# SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME VISITATION PARISH JULY 30, 2023



#### 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 lifelong 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

#### Confessions

Saturday		3:00	pm
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Weekday Masses (St. Joseph Chapel)

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

#### **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# SAVE THE DATE! CATECHETICAL SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

All parishioners who help form the faith of others are invited to receive a blessing during the 8:00 am and 10:30 am Masses, followed by fellowship in Tighe Hall. This includes Visitation School Religion teachers, S.O.R. teachers, Marriage Lead Couples, CRHP CSD's and Lay Leaders, R.C.I.A. Team and Sponsors, Confirmation Team members, Small Group Leaders and more...

#### **CONFIRMATION MINISTRY TEAM**

Interested in joining the Confirmation ministry



team? Or, have some ideas about Confirmation you want to share? Come join us for fellowship and a chance to talk about this year's Confirmation program. **We will meet Thursday, August 10 at 6:30 pm** in the Faith Formation room in

Tighe Hall. Please contact Jennifer Greene at 816-753 -7422 x1309 for more information.

#### DEATH PENALTY VIGIL

On August 1, Johnny Johnson is scheduled to be executed by the state of Missouri. Please plan to come to the St. Joseph Chapel at 5:45 pm to pray for him, the victim of his crime, Casey Williamson, all those tasked with carrying out the execution and all who are impacted by violence in our community.

#### 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 <u>jfmunjak@yahoo.com</u> or 816-492-0700 for more information.

#### WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY

#### **OUR SYMPATHY**

We, a parish community, extend our prayers and sympathy to Vince Cascone, on the death of his mother, Beverly Cascone.

#### **ROSARY FOR THE SICK** IN OUR PARISH COMMUNITY IS HELD EVERY WEDNESDAY IN THE ST. JOSEPH CHAPEL AT 8:00 pm. *(WILL BE LIVESTREAMED)*

#### **REMEMBER OUR SICK**

John Anderson Pamela Atherton Maggie Quirarte Bates Leonardo Borders Cathi Brain Chace Brundige Cathy Campbell Marianne Carl **Timothy Charles** Mary Beth Cicchetti Olivia Connealy Tony Consentino Jean Cummings Allie May Dudenhoeffer **Bill Fuss** Shana Gadt Ed Grownev Brooke Kuechler Harris Mike Henninger Joe Irwin William Jewell Erin Kallman Shirley Kempker Marriane Kersten Kevin Koch Brvan Larson Betsy Lazere Jeanne Lendabarker Anthony Lipari, Sr. Mary Lipari Tom Lynn Jorge Maldonado Scott Martens

Priscilla McInnes Tim McNamara Thomas McNamara Tricia Melland Birdie Mendence Andy Metzler Lionel Morgan Krystal Nemetz Jennifer Olson Charles Oppenlander Nicholas Parscale Nicola Pistone Kat Potter Peggy Pruitt Ruth Quirarte Quinn Regan Theresia Ritchie Valerie Roach Ellie Rose The Ryan Family The Saalberg Family Liam Scanlon Fran Schuetz Barbara Schulte Aimee Sesler Sandra Sharp Bill Stone Special Intention Jeannie Sullivan Salvador Valldeperas, Sr. Annabelle Whalen Dave Wittrock Leigh Ann Zeller

The parish community continues to pray for parish members and their families who are serving in the armed services: Major Philip Martin, Ft. Leavenworth, KS; Maj. Chris Oppenlander, Hill Airforce Base; Maj. Gisselle Oppenlander, Hill Airforce Base; Staff Sgt. Louis Perez, San Diego, CA.

> FUNERAL MEAL TEAMS On Deck: Team # 8 On Alert: Team # 12

## **PASTOR'S CORNER**

Dear Parishioners,

I am so grateful to everyone for such a warm welcome to Visitation! I've enjoyed meeting so many of you before and after Mass, in the office or at parish events. I'm grateful that you take the time to introduce (and re-introduce) yourselves. The spirit of hospitality at Visitation is incredible!



I am getting settled in at the rectory and at the office, though it always takes some time to get things in the right place and customize my surroundings. I have my share of things. I have collected Frankoma Pottery for 40 years, so I have a good amount of that

to place. I like my shoes and need plenty of space for them. I even still have all my old LP's from the 70's, 80's and 90's, along with some new releases. Everything is finding its place, but it does take some time and energy to figure it all out. The rectory is a beautiful home and I am grateful for all it offers!

It's great to be in the neighborhood and be surrounded by so many parishioners, along with wonderful restaurants. I love how walkable it is! And I enjoy thinking of how we really are family, living in close proximity and taking care of one another. What a joy, honor and privilege it is to be among you. Thank you for your gracious hospitality!

Peace,

Fr. Greg

## **THANK YOU TO VISITATION**

#### FROM KANBE'S MARKETS

Hi Visitation Catholic Church,



Thank you very much for your contribution of \$1,150 to Kanbe's Markets. We are humbled by the generosity our community has shown, allowing us to to share our mission and strengthen our momentum to eliminate Kansas City's food deserts.

