

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time | October 3, 2021

The Voice of Saint Wenceslaus

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English Translation: The Parish of St. Wenceslaus Welcomes You to This Holy Mass



Mission Statement

We, the community of Saint Wenceslaus, inspired by the call to follow Christ, share in the mission of the Church through prayer, worship and continuing faith formation together and individually. We strive to further the call of Jesus to be of service to others through being a caring community, reaching out locally and globally to those in need.

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- If you said a prayer for St. Wenceslaus Parish . . .
- If you made a donation, bought a raffle ticket, or played a game of Bingo . . .
- If you toured the church, enjoyed the music, or visited the Kid Zone . . .
- If you helped **MAKE** the goulash and kolaches . . .
- If you **ATE** some goulash and kolaches . . .
- If you gave an hour of your time to volunteer . . .

We want to thank you for being part of our special day!

The Goulash Day Team

ONLINE GIVING



St. Wenceslaus parishioners can now contribute money to the parish electronically! Just click on the "Online Giving" link at swcr.church.



MASSES AT ST. WENCESLAUS — There is now a Mass celebrated on Sundays at 8:00 a.m. and a Mass celebrated on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. Both Masses are in the Extraordinary Form (Latin). Other Mass times remain the same.

MEN'S DINNER

ANNUAL MEN'S DINNER Mark your calendars for the 10th Annual Men's Dinner at Immaculate Con-

ception Scotus Hall on **Saturday, October 30, 2021 @ 6:30 p.m.** Our event includes dinner, dessert, fellowship, prayer, and a talk from Father Conway. Contact Tom Coppa for more information, to volunteer, or to RSVP. **Email:** tcoppa@gmail.com or **Text:** 319-654-5280.



Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) Court Cedar Rapids #1768 will meet Tuesday, Oct. 12, 6:30 p.m. at St. Wenceslaus Church, doors open at 6 p.m. with refresh-

ments. Catholic Daughter Roberta Peters will speak about White Ribbons Against Pornography (WRAP), and all members are asked to invite a friend to the meeting. Visitors are always welcome.

Catholic Daughters across the nation will celebrate Catholic Daughters Sunday on **October 17**. Members of the Cedar Rapids Court will celebrate by attending the 10:30 a.m. Mass at All Saints Church, and after Mass, will hold a Court Recognition Ceremony. CDA engages in creative and spiritual programs which provide its members with opportunities to develop their special God-given talents. All Catholic women are welcome to come as guests to any of our meetings. Contacts are: Erika 238-1798 and Linda 480-4983.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED

Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Ushers, and Lectors for the 4 p.m. Saturday and 10:30 a.m. Sunday Masses are needed. Please call the office if you'd like to volunteer.

Stewardship – God Calls Us to Service

Please contact the parish office if you can help with any of these ministries:

- Eucharistic Ministers to the Homebound
- Altar Servers & Ushers – 4 p.m. Saturday Mass
- Provide funeral luncheon salads/desserts
- Offertory Counters
- Deliver monthly food collection
- Choir

PARISH STAFF

PASTOR: Rev. Dennis Conway

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MARRIAGES: Arrange with the pastor and parish office 6 months prior to planned date.

BAPTISMS: Participation in the Baptismal Program is required. Contact the parish office.

SACRAMENTS FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND: Contact the parish office whenever you know of sick/homebound parishioners.

PARISH NURSES: Connie Arens at 319-431-7737, Elaine Boes at 319-848-6052, or Susan Teahen at 319-431-8493.



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Public Square Rosary Rally — All parishioners are invited to join in a Public Square Rosary Rally on Saturday, **October 16, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.** at 3rd Ave on Mays Island, Cedar Rapids. This Public Square Rosary, sponsored by **America Needs Fatima**, will be one of over 20,000 rallies on that day. Please join us in offering reparation for the sins and offenses committed against the **Immaculate Heart of Mary**, and to fervently pray for the conversion of the United States. Call Dan Martinek at 319-270-0003 for more information.

The Cedar Rapids LIFE CHAIN is **Sunday, October 3** from 2:00-3:30 p.m. along First Avenue SW. Join this public witness of prayer and repentance, united in solidarity against abortion, while boldly standing in the hope of Christ. Register today with Sue Martinek at 319-270-0054 or susjmar@aol.com. The Coalition for Life of Iowa is looking for people to commit to pray in front of Planned Parenthood for **40 Days for Life** campaign. Sign up for an hour any day or night! Join us in prayer and fasting for an end to abortion in front of Planned Parenthood from September 22 to October 31. **Web:** <https://40daysforlife.com/cedar-rapids>; **Phone:** 319-721-9730; **Email:** coalitionforlife@gmail.com.



