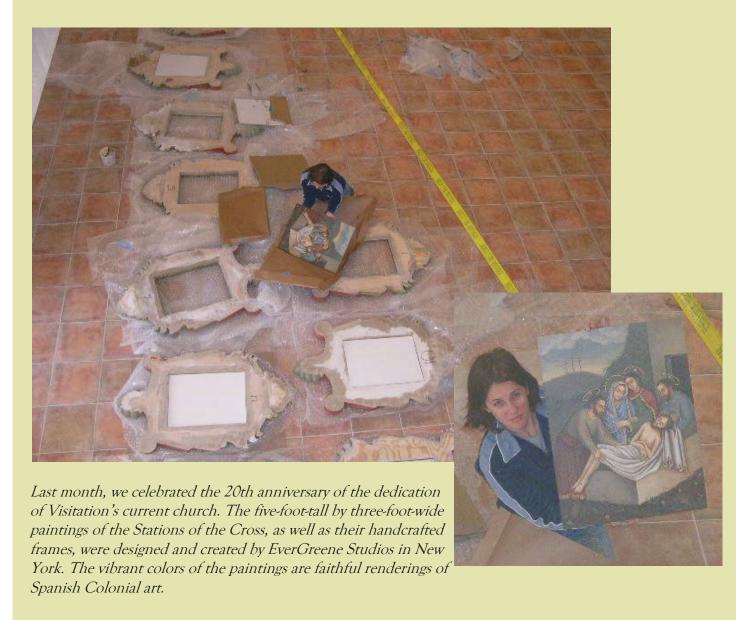
# VISITATION PARISH SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 21, 2024



Artists from EverGreene are also responsible for the free-hand decorative painting throughout our church, including the interior dome. Artist Amanda Thweatt continues to maintain the painting in our space as needed.

#### **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**



#### WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY



#### **RCIA CLASSES BEGIN SOON!**

Now is the time to schedule your initial meeting with RCIA Director, Teresa Albright at 816-753-5155 x1306 or <a href="mailto:teresa@church.visitation.org">teresa@church.visitation.org</a>.

#### Who is the RCIA process for?

- Any non-Catholic adult interested in learning more about Catholicism.
- Baptized or unbaptized Adults considering becoming Catholic.
- Adults who were baptized Catholic and wish to prepare for their First Communion and Confirmation.

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

One City Café - next on Thursday, July 25 from 4:30 pm -6:30 pm. Please reach out to Bill Staggs for details at Bill Staggs at 816-304-3264 or willstaggs48@gmail.com.

#### GIRLS VOLLEYBALL COACHES NEEDED

The Visitation Athletic Committee is currently seeking interested volunteers to coach girls volleyball, including non-parent coaches for the upper grades, for the upcoming season. The season runs from mid-August to mid-November. If you are interested in volleyball, and enjoy working with kids, please consider this very rewarding opportunity. Please contact Julie Munjak at <a href="mailto:ifmunjak@yahoo.com">ifmunjak@yahoo.com</a> or 816-492-0700 for more information.

#### THE 2024 GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

will be celebrated on August 25 at 11:00 am at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception by Bishop Johnston. Please contact Joni at 816-753-7422 in the parish office if you are celebrating 50 years of marriage in 2024.

#### REMEMBER OUR SICK

Earl Adam
Pamela Atherton
Marianne Carl
Mary Beth Cicchetti
Susan Erwin
Laura Fitzpatrick
Bill Fuss
Brooke Kuechler Harris
Margaret Howard
Joe Irwin
William Jewell
Erin Kallman
Peg Kallman
Bryan Larson

Jeanne Lendabarker
Scott Martens
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Thom McNamara
Tricia Melland
Peggy Pruitt
Ellie Rose
Kathy Scaglia
Barbara Schulte
Aimee Sesler
Sandra Sharp
Special Intention
Salvador Valldeperas, Sr.
Dave Wittrock
Leigh Ann Zeller

# PRAYING FOR OTHERS HELPS US STAY CONNECTED TO GOD AND TO ONE ANOTHER.

#### SICK LIST UPDATE

Contact Jenny Greene to request an individual be added to our list. We ask that you leave a contact name and number. We will follow up with each request quarterly to keep the list current and to offer additional support as needed.

