

## Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George

In December 1923, 5 Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George came to America to serve at Fr. Dunne's Home for Newsboys in St. Louis, MO. For 2 years they lived and worked with these boys, learning English and getting a start in this new land. Their roots were deep, planted in the soil of northern Germany, in a village called Thuine, yet they willingly answered the call to come to America.

In 1925, the Sisters moved to Alton, IL to care for the elderly at Nazareth Home, which gradually developed into what is now St. Anthony's Health Center. The Community became more established and more Sisters arrived from Germany. In 1932, Cardinal John Glennon asked the Community to send Sisters to St. Louis, to the Mother of Good Counsel Home, a home for chronically-aged women which at that time was run by the National Catholic Women's Union. In 1935, the Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George assumed ownership of the Home and their care for the elderly in this Archdiocese has continued for over 85 years.



Currently the Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George serve the Archdiocese of St. Louis in the Mother of Good Counsel Home, a skilled nursing facility, where Christ's Merciful Love is made visible to all of the residents entrusted to their care. The Home offers a distinctly Catholic atmosphere, providing skilled care in context of the love of the Heart of Christ. The Sisters share their mission with their staff members, expanding the radius of the lives they touch far beyond just those of their residents.



Videos: [www.mogch.org](http://www.mogch.org)

[www.altonfranciscans.org](http://www.altonfranciscans.org)

Vocation Video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DuY25bjRXxM>

Come and See Dates: in March and October—See website for next dates.