

VISITATION PARISH
26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 29, 2024



OUR MISSION

Visitation, a community of communities, is committed to a way of life based on Christ's teaching and our Catholic tradition by being dedicated to life-long conversion in faith, healing sanctuary in our sacraments and relationships, an educational environment for our children which emphasizes Catholic values and is committed to excellence, awareness and responsiveness to the needs of our neighbors and our society.

MASSES

Sunday Masses

Saturday..... 4:00 pm
Sunday..... 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Confessions

Saturday 3:00 pm

Weekday Masses (St. Joseph Chapel)

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.....6:45 am
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday..... 8:15 am
Saturday..... 8:15 am

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



CONFIRMATION - UPDATED SCHEDULE

6th, 7th and 8th Grade Students not attending Catholic grade school—we will see you at the kickoff on Sunday, September 29 at 4:00 pm in Tighe Hall!



Come start the Confirmation process by joining us for Pizza and games. Any questions?

Call Jenny Greene at 816-753-5155 x1309.

If you are a 10th grader and received a postcard - PLEASE DISREGARD! Some postcards were accidentally sent to 10th Graders—please note your kickoff will be at a later date.

CHRISTMAS IN OCTOBER

The Christmas In October event is on **Saturday, October 5**. We will work from **8:00 am until about 3:30 pm**. We will be leaving the job site promptly at 4:00 pm. This year we'll be doing gutter replacement, window replacement, window glass repair, some carpentry on porch steps and railings, yard cleanup and painting. All tools needed will be supplied. Please send volunteer name, email and basic skill level to Ken Conroy, at kjmconroy1@gmail.com or 816-398-1301. Volunteers need to be 16 or older.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Morning Glory

Ministries - Volunteers

needed to prepare and serve breakfast on the first Thursday of each month! Volunteers arrive by 6:30 am and will be finished with clean up by 8:15 am! The next date is October 4! If you are interested, please call 816-381-6914 or email karen@church.visitation.org to reserve you spot.



Morning Glory Ministries
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WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY

PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEW PARISHIONERS

- Madeline & William Tschudy, Burke & Eleanor
- Tommy & Andrea Schrader, Matthew, Ryan, & Reese
- Christie & John Macksey
- Zach Ortinau & MiMi Huether
- Adam & Kelly Stephens, Olivia
- Mike & Amaznda Paoli, Sam & Maddie
- Francie Knackendoffel & Eric Atwell

BAPTISMS

We welcomed the following children to their new life in Christ last weekend:

- Hattie Drolette O'Toole, daughter of Reagan & Adelaide
- Rosemary Ella Garrett, daughter of Daniel & Victoria
- Beatriz Sol Ismert, daughter of Vincent & Jessica

REMEMBER OUR SICK

Earl Adam	Peg Kallman
Pamela Atherton	Bryan Larson
Bill Blank, Sr.	Jeanne Lendabarker
Leslie Burke	Scott Martens
Marianne Carl	Tim McNamara
Mary Beth Cicchetti	Tricia Melland
Kay Dierks	Jen O'Neil
Michele Desnoes	Peggy Pruitt
Laura Fitzpatrick	Ellie Rose
Bill Fuss	Kathy Scaglia
Brooke Kuechler Harris	Barbara Schulte
Margaret Howard	Aimee Sesler
Joe Irwin	Sandra Sharp
William Jewell	Special Intention
Erin Kallman	Salvador Valldeperas, Sr.
	Dave Wittrock

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.

