

**VISITATION PARISH**  
**22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**SEPTEMBER 1, 2024**



**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



The 10th annual Ride For Madre fund raising event will take place Friday afternoon, September 13. This year's event will

raise money for our sister parish to reopen the essential Senior Center. The center provides much needed food, services and even entertainment for the aging population which are most often women whose families can not help them.

The ride will kick off from Crane Brewery in Raytown, with 20 mile riders leaving at 1:00 pm and 10 mile riders leaving at 2:00 pm. All riders will return to Crane Brewery at 3:00 pm for festivities

Donations can be made to church, please designate Ride For Madre, or on our GoFundMe page <https://gofund.me/6ef1a5de>

Potential riders may contact Bob Steinert, 816-729-2748 or Sam Otto, 816-589-1233 by phone or text. Thank you for your many years of generous support.

### **VISITATION CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME SAVE THE DATE! THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26!**

Please plan to attend to hear from Brian Roewe, National Catholic Reporter (NCR) environment correspondent and Visitation parishioner; Chelsea Vrobil, Diocese KCSJ Stewardship of Creation Ministry Committee; and Larry Guillot, Visitation parishioner and Care of our Common Home team leader. They will share insight into Pope Francis' encyclical letter, Laudao Si, and the resulting initiative by Bishop Johnston for the Diocese of Kansas City, St. Joseph. You won't want to miss this informative discussion.

### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITES**

**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! If you are interested, please email [karen@church.visitation.org](mailto:karen@church.visitation.org) to reserve you spot or feel free to call the parish office.

**One City Café** next on **Thursdays, September 12 & 26** from 4:30 pm-6:30 pm. Please reach out to Bill Staggs for details at Bill Staggs at 304-3264 or willstaggs48@gmail.com.



## WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY

### **OUR SYMPATHY**

to Amy Holewinski, Dan Dickinson and Jane Kress on the death of their mother, Ann King Dickinson; to Jean McPherson on the death of her father, Joseph Kolich; and to the family of Leigh Ann Zeller.

**ROSARY FOR THE SICK**  
RESUMING IN OUR PARISH COMMUNITY  
EVERY WEDNESDAY IN ST. JOSEPH CHAPEL  
AT 5:30 PM. PLEASE JOIN US IN THE  
CHAPEL OR ON FACEBOOK LIVESTREAM.

### **REMEMBER OUR SICK**

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

### **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 # 6

**On Alert:** Team # 7

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners,

One of the seven principles of Catholic Social Teaching is the Dignity of Human Work and the Rights of Workers. It is inherently holy for us to work, as God labors in the work of creation. God's work sets the tone for ours. So what we do and what our work produces is holy. I'm grateful that Labor Day reminds us of it every year, that every human being alive, and all of our predecessors, share in the holy task of God's creative and redemptive work. It reminds us to bring our best self to bear on what we do for a living and all that we labor to do in the Reign of God. I'm thankful this Labor Day for the work my parents have done, the work my grandparents have done, and for the legacy of holy labor that we have inherited from all who have gone before us. It's astounding to realize what their years of labor have provided us, and how we are a part of the heritage now for our children and future generations.



With the arrival of fall, the ministry of Visitation School once again becomes tangible and visible. Our school is not a separate entity, functioning in its own atmosphere and context. Our school is a ministry of the parish, that is, one of the endeavors that flows from the Liturgy. Before his Ascension, Jesus instructs the disciples (and us, by extension) to "go and make disciples." That is one of the primary things we do at Visitation School all year long. This parish community generously supports the ministry of making disciples because we know how important it is, not only for the church, but for the world. The Gospel message has the power to save, to restore, to redeem, and our world will always need that. Many schools have moved to a funding model based on tuition, or tithing plus tuition. As a parish community, we boldly continue the ministry of Catholic education by our sacrificial giving. This keeps the gift of a Catholic education open to everyone, not just those who can afford tuition. It's a bold and powerful witness to the importance of Catholic education here, that our entire parish community recognizes the value of it and shares the responsibility for its sustenance.

