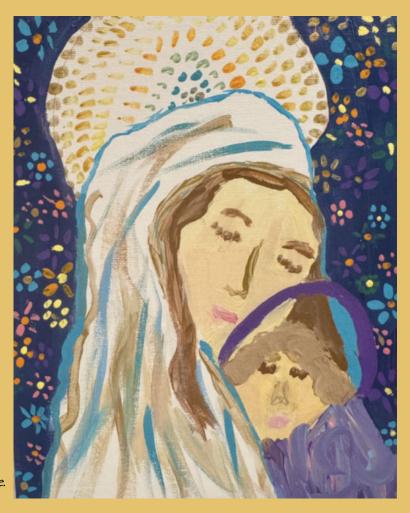
VISITATION PARISH FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 11, 2025



Visitation School, Blessed Mother Portrait winner, Carter Coppage - 5th Grade.

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

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



SHARED VISION: A COMMUNITY CAMPAIGN FOR A RENEWED VISITATION SCHOOL

SHARED It's been 25 years since the last major renovation of Visitation School – our parish's longest-standing ministry and a vibrant

anchor in the neighborhood and community. On the weekend of **May 31-June 1**, our parish will officially launch the Shared VISion Campaign for a renewed Visitation School. We're excited to share more about the future of our school and the improvements that will support 21st Century Learning and academic excellence.

Why is it important to renovate Visitation School?

- To sustain Visitation's longest enduring ministry: forming and educating students as strong, compassionate followers of Christ.
- To ensure that maintenance and repairs, energy efficiency, technology and security needs are met. A renewed Visitation School also enhances our parish and school marketability to future families and students.
- To ensure that the surrounding neighborhood of which Visitation Church and School are longstanding anchors, continues to be a stable and vibrant community.
- To join in building an environment and culture that fosters our Catholic faith and connection to community, academic excellence and service to others.

Who's leading the campaign?

The campaign is led by Chairs Terry and Lindsey Anderson, Honorary Co-Chairs Tom and Virginia Coppinger and Mark and Amy Thompson.
The Steering Committee includes Megan Burdolski, Fr. Greg Haskamp, Matt Krull, Don Lueke, campaign counsel Rozanne Prather, Sally Sallee and Melissa Wagner.



WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY

ADORATION

All are welcome to participate in adoration which is offered every Wednesday in the St. Joseph Chapel from 9:00 am- 5:00 pm.

ROSARY FOR THE SICK

The rosary for the sick will continue to be held on Wednesdays in the St. Joseph Chapel at 5:30 pm.

REMEMBER OUR SICK

Jake Lynch Ioe McLinev Earl Adam Pamela Atherton Bill Blanck, Sr. Jerry Calkins Marianne Carl Mary Beth Cicchetti Kav Dierks Whit Emanuels Susan Erwin Bill Fuss Brooke Kuechler Harris Kristin Hever Megan Hoefer Margaret Howard Ioe Irwin

Jolene Lynn **Bob Lystad** Scott Martens Tim McNamara Tricia Melland Ien O'Neill Peggy Pruitt Laine Riehle Ellie Rose Kathy Scaglia Gary Schafer Barbara Schulte Aimee Sesler Sandra Sharp Kathy Sims Danny Smith Special Intention Salvador Valldeperas, Sr. Dave Wittrock

Jeanne Lendabarker

SICK LIST

William Jewell

Bryan Larson

Please call Jenny Greene at $816-753-5155 \times 1309$ 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 any additional support if needed.

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

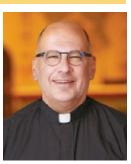
On Deck: Team # 12 On Alert: Team # 6

Want to learn more about the exciting renovations and new features? Join us for Mass the weekend of May 31-June 1. And watch your email & this bulletin for several opportunities to come and learn more about the planned improvements and our Shared VISion Campaign. We're excited to share what's in store and the ways you can be a part of our faith-filled legacy.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners,

The month of May means many things in our parish community: the arrival of spring, First Communion, Mother's Day, the end of the school year, our parish feast, baptisms, weddings, graduations and much more! This year it also means the kickoff of our Shared VISion Capital Campaign! The Feasibility Study we conducted a couple of years ago made it clear that our parish community would support this campaign to renovate our school and add updates to promote 21st Century Learning. After some significant changes in the past couple of years, we are ready to embark on this campaign!



