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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

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

This Wednesday, February 22 marks the start of Lent. Join us for Mass at 6:45 am, 8:15 am (School Mass), 12:00 Noon and 6:00 pm.



CONFIRMATION

Our next Confirmation meeting is on Sunday, February 26 at from 12 Noon—1:15 pm in Tighe Hall. Bring your sponsor and your books!

FIRST EUCHARIST PARENT MEETING



Parents of 2nd graders receiving the Sacrament of First Communion this spring are reminded of the First Eucharist Parent Meeting on Monday, February 27 at 6:30

pm in Tighe Hall. At least one parent must attend this meeting.

SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Please join us! Monday, March 6 at 5:15 pm is our **Monthly Communion Service** in the St. Joseph Chapel followed by **Stations of the Cross** devotional prayer appropriate for children. All are welcome!



CRS RICE BOWL

Rice bowls are available in the narthex this weekend. Join our faith community - and nearly

13,000 Catholic communities across the United States— in a transformative Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the narthex on February 18 or 19. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on the impact of global hunger and climate change on vulnerable communities around the world, and we will pray, fast and give alms to help our sisters and brothers in need. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY

Praying for others helps us stay connected to God and to one another.

REMEMBER OUR SICK

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Scott Martens Priscilla McInnes Tim McNamara Thomas McNamara Tricia Melland Birdie Mendence Andy Metzler Lionel Morgan Dede Murphy Jennifer Olson Charles Oppenlander Nicholas Parscale Nicola Pistone Kat Potter Peggy Pruitt Ruth Quirarte Ouinn Regan Ellie Rose The Ryan Family The Saalberg Family Fran Schuetz Barbara Schulte Aimee Sesler Sandra Sharp Special Intention Jeannie Sullivan Salvador Valldeperas, Sr. Annabelle Whalen Dave Wittrock Leigh Ann Zeller

Reminder:

Thank you for sharing your name with us. We are always ready to pray for you and your loved one. Please contact us and let us know when you or your loved one is doing better and ready to be taken off the prayer list. God Bless.

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 # 9

MASS INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 21-26

Tuesday, February 21

6:45 am Karen Spring † 8:15 am Jerry Ritchie †

Wednesday, February 22 – Ash Wednesday

6:45 am Bill Hodes †
8:15 am Constance Pryde Perucca †
12:00 pm Michael Siragusa †
6:00 pm For the People of Visitation

Thursday, February 23 6:45 am Marialice Searcy †

Friday, February 24

8:15 am Dorothy Condellone Ley †

Saturday, February 25

8:15am Ed FitzGerald † 4:00 pm Marguerite Jo Shortino †

Sunday, February 26

8:00 am For the People of Visitation 10:30 am Beattie Muraski †

PARISH BOUNDARIES

State Line on the West to Oak St. on the East; 47th Street on the North to Meyer Blvd on the South

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

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FEBRUARY 25-26

	4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
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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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CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH



All are warmly welcomed to the Visitation Christ Renews His Parish

Retreat 2023! This retreat is focused on personal and community faith renewal and refreshment. Together we will learn, pray, share and reflect on God's calling, and revitalize our faithfulness.

Scan the QR code to register. Please join us on March 25& 26!



Quotes:

Kristin Osbern, CRHP participant

"I'm so grateful I was encouraged to take the time for this impactful spiritual retreat. It connected me with Visitation women of different generations and backgrounds who inspire and encourage me on my faith journey."

Tom Coppinger, CRHP participant

"I would absolutely recommend a CRHP retreat.....heavens, yes!"

WOMEN OF VISITATION

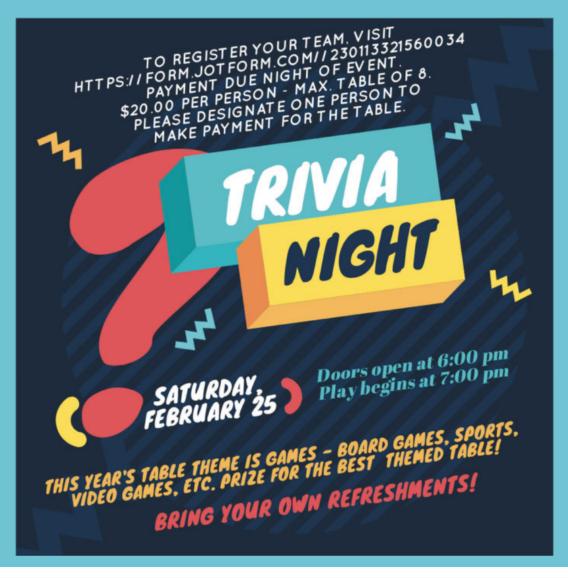


SCHOOL



SCHOOL ENROLLMENT 2023-2024

Enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year opens this week. Tithing families must have a 2023 pledge on file in order to receive the enrollment link. Current families who do not receive an enrollment link by February 20 should contact Megan Burdolski. If you have questions about enrollment, please contact Megan at 816-753-5155 x1305 or megan@church.visitation.org.



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.



