

VISITATION PARISH

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 29, 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 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
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



WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY

RCIA

Classes begin **this Tuesday, August 31, 7:00 - 9:00 pm** in the Faith Formation Room. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a journey of faith in community. To begin your journey toward Christ in the Sacraments, please contact Teresa Albright at 753-5155 x1306 or teresa@church.visitation.org to schedule an initial interview.

SCHOOL

VISITATION NIGHT AT CULVER'S

Wednesday, September 8 from 10:00 am to 10:00 pm! Donate while you dine at Culver's on State Line Road! Drive Thru, take-out and outside eating encouraged! Enjoy a delicious meal, benefit a great cause and feel good all over. Thanks for your support!

Visitation Dining out Discount Card

Purchase a \$30 discount card and you will receive a discount from the fabulous restaurants listed below. For more information and/or to purchase a card, please call or email Emily Vogt at 305-6151 or



Emily@kansascityhomes.com.

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WWW.VISITATIONSALES.COM

Girls Volleyball Coaches Needed

The Visitation Athletic Committee is currently seeking volunteers to coach girls volleyball, particularly 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 jfmunjak@yahoo.com or 492-0700, for more information.

REMEMBER OUR SICK

Carol Riesmeyer

Suzanne Adams
Pamela Atherton
Barbara Kopp Atkinson
Maggie Quirarte Bates
Marilyn Frechin Blank
Dorothy Bock
Leonardo Borders
Mary Ann Brown
Mike Caraway
Marianne Carl
Beverly Cascone
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

Joe Noblitt

Danny Nulton

Jennifer Olson

Maria Onate

Charles Oppenlander

Bruce Palmer

Nicholas Parscale

Leonardo Passantino

Connie Perucca

Pat Piranio

Nicola Pistone

Peggy Pruitt

Quinn Regan

Ellie Rose

The Ryan Family

Gary Schafer

Jeff Schilling

Fran Schuetz

Barbara Schulte

Aimee Sesler

Bill Sharp

Sandra Sharp

Sharon Smart

Special Intention

Jeannie Sullivan

Peter Thompson

Tripp Thompson

Salvador Valdeperas, 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, Vicenza, Italy; 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 1 - Angela Bergner and Molly Hupke

On Alert: Team 4 - Linda Dro and Lois Roszak

RACIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

The Visitation Racial Justice Committee began to meet over a year ago as an initiative of some school faculty who soon invited members of the parish staff to join them. That nucleus invited other parishioners to join the effort, bringing the total to 20 members. During the winter months, three subcommittees formed as a way to include more interested parishioners.

The Communication subcommittee posts something in the bulletin each week as a way of keeping the parish informed. The Outreach subcommittee has invited the parish at large to participate in activities that raise awareness diversity and inclusion (field trip to MO-Hives, the Johnson County Library creation - Dividing Line Tour, etc.)

The Education subcommittee piloted an eight-week summer program: Faith and Racial Healing: Embracing Truth, Justice and Restoration and found it so worthwhile that we will offer it again this fall.

This Just Faith program, Faith and Racial Healing, invites participants to formulate their own Christian-rooted responses to racism. By fostering active listening, dialogue and prayer, the program forms a group that is rooted in trust and compassion. Through new learning from videos and resource books, it lends new insights to participants' awareness of racism.

If you would like to participate in this group on Wednesday evenings, beginning September 22, please email VISRJC@gmail.com. The group size is limited to 14, so if interested, please register now.



FAITH FORMATION

Visitation is happy to welcome two new members to the Faith Formation Team. Welcome, Kristie Larson and John Stevenson!

Faith Formation Team

Tatia Batz (chair), JoAnn Axtell, Pat Fanning, Eddie Greim, Lorraine Gordon, Kristie Larson, Sandie McCray, Mary Etta O'Neill, Brent Powell, John Stevenson, Teresa Albright (staff).

A poster for the Visitation Faith Formation 2nd Annual "Season of Creation" Hike. The background is a blurred image of a person's legs and feet walking on a path. The text is overlaid on a semi-transparent white box. At the top, it says "Visitation Faith Formation" in black. Below that, "2nd Annual 'Season of Creation' Hike" in large green letters. Then, in smaller black text: "The Season of Creation spans five weeks between the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation (September 1) and the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi (October 4). JOIN OTHER PARISHIONS FOR AN OPENING PRAYER SERVICE AND GUIDED HIKE!". Below that, "Saturday, October 2, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m." in orange. Then, "Lakeside Nature Center" in large green letters. Below that, "4701 E. Gregory Blvd. KCMO 64132" in green. At the bottom left, "All ages & abilities are welcome! (no dogs please)" in black. At the bottom right, "Learn more & Sign-up HERE" in black with a hand icon pointing to a QR code.

BLOOD DRIVE

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DONATIONS SAVE LIVES

**Visitation Parish
Tighe Hall
Thursday, September 23
12:30 PM - 6:30 PM**

Book your appointment today at savealifenow.org/group, enter **Group Code: VH**. For additional details, contact Megan Burdolski at (816) 753-5155 x1305 or megan@church.visitation.org.

Medical eligibility questions? Call 1.800.688.0900

Appointments are preferred.

Masks are required regardless of vaccination status.

For full list of COVID-19 safety protocols, visit savealifenow.org/coronavirus.

