

VISITATION PARISH
TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 17, 2021



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.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Saturday.....4:00 pm
Sunday..... 8:00 am & 10:30 am
Hearing devices are available for the hearing impaired during Sunday Mass.

Weekday Masses (St. Joseph Chapel)

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

Confessions

Saturday3:00 pm

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL SOULS SERVICE

During the month of November, we remember our loved ones who have gone before us. One of the ways we commemorate our beloved dead is through their pictures that will be displayed on the catafalque in church. If you wish, bring a picture of your loved one for the All Souls Prayer Service

Tuesday, November 2

6:00 - 7:00 PM

Pictures may remain up until the end of November.



ALL SOULS CONCERT - SAVE THE DATE!

The Visitation choir will be presenting our 5th Annual All Souls Concert on Sunday, November 14 at 5:00 pm. This concert aims to commemorate our beloved dead and comfort the living through beautiful choral music. The concert will feature *Requiem* text with music of Durufle, Faure, Howells, Tavener, Paulus and others.

SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Attention S.O.R. Parents: On Monday, October 18, please stay for a guided tour of the church with parishioner and docent Kathy Hughes from 5:30 - 6:15 pm.

Attention Parish Adults with Older or Grown Children: Your presence and wisdom is welcome on Monday nights during S.O.R. classes. Please consider joining with our young families at 5:15 pm Mondays. And while the children are in class, stay to pray and study with our parish parents.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

You are invited join the Knights of Columbus in Tighe Hall on **Sunday, October 24** for a delicious pancake breakfast! Proceeds from the breakfast will benefit St. Mary's Home for Mothers, a project in progress which will provide shelter for up to 15 homeless, pregnant, adult women and their children. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 - 10:30 am and representatives from the St. Mary's Home will be on site to meet and greet and to share information about the home and the work they will be doing to provide a dignified and safe place for both parent and child. Free-will offerings will be accepted.



WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY

WEDDING

The parish extends prayers and congratulations to Kaitlyn Maloney and Clayton Mayfield on their marriage at Visitation on October 9.

OUR SYMPATHY

The parish staff extends prayers and sympathy to the family of Patience Connon. Patience was the housekeeper at our parish rectory for 6 years.

REMEMBER OUR SICK

Suzanne Adams
Tina Amaro
Pamela Atherton
Barbara Kopp Atkinson
Maggie Quirarte Bates
Marilyn Frechin Blank
Dorothy Bock
Leonardo Borders
Mary Ann Brown
Mike Caraway
Shari Caraway
Marianne Carl
Beverly Cascone
Tom Colburn
Joanne Comiskey
Olivia Connealy
Jimmy Connell
Hunter Cook
Polly Donnelly
Allie May Dudenhoeffer
Tom Fraley
Susie Haake
Brooke Kuechler Harris
Mike Henninger
Joe Irwin
William Jewell
Jaquie Kallman
Peg Kallman
Salva Katosang
Shirley Kempker
Marriane Kersten
Ken Krna Family
John Langle
Bryan Larson
Betsy Lazere
Jeanne Lendabarker
Anthony Lipari, Sr.
Scott Martens

Priscilla McInnes
Thomas McNamara
Tricia Melland
Birdie Mendence
Mary Montgomery
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Carol Riesmeyer
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The Saalberg Family
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Fran Schuetz
Barbara Schulte
Aimee Sesler
Bill Sharp
Sandra Sharp
Sharon Smart
Special Intention
Brenda Stremel
Jeannie Sullivan
Peter Thompson
Tripp Thompson
Salvador Valldeperas, Sr.
Annabelle Whalen
Dave Wittrock
Leigh Ann Zeller

FUNERAL MEAL TEAMS

On Deck: Team 1 - Angela Bergner and Molly Hupke

On Alert: Team 4 - Linda Dro and Lois Roszak

RACIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE



The Education sub-committee of the parish Racial Justice Committee once more is offering the 8-week Just Faith series, Faith and Racial Healing. This past week, the group watched Steven Spielberg's The Middle Passage - a film of the journey of enslaved Africans to the United States that was designed to give historical accuracy to Spielberg's 1997 movie, Amistad. The purpose of the movie is not to make anyone feel guilty, but rather to understand our past, so that we might discern and take steps to address injustice in our present and future. At evening's end, the group was asked to write a prayer for those who were enslaved. We hope to share this journey with the parish and in that spirit, share a few of the prayers:

