

VISITATION PARISH  
8TH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME  
MARCH 2, 2025

**O U R M I S S I O N**

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.

**M A S S E S**

**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



## WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY



### CONFIRMATION THANK YOU

Special thanks to all those who stepped up to make the Visitation School 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Confirmation so special after a series of snow days interrupted rehearsals, and we had to have an impromptu rehearsal. We especially thank our sacristan, Eucharistic ministers, greeters, teachers and maintenance crew who all pitched in. We also thank the parents and sponsors for pivoting with us. We couldn't have done it without all of your help!

*Jenny Greene and Jayna Timpe*

### CONFIRMATION

#### 10<sup>TH</sup> GRADE-UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- **TONIGHT**, Sunday, March 2 at 7:00 pm  
Bring your journal!
- Church Tour - can come EITHER Sunday, March 9 or Monday, March 10 at 7:00 pm. Bring your sponsor!

#### JR. HIGH -UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- **TONIGHT**, Sunday, March 2 at 4:00 pm. Bring your book, bible and journal!
- Church Tour - can come EITHER Sunday, March 9 or Tuesday, March 10 at 7:00 pm. Bring your sponsor!

### PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEW PARISHIONERS

- Alyssa Woodman & Jack Hitzemann
- Ed & Joan Siegmund
- Abby Albeck and daughter, Jamie
- Adam & Sarah Finocchario and children, Bruno & Capri.

### FUNERAL MEAL TEAM THANK YOU

On behalf of the parish community we thank the following Women of Vis Funeral Meal Team #3. Captains Laura Fowler, Audrey Burns, Amy Thompson and their team: Katie Anderson, Anne Connor, Bev Gegen, Judy Hartner, Amy Holewinski, Colette Hunt, Georgeanne Kelly, Jane Kieffer, Julie Kivisto, Michaela Logan, Wendy Maggiorotto, Sandie McCray, Jean McDonnell, Julie Olivas, Mary Etta O'Neill, Ricki Ritter, Kitty Steed, Judy Ragan and Trish Vazzana.

### OUR SYMPATHY

The parish extends prayers and sympathy to the family of parishioner, Joseph McGrath.

### ADORATION IS OFFERED EVERY

### WEDNESDAY

FROM 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM.

THE ROSARY FOR THE SICK WILL CONTINUE TO BE HELD IN THE ST. JOSEPH CHAPEL AT 5:30 PM EVERY WEDNESDAY FOR THOSE ON THE PARISH PRAYER LIST.

### REMEMBER OUR SICK

Earl Adam	Scott Martens
Pamela Atherton	Tim McNamara
Bill Blanck, Sr.	Tricia Melland
Jerry Calkins	Jen O'Neill
Marianne Carl	Peggy Pruitt
Mary Beth Cicchetti	Laine Riehle
Kay Dierks	Ellie Rose
Whitlow Brewer Emanuels	Kathy Scaglia
Bill Fuss	Gary Schafer
Brooke Kuechler Harris	Barbara Schulte
Margaret Howard	Aimee Sesler
Joe Irwin	Sandra Sharp
William Jewell	Danny Smith
Bryan Larson	Special Intention
Jeanne Lendabarker	Salvador Valldeperas, Sr.
Jolene Lynn	Dave Wittrock

### MILITARY

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.

### FUNERAL MEAL TEAMS

On Deck: Team # 11

On Alert: Team # 2

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners,

Lent arrives late this year, and I think many of us would acknowledge that the timing is right. My estimation is that the past couple of months have been challenging. We've had a lot of winter weather (which I don't personally mind) that has wreaked havoc on schedules. While some things getting rescheduled hasn't bothered me, it's been tough to keep up with so much last minute change. Along with that, snow, ice and slush make travel messier and much more difficult. Even those of us who love winter are ready for a change!

Another challenge of the last month happened on Super Bowl Sunday. It was a tough game to watch and a tough outcome to accept. We've been so fortunate the last couple of years to win the big game, so losing feels strange and so disappointing. I know a lot of us needed some time to recover!

So here comes Lent. We have the gift of this season every year to recognize how we can be better people, better Christians. I know for myself there's plenty of room for growth. I'm going to try to welcome Lent eagerly, knowing we can all benefit from a season of conversion.

