

VISITATION PARISH  
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SEPTEMBER 5, 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**

Saturday .....3:00 pm

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



## WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY

### WOMEN'S FALL CRHP RETREAT RESCHEDULED

The Women's Christ Renews His Parish retreat has been rescheduled from September 25-26 to February 12-13. Please mark your calendars now and save the date.

### RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a journey of faith in community. We gather on **Tuesdays in the Faith Formation Room from 7:00 – 9:00 pm.** It is not too late to attend the "Inquiry Sessions" for RCIA.

**Walk-ins are welcome through September 21.** For more information, please contact Teresa Albright at 753-5155 or [teresa@church.visitation.org](mailto:teresa@church.visitation.org) to schedule an initial interview.

### CONFIRMATION 2022—SAVE THE DATES!

Registration information coming soon. 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.

### BAPTISMS

In August, we welcomed five children to their new life in Christ through the saving waters of baptism.



- **Connor Stephen Blanck & Christopher Dominic Blanck** – sons of Mark & Natalie Blanck
- **Wesley Anthony Burgess** – son of Anthony & Whitney Burgess
- **Edward Callum Cummings** – son of Martin & Shannon
- **Isla Louise Burke** – daughter of Colin & Kristina Burke

**PRAYING FOR OTHERS  
HELPS US STAY CONNECTED  
TO GOD  
AND TO ONE ANOTHER.**

### REMEMBER OUR SICK

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  
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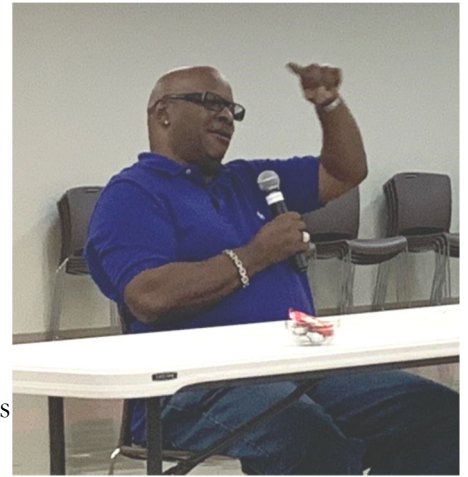
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Birdie Mendence  
Mary Montgomery  
Joe Noblitt  
Danny Nulton  
Jennifer Olson  
Maria Onate  
Charles Oppenlander  
Bruce Palmer  
Nicholas Parscale  
Leonardo Passantino  
Connie Perucca  
Pat Piranio  
Nicola Pistone  
Peggy Pruitt  
Quinn Regan  
Carol Riesmeyer  
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 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, Vicenza, Italy; Maj. Chris Oppenlander, Hill Airforce Base; Maj. Gisselle Oppenlander, Hill Airforce Base; Staff Sgt. Louis Perez, San Diego, CA.*

## RACIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE



For eight weeks this summer, a small group met each Wednesday evening to participate in the Vis Racial Justice Education sub-committee initiative, a Just Faith program on Faith and Racial Healing. At the final session on August 25, Eric Wesson, editor of the Kansas City Call and panelist on KCPT's Kansas City Week in Review, talked about why he works for racial justice, how faith has formed his life, and what



recommendations he had for this Visitation group committed to racial justice. Eric Wesson told the group to “feed the need” –meaning if someone is hungry, s/he must be fed first before meeting other needs; his advice to a church community is to “get out of the building” and live our faith in the world. When asked about gun violence in the city, he posited that the police department might pay more attention to violence if it occurred north of the river rather than east of Troost. Integrating faith into his remarks and in response to a question, he said “I am where I am today because of the grace of God.”

In response, the group resolved to shop at black-owned businesses (special shout out to Sunfresh on Blue Parkway), to pay attention to news in the city and how it affects our neighbors in underserved areas, to explore venues, parks and stores east of Troost and to subscribe to The Call (everyone is invited to do so by calling 842-3804, ext.1.)



The VIS RJ Education subcommittee will again offer this transformative 8-week Racial Healing program, beginning September 22. The process helps participants reflect on and develop their own Christian-rooted responses to racism. Fostering active listening, dialogue and prayer, the program forms a group that is rooted in trust and compassion. If you would like to participate in this group on Wednesday evenings, beginning September 22, please contact Karen Miller ([karen@church.visitation.org](mailto:karen@church.visitation.org)) or email [VISRJJC@gmail.com](mailto:VISRJJC@gmail.com). The group size is limited to 14—so if interested, please register now.



## BLOOD DRIVE

### BLOOD DRIVE IN TIGHE HALL ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 FROM 12:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Book your appointment today at [savealifenow.org/group](https://savealifenow.org/group), enter Group Code: VH.  
For additional details, contact Megan Burdolski at 753-5155 x1305 or [megan@church.visitation.org](mailto:megan@church.visitation.org). If you have medical eligibility questions call 1-800-688-0900. *Appointments are preferred. Masks are required regardless of vaccination status.*

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47th Street on the North to Meyer Blvd on the South

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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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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](mailto: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](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

## SISTER PARISH

### A MINUTE WITH MADRE

My name is Roxana Margarita García Anaya. I am a teacher at the Saturday School. I have been working on this project for approximately 27 years - this was first known as Night School.

