

# VISITATION PARISH

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SEPTEMBER 7, 2025



#### 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.

#### 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

### CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Date for High School and SOR 6, 7 and 8<sup>th</sup> graders: **Saturday, January 24 at 10:30 am at the Cathedral.** This means we will have all the formation in the fall.



**Registration is open on our website for both SOR students (use SOR Registration) and high school students.**

**Next meeting for high school is TONIGHT (Sunday, September 7) in Tighe Hall. Bring your journals.**

High School registration closes on September 8.

### NEEDED-Volunteers to help with the Confirmation Ministry Team.

These volunteers will be a presence at Confirmation meetings, help with planning meetings and assist with day-long retreat. All volunteers will need to be Virtus trained. Please contact Jenny Greene at [jennifer@visitation.org](mailto:jennifer@visitation.org) or 816-753-5155 x1309 if interested.

### SPECIAL COLLECTION – HOLY LAND

Bishop Johnston and the Church in the United States are encouraging parishes to take up a special collection to support the work of CNEWA and CRS to alleviate the suffering of the people in the Holy Land.

Catholic Relief Services and Catholic Near East Welfare Association are two agencies of our Church that are assisting those in need. The Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) is there providing vital emergency humanitarian relief and medical and psychological care for the sick, malnourished and wounded. Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is working through local Church partners to provide food, shelter, cash assistance, hygiene supplies, and care for people's emotional well-being.

Visitation will be collecting funds for this endeavor from August 20 - September 10, 2025.

You may donate electronically using the QR code (at right) or via check payable to Visitation with *Holy Land* in the memo line.



## WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY

### SYMPATHY

The parish extends our sympathy to Matt Spachman, on the death of his mother, Carol Spachman.

### ROSARY FOR THE SICK - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Individuals or couples are needed to lead the Rosary each Wednesday evening at 5:30 pm in the St. Joseph Chapel. Contact Jeff Mohajir at 913-219-8076 or email him at [jmohajir@mohajir.com](mailto:jmohajir@mohajir.com) with questions. Visit the link below to sign up!

<https://tinyurl.com/visrosary>

### ADORATION

All are welcome to participate in adoration on Wednesdays in the St. Joseph Chapel, 9:00 am-6:00 pm.

### REMEMBER OUR SICK

Earl Adam	Joe McLiney
Pamela Atherton	Thom McNamara
Bill Blanck, Sr.	Tricia Melland
Marianne Carl	Virginia Moffett
Kay Dierks	Jen O'Neill
Bill Fuss	Mary Etta O'Neill
Ed Growney	Mary Ann Oswald
Brooke Kuechler Harris	Peggy Pruitt
Kristin Heyer	Ellie Rose
Megan Hoefer	Kathy Scaglia
Margaret Howard	Gary Schafer
Joe Irwin	Barbara Schulte
William Jewell	Aimee Sesler
Bryan Larson	Sandra Sharp
Jeanne Lendabarker	Kathy Sims
Jake Lynch	Special Intention
Jolene Lynn	Salvador Valldeperas, Sr.
Bob Lystad	Dave Wittrock
Scott Martens	

### 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 # 1

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners,

I had a wonderful time in California. It was quiet, restful and full of beauty. Another priest of the diocese and I stayed in the small town of Gualala, right on the California coast (3 hours by car north of San Francisco). My brother from El Cerrito joined us for several days. It's always good to see him and spend time with him.



The sun was out every day, and while the wind picked up near the end of the trip, we had fantastic weather and enjoyed lots of time outdoors. I enjoy cooking on vacation, and since a couple of local grocery stores carry fresh fish and local vegetables, we enjoyed healthy meals every night (halibut, salmon, broccoli, asparagus). It was a great trip and I'm so thankful for the time away.

I returned on Tuesday, September 2. I'm so thankful for the leadership of our Principal and Assistant Principal, along with our parish staff, in my absence. We have such gifted and dedicated people who sustain our parish ministries with incredible joy and professionalism. As most of these ministries have resumed for the fall days ahead, there's a lot of good news happening in our midst.

