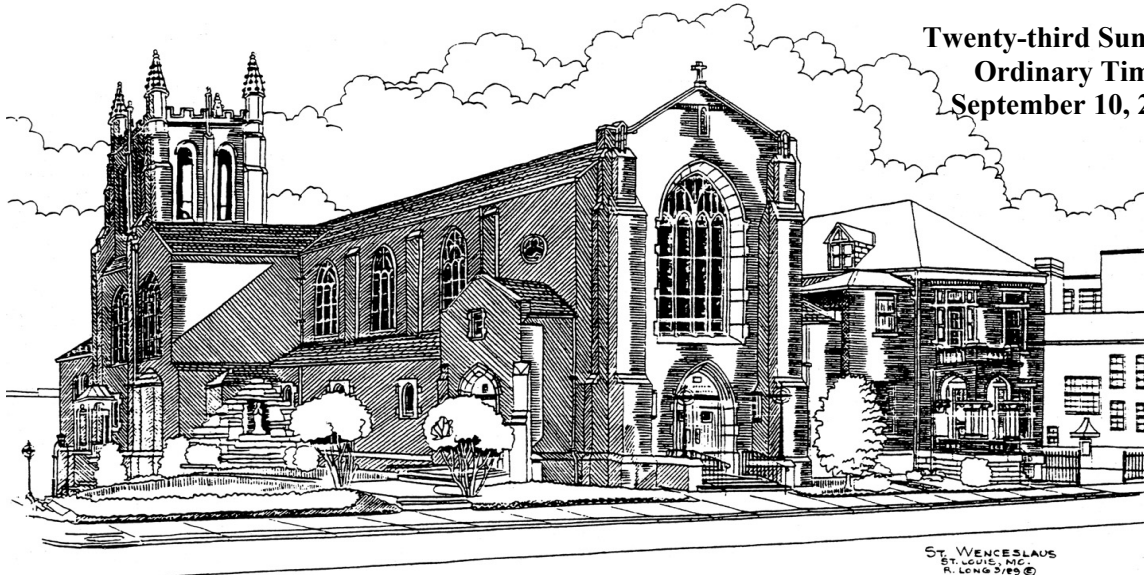


# ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

*Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960*



Twenty-third Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
September 10, 2017

## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Members of St. Wenceslaus Parish are Christian People on a journey seeking companions to join us as we move toward our eternal goal. We strive to be a stabilizing and strengthening factor in our community by being a source of service and help to our neighbors. We invite others to join us in bringing their unique gifts, as together, we care, nurture and love one another. United by the love of Jesus Christ, we strive to be more fully connected with God's people everywhere.

## PARISH STAFF

Rev. James Wasser, M.S.F., Pastor  
Rev. Aloysius Irawan, M.S.F., In Residence  
Deacon George W. Miller  
Mr. Paul Jolly, Business Manager  
Mr. Ron Williams, Parish Maintenance  
Mr. Bob Bollinger, Parish Maintenance

## MASSES FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Saturday 4:00 PM, Sunday 9:00 AM

## MASSES FOR WEEKDAYS

Monday thru Saturday, 7:45 AM in the Chapel

## MASSES FOR HOLYDAYS

8:00 AM and 6:00 PM (No Vigil Mass)

## CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 3:00 - 3:30 PM. Anytime by appointment.

## BAPTISMS

Parents of children to be baptized must be practicing Catholics and registered in the parish. Please call the parish office for further information.

## WEDDINGS

Practicing Catholics, registered in the parish, must make arrangements six months before the wedding. No arrangement for a dinner or reception etc. should be made until after the Church has officially set a Wedding date.

## PARISH BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon  
Tuesday - Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
12 Noon - 1:00 p.m. Closed  
865-1020 FAX # 664-8260  
PARISH HALL (On Event Nights) 865-1027

## SOUTH CITY DEANERY PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Nancy Haselhorst (314) 773-3070

## ST. FRANCES CABRINI ACADEMY 776-0883

## COMMUNION CALLS

To have Communion brought to your home contact the Parish Office.