MILITARY

The parish community continues to pray for parish members and their families who are serving in the armed services: Lieutenant Colonel Cade Keenan, Camp Lemonnier, Djibouti; 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 # 2 (Lolli/Erwin)
On Alert: Team # 1 (Bergner/Palmer)

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners,

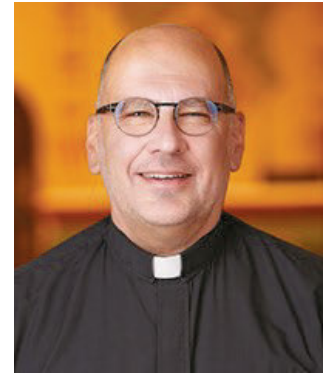
I'm excited about our school auction on November 8. I love auctions, especially those that benefit organizations like our school. This auction not only celebrates and highlights who we are, but also generates tremendous funding for the ministry of our school. While 55% of parish tithing constitutes the majority of funding for our school, this auction is another creative way of generating income that directly benefits this ministry.

The auction brings together our entire community to support our school, with funds directly supporting the numerous immediate educational and capital needs of the school. It is our goal to raise over \$500,000. Please consider sponsorship of this event, as sponsorships and direct monetary donations have made up roughly 30% of our gross revenue in the past. Your gift sustains our academics, grows the foundation for future leaders in our parish and the greater Kansas City community, and brings our faith and community to more families and neighbors.

To make your tax-deductible gift, please visit VisitationAuction.com or email hello@visauction.com. Contributions in any amount are welcome from individuals, trusts, and companies.

Peace,

Fr. Greg



ABOUT TOWN

HEALING THE HURT: A NIGHT OF PRAYER AND SOLIDARITY

JOIN US AS WE GATHER TO OFFER SUPPORT, PROMOTE HEALING & SEEK JUSTICE FOR THOSE WHOM THE CHURCH HAS HURT, EXCLUDED OR ABANDONED.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17 FROM 7:00 - 8:00 PM
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FOR MORE INFORMATION, EMAIL [KCCSSJ2023@GMAIL.COM](mailto:kccssj2023@gmail.com)

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Linger Over
BREAKFAST

Presented by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet

Saturday, October 26 from 9:00 – 11:00 am - doors open at 8:30 am

Linger Over Breakfast: Join our Eco-Challenge Efforts...simple steps to enrich our lives with Patty Johnson, CSJ. Join us as we share how simple steps in our lives and partnering with our neighbors will help heal our universe. There is still much we can do and learn from each other in our journey to save our Earth. Through our shared Care for our Common Home, we can enhance all our lives - one simple step at a time. Representatives from area green collectives will also be on hand to help in our journey. Together, we'll build community among us, bringing hope and healing for a divided world, and expanding our belief that all is sacred and connected. At Avila University, Whitfield Center, 11901 Wornall Road, \$20, breakfast included. **Register online by October 21 at [Linger Over Breakfast](#).**

Welcome to our green groups joining us at LOB. Stay tuned for more green groups joining on at Linger Over Breakfast on October 26!

*Suds Refillery

*Recycle Spot

*Re.Use.Full

*Jerusalem Farm

**MASS INTENTIONS
SEPTEMBER 24-29**

Tuesday, October 1
6:45 am Richard Allen †
8:15 am Alice Farley †

Wednesday, October 2
6:45 am Avalyn Chichuk †
8:15 am Mel Korphage †

Thursday, October 3
6:45 am John Moran †

Friday, October 4
8:15 am Robert Bruce Liepold †

Saturday, October 5
8:15am Rosemary Grady †
4:00 pm Robert J. Wittman †

Sunday, October 6
8:00 am Andrew Bock †
10:30 am People of Visitation

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MINISTRY SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 28-29

4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
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BULLETIN DEADLINE Noon Monday

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 2024/25

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Whitney True-Francis 816-392-0011

SHAMROCK SNAPSHOT

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY: THE JOY OF FAITH FAMILIES

September marks the beginning of Faith Families! These groups gather once a month to celebrate Mass and participate in activities, providing students the chance to make new friends across grades and strengthen the bonds of faith and community.

As 4th grade teacher Mrs. Susan Gittinger beautifully expressed, "It was heartwarming to see students filled with excitement, reconnecting with old friends and welcoming new members into their Faith Families. As a new teacher at Visitation, I initially focused on understanding the assembly logistics. But I quickly realized there was no need; the Spirit filled the air, and I simply had to ride the wave of faith and fun to the gym and watch it all unfold. Your sacrifices to provide a Catholic education for your children make such moments possible. Well done, good and faithful parents. Well done!"