- ◇ *Saints of God, come as angels to lead us away from division, toward conversion of hearts.*
- ◇ *May your pain and hardship be a lesson for others and may your ancestors rise up and find peace, forgiveness, healing and meaning from your lives.*
- ◇ *Oh sweet slaves, how did you endure even a second of that treatment and want to live to the next minute - I pray for you; How did you smile without tears—I pray for you; How did you love life—I pray for you; How did you speak without sobbing—I pray for you? How did you take your next breath—I pray for you.*
- ◇ *Lord, open your kingdom to those seeking refuge, to those faithful to your pledge of life everlasting; to those who faltered by no fault of their own; and those who fell asleep untouched by love, mercy and spirit. May we hold dear their stories, help carry the burden of their traumas and shine your light in their darkness.*
- ◇ *Dear Lord, thank you for holding all of the departed, enslaved close as they have suffered tremendously and they deserve more than anyone, your love. Please have mercy on their descendants on earth who are still struggling for equality and dignity.*
- ◇ *We pray and honor your strength, your yearning for freedom, your love of family and your enduring stamina. This country prays for your forgiveness.*

MASS INTENTIONS OCTOBER 19-24

Tuesday, October 19

6:45 am Moila Benson †
8:15 am Robert Lester †

Wednesday, October 20

6:45 am Matt Levi †
8:15 am Suzanne Teeven †

Thursday, October 21

6:45 am Kathy Polsinelli †

Friday, October 22

8:15 am Mae Brown †

Saturday, October 23

8:15 am Bill & Mary Harte
4:00 pm Joyce E Offutt †

Sunday, October 24

8:00 am People of Visitation
10:30 am Beatrice Santner †

CONFIRMATION 2022

Registration is open for all baptized sophomores has been extended to October 17. No late registrations will be accepted. Confirmation is March 30, 2022 at 7:00 pm. All sessions will be in Tighe Hall. To register:



CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION SESSION for candidates and one parent on October 17 at 12:00 noon in Tighe Hall. There is a Confirmation fee of \$50 due upon registration, the fee may be paid online on our parish website under Online Giving, select Confirmation Fee. You may also submit a check made out to Visitation for \$50 with Confirmation in the memo, in an envelope with "Attention: Chris Sanders" on the outside.

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
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BULLETIN DEADLINE Noon Monday

SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick by appointment
Msgr. Offutt, and Chris Sanders

Eucharist to Homebound and Hospital, Chris Sanders

Sacrament of Matrimony, Contact Chris Sanders to begin marriage preparation.

Sacrament of Confirmation, Youth Chris Sanders

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

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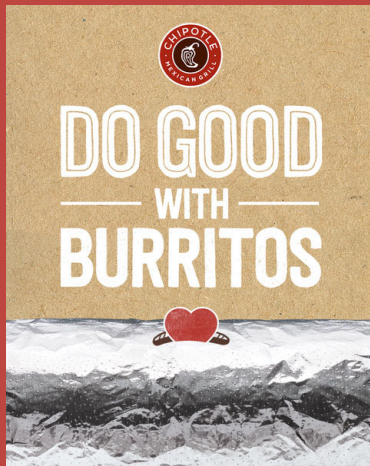
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Victim Assistance Coordinator,
Whitney True-Francis 392-0011

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), 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 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 392-0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

SCHOOL



Wednesday, October 20
between
4:00 & 8:00 pm

33 % of proceeds will
be donated to Vis!

SCHOOL SPIRIT TASTES GREAT



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Visitation Catholic School. Come in to the Chipotle at 4851 Main St in Kansas City on **Wednesday, October 20th** between 4:00pm and 8:00pm. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to Visitation Catholic School.

NEW! ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP

Use code 63K69D before checkout in "Order" field. Orders placed on Chipotle.com or through the Chipotle app for pickup using this unique code will be donated to the fundraiser.