Due to your dedication to food justice we have exceeded our goals! Through our produce redirection program, our team and volunteers have rescued just over

700,000 lbs. of fruits and vegetables from entering local landfills. The Healthy Corner Store program has delivered fresh produce to 41 locations five days a week putting

approximately 225,000 residents within a mile of fresh and affordable produce. Our community engagement team has had the privilege to work closely with several neighborhood associations, community partners and expanded food education initiatives. None of this would have been possible without your kindness and generosity. Together we are on step closer to an equitable future of food in Kansas City.

Our team at Kanbe's Markets is dedicated to the work it will take to continue to provide real solutions to nutritional inequity. It takes people like you to make it all possible. We are beyond grateful to have you stand with us.

Warmest regards, Maxfield Kaniger Founder, CEO

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST 1-6

**Tuesday, August 1** 6:45 am Charles Svoboda † 8:15 am Joseph & Camella Circo †

> Wednesday, August 2 6:45 am Nolan Shock † 8:15 am Joseph & Marie Johnson †

> > Thursday, August 3 6:45 am Vicki Nulton †

Friday, August 4 8:15 am Michael Tisius †

Saturday, August 5 8:15am Bill Nelson † 4:00 pm People of Visitation

Sunday, August 6 8:00 am Ruth Ann Bay † 10:30 am Martha Beckers †

LITURGICAL MINISTERS AUGUST 5-6						
	4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM			
	D. Torline	W. Lueke	L. Gaarder			
	B. Murray	D. Britt	H. Hagenhoff			
	M. Murray	I. Janes	T. Hagenhoff			
	C. Brain	J. Miller	L. Gromowsky			
	S. Bastasch	Stephen Miller	R. Moran			
	B. Bownik	J. Grego	L. McLiney			
	C. Roewe sub req	K. Van Asdale	T. McCray			
	B. Roewe	S. O'Neill	A. Sonnenberg			
	J. Call	C. Schorgl	B. Adams sub req			
	A. Eckels	E. McCann	G. Bauman			
	T. Egan	J. McGee	G. Smith			
	M. Heckman-Crowe	M. Lising	M. Widmer			
	D. Brain	S. Derks	K. Brown			
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	C. Maggiorotto	T. Colburn	R. Lang			
	W. Maggiorotto	B. Palmer	T. Mayer			
	J. Rebman	J. Palmer	S. Mayer			

#### 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 Web Site www.visitation.org

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Priest in Residence, Fr. Charles Rowe BULLETIN DEADLINE Noon Monday

#### SACRAMENTS

SERVERS

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SACRISTAN

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 2022-23

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



#### Visitation is seeking "Seekers!"

Join others considering the Catholic Church for three upcoming "Inquiry Sundays." These sessions address basic questions about what Catholics believe, how we pray and what we celebrate. With a focus on fellowship, Sunday sessions take place between the 8:00 am and 10:30 am Masses and are open to walk-ins and all parishioners.

Come with your questions, or follow the QR code to submit questions anonymously... Sunday, September 10 9:15 – 10:15 am (Adult Classroom in Tighe Hall) Sunday, September 17 9:15 – 10:15 am (Adult Classroom in Tighe Hall) Sunday, September 24 9:15 – 10:15 am (Adult Classroom in Tighe Hall)



## BAPTISM

#### **BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS**

Visitation offers a Baptism Preparation class for new parents six times a year where we prayerfully walk through the Rite of Baptism and learn about its ancient and rich sacramental symbols. The next class will be **Sunday**, **August 20 from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm. Meet in the Adult Classroom downstairs in Tighe Hall**.

- New parents are required to complete Baptism preparation prior to their child's baptism.
- All others are also welcome! Parents who baptized their first child during the pandemic and had to take the class online are especially encouraged to attend this class in-person. Parents who want a "refresher," or godparents wishing to deepen their understanding of Baptism, are invited to attend the class.
- To learn more, contact Teresa Albright at 753-5155 x1309 or teresa@church.visitation.org.

## **SCHOOL OF RELIGION**

A weekly program for the children of Visitation parish, their households and their neighbors. Classes, including preparation for First Sacraments, are available for K-8<sup>th</sup> graders beginning Monday, September 11 from 5:15 – 6:15 pm. REGISTRATION OPENS AUGUST 1!

**S.O.R. Vision:** Support the Domestic Church | Make Disciples of Jesus | Encourage Servant Leadership | Reinforce a Catholic Identity



**S.O.R. Mission:** to assist parents in sharing the tradition of our Catholic Christian faith; teach and lead children in the practice of prayer; encourage a familiarity and love of Scripture; foster an awareness of God's presence in daily life; demonstrate that our gifts are God-given and to be used in service to neighbor and society.

**Call for Volunteers!** There are several ways to help with this important family program. Contact Teresa Albright in the parish office to discuss volunteer opportunities for both teens and adults.