The parish community continues to pray for parish members and their families who are serving in the armed services: Major Philip Martin, Fort Leavenworth, KS; Major Chris Oppenlander, Hill Air Force Base, UT; Major Gisselle Oppenlander, Hill Air Force Base, UT; Master Sergeant Louis A. Perez, Naval Air Station Pensacola, FL.

#### FUNERAL MEAL TEAMS

On Deck: Team # 6
On Alert: Team # 7

# **PASTOR'S CORNER**



Dear Parishioners,

Though it's the middle of the summer, things are buzzing on our campus! When I walk over to school, there's a great energy happening in the office and throughout the building! With Dr. Wagner's arrival as principal, and with our great teachers and staff, there's a building energy for the school year ahead. Things are being delivered and moved around, rooms are being painted, people are meeting and planning and there's a palpable excitement in the building!

The parish office is busy as well. We are painting and rearranging, meeting and planning, and getting a lot of great things lined up for the year ahead. Next weekend at Mass, we begin hearing from a section of John's Gospel called the Bread of Life discourses. Though this Lectionary year features the Gospel of Mark most Sundays, we have an interlude of readings from John's Gospel because Mark's Gospel is so short. In these Gospel passages, Jesus feeds a large crowd, refers to himself as the Bread of Life and talks of the gift of his flesh and blood, while the crowds wrestle with the mystery of his miracles and his words. So we have the opportunity to reflect on the gift of the Eucharist as our source and summit, as communion with God and one another, as the sacrifice that nourishes us in living the Paschal Mystery into which we've been baptized. The parish staff and I have created some YouTube videos from parishioners reflecting on the gift of the Eucharist in their lives, and will also have outdoor banners that celebrate various dimensions of Eucharist. It's a special gift the lectionary gives us this summer. I hope you will be blessed by the scriptures, the liturgies, the videos, the banners and the real presence of Christ alive in this community!

Peace - Fr. Greg

# **WEDDINGS**

#### WEDDING COORDINATORS NEEDED

We need people to join our team of talented coordinators. These are people who both love the flow of liturgy within the Marriage Rite and are detailed-oriented so to be able to work with the bride and groom and their wedding parties. Coordinators provide their expertise for both the rehearsal and the wedding day and are essential to a beautiful wedding ceremony. Please contact Jenny Greene at 816-753-5155 x1309.



# MASS INTENTIONS FOR JULY 23-28

Tuesday, July 23 6:45 am Connie Batrez † 8:15 am Dick Muraski †

Wednesday, July 24 6:45 am George Howard † 8:15 am Mary Agnes Alderman †

> Thursday, July 25 6:45 am Margaret Link †

Friday, July 26 8:15 am Michael Messina †

Saturday, July 27 8:15am Santa Maria Madre de los Pobres 4:00 pm Martha Beckers †

> Sunday, July 28 8:00 am Sharon Trave † 10:30 am People of Visitation

	MINISTRY SCHEDULE JULY 27-28		
S	4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
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	D. Fenley	T. Dakan	D. Schoening
	S. Barone Mark Thompson NOT FILLED	M. Dakan C. Schorgl NOT FILLED	J. Mateski J. Waldrup <b>NOT FILLED</b>
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#### **SACRAMENTS**

Anointing of the Sick by appointment Fr. Greg and Jennifer Greene

Eucharist to Homebound and Hospital, Jennifer Greene

Sacrament of Matrimony, Contact Jennifer Greene to begin marriage preparation.

Sacrament of Confirmation, Youth Jennifer Greene

Sacrament of Infant Baptism, Adult Confirmation and Sacraments of Initiation, For those who wish to become Catholic. Teresa Albright

#### **PARISH COUNCIL 2023-24**

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# **RACIAL JUSTICE**

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Thank you to the many parishioners who have contributed to support the Cristo Rey-Visitation School student intern program. For the fourth year in a row, we are looking forward to having four Cristo Rey interns to serve in our parish school.

The original intent of this parish Racial Justice Committee effort continues to be our motivation for this collaboration with Cristo Rey: To provide role models of color for our

Visitation students and to afford members of the parish the opportunity to support the work of diversity and justice.