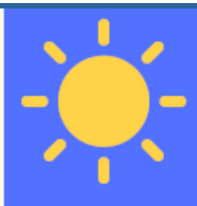
All online orders must be placed for pickup at the same time/location of the fundraiser. Delivery cannot be counted as this fundraiser. Gift card and purchase during fundraiser. All proceeds benefit Visitation Catholic School. All purchases made with an existing gift card will count. 33% minimum order code required to receive any donation.



The **Visitation Book Fair** is back! **October 24-29!**
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Parents of children who will be 5 years old by July 31, 2022 are invited to Kindergarten Round-Up to learn more about Visitation School.

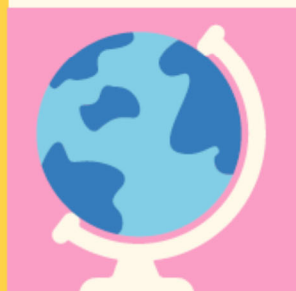
The evening, intended for parents only, will include introductions of faculty & staff, a brief informational presentation, visits to the Kindergarten classrooms and time for Q&A.

Questions? Call 531-6200



KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

NOVEMBER 10
7:00 PM
TIGHE HALL



BASKETBALL COACHES NEEDED

The Visitation Athletic Committee is currently seeking interested volunteers to coach boys & girls basketball, 4th - 8th grades, for the upcoming season. The season runs from early November to early March. If you are interested in basketball, and enjoy working with kids, please consider this very rewarding opportunity. Please contact J.L. Roach at jlroach13@gmail.com, or any athletic committee member, for more information.

RESPECT LIFE



OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life.

There are number of ways you can observe Respect Life Month in our diocese:

40 Days for Life Campaign | Through October 31

Stand Up for Life Youth Rally | January 19, 2022 (registration now open)

Respect Life Challenge: "A Call to Action" | Precious Blood Renewal Center

On Friday, October 1, a group of Visitation parishioners joined other local parishes to hold vigil as part of the 40 Days for Life Campaign to end abortion. To learn how to support the work to end abortion, please visit the USCCB website at www.usccb.org. To help provide support for mom's in crisis, visit Mother's Refuge at their website www.mothersrefuge.org. Learn more about a new initiative supported by the archdiocese in Kansas and our diocese called the St Mary's Home for Mothers at www.smhfm.org.



On October 5, 13 parishioners held a prayer vigil in the courtyard for Ernest Johnson who was sentenced to death for a crime he committed 25 years ago. Even after a plea by Pope Francis to grant clemency, the execution was carried out and Ernest was pronounced dead at 6:11 pm. A recent statement from the Missouri Catholic Conference said, "It is our prayer that we, the people of Missouri, look for ways to address these crimes without resorting to the death penalty. Life without parole is a severe punishment which isolates offending individuals from society. We ask Catholics and people of good will to join us in seeking alternatives to

the death penalty for Missouri's most violent criminals. Even those who commit the most offensive acts do not lose their human dignity before God." If you are interested in working to abolish the death penalty in Missouri, visit the website for Missourians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty at www.madpmo.org.

KC MOTHER'S IN CHARGE PRAYER PROJECT

Thank you to our prayer partners holding the following individuals in prayer. Please pray along with us for each of these victims, their family and the perpetrators of these crimes.

Kailey Love
Kentral Gray
Darrin Fry Jr.
Andrea Dean
Terrell Bell
Lavance Jones
Andrew Wheeler

Ahmad Cartwright
Deangelo Wallace
Shirley Ransom
Jaelin Ransom
Tyla Ransom
Robin Strother
Richard Lamont Hardin, Jr.

Monalisa Bruce
Jamell Funderburke
Fred Brewster, Jr.
Gloriabella Lehman
Mortez Falkner
Tarey Johnson
Sergio Esquivel, Jr.

