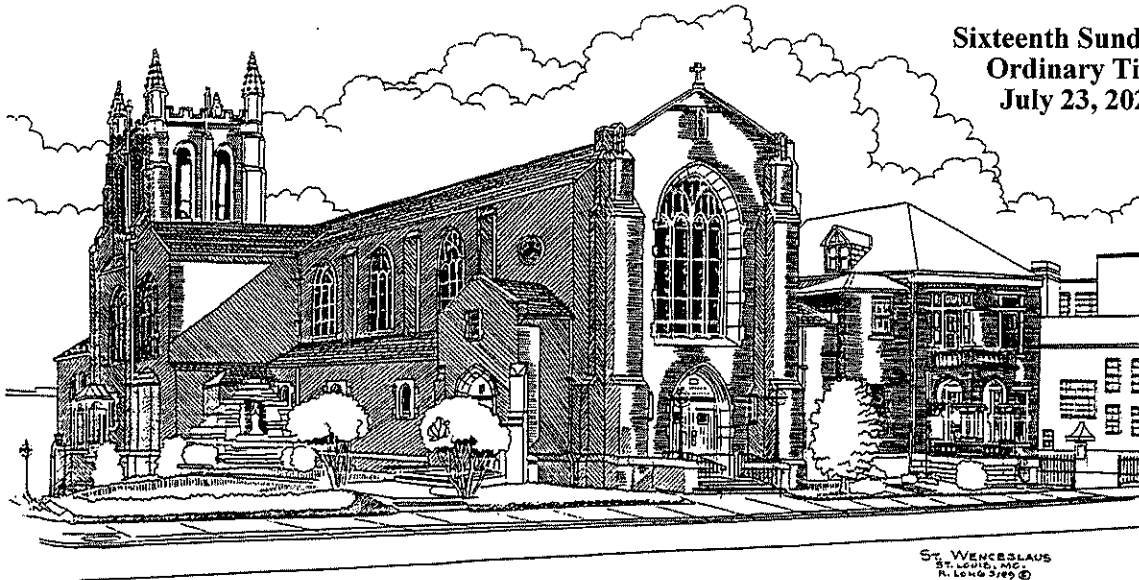


ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

3014 Oregon Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118

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**Sixteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
July 23, 2023**

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. Philip Sosa, M.S.F., Parish Administrator
Rev. Andre Bemora, M.S.F.
Rev. Josselin Mampiandra, M.S.F.
Mr. Paul Jolly, Business Manager
Mr. Bob Bollinger, Parish Maintenance

MASSES FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Saturday 4:00 PM, Sunday 10:00 AM
Sunday 12:00 PM (Spanish)

MASSES FOR WEEKDAYS

Monday thru Saturday, 7:45 AM in the Church

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.

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

Deacon George Watson (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

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

MSF WEB SITE ADDRESS:

www.msf-america.org

SEND BULLETIN INFORMATION TO:

stwencebulletin@sbcglobal.net

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart. - Psalm 90:12

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 22nd

7:45 AM Mandy Donovan

4:00 PM + Chris Paton

Sunday, July 23rd

10:00 AM + Harry Fabick

Monday, July 24th

7:45 AM + Linda Bohnenkamp

Tuesday, July 25th

7:45 AM + Nancy G'Sell

Wednesday, July 26th

7:45 AM Special Intention

Thursday, July 27th

7:45 AM + Frank Brettle

Friday, July 28th

7:45 AM + Sarah Devlin

Saturday, July 29th

7:45 AM + Rose Roelke

4:00 PM + Ray Rancilio

WELCOME TO ST. WENCESLAUS PARISH

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

Stewardship Prayer of the Faithful

That we may allow stewardship to blossom in our hearts and joyfully share our gifts.

THE CENTER OF A MEANINGFUL LIFE

Today's readings invite us to reflect upon some of life's deepest questions, and to explore the meaning of faith. We hear of the universal human search of meaning in our lives in the book of Ecclesiastes. In Luke, we hear Jesus' parable about one who foolishly seeks ultimate security through the accumulation of wealth. In Colossians, faith in the crucified and resurrected Christ is proclaimed as the path to a richly purposeful and meaningful life. The path of Christian faith places our work, our sufferings, and our limitations within the larger picture of God's purposes for all of us. In Jesus, God is revealed as our companion in human suffering and limitation. God's love is at the center of a meaningful life. We place our trust in this loving God, who created us to share in this love, and to share this love with others.

