

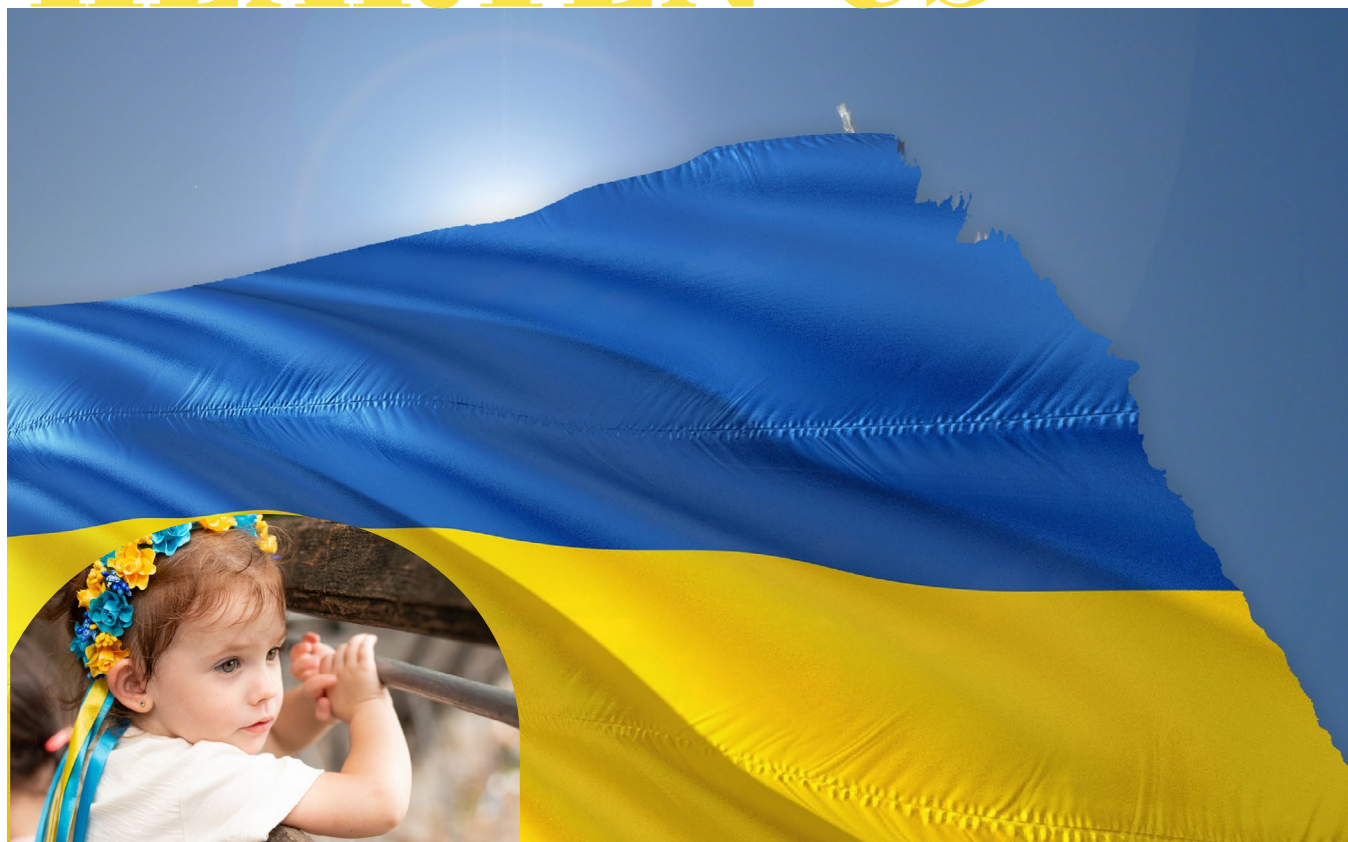
# Most Holy Trinity, St. Nicholas, and Sts. Teresa and Bridget

TWENTYSEVENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME | OCTOBER 8, 2023

*Restore us, O Holy One;  
let your face shine upon us, teach us to love!*

*Psalm 80:19-20*

## HEARTEN US



Evening  
mourning

February  
24, 2022  
invasion of  
Ukraine

**LOVE PRESENCE**  
healing **now**

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## WE ARE STEWARDS OF GOD'S KINGDOM

Isaiah and Jesus speak to us this week of the vineyard, God's kingdom. For three weeks God's vineyard, learning to be responsive stewards of the vineyard, of God's creation has called our attention. We realize, then remember that we do not own the vineyard; it belongs to God. The vineyard is where we live our discipleship. Our true home is in Christ; it is in Christ that we "live and move and have our being (Acts 17:28)." Our whole life is a deepening of love in Christ, a return journey, a pilgrimage into the very heart of God.

This pilgrimage invites us to consider, "How will we live our thanks for all the good God has done for all (Psalm 116)." Our life is a journey into the very heart of God. We live our thanks by sharing our gifts which God has given us, in serving the poor and by working with our brothers and sisters to reveal the Kingdom of God in our midst. This is the essence of stewardship: grounding ourselves in God and working in the Vineyard.

We pray to know God's call, to deepen our love for Christ and the Church. Next Sunday we will gather for our Festival of Ministries. It will begin with our Unity Mass, offered at 10:00 am in Sts. Teresa and Bridget Church, followed by an opportunity to visit with parishioners who are leading our ministries, with the hope all are called to continue and/or join one or more ministries. There will be food and fellowship. The whole Festival of Ministries has been prepared by our joint Stewardship Committee; please pray in gratitude for all the work they have done, and for the fruit which will be born of the festival for the life of our new parish. God blesses us.