Peace,

Fr. Greg

## VISITATION CHOIR

### COME TRY US OUT! THE VISITATION CHOIR STARTS BACK UP THIS MONTH!

The Visitation Choir is open for additional singers! Have you ever considered the possibility of singing with us!? Too intimidated? Don't be! The Visitation choir has a vast range of singers: we have professional singers, talented amateurs, as well as people who simply love to sing - some of whom read music well, and some who are learning - and we need ALL of them. If you can match pitch and want to be a



part of something beautiful and special, then singing with us should be something to consider - gentlemen, that includes you too. As the choir returns from summer hiatus, consider sharing your voice to beautify our Sunday liturgies. You can even try it out to see if it's a good fit. Reach out to Alejandro at [alejandro@visitation.org](mailto:alejandro@visitation.org) if interested!



## ART & ENVIRONMENT

### The Art & Environment Committee is looking for help.

The A&E team is responsible for keeping our church appropriately decorated for each liturgical season: Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter and Ordinary Time.

We need people interested in volunteering a bit of time and learning some new skills. Whether you want to learn how to arrange flowers & plants for the

church, or you just want to help with setups, we'd love to have you join us.

Please contact Julie

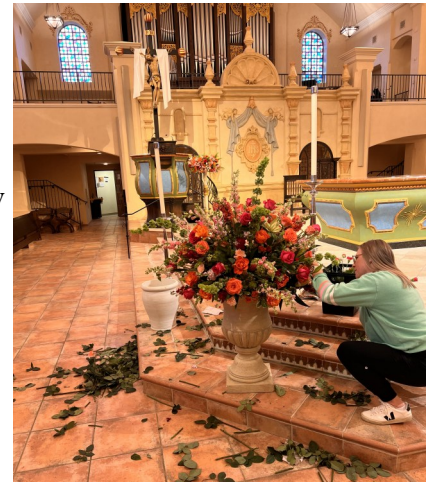
McFarland at

[jmcfarlandkc@gmail.com](mailto:jmcfarlandkc@gmail.com)

or Alejandro Manso at

[Alejandro@visitation.org](mailto:Alejandro@visitation.org).

No flower experience is necessary!



## MOTHERS OF YOUNG CHILDREN

JOIN  
US

MOYC KICK OFF PARTY

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH  
AT 7 PM

TIGHE HALL  
VISITATION CHURCH  
5141 MAIN ST  
KANSAS CITY, MO

Please join us for our Visitation MOYC kick off party to meet and mingle with other moms of young children. Hear about all of our MOYC events to come throughout the year. Shop Vis MOYC merchandise and register to join the Visitation MOYC crew! We're excited to see you all there!



Vis MOYC Kick-Off Event

## MASS INTENTIONS SEPTEMBER 9 – 14

**Tuesday, September 9**

6:45 am Dianne Messina McMahon †

8:15 am Rob Rohling †

**Wednesday, September 10**

6:45 am Suzanne Adams †

8:15 am Cathy Campbell †

**Thursday, September 11**

6:45 am Thomas Cox †

**Friday, September 12**

8:15 am Louise Ammatelli †

**Saturday, September 13**

8:15am Samuel Alexander Byers †

4:00 pm Dorothy Jean Hoefer  
Woerdehoff †

**Sunday, September 14**

8:00 am Protection of the Unborn

10:30 am People of Visitation

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## MINISTRY SCHEDULE – SEPTEMBER 13-14