**LADIES OF MARY** 1st Monday of Month 6:30 PM  
in the Parish Center

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel  
1st Wednesday (including Evening Prayer) at 6:00 p.m. in the Church  
1st Saturday (including Morning Prayer) at 7:00 a.m. in the Church

**MEN'S CLUB** 1st Tuesday of Month 6:30 PM in the Parish Center

## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

3rd Tuesday of Month 6:30 PM in the Parish Center

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

PARISH WEB SITE ADDRESS:  
[www.stwenceslaus.website](http://www.stwenceslaus.website)

SEND BULLETIN INFORMATION TO: [stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net)

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“If two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.”  
- Matthew 18:19

### THIS WEEK’S MASS SCHEDULE

#### Saturday, September 9th

7:45 AM + Gerry Harrington  
4:00 PM + Lester & + Theresa Rothweil

#### Sunday, September 10th

9:00 AM Fr. Al Irawan, M.S.F.

#### Monday, September 11th

7:45 AM In Thanksgiving

#### Tuesday, September 12th

7:45 AM Tom & Mary Moran

#### Wednesday, September 13th

7:45 AM Tek Schaefer

#### Thursday, September 14th

7:45 AM + Marcella Keim

#### Friday, September 15th

7:45 AM + Charles Kubik, Sr.

#### Saturday, September 16th

7:45 AM + All Deceased Parishioners  
4:00 PM + Everett & + Catherine Ludwig

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Elmer Arndt, Emmanuel Aziz, Autumn Baker, Chris Bardo, Harry Bardo, Kathy Becker, Jerry Bielicke, Tom Bolen, Elam Burbage, Patricia Carr, Sharon Crocker, Dennis Curtis, Margie Sosa Delgado, Chris Doerr, Darlene Doerr, Esther Ellspermann, Harry Fabick, Don Fielder, Jean Finn, Rosa Flores, Joshua Galaster, Dennis Holland, Margaret Kalbac, Patricia Kennedy, Carol Kozemczak, Everleigh Lauber, Richard Loy, Jr., Mary Helen Malle, Tom Malle, Bonnie Martin, Joyce McKiernan, Deacon George Miller, Carmelle Minton, Tom Moran, Krista Myers, Austin Needham, Silvia Osorio, Jim & Nancy Pender, Rosemary Pichler, Carol Plassmeyer, Rosemary Rivituso, Bob Roelke, Makena Roelke, Marvin Rothweil, Clem Ruemker, Tek Schaefer, Ruth Schneider, Ariane Sery, Don Sparks, Georgia Stockton, Lucille Tangel, Pat Thomas, Mary Ullo, Tom Vossmeier, Pat Wevers, Evelyn Williams, Marsha Williams, Eric Wolf, Fr. Jim Wuerth, M.S.F., Bill Zib

### WALKING TOWARD GOD

If we walk one step toward God, God will run ten steps toward us.

- Anonymous

### WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

We welcome all of our guests and parishioners here celebrating the Eucharist with us on the Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time.

### Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we go beyond the minimum required and give generously in proportion to what God has given each of us.

### GOD’S WATCHERS

In the ancient world, watchmen were extremely important people. They kept communities safe, and were there to alert them to any impending danger or attack. Before locks, alarms, and security systems, watchmen were the protectors, the safety measure. So when the Lord charges Ezekiel as a watchman today, it is a weighty charge. So weighty, we learn, that if Ezekiel fails to sound the alarm for those around him and they perish in a state of wickedness, Ezekiel will be held responsible! This profound connection between God’s will on earth and in heaven is repeated in today’s Gospel, where Jesus instructs us that we are to be the security force, the watchers placed on alert that nowhere in the Body of Christ, the church, will there be any two members of the one Body who are not reconciled. Scripture tells us that Jesus reconciled all things in heaven and on earth through the blood of his cross. But we are given the mission to continue that reconciliation on earth as in heaven through our ceaseless efforts to be, as Paul would write, ambassadors of reconciliation. Let us not get too comfortable thinking that we are responsible only for keeping our own lives from the path of wickedness and disagreement. We are also held accountable for the lives of the members of Christ’s body around us.