Xavier Impact Fund (XIF)

kicks off this weekend **(October 2-3)** at St. Wenceslaus parish! Our Catholic community is stronger together, and your gift will help with family financial assistance, build the teacher endowment, and advance our faith/academics at XHS. Every dollar raised above the combined St. Wenceslaus/Immaculate Conception goal of \$27,000 this year will again go directly back to both parishes to be used for the greatest need! All personalized cards were mailed to your home this year. Drop your gift securely with a volunteer on your way out of Mass **October 2-3** and **October 9-10** (blank forms available in pews). Visit www.xaviersaints.org/Impact to make a credit card gift, or mail your support to Xavier Foundation, PO Box 10956, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, 52410. Thank you for your prayers and support!

St. Wenceslaus Mass & Confession Schedule

Masses: Saturday @ 4:00 p.m. (English)

Sunday @ 8:00 a.m. (Latin) & 10:30 a.m. (English)

Monday @ 6:30 p.m. (Latin) & Wednesday @ 5:30 p.m. (Latin)

Confessions: 3:00-3:45 p.m. on Saturday / 7:00-7:45 a.m. and 9:45-10:15 a.m. on Sunday

Half an hour before Monday & Wednesday evening Masses

PRAYER CHAIN — If you would like to add a prayer intention to our prayer chain, please send an email to icswprayer@gmail.com.

LIVE-STREAMING MASSES—Live-streamed Sunday Masses from Immaculate Conception can be found at [YouTube.com/c/immaculateconceptioncatholicchurch](https://www.youtube.com/c/immaculateconceptioncatholicchurch).

FORMED — The best Catholic content. With FORMED, you'll find video programs on a variety of topics. Visit www.formed.org, sign up as a parishioner, enter 52403 as the zip code for IC, and then select Immaculate Conception Parish/Cedar Rapids.

Please pray for these members of our parish community: Bernita Beltz, Lavaun Stramel, Betty Fay, Dave Phillips, Richard Larson, Ryan Jansa, Anita Panosh, Michael Talton, Deb Pesek, Evelyn Ehrenberger, George Richards, Darren Tichy, Pat Mooney, Michael Severt, Kayla Panos, Margaret Cejka, Dave Martin, Catherine Crotts, Tom Fleming, Francis Schmaltz, Carmen Miller, Mary McEniry, Hazel Walton, Barb Ashbacher, Theresa Ruzicka, Jan Kazimour, Marie Miller, Bette Spencer Miller, Hope Forristall, Diane Stastny, Barb Ruzicka, William & Rosemary Jacobson, Jolene Birkicht, Jean Petrzelka, Carol Ellis, Rita Cejka, Thomas Trcka, Sonny Hartl, Doris Snyder, Dan Vchytal, John Pope, Joe Zachar, LeRoy Harris.

Financial Report

September 25-26, 2021

This financial report combines the IC & SW collections.

Budget Envelopes & Online Giving	\$8,642.00
Offertory	\$1,115.16
Parish Maintenance/Improvement	\$290.00
Total Income for the Week	\$9,947.16
Missions	\$2,449.00
Total Needed (Each Week)	\$21,199.76



Calling All Knitters & Crocheters — Join us the third Thursday of every month at 1:00 p.m. in Scotus Hall. We make shawls and lap blankets for the homebound and hospital and hospice patients. Call Jean Bean at 319-228-8865 for more information. New members are welcome!

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER — Consider attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience. Upcoming dates and locations are **October 22 - 24** in Coralville, IA and **November 19-21** in Holstein, IA. Register at lowa-wwme.org or call 563-608-3305 with any questions.



A Call to Pray for Our Country — Please join the Catholic Daughters Cedar Rapids Court in an hour of prayer every Wednesday at St. Wenceslaus Church, starting at 3:00 p.m. with the Divine Mercy Chaplet, followed by private prayer for our country and all its challenges.



HOSPITAL VISITS — If you or someone in your family is admitted to one of the hospitals, please tell them you are Catholic AND a parishioner of St. Wenceslaus parish.

LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS AVAILABLE — We have low-gluten hosts available for those who need one. Please check in with the priest or sacristan before Mass to request a low-gluten host.



KMMK 88.7 FM Talk Radio for Catholic Living is available in Cedar Rapids and surrounding areas. Turn your dial to 88.7 FM and support Catholic radio.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP — The Men's Prayer Group meets on Tuesday mornings at 6:00 a.m. at I.C. All are welcome.

NEED MONEY COUNTERS — St. Wenceslaus is looking for more volunteers to help serve as money counters. Training will be provided, and we will set up a rotation of counters. Please contact Carmen Kelley at dbq027bm@dbqarch.org or (319) 362-7181 if you are interested.

OCTOBER COLLECTIONS

Area Needs — Birthright

Food Needs — Metro Catholic Outreach

PRAY FOR LIFE SATURDAYS — Join all Cedar Rapids parishes in defending God's greatest gift of human life. Pray for the conversion of hearts every Saturday outside the Planned Parenthood Clinic from 10-11 a.m. under the protection of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Victory for Our Lady. Victory for Life. Thanks for your support! Contact Natalie at (563) 663-7558 with questions.

Mass Intentions — If you would like to have a Mass offered for your loved ones, please fill out a Mass Intention card found on the table in the back of church or call the parish office.



CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS (CCM)

at I.C. invites all women to join us as we pray for our children, (birth and spiritual children), grandchildren, husbands, families, & our parish on the 3rd Saturday of each month after the 8:30 a.m. Mass in the church. Contact Lisa Gallet at 721- 9168 or Dixie Diaz at 787-403-7969.

MASS OPTIONS: In addition to the daily live-stream Masses posted on the I.C. YouTube channel, Mass is also offered on Sundays from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. on the following cable channels: Cedar Rapids Cable on Channel 3; Direct TV on Channel 8; DISH on Channel 20; ImOn on Channel 10 (CW/7.2); KWWL on Channel 7.2; Media Com on Channel 107; Southslope on Channel 5.

Mass is offered on EWTN (Eternal Word Television Network) on Sunday at 7 a.m. & 11 a.m. and from Monday through Saturday at 7:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., & 6:00 p.m.

VOICE OF THE SAINTS

"He who works with his hands is a laborer. He who works with his hands and his head is a craftsman. He who works with his hands and his head and his heart is an artist."

St. Francis of Assisi

(1181-1226)

Feast Day: October 4

MASS INTENTIONS:

OCTOBER 2: CONRAD & SCOTT SVOBODA †

OCTOBER 3 / 8 AM: PATTY SULLIVAN †

OCTOBER 3 / 10:30 AM: ROXANNE & TAYAH ELLIS
MEASE †

OCTOBER 4: JIM MILLER †

OCTOBER 6: EVELYN NESTER †

SANCTUARY LIGHT: JIM MILLER †

Extraordinary Form of the Mass Propers October 10 (Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost)

- Introit: Daniel 3:31, 29, 35
- Epistle: Ephesians 5:15-21
- Gradual: Psalm 144:15, 16
- Gospel: John 4:46-53
- Offertory: Psalm 136:1
- Communion: Psalm 118:49-50

LETTER FROM OUR PRIESTS

Friends,

Over the next eight days I will be gone on retreat, and I always have to laugh because I know when I come back, I'll get questions like "how was your vacation, Father?" I know this because it's happened at every previous assignment. And while five to eight days in silence, with time to pray and be with the Lord, away from work, sounds very relaxing, the goal of a retreat is different than vacation.

The Church expects priests to take a retreat yearly and it is meant to give him a chance to reconnect with the Lord, to clear away the "fog" that can set in from being busy, and to process how to better respond to God's will in His life. While a vacation might give us a chance to have fun and clear away the "fog," it doesn't necessarily guarantee that time with the Lord. In fact, retreats can be exhausting and intense in their own way, as sometimes engaging our interior life can be challenging or frightening as we wait for the Lord to speak.

Nonetheless, the Lord is good and retreats often refresh us through a renewed closeness with Him. And it isn't just priests who need or benefit from retreats! Not all of us have the opportunity to take a retreat (though there are more and more opportunities for laity to go on good retreats!), but all of us can apply the principle of setting aside time to intentionally focus on hearing the Lord's voice. Perhaps it is in the form of a technology free day in the week, or having a time at night where technology and contact with others is set aside, or perhaps it is something else, but making that intentional time with Jesus can only benefit us in our discipleship with Him!

Please be assured that you are in my prayers as I'm on retreat, and I ask for your prayers also!

In Christ through Mary,
Fr. Aaron

Ministers Schedule

OCTOBER 9		OCTOBER 10
VOLUNTEER	Lector	VOLUNTEER
VOLUNTEER	Server	VOLUNTEER
VOLUNTEER	Server	VOLUNTEER
VOLUNTEER	EM	VOLUNTEER
PRIEST	EM	PRIEST
VOLUNTEER	Usher	VOLUNTEER
VOLUNTEER	Usher	VOLUNTEER
VOLUNTEER	Usher	VOLUNTEER
M Harman	Sacristan	P Jansa

Counters: Piersall

Readings for the Week of October 3, 2021

Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mt 10:2-16 (140)
Monday: Jon 1:1—2:1-2, 11; Lk 10:25-37 (461)
Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Lk 10:38-42 (462)
Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Lk 11:1-4 (463)
Thursday: Acts 1:12-14; Lk 1:26-38 (653)
Friday: Jl 1:13-15, 2:1-2; Lk 11:15-26 (465)
Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Lk 11:27-28 (466)
Sunday: Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mt 10:17-30 (143)

BIRTHRIGHT — Birthright offers free pregnancy tests, maternity clothing vouchers, newborn baby blankets, referrals, and more. Birthright is here to help! Call 393-3251; 24-hour help line — 1-800-550-4900.

FAMILY COUNSELING — Family counseling at Immaculate Conception with Fr. Lloyd (Sam) Cunningham of Divine Word is currently not being offered. It will resume in August 2021.

The Horizons Meals on Wheels Program is in need of volunteers to deliver hot lunches in the Cedar Rapids metro area. If interested, please contact MarJoan at 319-398-3574 or 319-551-4345 or email mrhodes@horizonsfamily.org.

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