## **GETTING TO KNOW YOU MAX & MYRDETTE STUEVEN**

Max & Myrdette Stueven live at 908 8th St South St. Cloud MN 56301 with their daughter Eleanora. They have been assigned to group 2

## **KAYLA DOUGHERTY**

Kayla Dougherty along with her daughter and son, Audrey & Harvey, live at 17615 County Road 45 Clearwater, MN 55320-1802 They have been assigned to group 3.

## **WELCOME TO ST. WENDELIN'S PARISH COMMUNITY**

## **DEVOTIONS, EXPLAINED! HOLY HOUR**

A holy hour is the practice of spending one hour's time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, praying and meditating on the agony of Jesus Christ.

The holy hour devotion dates to the late 17<sup>th</sup> century, when St. Margaret Mary Alacoque received visions of Jesus Christ. In these visions, the Lord requested that St. Margaret Mary spend one hour every Thursday evening lying prostrate and meditating upon his agony in the Garden of Gethsemane. This practice calls back to the Gospel of Matthew, which tells of Jesus' desire for the disciples to "remain here and keep watch with me" (Matthew 26:38) as he awaited his passion. Holy hours can be made private or in community.

You are Invited to sign up for a specific hour to Adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Call Char at 320-251-5376 to sign up. Come and visit Jesus.

Shared by Fred Walz

## **"ON THE WINGS OF PRAYER"**

Just close your eyes  
And open your heart  
And feel your worries  
And cares depart,  
Just yield yourself  
To the Father above  
And let Him hold you  
Secure in His love---  
For life on earth  
Grows more involved  
With endless problems  
That can't be solved---  
But God only ask us  
To do our best,  
Then He will "take over"  
And finish the rest---  
So when you are tired,  
Discouraged, and blue,  
There's always one door  
That is open to you---  
And that is the door  
To "The House of Prayer"  
And you'll find God waiting  
To meet you there,  
And "The House of Prayer"  
Is no farther away  
Than the quiet spot  
Where you kneel and pray---  
For the heart is a temple  
When God is there  
As we place ourselves  
In His loving care,  
And He hears every prayer  
And answers each one  
When we pray in His name  
"Thy will be done"---  
And the burdens that seemed  
Too heavy to bear  
Are lifted away  
On "The wings of prayer".

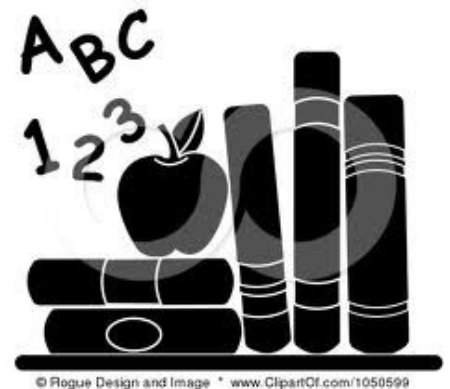
# **WELCOME BACK !!!!**

**Students and Teachers  
to St. Wendelin's Catholic School**

**We are very HAPPY to  
WELCOME ALL the NEW  
STUDENTS who have  
joined our awesome school this year  
Along with all the returning students.**

**We look forward to  
seeing all of your  
HAPPY FACES and BUSY BODIES  
Gracing our halls again.**

**Enjoy the School Year!  
GIVE IT YOUR ALL and  
MAKE THE MOST OF IT!!!**



**We look forward to hearing all about you  
in the newsletter each month.**



Whoooo's  
hungry for  
breakfast??



## St. Wendelin's Church Fall Omelet Breakfast

**Sunday, September 21, 2025**

**8:30 am – 11:30 am**

**At St. Wendelin's Parish  
in Luxemburg**

**(7 miles South of St. Cloud on  
Highway 15)**

**Featuring our Famous "All-You-Can-Eat"  
Ham and Cheese Omelet!!!**

**Breakfast includes Sausage, Potatoes, Applesauce, Toast,  
Cold Spring Bakery Rolls, Orange Juice, Milk and Coffee**

Be sure to check out the delicious  
goods at our Bake Sale and purchase  
some chances for our raffle drawing!

Adults - \$12.00  
Children (5-10) - \$5.00  
Children (4 and under) - Free

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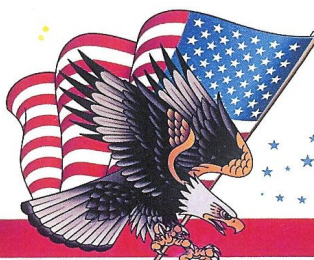
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