### PARISH MISSION

As a parish we need to continually renew our vision of who we are and what our purpose is. For that reason, we have scheduled a parish mission for the period of **October 1st through October 4th**. These days of renewal, entitled **An Old Fashion Parish Mission**, will be led by Fr. George Knab, a Missionary Oblate of Mary Immaculate from Belleville, Illinois, the site of the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows. The main service will be in the evening, but there will also be a morning Mass and talk.

### 2017 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The 2017 Annual Catholic Appeal has ended. It was another successful year as 97% of parishioners participated, pledging \$12,777.00. Thanks to everyone who heeded the campaign theme, “one heart in charity”, united as the Body of Christ in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Our sincerest thanks to **Matt & Barb Kellner** for their outstanding work as Chairpersons.

SEPTEMBER 10th, 2017

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Table with 2 columns: Item Name and Amount. Includes Last Week's Collection, Weekly Collection Goal, Average Collection Fiscal Year, Parish Appeal 2017, Maintenance, and Food for the Poor SVDP.

Stewardship Reflection

"You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel." - Ezekiel 33:7

Many of us are generous with our gifts. However, how often is our generosity at the minimum level required? We do just enough or give just enough. Remember, the Lord calls us to be generous with all the gifts He has given us, to grow them and return them with increase.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Archbishop Robert Carlson has requested that the nearly 200 parishes in 11 counties have a second collection to aid those affected by Hurricane Harvey. Funds raised will go directly to Catholic relief efforts via Catholic Charities of St. Louis. This collection will take place next weekend. Please be generous and help those suffering.

CABRINI NEWS

Our parish school, St. Frances Cabrini Academy, will have an authentic Mexican Dinner Fundraiser in honor of Mexican Independence Day this Saturday, Sept. 16th, from 5:00 to 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. For additional information and early reservation prices, see the flyers in the vestibule of the church, or contact Becky Qualls at quackybells@gmail.com.

HOLD THE DATE

The Ladies of Mary will be hosting a Pancake/Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, October 8th, starting at 9:00 am.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day
Monday: Patriot Day
Tuesday: The Most Holy Name of Mary
Wednesday: St. John Chrysostom
Thursday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Friday: Our Lady of Sorrows
Saturday: Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, 09/16/17, at 4:00 PM

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Evelyn Reichert, Charlie Reichert
To Choir & Disabled: Matt Kellner
Commentator & Lector: Barb Kellner
Server: Jim Teschner
Cantor: Dan Zdrodowski
Musician: Ryan Jones

SUNDAY, 09/17/17, at 9:00 AM

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Karen Holthaus, Adela Peugnet
To Choir & Disabled: Anthony Nguyen
Commentator & Lector: Jody James
Server: Anthony Nguyen
Cantor: Lisa Holland
Musician: John Harper

TAILGATE SALE

Our Men's Club is hosting a Tailgate Sale on Saturday, September 30th, from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. To reserve a space @ \$17.00 each, (\$20.00 each after September 27th), contact Tim Moore at 814-0486, or the parish office at 865-1020. Flyers are available in the vestibule of the church. Please help us promote this fundraiser.

UPCOMING MEETING

The Ladies of Mary meet this Monday, September 11th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

FALL FESTIVAL

Please mark your calendars! Our Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, November 4th. We will need new items for the Toy Booth, Christmas Booth and Cherry Tree Booth, and home-made / hand-made goods for our Country Store. We will also need items for our Auctions. It's not too early to shop. Your donated items will help make our festival a wonderful success. Not able to shop? Perhaps you would consider a monetary donation to be used to purchase needed items. Thank you very much!

FATHER ALOYSIUS IRAWAN, M.S.F.

Father Aloysius Irawan, M.S.F. (Fr. Al) has been appointed to serve as Parochial Vicar (Associate Pastor) of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in Seguin, Texas. The appointment is effective September 14, 2017. Please join us following Mass this Sunday for a reception in the Parish Center as we say good-bye to Father Al and wish him God's blessings on his new appointment. All are welcome!