COVENANT NETWORK

Summer is in full bloom! As we enjoy the blossoms in summertime, may we reflect on the garden of our faith with its many blessings. Cultivating a beautiful garden takes some time and effort. Likewise, tending to the garden as our faith will be enriched by tuning in often to Covenant Network Catholic radio. Our programming, which includes daily Holy Mass, the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and much more, will help nourish the garden of your faith. Listen to WRYT 1080 AM or on the Covenant Network app or anytime at OurCatholicRadio.org. Thank you and God bless you!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Chris & Harry Bardo, Kathy Becker, Fr. Jim Beegan, Mary Margaret Czaplá, Margie Sosa Delgado, Judy Fabick, Don Fielder, Rosa Flores, Donna Frank, Kathy & Kevin Harrington, Dennis & Lisa Holland, Beverly Hutchinson, Margaret Kalbac, Milton Kempen, Patrick Kennedy, Bonnie Martin, Mary Moran, Carmelita Pelch, Jim & Nancy Pender, Debbie Rappe, Mary Ray, Frank Reichert, Marvin Rothweil, Merion Rothweil, Marge Rybacki, Teresita Sanchez, Tek Schaefer, Don Schuler, Marsha Williams, Mary Zdrodowski

SUMMER READING

The online version of the summer issue of *The Messenger* magazine from the Missionaries of the Holy Family is now available, www.msf-america.org/about-us/messenger-magazine. Free printed copies are also available from your parish office. Be sure to check out the many family life articles, including *Made in Madagascar*, *An Apple for Sister*, *+Father Simon's Lifetime of Service*, *Wisdom from the Bald Guy*, *Pilgrimage to La Salette*, and many more! Free extra copies for your family and friends are also available from the provincial office in St. Louis, 1-888-484-9945, or mprater@msf-america.org. Happy Reading! +JM+

2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Our Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) has recorded pledges to date of **\$6,700.00**. Thank you to those who have already donated. If you are new to the parish, or have not donated before, we would welcome your pledge. Let's work together to make our Challenge Goal of \$12,052.00 a reality. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge soon. Your continued prayers for the success of the ACA are greatly appreciated.

July 23rd, 2023

GIFTS TO GOD & OUR PARISH

Last Week's Collections	\$ 2,407.00
Weekly Collection Goal	\$ 2,700.00
Average Collection Fiscal Year	\$ 2,835.74
(Fiscal Year is July 2023 thru June 2024)	

Parish Appeal 2023	\$ 105.00
Maintenance	\$ 51.00
Food for the Poor SVDP	\$ 62.00

Stewardship Reflection

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom."

- Matthew 13:24, 37-38

As children of God, we are all "good seeds". We are blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God's plan when we spend time in prayer every day, use our skills to help others and share our financial gifts to help build God's kingdom on earth. Through our example of gratitude and generosity we sow "good seeds" on earth and ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

MEN'S CLUB 50/50 RAFFLE

Our St. Wenceslaus Men's Club is having a 50/50 Raffle. If you're interested in purchasing tickets, see any of our men's club members, or you can contact Charlie Reichert at 314-752-9302. Tickets are also available in the vestibule of the church. The drawing will be held at the September 5th meeting. Thank you for your support.

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

In the Year of Parish Eucharistic Revival, we will have the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the first Sunday of each month. The church will stay open until 2:00 pm. Please plan to attend this blessed time.

GOD OF WISDOM

God of Wisdom, we ask you to guide the leaders in healthcare and governance; that they may make the right decisions for the wellbeing of people.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Sharbel Makhlof
Tuesday:	St. James
Wednesday:	Ss. Joachim and Anne
Saturday:	Ss. Martha, Mary and Lazarus

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

***** SATURDAY, 07/29/23, at 4:00 PM *****

Commentator & Lector:	Jim Teschner
Cantors:	Mary Bardo Sharon Farrell
Musician:	Barb Kellner

***** SUNDAY, 07/30/23, at 10:00 AM *****

Commentator & Lector:	Dennis Holland
Cantor:	Lisa Holland
Musician:	John Harper

***** SUNDAY, 07/30/23, at 12:00 PM *****

Commentators & Lectors:	Nanci Bernal Fran Hernandez
Cantors:	Spanish Choir
Musician:	Ivan Aceves

PUBLIC MASSES

You are still encouraged to consider wearing a mask while in church. We also ask that everyone continue practicing social distancing whenever possible. This is deemed necessary to provide for the safest possible environment while in church.

All other changes and measures at parishes will continue to be determined by the parish pastor.

PASS ON THE GOOD NEWS!

What good news? The Good News of Jesus and our Catholic Faith. This fall, children throughout the South City, First Grade (Pre Sacramental Prep) through Confirmation will sign-up to learn more about Jesus and the Catholic Faith. You can help them grow by becoming a catechist, or substitute catechist. South City PSR meets Monday evening from September through May on the campus of St. John the Baptist. As you nurture the faith of our young, you will learn and grow as well. One long-time catechist commented: "I learn so much from the children" and another, "I get more out of it than I put in." Training, materials and support will be provided. For more information, contact Deacon George Watson at stl.scdpsr@gmail.com or 314-773-3070.

JULY PASS-THE-CASH

\$50 WINNER: Mike Paur

\$25 WINNERS: Anthony Patzius, Louis Rybacki
Fran Macek, Don Fielder

Congratulations to all our winners! Thank you for your support of St. Wenceslaus Parish.

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church office with any questions. Thank you!

Welcome to St. Wenceslaus. If you are new,
please let us know you were here. Whether you are
new, a regular visitor, or a member, please let us
know if you are interested in any of the following:

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- ☐ Music ministry
- ☐ Men's Club
- ☐ Ladies of Mary (Women's Club)
- ☐ Electronic giving
- ☐ Other

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