St. Nicholas, St. Teresa of Avila, St. Bridget of Erin, you are with us; may the Triune God be glorified in us.

– Father Mitch

**COLLECTION:** 10/1/23 - \$6,065.57      THANK YOU.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**November 15:** PBS Presentation: The Black Church: This is our story.

**November 18:** A Thanksgiving Gathering



## MASS SCHEDULE

**Noon Mass:** Monday-Friday, St. Nicholas

### Sunday, October 15

**10:00 Mass at Sts. Teresa and Bridget**

*First reading:* Dee White

*Second reading:* Mike Freymuth

*Eucharistic Minister:* Toni Elston

### Sunday, October 22

**9:00 St. Nicholas**

*First Reading:* Kalila Jackson

*Second Reading:* Kelli Willis

*Eucharistic Ministers:* Don and Darlene Elston

**11:00 Most Holy Trinity**

*First Reading:* Alice O'Bryant

*Second Reading:* Meg Reask

*Eucharistic Minister:* Kenneth Patterson

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**ST. CHARLES LWANGA BIBLE STUDY:** Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m., St. Nicholas Church, 701 N. 18th St., St. Louis 63103. Noon Mass precedes the session. Come join us for liturgy. Please bring a Bible, New American Edition preferred. Sessions are free. Free will offerings are welcome. For more information, please call St. Nicholas phone 314-231-2860 ex. 24

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**PSALM 80, RESTORE US, O HOLY ONE.** The war against Ukraine has brought immense human suffering and its impact is felt around the world. People everywhere urgently cry out to God in prayer for an end to the war. Amid the darkness, the light of Christ brings hope and help through his people, his Word, and his mercy shown to a war-torn region.

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**RESPECT LIFE MONTH:** Every October, we consider more deeply that every human life is valuable. Together we build a culture that protects life from conception to death. All are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable from the beginning of life to its end. There are many issues concerning respecting life: health care, the elderly, immigrants, and refugees. One issue facing Missouri is the death penalty. Recently Pope Francis made it clear that Catholics "are morally obliged to oppose the death penalty, may not promote or support executions, and may not in good conscience endorse laws that allow capital punishment." – *Fratelli Tutti 2020*. We have much work to be done in our state.

**THIS MORNING, PLEASE PLACE YOUR THREE PREFERENCES FOR THE NEW PARISH NAME IN THE COLLECTION BASKET.** Tomorrow, October 9, they will be counted and sent to the Archbishop who will make the final selection. THANK YOU.

A CELEBRATION OF

# Stewardship Season

## A LIFE OF GRATITUDE

Take time every day to recognize the gifts that God generously gives

*Cherish* and tend to these gifts responsibly  
*Share* them in justice and love  
*Return* them to God

## I WILL DO THAT!

The Festival of Ministries, Sunday, October 15, at Sts. Teresa and Bridget campus presents us with opportunities to be liturgical ministers, to commit to leadership and service in various ways. After the 10:00 Unity Mass please sign up for how you will live stewardship this year. Enjoy visiting with others, refreshments, and attendance prizes as you visit tables looking for where you will say, I will do this, and sign your name.

Were not our hearts burning within us?  
Luke 24:13-35



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BE THE SPARK THAT TRANSFORMS LIVES. GIVE NOW.



WWW.ONEFAMILYINMISSION.ORG

## WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: OCTOBER 22, 2023

World Mission Sunday celebrates the universal call of baptism to be Christ's witnesses to the world. We gather our prayers, sacrifices, and offerings to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith to support the life-giving presence of the Church in more than 1,100 mission dioceses. Your financial gift provides education for children, medical assistance for clinics, support for catechists and women religious ministering to families and children and provides seminarian training.



# MASS SCHEDULE, OCTOBER THROUGH DECEMBER

## OCTOBER 8, 22, 29

9:00am: St. Nicholas

11:00am: Most Holy Trinity

## OCTOBER 15

10:00am: Unity Mass: Sts. Teresa and Bridget

## NOVEMBER 5, 12, 26

9:00am: Sts. Teresa and Bridget

11:00am: St. Nicholas

## NOVEMBER 19

10:00am: Unity Mass – Most Holy Trinity

## FEAST DAY MASSES

**All Saints Day:** noon, St. Nicholas;

6:30 pm, Most Holy Trinity

**All Souls Day:** noon, St. Nicholas

**Thanksgiving:** 9:00am, Most Holy Trinity

## DECEMBER 3, 17

9:00am: Most Holy Trinity

11:00am: Sts. Teresa and Bridget

## DECEMBER 10

10:00am: Unity Mass at St. Nicholas

**Christmas Masses to be announced**



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**OPEN WIDE  
OUR DOORS**

Most Holy Trinity, St. Nicholas,  
Sts. Teresa & Bridget  
Catholic Churches

## ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SERVICES

### Most Holy Trinity

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Food/Utility  
Assistance

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 9:00 – noon  
4335 Warne Ave, 63107  
314-535-9794 (during operating hours)

### St. Nicholas

Food Pantry sponsored by Ascension SVDP  
Mondays (except holidays): 10 - noon  
701 N 18th St., 63103  
314.289.6101

### St. Nicholas (Off-site)

Food Pantry sponsored by Immacolata SVDP  
First and Second Tuesdays: 9:00 – 11:00  
Hot meal, snacks, fellowship; Dine in or  
carry-out  
1414 N. Taylor Ave, 63110  
314.289.6106 ext, 1171

### Sts. Teresa & Bridget

Food Pantry/Utility Assistance/Store Vouchers  
Tuesday, Thursday 9 – noon  
Bag Lunches for homeless  
Sts. Teresa & Bridget Hall  
2431 N. Grand Blvd., 63106  
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