Peace - Fr. Greg

## PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

**This Week!!**

**REGISTER FOR PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN 4.0 WORKSHOP ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 FROM 6:30 - 9:30 PM IN TIGHE HALL**

*You need this course! There are so many opportunities to volunteer at the school or the parish. If you want to volunteer with children—this includes helping with lunches, being a room mom or dad, volunteering in the nursery, with school of religion or Vacation Bible School, etc., this workshop is required. Please read the information here completely:* The Diocese of Kansas City-St.

Joseph REQUIRES all parish and school employees and volunteers who work with children (school and childcare volunteers, coaches, chaperones, SOR teachers, youth ministers, sacristans and Confirmation leaders) to take this workshop,

register for a background check, sign an Ethics and Integrity in Ministry statement, take an on-line Mandated Reporter course and sign the Mandated Reporter acknowledgement. If you plan to volunteer with children in the parish or the school, please complete these requirements. Register online at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). Click on registration, then select the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, MO. You may expect to spend 2 hours completing this process. If you have any questions, please call Janet Ridder at 816-381-6910.



**MASS INTENTIONS  
SEPTEMBER 3-8**

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 7-8**

**Monday, September 2 – Labor Day**  
9:00 am American Workers & Their Contributions

**Tuesday, September 3**  
6:45 am Sam Serrano †  
8:15 am Irene Seigfreid †

**Wednesday, September 4**  
6:45 am Margy Sonnenberg †  
8:15 am Suzanne Adams †

**Thursday, September 5**  
6:45 am Cathy Campbell †

**Friday, September 6**  
8:15 am Bill Lippert †

**Saturday, September 7**  
8:15am People of Santa Maria Madre de los Pobres  
4:00 pm Mae Brown †

**Sunday, September 8**  
8:00 am Jean Cummings †  
10:30 am People of Visitation

	4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
ALTAR SERVERS	S. Munjak-Khoury B. Murray S. Murray	C. Bock C. Larson J. Bock	H. Arthur B. Burns L. Esslinger
	D. Bruegging Jeff Crowe, Jr. T. Egan J. Evett <b>NOT FILLED</b> M. Hodes M. Innes M. Krna R. Moran S. O'Neill S. Otto	P. Banes J. Colombo L. Hughes C. Jackson E. Johnson K. Larson R. Larson A. Leimora K. Levi M. Lising B. Palmer	D. Dubrava K. Esslinger G. Herrenbruck T. McGhie L. McLiney L. Meyers G. O'Brien K. Osbern B. Roewe A. Smith C. Spaeth
E MS	L. Keens	B. Winget	J. Logan
	M. Evett C. Maggiorotto W. Maggiorotto	K. Banes P. Levi C. Schorgl	T. Ritchie J. Swafford <b>NOT FILLED</b>
LECTOR	B. Truta	J. Palmer	J. Reboulet
USHERS			
SACR.			

**PARISH BOUNDARIES**  
State Line on the West to Oak St. on the East;  
47th Street on the North to Meyer Blvd on the South

**PARISH OFFICE, Monday-Friday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM**  
5141 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64112  
Phone 816-753-7422 Fax 816-753-5505  
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[janet@church.visitation.org](mailto:janet@church.visitation.org)

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 2023-24**  
Lindsey Anderson      John Legg  
Dave Ekerdt              Melissa Lising  
Jim Erlacker              Sandie McCray  
Mary Gigliotti            Steve Torline  
Fr. Greg Haskamp        Katie Wendel  
Ryan Larson              Kathleen Wiedeman  
Megan Burdolski, Staff

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St. Vincent De Paul Help Line  
816-753-9061

Diocese of Kansas City St. Joseph  
Ombudsman, Joe Crayon 816-812-2500  
Victim Assistance Coordinator,  
Whitney True-Francis 816-392-0011

# SHAMROCK SNAPSHOT

## WELCOME BACK STUDENTS

Visitation students were warmly welcomed back for the new school year with great enthusiasm. A lively bagpiper greeted everyone as they entered through the front door, where they were met by our dedicated school staff and our new principal, Dr. Melissa Wagner and Fr. Greg. It's shaping up to be a fantastic year ahead!