We have shared the vision with several groups of lead givers, along with school parents, but are now offering every parishioner the invitation to learn more about the campaign and the goals we've established. Join us in Tighe Hall to view renderings, learn more about the Campaign and the hope-filled future of Visitation Parish & School:

- May 28 6:30 pm
- May 31 after 4:00 pm Mass
- June 1 after 8:00 & 10:30 am Masses

All are welcome to attend these events and learn more about the renovation plans for Visitation School

We are grateful to Terry & Lindsey Anderson for chairing this campaign, and to Mark & Amy Thompson and Tom and Virginia Coppinger for serving as Honorary Chairs. Their leadership, along with the great work of our campaign committee, has already generated some significant support and excitement! I hope you can join the journey and attend one of these upcoming events.

Peace,

Fr. Greg

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



MINISTRY SCHEDULE - MAY 17-18 **MASS INTENTIONS** SERVERS 4:00 PM 8:00 AM 10:30 AM **MAY 13-18** K. Schilling H. Affolter J. Canino Tuesday, May 13 ALTAR E. Affolter M. Filing S. Murray 6:45 am Dorothy Nestor † C. Bock A. Schilling L. Esslinger 8:15 am Dick Honan † D. Devine Keith Connor K. Esslinger Wednesday, May 14 Kevin Connor K. Larson C. Fryer 6:45 am Fr. Cornelius Cleary † M. O'Neill B. Jones R. Larson 8:15 am Ruth Quirarte A. Peratt E. McCann T. McCray J. McCann T. McGhie sub req. L. Reichman Thursday, May 15 K. Reichman M. McCann K. Osbern 6:45 am Maria Chalk † C. Roewe sub req. S. Miller M. Roach B. Roewe J. Miller A. Smith Friday, May 16 A. Sonnenberg C. Spaeth 8:15 am Casey Pointer † C. Schorgl K. Taylor K. Strauss D. Valenti Saturday, May 17 J. Waldrup M. Widmer K. Van Asdale 8:15am Deceased Members of the E. Haines B. Winget N. Allen Gigliotti Family † B. Nelson 4:00 pm People of Visitation M. Dro F. Erlacker L. Burke Sunday, May 18 P. Dunlay sub req. C. Keller G. Canino

D. Winningham

C. Ruiz

PARISH BOUNDARIES

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PARISH OFFICE, Monday-Friday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Eucharist to Homebound and Hospital, Jennifer 5141 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64112 Phone 816-753-7422 Fax 816-753-5505 Web Site www.visitation.org

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8:00 am David Weideman †

10:30 am Virginia Wasson †

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Priest in Residence, Fr. Charles Rowe

BULLETIN DEADLINE Noon Monday **SACRAMENTS**

K. Keller

P. Ekerdt

Anointing of the Sick by appointment Fr. Greg and Jennifer Greene

Greene

Sacrament of Matrimony, Contact Jennifer Greene to begin marriage preparation.

J. Canino

J. Roach

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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RACIAL JUSTICE



In 2021, Visitation's Racial Justice Committee began a collaborative initiative – parish and school working together – to bring four Cristo Rey High School Interns to work at Visitation School. As a community, 117 parishioners have made contributions and raised the necessary funds (\$9,000 per student this coming year) to make this happen.

Each year we review the initiative and in recent weeks, we have heard good things that we think you should hear as well. Each week for the next few weeks we will share insights of teachers, parents and parishioners who have supported

this Cristo Rey Intern parish collaborative effort.

In meeting with the eight Visitation teachers who work with the interns, each of them renewed their commitment to this collaboration. The parish leadership, Fr. Greg and Dr. Wagner support this effort. The parish Racial Justice Committee, who initiated this collaboration, remains steadfast in support as do the parent contributors who throughout the last four years have seen the value and contributed to bringing the Cristo Rey interns to Visitation.