CHRISTMAS IN OCTOBER



CHRISTMAS IN OCTOBER 2021 SUMMARY

Thirteen members of the Visitation family came together on Saturday, October 9 to help local KC homeowners Nettie and Gary as part of the annual Christmas in October effort. Patrick and Ben Casey's construction expertise and hard work made the project possible. John Mateski and Dan Hammond generously offered trucks to transport materials to the jobsite and Dan added other thoughtful contributions to the project. Pat Crawford, Ken Conroy, Tim McCray and Neal Rasmussen each brought essential carpentry and construction skills. Ann and Cody Peratt were willing and able to help with anything that was asked of them, and Laura Thornhill made time to work despite having family commitments. Troy Rundle came directly from another charity event to help us finish strong, and Karen Miller kept everybody going with drinks and food throughout the day. I can't say enough about this group of individuals – it was humbling and inspiring to watch them generously contribute their considerable skillsets to help members of the KC community. Most importantly, Nettie Nicholson was extremely excited and appreciative of the group's work. She now has new gutters to properly drain water from her roof, a stair railing to help navigate previously dangerous front-porch steps, a new storm door, threshold and trim around the front entryway to prevent air from entering the house, a new front-porch floor to replace the old rotting floor and a neatly trimmed yard without overgrown weeds. Of all the work, Nettie and Gary seemed most excited about the improvements to the front entryway that will keep them warm for many winters to come. Thanks again to all of the generous volunteers who made this happen!

- Brad Angermeier



WOMEN of VISITATION

Did you know that by being a member of Visitation Parish you're already a member of Women of Vis? Did you know that even if you've not yet joined the parish, or maybe you're part of our school community, we'd love to see you?

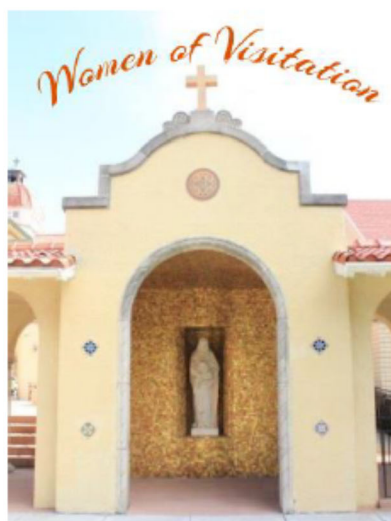
As the Women of Visitation, let's ALL join together in SERVICE, FELLOWSHIP and SPIRITUAL GROWTH.

Below is a list of ways you can connect with other women in our community. If you would like to stay updated on these ministries & events, please fill out the bottom half of this page and return it to the parish office, OR fill out the online form at:

<https://my.cheddarup.com/c/women-of-vis-2021-2022>

And find more details about our ministries & activities at:

www.visitation.org/get-involved/women-of-visitation



Circle any and all that interest you.

**ANNUAL SPRING BLOOD DRIVE
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Name: _____ **Email:** _____

Address: _____ **Phone:** _____

All of the WOV ministries & activities cost money, so please consider making an OPTIONAL donation! WOV also has a Giving Fund. The Giving Fund helps members of our parish during a time of need. Donations can be made online via the CheddarUp link above or via a check made out to: ***Women of Visitation***. I would like to make a donation of \$ _____ to support WOV! I would like to make a donation of \$ _____ to the WOV Giving Fund! Any donation you are willing to make is greatly appreciated and will be honored and used with gratitude.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	Altar Server	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Usher Greeter	Sacristan
Saturday 4:00 PM	Gracie Gunter -sub req Libby Scanlon	Mary Laird Karen Van Asdale Philip Major Susie Major David Pucci	Heather Silliman	Ada Barber Cris Ruiz Joey Waldrup	David Laird
Sunday 8:00 AM	Quinn Scanlon M.J. Thompson	Amy Thompson Mary Widmer Cary Jackson Allie Lueke Diane Blanck	Richard Kochuyt	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Eileen Johnson
Sunday 10:30 AM	Selanna Munjak-Khoury Charlie Panzino	Steve O'Neill Diana Welsh Gary Smith Christy Powers -sub req Janie Palmer	Sara Keenan	Linda Given - sub req Katie Levi Parker Levi	Jennifer Greene

GREETERS NEEDED

We are in need of people to serve as greeters (ministers of hospitality) at all liturgies with the most need at the 10:30 am Mass. Greeters serve as the face of our community! Greeters welcome all who enter our doors at Mass. They distribute order of service cards, take up the offertory collection and tidy-up after the liturgy. If you are available and interested in serving, please contact Liturgy and Music director, Alejandro Manso at 753-5155 x1307 or alejandro@church.visitation.org.



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