4:00 PM

8:00 AM

10:30 AM

J. Flanagan E. Hall S. Anderson	C. Thompson J. Tuttle G. Malter	B. Craig C. Carney C. Campbell
C. Brain D. Bruegging L. Reichman K. Reichman M. Shannon sub req. K. Taylor M.J. Thompson A. Thompson D. Tietjen M. Tietjen L. Waters	J. Colombo V. Coppinger D. Devine J. Dickmeyer J. Grego C. Jackson A. Leimora K. Levi J. Reboulet H. Shinn M. Widmer	A. Adams K. Esslinger J. Johnson L. Meyers M. Roach A. Sonnenberg C. Spaeth D. Valenti <b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b>
J. Evett M. Thompson	T. Dakan B. Winget	J. Anderson
S. Barone M. Evett	M. Dakan C. Keller K. Keller	M. Benvenuti sub req. S. Benvenuti sub req. <b>NOT FILLED</b>
D. Pucci	J. Rebman	J. Reboulet

### 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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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 2024/25

Stephen Bowen

Kristie Larson

Bill Donath

Melissa Lising

Jim Erlacker

Steve O'Neill

Mary Gigliotti

Katie Wendel

Fr. Greg Haskamp

Kathleen Wiedeman

Megan Burdolski, Staff

### School Office

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Secretary, Bridget Winget x3136

St. Vincent De Paul Help Line

816-753-9061

Diocese of Kansas City St. Joseph

Independent Ombudsman, 816-213-6024

Victim Assistance Coordinator, Michelle Graff

816-714-2357

## SEPTEMBER IS HUNGER AWARENESS MONTH

**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.



## SOCIAL CONCERNS



### HUNGER FOR JUSTICE BANQUET

The Social Concerns Ministry Team invites you to save the Date: **Thursday, September 25, 6:00-7:30 pm** for the Hunger for Justice Banquet, where Kris Wade, Executive Director of the Justice Project and member of the US Justice Department Coalition Against Human Trafficking, will share her insight and experience combating human trafficking in Missouri and beyond. Most recently, she traveled to Rome to present to an international trafficking committee. Plan to enjoy a light meal and have a thoughtful conversation. A free-will offering will be accepted for the Justice Project. RSVP to Joni in the parish office at [joni@visitation.org](mailto:joni@visitation.org) or 816-753-7422.



# Catholic in Recovery

**CATHOLIC IN RECOVERY** provides healing from addictions and unhealthy attachments. Meetings combine the spiritual principles of 12-step recovery and the Sacraments of the Catholic Church. Join others in recovery as we overlap scripture from

Sunday's Mass, liturgical themes and recovery topics with honest discussion and prayers. Confidentiality is protected. We welcome those recovering from alcohol addiction. Meetings are held on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm in the Adult Meeting Room (formerly the 3rd K classroom). For more information or with questions, contact Karen in the parish office at 816-381-6914.

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 If the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, report the suspected abuse to the Diocesan Ombudsman, 816-213-6024 or [ombudsman@ombudsmankcsj.org](mailto:ombudsman@ombudsmankcsj.org). 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, at 816-714-2357 or [victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.



## SOCIAL CONCERNS

**ONE CITY CAFÉ - 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11**

Your help is needed! On Thursday September 11, Visitation is in charge of serving at Once City Café and we need 10 volunteers to ensure a smooth serving experience. If you have never gone but have considered it, now is your time to try it! If it has been a while since you've gone, we need you back! Please contact Bill Staggs at 816-304-3264 or email him at [rcthread@yahoo.com](mailto:rcthread@yahoo.com).



### **KC MOTHERS IN CHARGE - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Every week, volunteers from KCMIC make phone calls to families who are grieving the violent loss of a loved one. These families need support and you can help. Do you have the compassion to listen and offer comfort to those in need? If so, this may be the right volunteer opportunity for you. Phone calls are made Monday - Friday, 10:00 am-3:00 pm. Volunteer shifts typically last two hours. If you are interested in supporting the important mission of KC Mothers in Charge, please email

[latrice.murry@kcmothersincharge.org](mailto:latrice.murry@kcmothersincharge.org).