Deepest thanks to the nearly 35 parish families who have contributed so far to make this possible. Once we have reached our goal for this year, we can start to secure funds for next year! Please know that contributions are welcome throughout the year. Donate at <a href="https://www.tinyurl.com/visgiving.">www.tinyurl.com/visgiving.</a>

# ON AUGUST 3, HEAD TO THE PASEO BOULEVARD BETWEEN 18<sup>TH</sup> AND TRUMAN ROAD, FOR THE HEART OF AMERICA HOT DOG FESTIVAL!

The Negro Leagues Baseball Museum (NLBM) is set to get things "Grillin' and Groovin'" again at Historic 18th & Vine when it plays host to the 2024 Heart of America Hot Dog Festival, presented by Hy-Vee. "We're thrilled to bring the Hot Dog Festival back to Historic 18th & Vine," said Bob Kendrick, NLBM President. "While ballpark foods have become more sophisticated over recent years, baseball fans still relish the hot dog. The Heart of America Hot Dog Festival unites fans around that common bond in a fun and entertaining celebration. It has been tremendously gratifying to see this event grow to become one of the most highly anticipated outdoor music festivals in Kansas City," Kendrick said.

The festival will be held from 3:00-11:00 pm on Saturday, August 3. The event features live entertainment, food and more. Established by the NLBM in partnership with Hy-Vee in **2013**, the Heart of America Hot Dog Festival celebrates the historical connection between our national pastime and the all-American hot dog has become one of the most highly anticipated festivals in the region. Since its inception, the family festival has attracted thousands of hot dog lovers to the Historic 18th & Vine District. All proceeds benefit the Negro



#### SISTER PARISH





#### THE CHILDREN OF OUR SISTER PARISH

The children of our sister parish received a marvelous gift during the recent May delegation to celebrate with the parish their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. As part of their week-long celebration, Visitation parishioner and author Bob Steinert kicked off his bilingual children's book, La Chica de La Chacra, by giving away over 250 copies to the children there. The kids were all thrilled to see that the book was written for them, about them and even featured pictures of their La Chacra community with illustrations by fellow Visitation parishioner Tina Blanck. All the profits from the book will go to help the children of La Chacra. 50 more books have already been sent to make sure as many kids as possible receive the book, which for most, is the only book in their home. Continue to support this wonderful program by donating or purchasing the book on Amazon or at <a href="https://www.RDSAuthor.com">www.RDSAuthor.com</a>.

#### **JULY IS MADRE MONTH!**

In honor of Madre Month, we will highlight different aspects of our relationship with our sister parish.

In 1988, our parish held a vote and agreed to enter into a sister parish relationship with Santa Maria Madre de los Pobres. Over thirty years later, that friendship has continued to grow! Whether you have been able to travel on a delegation, participate in the sponsorship program or have contributed in some other way, your generosity has made a difference to this wonderful community. Please consider making a special gift this month. Here are some of the ways your money makes a difference: CAPI- the early childhood education center, the sponsorship program, the medical and dental clinic