Together, we create a vibrant community where faith and friendship flourish, enriching the lives of our students.



FROM CORN TO TORTILLAS: LEARNING WITH MARISSA TAPIA GENCARELLI

In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, Marissa Tapia Gencarelli, owner of Yoli Tortilleria, visited our K-3 students to share her expertise in tortilla making and the Hispanic culture. During her visit, she introduced students to the tortilla-making process, explored different types of corn, and provided insights into the Mexican culture.

RACIAL JUSTICE



Part of the Racial Justice Committee's mission is devoted to educating ourselves, and to that end, RJC members will facilitate book discussions and documentary viewing over the coming months.



Mark your calendars for the first event in the series, a viewing of *Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption*. Based on *Equal Justice Initiative* founder and author Bryan Stevenson's [book](#) detailing his work to confront injustice in the legal system, *Just Mercy* is a relevant reminder of the work our consciences call us to complete.

October 8 - *Just Mercy* - 7:00 pm, Tighe Hall

Stay tuned for more information about the following discussions:

- ◆ November 13 - *First Ladies* by Heather Terrell & Victoria Christopher Murray, facilitated by Mary Ellen DeCoursey & Karen Miller.
- ◆ February 11 - *Beloved* by Toni Morrison, facilitated by Lorraine Gordon.
- ◆ April 8 - *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult, facilitated by Amanda Adams & Peg Ekerdt.
- ◆ June 10 - *Facing Georgetown's History: A Reader on Slavery, Memory & Reconciliation*, facilitated by David Bruegging & Linda Hughes.
- ◆ July 16 - Watch *Origin*, based on Isabel Wilkerson's book *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents*.

MOTHERS OF YOUNG CHILDREN

Visitation MOYC is partnering with Children's Mercy to help educate our community about pediatric mental health issues. According to Children's Mercy Hospital, 15 million children under the age of 18 need mental health services across the U.S. and 30%-50% are not receiving it. In Kansas City that number is even higher at 40%-50%. **Please join us on October 15 from 6:00 - 7:30 pm in Tighe Hall**, where Dr. Alexandra Gibson, a Clinical Psychologist in Developmental and Behavioral Health at Children's Mercy, will speak about how parents and family members can best support our children. Tickets are \$30 per couple or individual and will be for sale at the door. Proceeds will go to the Children's Mercy's Illuminate Campaign, which supports early mental health intervention, social services, increased inpatient care and new research. Link for payment here: <https://form.jotform.com/242067381380152>.

REFUGEE ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE

NEWS FROM THE VISITATION REFUGEE ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE

We were blessed by the news this last week that the Mutangala family's flights were rescheduled and the family will be arriving the first week of October. If there are no more changes, we will plan to prepare the family's apartment on October 5.

The Mutangala family is a Congolese married couple and their two young boys. The older boy is six years old, and the baby was born in February of this year.

Because of the generosity of the Visitation Community, we have all the furniture and household items Della requests for the family. Thank you so much for your incredible response for this mission.

Visitation will be co-sponsoring the Mutangalas for the next six months, and we will post news in future bulletins. Please pray for the safe arrival of the family. If anyone wants to join our group of driving volunteers to assist the family with medical appointment transportation, etc., please contact Mike and Julie Morrand at jgmorrand@yahoo.com or 913-558-8825.

GOLDEN SHAMROCKS

NEW THEATRE OUTING

We have reserved several tables for the New Theatre Restaurant matinee of *Family Murder*, starring Sally Struthers, on **Wednesday, November 6**. The doors will open at 11:15 am, lunch served at 11:50 am and the show begins at 1:00 pm. Interested Golden Shamrocks members should contact Megan Burdolski, 816-753-5155 x1305 or megan@church.visitation.org to reserve their ticket *no later than Friday, October 4*. Ticket cost is \$38.25, payable to Visitation.