Peace,

Fr. Greg



## FAITH FORMATION

**Lent**  
**Small Group**

ALL ARE WELCOME in this group!  
A weekly opportunity for faith and fellowship throughout the Lenten season.  
Hosted by Members of the Faith Formation Team  
For more information, email [Teresa@visitation.org](mailto:Teresa@visitation.org)

**BETWEEN TWO MASSES | 9:15–10:15 A.M.**  
**SUNDAYS, BEGINNING MARCH 9, 2025**  
**RETREAT ROOM**

**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 18). 2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911. 3. If the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, report the suspected abuse to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or [crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org](mailto:crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org). The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate at 816.392.0011 or [victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

**MASS INTENTIONS  
MARCH 4-9**

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE MARCH 8-9**

**Tuesday, March 4**  
6:45 am Mike Frechin †  
8:15 am Jim Beckers †

**Wednesday, March 5 Ash Wednesday**  
6:45 am Rev. Sandy Sinclair †  
8:15 am People of Visitation  
Noon Bill Condon Sr. †  
6:00 pm Msgr. Arthur M. Tighe

**Thursday, March 6**  
6:45 am William Glinnen †

**Friday, March 7**  
8:15 am Sister Mary Lucien †

**Saturday, March 8**  
8:15am Santa Maria Madre de los Pobres  
4:00 pm Marialice Searcy †

**Sunday, March 9**  
8:00 am Thomas McGee Sr. †  
10:30 am People of Visitation

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E. Haines	S. Miller	D. Schoening
S. Barone P. Dunlay <b>NOT FILLED</b>	K. Banes <b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b>	T. Ritchie <b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b>
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Priest in Residence, Fr. Charles Rowe

**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**

Stephen Bowen	Kristie Larson
Bill Donath	Melissa Lising
Jim Erlacker	Steve O'Neill
Mary Gigliotti	Katie Wendel
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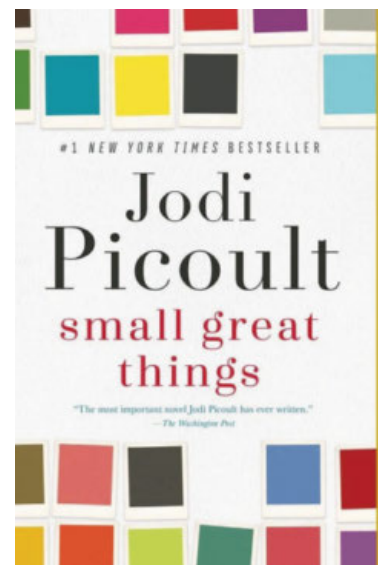
## RACIAL JUSTICE



The Visitation Racial Justice Committee met on Wednesday, February 19. Agenda items discussed included the Just Faith: Faith and Racial Healing sessions, including 18 participants, RJC report to Parish Council, review of the Martin Luther King Jr. Prayer Service, plans for leading the March 26 all school Mass, Cristo Rey update, the Black History Month Book Cart and ways to support the Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council and Farmer's Market. Our

next meeting is March 19 via Zoom.

Please join us for our next book discussion of Jodi Picoult's *Small Great Things* on Tuesday, March 25 at 7:00 pm in Tighe Hall. RJC members Amanda Adams and Peg Ekerdt will facilitate.



## ABOUT TOWN

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# MONASTIC EXPERIENCES

In-person, for single women, ages 18-40

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**JULY 18-20, 2025**

**OCTOBER 17-19, 2025**

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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



VISITATION KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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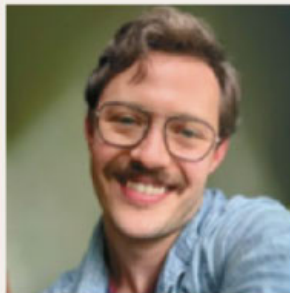
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## PASTORAL CARE

### FAITH & GRIEF LUNCH REMEMBERING A BELOVED UNCLE

Grief is a complex journey, one that I began to understand after losing my uncle to substance use when I was 18. His life was marked by struggles with mental health but also by profound kindness and love that shaped who I am today. Saying goodbye wasn't something my family was prepared for, and his death left us searching for meaning in the midst of pain. I've come to understand that the stages of grief are far from linear.



**SPEAKER  
RYAN SPEED**

Faith & Grief Lunch  
**Visitation Church**  
in Tighe Hall  
Wednesday,  
March 12  
12:00-1:00 pm

### ABOUT

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.

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**Reservations recommended!**

## BLOOD DRIVE

**RESCHEDULED**

# Blood Drive

**Monday, March 31**  
**12:00-4:00 pm Tighe Hall**

Register online at:  
[www.savealifenow.org/group](http://www.savealifenow.org/group)  
Use Group Code: VH

 Community Blood Center



“ ANNOUNCING ”

# CLUB VIS

CLUB VIS is a ministry that is passionate about supporting young adults (23+) that are seeking community at Visitation outside of weekly Mass. All are welcome!

CLUB VIS will include biweekly meetings that involve a variety of activities including meetups around Kansas City, faith formation and service opportunities.

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Interested in learning more or assisting with launching it? Please contact Alex Carlson at [alexcarlsonk@gmail.com](mailto:alexcarlsonk@gmail.com)



## SOCIAL CONCERNS

### CRS RICE BOWL

Rice bowls will be available in the narthex this weekend!  
Did you know that your support is now more important than ever?  
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- In 2023, USAID provided fifty percent of the CRS budget of \$1.2 billion.
- Because of current US budget cuts to foreign aid, CRS is expecting that 50% of workforce will be cut this year.
- 25% of your Rice Bowl donations will be kept in our diocese and given to local agencies while 75% will be sent to CRS for international relief that help those in need.