The change that I have noticed since I have been teaching, is that I have been able to see that my students have moved forward in their studies as well as economically.

My favorite prayer that strengthens me is the Lord's Prayer, as well as Psalm 91. That is why my hero is God.

The holidays that I enjoy a lot are Christmas and my birthday.

My hobbies are taking care of my 2 dogs and some fish, and my small garden.

What I learned from the Covid 19 Pandemic is that I must be prepared spiritually and with a lot of courage for whatever comes from here on.

My hope is to always have God present in our lives and that there will be a decent education for everyone.



### 7<sup>TH</sup> 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](https://GoFundMe.com/f/ride-for-madre-2021)



## 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](mailto:barbtruta@gmail.com).



Visitation Faith Formation

2nd Annual

“Season of Creation”

Hike

**Saturday, October 2, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.**

**Lakeside Nature Center**

4701 E. Gregory Blvd. KCMO 64132

**Opening Prayer Service**

We will thank God for his wonderful handiwork; implore God's help for the protection of creation; ask pardon for the sins we have committed against it; and reaffirm our vocation to be stewards of creation.

**Hike with a Naturalist**

We will hike through a woodland area and witness a savannah and a marsh habitat right here in the heart of Kansas City. Guided by a Naturalist from Lakeside Nature Center, we will learn about different habitats and the plants and animals that we might find there.

**All ages & abilities  
are welcome!**  
(no dogs please)

**Sign-up  
HERE** 



## SCHOOL OF RELIGION



### SCHOOL OF RELIGION

School of Religion classes for kindergarten through 9<sup>th</sup> 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.*

## MASS INTENTIONS SEPTEMBER 8-11

#### **Monday, September 6**

9:00am G.F. Farley †

#### **Tuesday, September 7**

6:45 am John McMeel †

8:15 am Rev. Sandy Sinclair †

#### **Wednesday, September 8**

6:45am **NO MASS**

8:15 am Tony Juarez †

#### **Thursday, September 9**

8:15 am Mae Brown †

#### **Friday, September 10**

8:15 am Chris Bott †

#### **Saturday, September 11**

8:15am Bob Liepold †

4:00 pm Bill, Marge & Billy Lippert †

#### **Sunday, September 12**

8:00 am People of Visitation

10:30 am Mary Kuhnlein †

**THERE WILL BE NO MASS AT 6:45 AM ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8.**

## ABOUT TOWN



**THURSDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 23**

**6:30-7:30 P.M.**

REGISTER AT  
[kcinterfaith.org](http://kcinterfaith.org)

## 2021 Table of Faiths Virtual Fundraiser and Signature Event



## URBAN RANGER CORPS' SHREDDING EVENT

Time to gather your old documents and collect your old electronic equipment and bring them to the Urban Ranger Corp's shredding event to be held on **Saturday, September 11, from 9:00 am 12 noon**. Shredding will be done in the parking lot behind St. Elizabeth's Parish at 75<sup>th</sup> and Main. Entrance to parking lot is off of 74<sup>th</sup> Street. Participants should head north on Main, turn West onto 74<sup>th</sup> Street (only way you can turn) and then follow directions given by Rangers and Staff. The only charge is \$20-25 for all TV's and \$15 for all monitors. However, the rangers you'll meet will be happy to accept any donation you'd like to give. All proceeds from this event support the programs and services we offer our young men. A list of what is accepted can be found at the [www.urckc.org](http://www.urckc.org) (click on Calendar) or below. Even though you will be in your car when dropping off your items we would appreciate it if you would wear masks while you are at the event.



**SHREDDING**—Bring up to 5 bags/boxes of your old documents. The rangers will help you unload them and take them to the truck for shredding. You can watch it get shredded.

- Televisions: \$20 for tube televisions and \$25 for wooden console and DLP-rear projection sets
- ALL Monitors \$15 each
- Desktop computers
- Laptops
- Tablets
- Printers
- Copiers
- Fax Machines
- Scanners
- Keyboards, mice, and other peripherals
- Cell Phones
- Phone systems
- Video games & video game equipment
- Batteries (including vehicle batteries)
- UPS battery backups
- Stereos
- Blue-ray/DVD players/VCR
- Portable music players (iPods, MPC players, etc.)
- Alarm clocks
- Speakers
- Radio equipment
- Calculators
- Network equipment (modems, Routers, etc.)
- Cables, cords, and power supplies
- Electronic musical equipment (sound pedals, electric instruments)
- Recording equipment (sound boards, digital recorders)
- Power tools
- Microwaves
- Toasters
- Large appliances
- Metal scrap
- Basically anything with a circuit board.

## DIOCESE

### INTERNATIONAL ROSARY, MARIAN & ST. JOSEPH PROCESSION IN THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

**Date:** Saturday, October 9

**Time:** 10:00am-12:00noon

**Location:** St. Patrick's Parish 1357 NE 42nd Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64116

\*All events are outdoors-in case of rain, the rosary will be prayed in the church, with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.



#### Schedule

10:00 am Welcome and International Rosary

10:30 am Marian & St. Joseph Procession to Divine Mercy Park, Chaplet of Divine Mercy

11:45 am Balloon Rosary, send off

12:00 pm Departure



## BISHOP JOHNSTON'S 4TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

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