School parents Bryan and Leslie McGuire shared these thoughts about the opportunities and gifts that Cristo Rey Interns bring to their work at Visitation School:

"Leslie and I have had the pleasure to work with Cristo Rey Interns, respectively, at different times in our careers. These young adults have always been motivated to assist in whatever task is asked of them. They are sharp, curious and motivated and it's exciting to see the growth that real world experience provides in their lives. I had the opportunity to catch up with an intern I had worked with about 6 years prior and it was a joy to see that he was still with the same company, thriving at his position, and excited for what would come next. This program provides exceptional value to our Vis teachers, our children and our community at large."

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REDEMPTORIST- PRESENTATION ON BLESSED STANLEY ROTHER

On Monday, June 9 at 7:00 pm, Redemptorist will host Fr. Don Wolf, a priest from the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, who will speak about Blessed Stanley Rother. Fr. Rother was martyred in 1981 in Guatemala where he was serving as a missionary in Santiago Atitlan. In 2015, the Vatican formally recognized him as a martyr. He was beatified in 2017 in Oklahoma City. Blessed Stanley Rother is the first martyr from the United States and the first U.S.-born priest to be beatified. Fr. Wolf is a cousin to Blessed Stanley Rother and will speak in the Garden Room at Redemptorist.

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TRIVIA: 7:15 - 9:15 PM

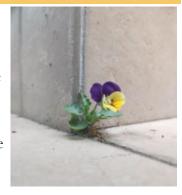
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SOCIAL CONCERNS

Reflections following a busy Holy Week with the Saint Vincent de Paul ministry.

It so happened that one of the busiest times for emergency assistance requests fell on the two weeks leading up to Easter. As a member of Saint Vincent de Paul, it felt like more than a ministry this Easter season to provide "hope in the face of hopelessness" to some very worthy clients.

One young woman had fallen behind in rent and utilities after an injury at work. She showed clear signs of feeling hopeless and overwhelmed. We prayed with her and it felt important to be a symbol of hope and love for her in that moment. "I will never forget." She said when told her rent had been paid.



Another gentleman, who had worked hard his whole life and managed his expenses well, but depleted his 401K and short term disability to keep up with bills following an injury and recent surgery. It was clear that the weight of an unmanageable water bill was a burden on his recovery. The hope that we shared in removing that weight was evident in his response of gratitude.

A single mom who was working 2 jobs but her primary job was cut, a metro bus driver whose hours/routes were decreased both trying to climb out of a hole....

To be able to lift up and support members in our community and provide that "Hope in the midst of hopelessness" certainly felt like a Holy Spirit gift to be a servant of this ministry during the holiest time in our faith.

MISSOURI CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

Do you want to learn more about the public policy work being done by the MCC? Go to www.mocatholic.org to see a list of priorities! You can also choose to receive text alerts on issues you are passionate about.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Visitation supports the organizations below through yearly Emergency Assistance support and Community Grants. We also reserve spots for parishioners to serve together. So, we have a place for you, whether you prefer mornings or evenings!

Morning Glory Ministries

Volunteer on the first Thursday of each month to serve breakfast to those in need! The next opportunity is June 5! Contact Kristi Wakat at kristi773@gmail.com to reserve your spot.

One City Café

Volunteer to serve dinner to those in need on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month! The next opportunity to serve is May 22. Contact Bill Staggs to reserve your spot at 816-304-3264 or willstaggs48@gmail.com.

AGENCY SPOTLIGHT

MISSOURIANS TO ABOLISH THE DEATH PENALTY (MADP)

MADP is the only statewide organization whose sole purpose is working to repeal the death penalty. Much of the focus is on education and informing citizens and legislators about the costs and consequences of the death penalty in our state. To learn more about the organization and to volunteer, please go to https://www.madpmo.org/



RADIATING JOY AND REVERENCE IN OUR FINAL WEEKS

As we approach the close of the school year, Visitation is filled with heartfelt moments and meaningful milestones. Our Grandparents Day School Mass was a beautiful celebration of faith and family, honoring the cherished bond between generations. The Mass radiated warmth, with students and families coming together in a spirit of gratitude and love. Afterward, grandparents were welcomed into the School to tour classrooms, witness their grandchildren's learning in action, and share in moments of connection and pride.

In another joyful milestone, our second graders





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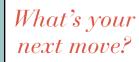
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