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

PARISH COUNCIL 2021-2022

Bill Dunn

Dave Ekerdt

Lorraine Gordon

Sara Keenan

John Legg

Don Lueke

Tina Mateski

Brandon McManamy

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St. Vincent De Paul Help Line
753-9061

Diocese of Kansas City St. Joseph
Ombudsman, Joe Crayon 812-2500
Victim Assistance Coordinator,
Carrie Cooper 714-2380

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 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 Diocesan 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 the Victim Advocate, Carrie Cooper at 714-2380 for more information.

SISTER PARISH



7TH ANNUAL RIDE FOR MADRE- JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF CYCLING FUN!

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Two course options available: 10 Miles or 20+ Miles

All participants will receive a Ride For Madre mask

Riders will leave from Chicken & Pickle in North Kansas City on Friday afternoon and will finish there for **Outdoor, Socially Distanced** beverages and celebration. To maintain social distances, a limited number of riders will be accepted and kids must be accompanied by a parent.

Funds raised will be donated to Madre for COVID relief.

GoFundMe.com/f/ride-for-madre-2021

PASTORAL CARE

THE CRISIS OF SUICIDE: HEALING, HOPE AND INTERVENTION

Come to Saint Ann's Catholic Church (7231 Mission Rd) on Tuesday, August 31 at 7:00 pm for an evening of healing and hope. Kelly & Bob Specht, founders of Carl's Cause, will tell their story and a teen breakout session will be offered. Professional counselors will offer resources and give concrete ways to foster mental wellness. Recommended for teens and up. For details, please visit carlscause.org and archkck.org/family/care-support/catholic-counselors/.

THE LEARNING CLUB

The *Learning Club at Chalet Manor* is looking forward to resuming in-person after-school tutoring sessions this school year! **Tutoring has resumed!** We are so excited to welcome back tutors- the students and staff of Learning Club have missed you!

To protect students who may not have the resources they need to stay safe and healthy during the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, **we are requiring all volunteers and staff to be vaccinated and wear masks during tutoring sessions.** This policy is in agreement with the Kansas City Public Schools' coronavirus policies. We will be operating using the honor system and will not require proof of vaccination, however volunteers will have to sign a form acknowledging our vaccine policy and attesting that they have been vaccinated. For information about this opportunity, contact Barb Truta at barbtruta@gmail.com.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- ⇒ House of Abraham - October 7
- ⇒ Christmas in October - October 9
- ⇒ Community Cares Project - October 16

To ask questions about, or to sign up for any of these projects, please contact Karen Miller at 753-5155 x1308.

CONFIRMATION

CONFIRMATION 2022—SAVE THE DATES!



Registration information coming in September. Be ready. Watch the bulletin and social media for links.

- Confirmation Orientation - Sunday, October 17 at 12:00 Noon in Tighe Hall.
- Sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop Johnston - Wednesday, March 30 at 7:00 pm.

SCHOOL OF RELIGION



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School of Religion classes for kindergarten through 9th Grade begin Monday, September 13 from 5:15 – 6:15 pm.

[REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN ON OUR PARISH WEBSITE AT WWW.VISITATION.ORG!](http://www.visitation.org)

MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS

School of Religion is a catechetical program that serves the children of Visitation Catholic Community and their families. Classes are for K – 9th graders on Monday evenings from 5:15 – 6:15 pm at Visitation Church. We use a lectionary-based curriculum that places the Gospel at the center of each lesson.

SUPPORTING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

While the children are in class, parents and any adult parishioner are encouraged to use the sacred spaces in the church for personal and communal prayer as a way to support of the domestic church. There will be a weekly Scripture class for adults held in the St. Joseph Chapel.

CELEBRATING OUR CATHOLIC IDENTITY

Each week's lesson includes age-appropriate instruction from the Catechism of the Catholic Church. School of Religion at Vis also offers a sacramental preparation class for second and third graders who are ready for their First Penance and First Holy Communion.

SHOWING LOVE FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

A few times each year, the S.O.R. community gathers for Family Faith Events open to the Whole Community. Some of these are opportunities to serve the poor, while others are opportunities to evangelize others. SOR families are encouraged to invite older siblings, grandparents, godparents and neighbors into their faith-life.

An Ecumenical Note to Non-Catholic Parents:

The S.O.R. Ministry Team strives to make Monday nights at Vis a welcoming place for all through common prayer and Gospel values. We extend a warm welcome especially to non-Catholic parents. Please let us know how we can best welcome you and your tradition's love for Christ.

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH

Our Christ Renews His Parish Women's (CRHP) weekend is currently scheduled for September 25-26!

The current Christ Renews women's team will be meeting this week to determine what changes may need to be made in order to accommodate a retreat in September with the current pandemic situation or whether postponement may be necessary. If you are interested in attending the next women's retreat, we encourage you to register online today at www.visitation.org. Registrants will be notified ASAP about any changes or postponements.

MASS INTENTIONS AUGUST 31 - SEPTEMBER 5

Tuesday, August 31

6:45 am Michele Chollet †

8:15 am Will Motter †

Wednesday, September 1

6:45 am Alice Jenkins †

8:15 am Carmen Mashburn †

Thursday, September 2

6:45 am Mae Brown †

Friday, September 3

8:15 am Irene Seigfreid †

Saturday, September 4

8:15 am Will Motter †

4:00 pm Valerie Caffrey †

Sunday, September 5

8:00 am William Horseman †

10:30 am People of Visitation

Wednesday @ 10:00 am

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