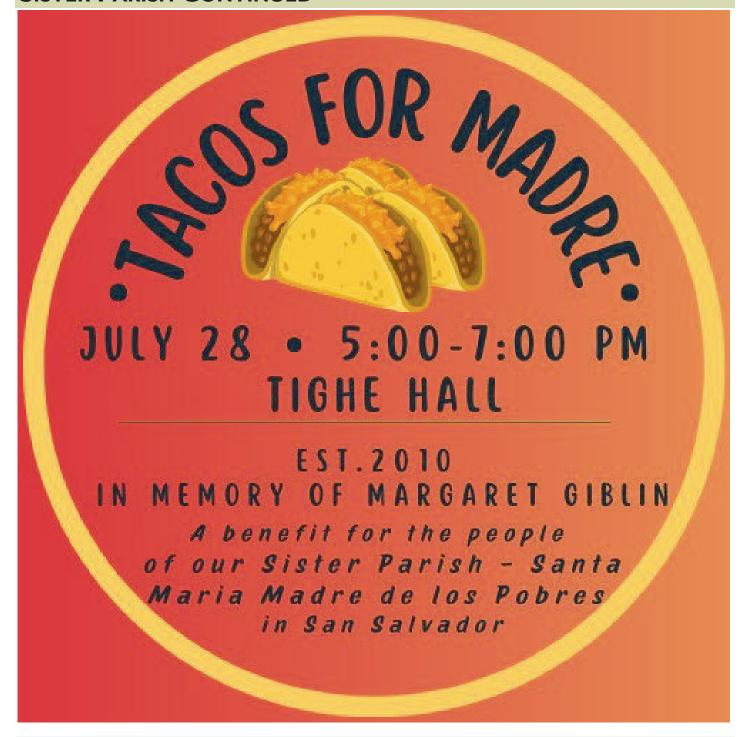


and medical delegations, solidarity delegations and annual financial support, including providing water filters and regular contributions for needed supplies and capital improvements. Send your donations to the church office by July 31 or go to our parish website at <a href="https://www.visitation.org">www.visitation.org</a> to donate.

Please consider a donation to our sister parish. Your support is needed now more than ever.

Sponsors who pay their sponsorship fee twice a year, your first annual installment is due in July.

# SISTER PARISH CONTINUED



The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse: 1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of ), and 2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and 3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816-812-2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816-392-0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

# **FATIH FORMATION**

Don't miss out on the next tour group for the Michael Klein Collection of Judaica at Temple B'nai Jehudah. Now scheduling a weekday tour group in August. Contact Teresa in the parish office for more information.

Here's what others had to say about the tour: "I was inspired by the extent and the beauty of the collection, and the significant role of artistic expression in Jewish spirituality. The diversity of this collection underlines how Jewish faith is integrated into every aspect of life, something we as Catholics also promote, believe and cherish." - Fr. Greg Haskamp



"The collection was amazing in itself, but the docent's explanation of how the items were important parts of Jewish life, traditions and holidays, made the tour such a learning experience. Thank you so much for making this possible for the Visitation Community." - Julie & Mike Morrand

"The Michael Klein Collection at The Temple B'nai Jehudah was a visual, religious, artistic and cultural treasure for me personally and believe it was for all of our group. Our learned docent did a fabulous job of providing engaging information on the Judaic artifacts but she also gave us her own intimate connection with the objects, Judaism and her Jewish life." - Sheila Jewell

"The Klein Judaica Collection is filled with beautiful and meaningful objects from many ages and places. The collection illustrates Jewish beliefs and practices, many of which inform our own Catholic faith tradition."

- JoAnn & Dan Axtell

"The collection, docent, and curator were warmly welcoming and informative. I highly recommend this opportunity." - Julie Aucar

"The collection was fascinating and the docent was excellent. I particularly liked that she wove her experiences of Judaism into her talk." - Kathleen Lusk

"Not only beautiful objects but informative descriptions of the ceremonies that use them." - Jan Tromans

"Our docent highlighted four Jewish holidays and discussed the related artifacts and also explained current changes and updates in the holiday traditions. I learned a lot." - Sandy Handley

"On its own, the Klein Collection is a stunning array of art, craftsmanship, culture and history. Curating the pieces around their significance as Judaica, along with a knowledgeable docent personally connected to its central theme, takes this visual experience to a deeper level. It also brings to mind the many items and traditions we as Catholics share and how they may continue to evolve." - Debi Sicoli

# **ABOUT TOWN**

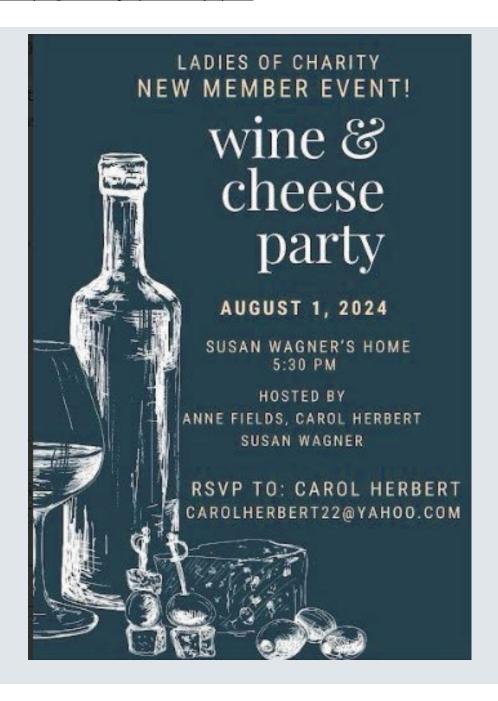
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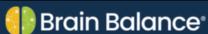
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