## **RACIAL JUSTICE**



#### WE HAVE MET THE GOAL AGAIN!

The parish Racial Justice Committee is grateful to all whose donations have made it possible to enable four Cristo Rey student interns to work in our School in the 2023-24 academic year. This is the third year that we, as a parish, have met the nearly \$30,000 goal to support this program. In that time,115 parish families and the parish Knights of Columbus have made contributions to this fund, many doing so each year.

We have met our goal, but the fund is now drained. If you would like to help sustain this effort, please click on the link below to add your contribution. Be assured that it is a gift that endures, as these young people of color are able assistants for our teachers and role models for our Vis students. <u>https://www.shelbygiving.com/App/Form/b1846c7e-0418-49fc-bae1-b0dc5c0a80a5</u>.

Youth for Change formed in

January 2022 as a youth service organization open to students ages 12 - 18. Initially a collaboration between St. Monica and Visitation



parish youth, we are poised for expansion to other parishes.

Our next meeting is Sunday, August 6 at St. Monica Church. We'll gather for Mass at 9:00 am and then meet for donuts and discussion of future visions for the group.

If you have questions or are interested in attending, please email or call Linda Hughes at (816) 665-3672 or <a href="https://www.lchteach20@gmail.com">lchteach20@gmail.com</a>.

## **ABOUT TOWN**

# Become a Reading Mentor Help a student learn to read during the lunch hour!



Read once a week for 30 minutes with students in high-need elementary schools.

Only 20% of third-grade students read proficiently in Kansas City public and charter schools, so WE NEED YOU!

Learn more and apply at leadtoreadkc.org/volunteer



## VISITATION REFUGEE ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE MEET OUR NEWEST NEIGHBORS, THE MAULID FAMILY!

Our refugee family has moved into their new home near 55th and Olive and is beginning the process of acclimating to life in Kansas City.

There are eight members of the family. Awaya and Lucsia are the father and mother. They arrived with their daughter Marie, and granddaughter Faida on July 10. Another daughter, Fancoise and her three little boys, Maurdi (6), Lukando (4) and Michael (2) arrived on July 13. Volunteers from Visitation joined the family's case worker from Della Lamb both days to welcome the family at the airport and accompany them to their home.

Last week's bulletin contains photos of the inside of the house after it was cleaned and prepared for their arrival.

The family is from the Democratic Republic of the Congo and has most recently living in a camp in Tanzania.

Visitation volunteers will work with Della for the next three months to help provide transportation for the family for medical appointments as well as visit them to help find places to shop close to their home. Help locating the bus routes is also a priority, so they can become more independent.



Many thanks to all those parishioners who donated items or

their time. We will provide updates ont eh family in future bulletins and if Della communicates additional needs (e.g. winter clothing) we will let everyone know.

## SOCIAL CONCERNS

### SAVE THE DATE: HUNGER FOR JUSTICE BANQUET AUGUST 30

Save the Date for Wednesday, August 30 for the Hunger for Justice Banquet featuring the <u>Midwest Innocence</u> <u>Project.</u> Our guest speakers will *be Ricky Kidd and Kevin Strickland*.



Kevin Strickland wrongfully convicted and spent 43 years in prison.





Ricky Kidd - wrongfully convicted and spent 23 years in prison.

## MADRE MONTH

#### TACOS FOR MADRE- THANK YOU

Last Sunday, a steady stream of people enjoyed the delicious tacos made by Mark Blanck and our Knights of Columbus Council as well as tamales from the Tamale Kitchen. Fun and fellowship was had by all and over \$1500 was raised to help support the needs of our sister parish. Thank you to everyone who came to celebrate with us! - The Madre Steering Committee



## **COMMUNITY GARDEN**



St. Francis Xavier and Visitation Parish partner to maintain the 20 garden beds along Troost which produce around 1,000 lbs. of produce annually for our neighbors in need. So far, the team has harvested radishes, lettuce, turnips, beets, broccoli, Swiss chard and collard greens. The tomatoes, peppers, okra, sweet potatoes, cabbage, peaches and apples are growing well and will be available soon for our families. Kansas City Community Gardens, a non-profit organization provides the seeds we purchase each year for our garden's beds. Produce is typically harvested on Wednesday mornings and volunteers are needed to water and weed on



Saturday mornings at 9:30 am. If you are interested in being part of our garden crew, please contact Alison Dudley at <u>alisondudleykc@gmail.com</u> or Kelly Rawlings at <u>kellymrawlings@gmail.com</u>.









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 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.

## SCENES FROM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

















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## **BLOOD DRIVE**



# Visitation Parish Thursday, August 24th 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Tighe Hall Visitation Church 5141 Main

Appointments are preferred. Book your appointment today at savealifenow.org/group, enter Group Code: VH. For additional details contact Megan Burdolski at (816) 753-5155 ext. 305 or megan@church.visitation.org. Medical eligibility questions? Call 1.800.688.0900



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