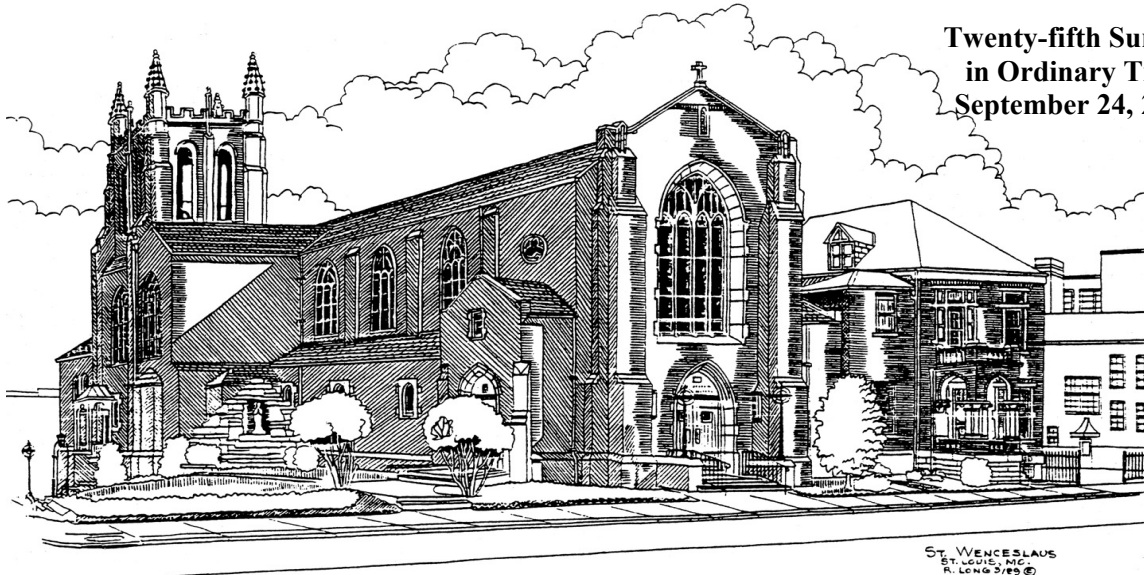


# ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

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



**Twenty-fifth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
September 24, 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  
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-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Turn to the Lord for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving. - Isaiah 55:7b

### THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

#### Saturday, September 23rd

7:45 AM + Mildred Nowiki  
4:00 PM Mike Mattammal

#### Sunday, September 24th

9:00 AM + Betty Blankmann

#### Monday, September 25th

7:45 AM + Marie Kubik

#### Tuesday, September 26th

7:45 AM Special Intention

#### Wednesday, September 27th

7:45 AM + Leonard Sanneman

#### Thursday, September 28th

7:45 AM Missionaries of the Holy Family

#### Friday, September 29th

7:45 AM Bonnie Martin

#### Saturday, September 30th

7:45 AM + Walter Schaefer  
4:00 PM Bill Zib

### 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, Ana Clara Lightle, 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, Kay Peters, Rosemary Pichler, Carol Plassmeyer, Rosemary Rivituso, Bob Roelke, Makena Roelke, Marvin Rothweil, Clem Ruemker, Tek Schaefer, Ruth Schneider, Ariane Sery, 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

### FORGIVE OTHERS

There are many kinds of alms, the giving of which helps us obtain pardon for our sins; but none is greater than that by which we forgive from our heart a sin that someone has committed against us. - St. Augustine

### WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

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

### Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we realize we are not only responsible for our lives, but for the lives of others.

### CALL UPON THE LORD

The very first line of today's first reading summons us to seek the Lord and to call upon God. This sentiment is echoed in the refrain for today's responsorial psalm: "The Lord is near to all who call upon him" (Psalm 145:18a). Saint Paul is the embodiment of someone who constantly sought the Lord. In the excerpt we read today from his letter to the Philippians, we find Saint Paul toward the end of his life, a life he describes as completely consonant with Christ. He writes, "For to me life is Christ" (Philippians 1:21). To find out what it means to live life completely in accord with Christ we need look no further than today's Gospel. There we find that God's love and mercy are immeasurable for all those who seek and call upon the Lord.

### PARISH MISSION

As Christians we are disciples of Jesus and apostles of the gospel. Yet our daily lives are so full that we sometimes forget "who we are and whose we are." A parish mission is a time of listening to God's word, remembering what Christ has done and re-energizing our true selves. **October 1st through October 4th**, we will have **An Old Fashion Parish Mission**, a renewal program conducted by Father George Knab, O.M.I. Be sure to see the insert in this week's bulletin for a complete schedule and additional information. We hope everyone will participate in this renewal program.

### TAILGATE SALE

Our Men's Club is hosting a Tailgate Sale this **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.

### FEAST OF ST. WENCESLAUS

This Thursday, Sept. 28th, is the Feast of St. Wenceslaus and also the feast of the Missionaries of the Holy Family who were founded on the same day and in the same year, 1895.

May St. Wenceslaus accompany you on your journey to the Eternal Kingdom; and may the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph bless all your families and endeavors!

SEPTEMBER 24th, 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

So the last will be first and the first last - Matthew 20:16

You've heard the saying "it's not where you start, but how you finish." This certainly applies to this Bible passage. We have a responsibility not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well.

DEACON COLLECTION

Next weekend, September 30th & October 1st, we will have a special collection for the Formation of Permanent Deacons. There are currently 73 men discerning the call to be a Deacon.

Thank you -- Deacon George

PANCAKE/SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

The Ladies of Mary will be hosting a Pancake/Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, October 8th, starting at 9:00 am in the Parish Hall. A bake sale will also take place, so you can buy some wonderful baked goods to take home.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday: Ss. Cosmas and Damian
Wednesday: St. Vincent de Paul
Thursday: St. Wenceslaus; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions
Friday: Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels; Yom Kippur (Jewish day of atonement) begins at sunset
Saturday: St. Jerome

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

\*\*\*\*\* SATURDAY, 09/30/17, at 4:00 PM \*\*\*\*\*

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Rich Fogelbach, Jim Teschner
To Choir & Disabled: Matt Kellner
Commentator & Lector: Maury Prater
Server: Matt Kellner
Cantor: Mary Pichler
Musician: Ryan Jones

\*\*\*\*\* SUNDAY, 10/01/17, at 9:00 AM \*\*\*\*\*

- Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Kathy Blosser, Mike Blosser
To Choir & Disabled: Karen Holthaus
Commentator & Lector: Adela Peugnet
Server: Tina Nguyen
Cantors: Stephanie Blosser & Andrea Harper
Musician: John Harper

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

This Sunday, September 24th, our parish will observe Stewardship Awareness Sunday. This year's theme - "Grateful and Generous" - means giving back to God for all He has given us - it is truly right and just.

Please welcome Jody James, this year's Stewardship Lay Witness Speaker who will speak at both Masses.

Brochures, along with Giving Guides, and Prayer Cards are available in the vestibule of the church.

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.

FALL FESTIVAL MEETING

Our next Fall Festival Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 5th, at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center. All chairpersons, please be sure to attend this important meeting.