## SISTER PARISH



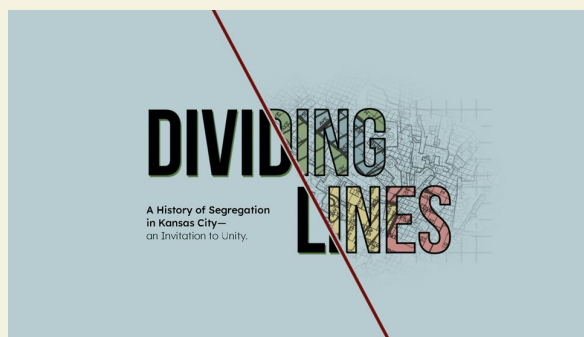
**Medicine for Madre  
2025**

*Donations are due by September 26th and should be placed in the basket located in the narthex.  
Financial contributions will be gladly accepted; note that the funds are for the medical mission.*

## Thank you for your support

- Adult Vitamins (no gummies)
- Children's Vitamins (no gummies)
- Ibuprofen
- Acetaminophen 500 mg
- Acetaminophen children's -no liquid
- Aspirin 81 mg
- Benadryl 25 mg
- Magnesium Citrate
- Folding canes

## RACIAL JUSTICE



Unite KC is hosting a **Dividing Lines Immersion Experience on Saturday, September 20, from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm.** Attendees will gather at Hillcrest Covenant Church, 8801 Nall Ave, to board the bus. The experience includes the bus tour, video footage, a brief walking tour and lunch. According to Unite KC's website, "this isn't just a history lesson – it's a chance to see our city with new eyes, meet neighbors with shared hope, and reflect on how we can help build a more just and unified community." Register here: <https://www.unitekc.org/events/dividing-lines-immersion-experience>.

### SAVE THESE DATES

**Tuesday, September 9, 6:00 pm** Arrupe Hall, Rockhurst University or via Zoom

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Controversy, American Public Square Event, find more at <https://americanpublicsquare.org/event/dei-controversy/>.

**Wednesday, September 17, 7:00 pm** via Zoom

Racial Justice Committee Meeting

**Thursday, October 16, 6:30 pm,** St. Monica Catholic Church

Continuing the Conversation on Racism and Our Faith, featuring Ebony Reed, author of *Fifteen Cents on the Dollar*.

## VISITATION DIRECTORY



Don't Forget!

Submit photo for  
Visitation Directory

Go to: <https://tinyurl.com/visphoto25>



## PASTORAL CARE

### FAITH & GRIEF GATHERINGS IN TIGHE HALL

**Wednesday, October 1 at 12:00 Noon**



*Speaker: Denis Greene - Lessons Learned from Losing His Brother.*

When his brother died in a car wreck at 22, Denis set out to live fully and immediately. That belief led Denis to meditate daily for 54 years, move to the Congo, start a business, visit monasteries, volunteer with Hospice, travel widely, and witness miracles everyday.

**NEW!** Faith & Grief Online  
Caregiver Support Gathering

  
**Faith & Grief**<sup>SM</sup>  
A Ministry of Compassion and Connection

*Fourth Monday of each month from 1:00 - 2:00 pm. Register on the Faith and Grief website. Join this monthly offering online for sharing experiences, encouragement and support from others who understand can make a difference.*

Register at [www.faithandgrief.org](http://www.faithandgrief.org).

**The kids didn't choose the divorce. But they  
carry its consequences of it for the rest of their  
lives.**

**More emotional weight on small shoulders.**

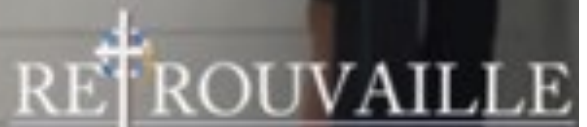
**Protect marriage like your child's future  
depends on it...because it does.**

**We have helped nearly 180,00 struggling  
marriages for 48 years. You are not alone.  
We can help.**

**KANSAS CITY Weekend**  
**Sept 26-28**

[www.Helpourmarriage.org](http://www.Helpourmarriage.org)