FRIDAYS - FEBRUARY 24, MARCH 3 & MARCH 31
5:30-7:30 PM TIGHE HALL
COST: \$15 ADULTS, \$10 K-8, \$45 FAMILY, UNDER K FREE.

MENU: FRIED CATFISH, BAKED TILAPIA, FISH TACOS, CHEESE PIZZA, MAC & CHEESE, GREEN BEANS, COLE SLAW, FRENCH FRIES & FRESH-BAKED ROLLS. CASH BAR AVAILABLE.
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COAT DRIVE—A HUGE SUCCESS!

The Visitation Knights of Columbus conducted their annual Front Porch Coat Drive during the holidays and, once again, our parish and neighbors showed their great generosity.

Multiple car loads of coats and other winter items were donated to local charities during December and January to help our local community.

Many thanks to Ann Coppage for organizing her family and a group of Visitation first grade students to sort and deliver this year's donations. We look forward to partnering with them again in the future.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (CONTINUED)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHILI COOK OFF, BENEFITTING HABITAT FOR HUMANITY SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Please plan to join us next Sunday, February 26 from 5:00-6:30 pm in Tighe Hall for our annual Chili Cook-Off benefitting Habitat for Humanity. Come and enjoy several types of chili made by your fellow parishioners! The cost is \$5.00 per person to enter, sample all the different chilies and receive 5 vote tickets. You may purchase additional votes for \$1.00 each. Your vote will help decide who will wear the crown of 2023 Chili Champion!

Contestants are needed! If you like to cook and have a great chili recipe, or just want to enter a fun contest for a great cause, please contact Karen Miller at karen@church.visitation.org or Mark Blanck at msbsr@aol.com to enter the competition.



PASTORAL CARE

FUNERAL MEAL TEAM THANK YOU

On behalf of the parish community we thank our Women of Vis Funeral Meal Team #12 who prepared and served one of our parish families this past week. Team Leaders: Paula Banes and Tatia Batz. Members: Cathy Brain, Betty Devine, Pattie Donath, Anne Gagel, Julitta Langle, Anne Lovelace, Jolene Lynn, Stacy Mayer, Katie McGurk, Rhonda Meloy, Holly Mihalovich, Betsy O'Brien, Jennifer O'Hara, Sharon Perry, Karen Rundle, Jane Vaughn, Shari Webb and Cathy Zitnik. Special thanks to our coordinators Kathy Diamond, Linda Williams and Amy Thompson for their creativity and collaboration.

On behalf of the parish community we thank our Women of Vis Funeral Meal Team #7 who prepared and served one of our parish families this past week. Team Leaders: Christy Hartner and Mary Catherine Newman. Members: Angela Allan, Kristan Ammatelli, Pam Bowen, Gina Canino, JoAnne Comiskey, Sharon Derks, Katie Levi, Colleen Littrell, Kerri Massman, Barbara Mashburn, Louise Meyers, Katie Mohajir, AnnBeth Mulloy, Rosalyn Osborn, Becky Selzer, Shannon Tancona, Katherine Taylor, Jane Vaughn and Kathy Walters and also the members of Team 11 who provided additional help.

When our hearts are broken with grief, we are lifted and filled by those who give and fill us up again. Thank you to all of those ministries who have helped with the unusual number of funerals lately. We need one another and Visitation loves and cares for the needs of one another. What a beautiful thing.

WANTED: FUNERAL MEAL CAPTAINS

Our Women of Visitation Funeral Meal Ministry is in great need of new funeral meal team captains. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, contact Kathy Diamond, kathypauldiamond@gmail.com; Amy Thompson, amywiedemanthompson@gmail.com or Linda Williams, williamslindasue@gmail.com.

RACIAL JUSTICE

CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH BY ATTENDING EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY.

Know of an event the Racial Justice Committee could promote? Email visrjc@gmail.com

Sunday, February 19, 2:30 pm, Kansas City Public Library Plaza Branch

Hip-Hop Revolution: The Culture and Politics of Rap - University of Connecticut history professor and author Jeffrey Ogbonna Green Ogbar explores the genre and its performers. He also challenges the notion that hip-hop is socially dangerous, noting how many rappers critically view the crime-focused



lyrics and antisocial messages of their peers. Click here to register: https://kclibrary.org/node/32419/register.

Sunday, February 19, 2:00 pm, Kansas City Public Library Central Branch

Screening of the film "Love & Basketball"

Wednesday, February 22, 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Swope Health Celebrating Black History Month - Virtual Lunch and Learn speaker series with Bridgette Williams, CEO Heavy Constructors Association, KCMO Zoom link: https://bit.ly/3JvT8bf

Thursday, February 23, 1:00 pm, Kansas City Public Library Southeast Branch

Screening of the film "Judas and the Black Messiah"

Saturday, February 26, 2:00 pm, Kansas City Public Library Central Library, Helzberg Auditorium

Learning from Gordon Parks - Lawrence, Kansas photographer Ann Dean discusses the impact and inspiration found in three seminal books – *The Learning Tree, A Choice of Weapons*, and *Half Past Autumn* – by Kansasborn Black author, photographer and filmmaker Gordon Parks, one of the most renowned documentarians of American life and culture in the 20th century. Click here to register: https://kclibrary.org/node/32419/register



Sunday, February 26, 2:00 Kansas City Public Library Central Branch Screening of the film "Nope"

Monday, February 27, 6:30 pm

I'm So Glad - United Methodist Church, 5001 W. 137th St., Leawood, KS, Foundry Hall, Building B. Check out the premiere showing of a documentary film about Kansas City's Black Gospel Music. Panel discussion to follow. Limited Seats - free. Register at https://bit.ly/3wydvMZ

FAITH FORMATION

NEW LENTEN SMALL GROUPS FOR 2023 ARE FORMING NOW!