GOLDEN SHAMROCKS
Harvest Luncheon

Thursday, October 10 12:00 Noon Tighe Hall

*Join us for a Thanksgiving-inspired lunch
and an informative program.*

RSVP to the parish office: 816-753-7422

PASTORAL CARE

FAITH & GRIEF LUNCH



Tuesday, October 8

12:00 TO 1:00 P.M.

VILLAGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SPEAKER: Jen Wewers



Grief, Gratitude, and Laughter: Lessons from my Dad

After her dad died in 2013, Jen learned that her grief was intertwined with sorrow, as well as gratitude and joy. Jen will share some of her dad's wisdom and invite us to explore how humor, laughter, and gratitude can be meaningful parts of our own grief journeys.

Lunch presentations and facilitated table conversations provide a safe place to listen, remember and pray together. You may share (or not) as you are comfortable.

- All are welcome. No charge
- Complimentary box lunch provided for those who pre-register (free-will offerings appreciated)
- Sponsored by a collaboration of local churches, hosted by Village Presbyterian: 6641 Mission Road.
- Register!

Learn More & Register



- faithandgrief.org/events
- 469-616-1795
- facebook.com/FaithandGriefKC

All women of our parish are
Women of Visitation

WOV Ministry Team Mission Statement:

To provide all generations of Visitation women with the opportunity for SERVICE, FELLOWSHIP, and SPIRITUAL GROWTH within the Visitation community and to enhance and support other Visitation Community Outreach Ministries.

Women of Visitation activities:

- Santa Painting
- Reindeer Games
- Seasons of Joy gifts
- Rosary Making
- Feast of the Visitation celebration
- Funeral Meal Teams
- Prayer Shawl Ministry
- Blood Drive

The Women of Vis ministry team coordinates these activities which are funded through activity fees and contributions to our General Fund.

The Women of Vis Giving Fund provides anonymous financial assistance to members of our parish community who are experiencing a time of need.

Want to get involved, stay informed or support WOVS activities?

Click the QR code
or visit

<https://tinyurl.com/wofv24>

Donations may also be made
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Visitation and sent to the parish office.



FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP

FORMING CONSCIENCES FOR FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP

CO-SPONSORED BY THE SOCIAL CONCERNS AND FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY TEAMS

WHAT: Three Sunday sessions between Masses for parishioners to engage with fellow people of faith about current events. These will be moderated discussions around the content of informative videos produced by the Montana Catholic Conference on the USCCB's document "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship."

WHY: Part of the parish staff's seasonal efforts to raise awareness on issues pertaining to our faith. In October, we will focus on our "Right & Responsibility" to engage in the political process.

WHEN: Sundays Oct. 6, Oct. 20, Oct. 27 (9:15 - 10:15 am)

WHERE: Tighe Hall, Media Classroom

PREVIEW VIDEOS AT: montanacc.org/stay_informed/#faithful-citizenship

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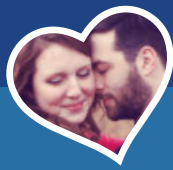
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Saturday, October 5, 2024 @ 9:00 a.m.

Shawnee Mission Park

7900 Renner Road, Shawnee, KS 66219—SHELTER 10

“This Day offers individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live.” - Pope Francis on the Establishment of the Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, 2015



**TO HOPE AND ACT
WITH CREATION**
SEASON OF CREATION 2024

The firstfruits of hope
(Rom 8:19-25)

SCAN to Sign-up 
-OR- call 753-7422



All ages & abilities are welcome!

Shelter area includes parking, bathrooms and paved sidewalks

9:00 a.m. **Outdoor Mass for Creation
with Fr. Greg Haskamp**



10:00 a.m. **Hike/Nature Walk**

3 mile loop dirt hiking trail

-OR- paved walking/biking trail

to nearby inclusive playground, dog park and more...

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.