In addition to the information available through the kits, please go online to [crs.org](https://crs.org) to learn more about this vital NGO.

### MEDICAL DELEGATION

**Save the date!** The next medical delegation is scheduled for October 4-11. If you are a medical provider and are interested in participating in this delegation, please reach out to Julie Aucar at [jaucar21@gmail.com](mailto:jaucar21@gmail.com) or



217-552-2465. Even if you are retired or haven't been working, your skills could still be relevant to our sister parish clinic! Please call Julie for more details!



## GOLDEN SHAMROCKS



# potLuck of the Irish

Monday, March 17 12:00 Noon Tighe Hall

Bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share - meat & beverages provided by the parish. After lunch, we will fill Easter eggs for the Visitation MOYC Hop into Holy Week.

In lieu of our free-will offering, please bring a bag of small wrapped candy that will fit inside Easter eggs.

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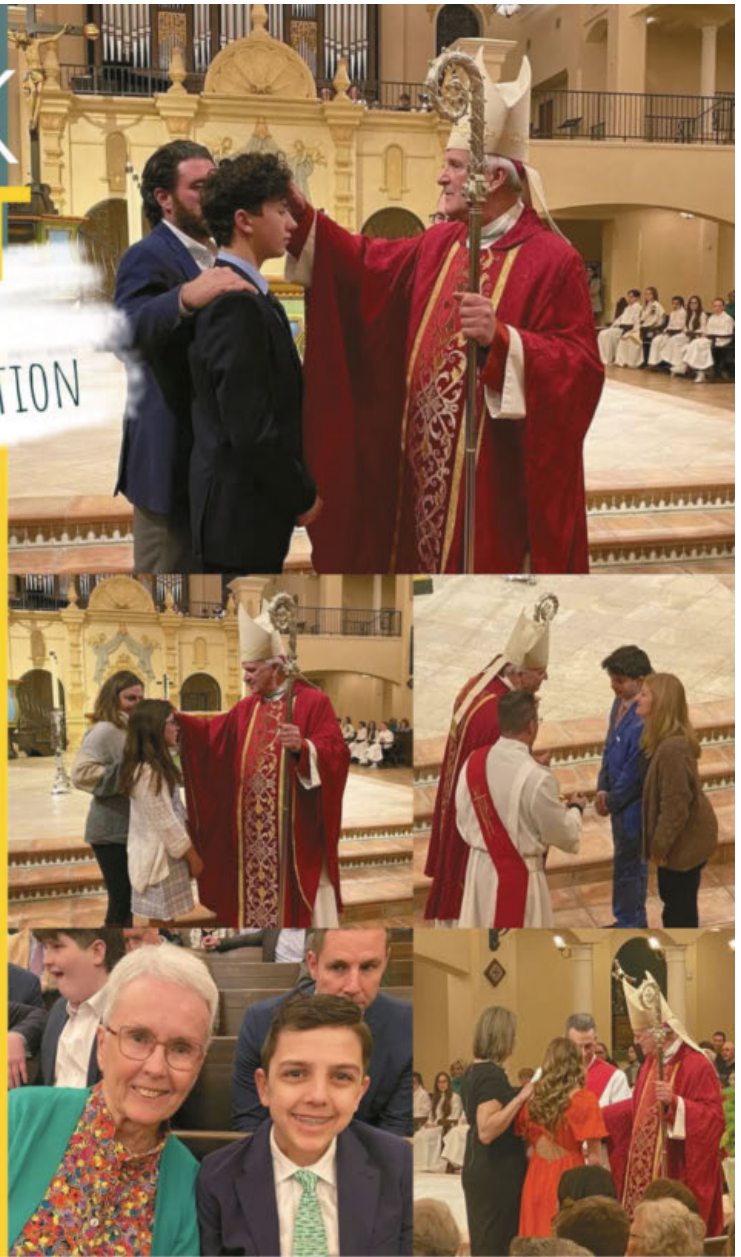
EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT:  
A JOYOUS CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION

Visitation was blessed to witness 97 students receive the sacrament of Confirmation. The evening was filled with perfect lighting, music, and the powerful presence of the Holy Spirit. As Bishop Johnston shared, "Sacraments keep us united in Christ," and it was a beautiful reminder of our community coming together in faith. Bishop Johnston's homily to our 7th and 8th graders highlighted three key points for their journey:

Love boldly, like Jesus, and be a witness of His love; The world may seem lost without meaning, but the Holy Spirit guides us to our true purpose; With the power of the Holy Spirit, be spiritual warriors, ready to live for Christ.

Reminding us all that the sacrament of Confirmation leaves an indelible mark on our souls, empowering our Confirmands as soldiers for Christ. We ask for strength, healing, and hope for our Catholic community. Congratulations to our Confirmands!

A heartfelt thank you to Ms. Timpe and Mrs. Greene for helping guide our students. What a joyous celebration of their faith!



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