The below small faith-sharing communities are opening their "doors" and welcoming new faces this Lent. Also below are ideas for starting your own group. Have questions? Contact Ashley Rodden, Faith Formation Team Member and Small Groups Chair, at ashley@lover-cosmetics.com

The Monastic Heart for Community Builders

Sundays, 5:00 p.m.
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Hosts: Kristie/Ryan Larson & Don/Jamie

Closson

Resource: "The Monastic Heart" book Contact: kbraylarson@gmail.com

Scripture & Politics

Tuesdays, 10:00 am Online

This group welcomes anyone wishing to discuss the social implications of the Gospel. We take a liberal approach to how faith and politics are lived out today.

Host: Millie Krna

Resource: "At Home with the Word" **Contact:** milliekrna@gmail.com

START A GROUP AND SPEND LENT WITH 8-12 OF YOUR FAVORITE PEOPLE

Your CRHP Sisters/Brothers

The parents of your child's classmates

H.S. Seniors reunited with their 8th grade classmates

Vis neighbors who live on your street

Women of Faith

Tuesdays, 10:00 am
Retreat Room, Tighe Hall
This group is open to ALL WOMEN.
Come join us!

Host: Julie McCann

Resource: "At Home with the Word" **Contact:** mccannx5@gmail.com

WANT TO RESURRECT YOUR SMALL GROUP THAT STOPPED MEETING?

THINKING ABOUT STARTING YOUR OWN SMALL LENT GROUP?

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FREE LENTEN RESOURCE

In addition to weekly Scripture reflections and discussion questions, the Vis Faith Formation Team has created a resource for registered groups using the 2023 parish book by Sr. Joan Chittister, with discussion questions prepared by Benetvision. Consider starting a group

with one of these themes:

Thursday Evenings with Lorraine Gordon

Thursdays, 7:30 pm

Explore the way excerpts from "The Monastic Heart" can enrich Lenten Scripture.

Host: Lorraine Gordon

Resource: "The Monastic Heart" book **Contact:** lorrainegordon116@gmail.com

Lenten Articles of Faith

Tuesdays, 12:30 pm Online

ALL ARE WELCOME in this group.

Join us over your lunch hour for
Scripture and Lenten discussions.

Host: JoAnn Axtell

Resource: Scripture, current periodicals and chapters from "The Monastic Heart."

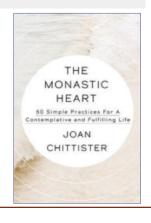
Contact: jpaxtell19@gmail.com

Choose from one of these chapter sets curated by the Faith Formation Team.

The Monastic Heart for...

- The Domestic Church
- Community Builders
- Leaders
- Introverts
- Lovers of Liturgy
- Praying with Sacramentals

ABOUT OUR 2023 PARISH BOOK: This book carries the weight and wisdom of the monastic spiritual tradition into the twenty-first century. Sister Joan Chittister, OSB leans into Saint Benedict, who, as a young man in the sixth century, sought moral integrity in the face of an empire not by conquering or overpowering the empire but by simply living an ordinary life extraordinarily well. This same monastic mindset can help us grow in wisdom, equanimity, and strength of soul as we seek restoration and renewal both at home and in the world. Without stepping foot in a monastery, we can become, like those before us, a deeper, freer self, a richer soul—and, as a result, a true monastic, so "that in all things God may be glorified."







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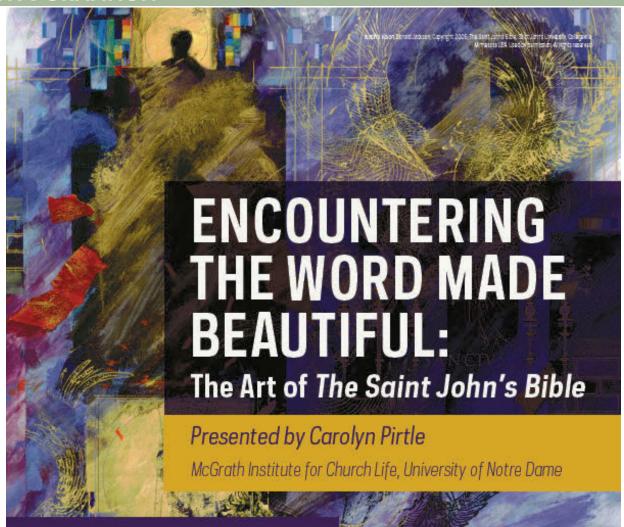
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