

ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

Served by the Missionaries of the Holy Family Since 1960



Twenty-second Sunday in
Ordinary Time
September 3, 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

SEND BULLETIN INFORMATION TO: stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect. - Romans 12:2

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 2nd

7:45 AM Holy Family Circle & Friends
Prayer Association

4:00 PM + Mary Jane Kubik

Sunday, September 3rd

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Monday, September 4th

7:45 AM + Walter Schaefer

Tuesday, September 5th

7:45 AM Marty & Pam Keeven & Family

Wednesday, September 6th

7:45 AM + Leona Cooper

Thursday, September 7th

7:45 AM + Lawrence Hogan

Friday, September 8th

7:45 AM + Michael Mattammal

Saturday, September 9th

7:45 AM + Gerry Harrington

4:00 PM + Lester & + Theresa Rothweil

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

LABOR DAY

In observance of Labor Day, the parish office will be closed this Monday, September 4th. We hope you will be able to enjoy the holiday!

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

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

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That each of us may have the strength and courage to put Jesus first, above worldly ways and material gains.

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FOLLOWING CHRIST

If you've ever had an unpleasant but somewhat amusing practical joke played on you, then you have some understanding of how Jeremiah feels today when he tells God "good one, you duped me." We can almost see him shaking his head with a bit of a rueful smile, but an angry undertone in his voice. In similar fashion, Peter thinks Jesus is "duping" him when Jesus starts to explain that being Messiah means suffering and dying, and being a follower of the Messiah means taking up a cross and doing the same. Jeremiah tries to deny God's will for him by trying to shut up; Peter, who has just been made the foundation of the church, out and out denies the teaching of Jesus, for which he is named "Satan" today. Fortunately for us, Jeremiah comes to realize that to have the word of God placed in your heart means that it will be futile to try and keep silent, even if it means scorn and derision from those around you. Luckily, Peter ultimately returned to the faith he professed in last week's Gospel, and came to understand our need as baptized followers of Christ to follow in his way, even when it means following him to our very death.

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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. He will join Fr. David, Fr. Peter, and Brother Rolland. The appointment is effective September 14, 2017.

Fr. Aloysius came to us from his home country of Indonesia on September 7, 2016. He was assigned here at St. Wenceslaus to continue his study of English and to gain some initial experience of ministry in the United States. He is now prepared to move on to serve in another parish in another part of the country.

Fr. Aloysius has made a deep impact upon our Parish Family and has touched the hearts and souls of many. He is a good priest, a faithful Missionary of the Holy Family, a hard worker and a delightful person.

Our prayers and love accompany you, Father Aloysius.

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We will have a reception for Fr. Al in the Parish Center next Sunday, following the 9:00 am Mass. Everyone is welcome!

SEPTEMBER 3rd, 2017

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collection	\$ 1,674.67
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 3,035.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 1,869.03
(Fiscal Year is July 2017 thru June 2018)	
Parish Appeal 2017	\$ 213.00
Maintenance	\$ 28.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 00.00

Stewardship Reflection

"What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" - Matthew 16:26

St. Francis of Assisi once said, "Remember, you are what you are in the eyes of God, and nothing else." We often forget this stewardship wisdom when we spend all of our time, talent and treasure to gain more of the world's riches. We need to set our priorities based on God's values and not the values of the material world.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend is the National Collection for **The Catholic University of America**. Nearly one third of U.S. bishops are alumni, along with more than 12,400 living priests and religious from around the world. The university provides an education based in Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students each year. More than 4,000 students will receive scholarship aid, including many from our own diocese. Envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church. Please be generous to this collection.

CABRINI NEWS

Our parish school, St. Frances Cabrini Academy, will have an authentic Mexican Dinner Fundraiser in honor of Mexican Independence Day on **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-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Labor Day
Friday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday: St. Peter Claver

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

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

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Rich Fogelbach
Jim Teschner
To Choir & Disabled: Charlie Reichert
Commentator & Lector: Weldon Tieken
Server: Alina Mendoza
Cantor: Mary Pichler
Musician: Ryan Jones

***** SUNDAY, 09/10/17, at 9:00 AM *****

Greeters/Extraordinary Ministers: Sandy Moore
Tim Moore
To Choir & Disabled: Jan Harper
Commentator & Lector: Mike Ackermann
Server: Teresa Aguayo
Cantors: Stephanie Blosser & Andrea Harper
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.

2ND ANNUAL DINNER AT CRUSOE'S

Join your parish family and St. Mary's High School Alumni for dinner at Crusoe's on **Saturday Sept. 16th**, following the 4:00 pm Mass. If interested, make your reservation before Sept. 6th by contacting Chris Bardo at 606-2987, or Matt Kellner at 638-7941.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The **Men's Club** will meet this Tuesday, September 5th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

The **Ladies of Mary** will meet Monday, September 11th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. (Please note the change of date for September, due to the Labor Day Holiday.)

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!