We also extend our gratitude to the parish staff for leading our first school Mass.



## THANK YOU...

A special thank you to Wes Edwin Designs for their generous donation of beautiful storage cabinets for our music classroom—these will be a fantastic addition to our learning environment.

## RACIAL JUSTICE



The Visitation Racial Justice Committee encourages awareness of and participation in community events serving marginalized populations.

2024 Ugly Dinner Series, Wednesday, September 11, Thelma's Kitchen, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Kanbe's Markets is teaming up with Thelma's Kitchen, part of Reconciliation Services, to host an Ugly Dinner, using reclaimed produce. Kanbe's Markets was founded and is led by Visitation graduate Max Kaninger. Individual tickets are \$150.

The GIFT of Color, Saturday, September 28 at The Lex, Municipal Auditorium, 5:30 pm

Kansas City GIFT (Generating Income For Tomorrow)'s annual black-tie gala helps advance GIFT's work to "close the racial wealth gap, reduce poverty-related crime and reverse the effects of systemic racism in our city." ([www.kansascitygift.org](http://www.kansascitygift.org)). Please reach out to Linda Hughes, [lchteach20@gmail.com](mailto:lchteach20@gmail.com), if you would like to attend with our group. Individual tickets are \$100.



## ABOUT TOWN

**TRIVIA NIGHT, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 AT 7:00 PM**

**BENEFITTING CATHOLIC EDUCATION**

**SPONSORED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Visitation Knights of Columbus, in conjunction with, the Knights at St. Peter's and St. Elizabeth's will hold a Trivia Night Saturday September 7, at 7:00 pm benefitting Our Lady's Montessori School (OLMS). The event will be held at the St. Peter's Parish narthex located at 815 East Meyer Blvd.



**Doors open at 6:00 pm. BYO food/drinks and a cash bar.  
Table of 8 is \$100 or \$12.50 a person. Walk-ins are welcome!**

Our Lady's Montessori School relocated, from KCK, to 58<sup>th</sup> and Michigan on the parish campus of St. Therese Little Flower, in 2023. The school is located in an academic desert and offers an authentic Catholic Montessori education to preschool and elementary aged children of all faiths and backgrounds. The school is run and staffed by the Society of our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity.

**For more information 816-474-3115 or [trivianight2000@gmail.com](mailto:trivianight2000@gmail.com).**

### **DIocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph - MASS OF REMEMBRANCE**

Anyone who has been touched by suicide is invited to join together for Mass and prayer.

- ◆ During the Mass, attendees will be invited to place a rose in a memorial for each person they are remembering. Roses will be provided.

**WHEN:** Friday, September 13 at 6:30 pm

**WHERE:** The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 11th & Broadway.

Please scan the code to RSVP so we can ensure there are enough roses for those being remembered.



## PASTORAL CARE

# FAITH & GRIEF LUNCH

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2024  
12:00-1:00 PM



SPEAKER: Michelle Buzzard

## Feeling My Feelings

**Michelle lost her brother,  
her dad and her husband,  
all under the age of 40.**

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.

### Learn More & Register



- [www,faithandgrief.org/events/kcseptember2024](http://www.faithandgrief.org/events/kcseptember2024)
- (469) 616-1795
- [info@faithandgrief.org](mailto:info@faithandgrief.org)
- [facebook.com/FaithandGriefKC](https://facebook.com/FaithandGriefKC)