Local 800.470.2230

  
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# FAITH FORMATION

## REMEMBERING + CONNECTING + RESPONDING

*The mission of the Faith Formation Team is to foster an awareness of God in our daily lives; to renew connections and understandings of the Catholic tradition and doctrine; to respond to current events within the context of faith; and in doing all, to provide a sense of welcome and belonging to this Catholic faith community.*

## SEPTEMBER 17 | SUPPER SERIES: CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

Join us this coming year for a Supper Series exploring how Catholic Social Teaching calls us to live out our faith in the world. Each of the six sessions will break open the core principles, with special focus on Visitation programs that embody each principle. **All are welcome—come be nourished in body, mind, and spirit.**

Kick-off event: September 17 in Tighe Hall

6:15 pm - Doors Open | 6:30 pm - Dinner Served | 7:00 pm - Program

## OCTOBER 4:

### SEASON OF CREATION MASS + HIKE + STARGAZING EVENT

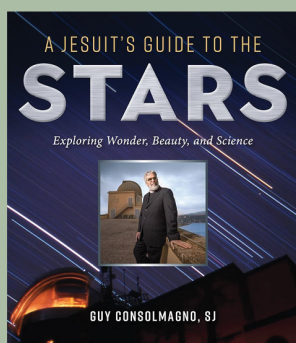
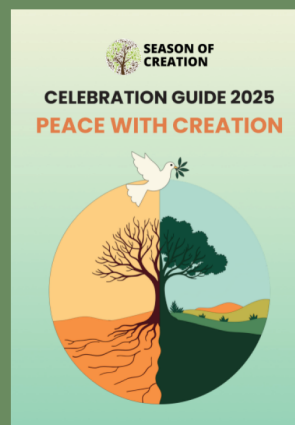
It's that time of year again! Join us on Saturday, October 4 for Visitation's 6th Annual Season of Creation Hike.

To learn more and sign up, visit <https://bit.ly/3JAUzaf>  
or scan this QR code:



*New this year!*

*Optional 7:00 pm stargazing event at  
Powell Observatory following Mass & Hike*



*Available on Amazon*

## VIS BOOK CLUB

This year's Season of Creation will kick off with a Book Club, featuring Guy Consolmagno's new book *A Jesuit's Guide to the Stars: Exploring Wonder, Beauty, and Science*. Meetings will take place weekly and will conclude with a stargazing event on Saturday, October 4 at Powell Observatory in Louisburg, KS.

For more information, contact Jenny Greene in the Parish Office: [jennifer@visitation.org](mailto:jennifer@visitation.org)

### Dates to Remember:

**Book Club:** (Participants will attend sessions once a week, either Thursday or Sunday):

- **Thursdays 7:00-8:30 pm:** September 4, 11, 18, October 2
- **Sundays 9:15 am, between masses:** September 7, 14, 21, 28
- **Saturday October 4:** Mass, Hike, 7:00 pm event at Powell Observatory (open to all parishioners)

## SAVE THE DATES! FOR FULL CALENDAR GO TO [VISONMAINKC.COM](http://VISONMAINKC.COM)

- **September 16:** Open OCIA Class: Visitation Church Tour - 6:30-8:00 pm
- **September 17:** Kickoff Supper Series event on Catholic Social Teaching - 6:30 pm, Tighe Hall
- **September 22:** School of Religion begins - Mondays, 5:30-6:30 pm
- **October 4:** 6th Annual Season of Creation Mass + Hike...+ Stargazing Event!
- **October 20:** Supper Series Session 2: The Common Good - 6:30 pm, Tighe Hall
- **October 28:** Open OCIA Class: Who's Who in the Bible? 6:30-8:00 pm, Faith Formation Room

Questions about Faith Formation events or joining the Faith Formation team? Contact Teresa Albright: [teresa@visitation.org](mailto:teresa@visitation.org)