## CATHOLIC AUTHOR STUDY

ANGELA ALAIMO O'DONNELL

FLANNERY O'CONNOR



Fiction  
Fixed by  
Faith

*The Chosen's* Jonathan Roumie, speaking at the National Eucharistic Congress, wore at tee-shirt emblazoned with Flannery O'Connor's famous retort, "If it's just a symbol, the hell with it." Last fall actor and director Ethan Hawke released *Wildcat*, his biopic of Flannery O'Connor, with Maya, his daughter, playing the author herself. Flannery O'Connor endures. Her stories reveal her bedrock Catholic faith even as her characters shock, frustrate, amuse and mystify us. The mysteries of God's gifted opportunities of grace, conversion, and redemption are her core concerns; her native, "Christ-haunted" rural South is her vividly depicted landscape. Join an exploration of this extremely consequential author and devout Catholic in six

90-minute sessions offered by Lorraine Gordon, former Visitation podcast host and veteran literature teacher. Six successive Tuesdays, mid-day starting on September 24 from 10:30 am to noon; or six successive Wednesday evenings, starting on September 25, from 7:00-8:30 pm at Visitation Church. More info? Email [lorrainegordon116@gmail.com](mailto:lorrainegordon116@gmail.com)



## SEPTEMBER IS HUNGER AWARENESS MONTH!



*Pete's Garden is a food rescue committed to less food waste and more family meals.*

**Guest Speaker: Jenn Olson,  
Volunteer Coordinator**

### Hunger Banquet

**September 11, 6:00 pm**

*A light meal will be served &  
a free will offering will benefit  
Pete's Garden*

*RSVP: 816-753-7422*



## SEPTEMBER IS HUNGER AWARENESS MONTH Help us fill our basket each weekend in September!

Donations will benefit four neighboring food pantries:  
St. Francis Xavier, Bishop Sullivan Center (Troost location),  
Guardian Angels & Redemptorist.

*Young children are invited to participate and bring  
donations to the basket on the predella during the  
collection each weekend in September.*



## SOCIAL CONCERNS

### NEWS FROM THE VISITATION REFUGEE ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE - VERY IMPORTANT NEWS!

Last week, we got some great news from Della Lamb! The Visitation Community has been matched with a family arriving in mid-September.

We will co-sponsor the Mutangala family, 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.

We are told they will arrive on **September 13**. Della will notify us when they have secured housing for the family, then we can schedule the move.

If anyone wants to join our group of driving volunteers to assist the family with medical appointment transportation, etc., please contact Mike and Julie Morrond at [jgmorrond@yahoo.com](mailto:jgmorrond@yahoo.com) or 913-558-8825.

Please check upcoming bulletins for more information. Many thanks to those who have supported this year's mission and please continue to pray for this beautiful family as they make their way to Kansas City.



## FAITH FORMATION

### THE VISITATION



Friday Tour, September 6 at 10:00 am.  
Sunday Tour, September 15 at 1:00 pm.  
Temple B'nai Jehudah 12320 Nall Ave.  
Overland Park, KS

The collection includes historical objects spanning centuries and continents and is among the largest and most diverse collections of its kind in the United States.

*Space is limited.* Call the parish office to sign-up for either date. Or email Teresa Albright at [Teresa@church.visitation.org](mailto:Teresa@church.visitation.org).

Do you have a group of 10-15 family, friends, Scouts or Lent Small Group members interested in the tour? Choose a date and time and let the Faith Formation Team facilitate this opportunity for you!



## SCHOOL OF RELIGION



**SCHOOL OF RELIGION HAS A NEW SCHEDULE!**

2nd Sunday Mornings & 4th Sunday Evenings

**OPEN HOUSE ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 FROM 9:30-10:15 AM  
IN THE FAITH FORMATION ROOM.**

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN ON OUR WEBSITE AT  
[WWW.VISITATION.ORG](http://WWW.VISITATION.ORG)**

*(Children preparing for sacraments who didn't attend Visitation School should register for S.O.R.)*  
For more information, contact Teresa Albright in the parish office at [teresa@church.visitaiton.org](mailto:teresa@church.visitaiton.org).



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...

Presented by the Visitation Faith Formation Team

[www.visionmankc.com](http://www.visionmankc.com)

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](mailto: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](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.