

VISITATION PARISH
THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
AUGUST 15, 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



MADRE MONTH (MARGARET GIBLIN'S TACOS FOR MADRE) WAS A BIG SUCCESS!

\$7,500 raised for Madre! Your generous donations throughout the month, purchases at our craft sales and money collected from the Knights of Columbus BBQ dinner helped get to this staggering total! Thank you Visitation!

Funds raised will purchase wound care dressings for the medical clinic and will support the Madre general fund. There are so many needs at Madre de los Pobres.

A special thank you to the Knights of Columbus for providing a wonderful barbeque dinner for the parish! They served and donated approximately 200 delicious meals. The money collected from the bar donations was \$3166! All of this was donated and will help support our friends at Madre.

Extra thanks to Mike Darling for coordinating this great community event! Thanks to Bryan Turner for the use of his smoker and SO many Knights who helped make this event a big success!

Again, thank you Visitation for your generosity and support of our sister parish!

Julie McFarland & Tina Blanck



SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Religion classes for Kindergarten through Grade 9 begin Monday September 13 from 5:15 - 6:15 pm.



WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY

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
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 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.

FUNERAL MEAL TEAMS

On Deck: Team 1 - Angela Bergner and Molly Hupke

On Alert: Team 4 - Linda Dro and Lois Roszak

RACIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Participants in the Just Faith: Faith and Racial Healing group gathered in fellowship with members of St. Monica's parish on Sunday, August 8. After sharing in the celebration of the Mass, Vis participants were treated to lunch by St. Monica's parish staff, given a tour of their Food Pantry and learned of their work to gather and share the history of black Catholics in the diocese. Vis participants left with a sense of gratitude for the beginnings of friendship and collaboration.



As this eight-week pilot program of Just Faith: Faith and Racial Healing draws to a close, leaders Linda Hughes, Karen Miller and Peg Ekerdt are beginning to plan for a new group that will be offered on Wednesday evenings beginning in late September. If you are interested in being part of that group or knowing more, please contact one of the leaders at VISRJC@gmail.com.

RCIA



Did you know that the most recent survey from the Pew Research Center on the religious landscape in the U.S. found that the second largest religious group among adults in Missouri is the “religiously unaffiliated;” second only to Evangelicals and surpassing both Catholic and mainline Protestant?

If you have family, friends or neighbors who identify as “religiously unaffiliated” or as “spiritual seekers,” then Visitation parish wants to hear from them! We want to listen to their questions and learn about how God is working in their lives.

Inquiry Sessions for R.C.I.A. begin Tuesday August 31 from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. To sign up to attend, please contact Teresa Albright at 753-5155 x1306 or teresa@church.visitation.org.

THE LEARNING CLUB

The Learning Club at Chalet Manor is looking forward to resuming in-person after-school tutoring sessions this school year! **The tutoring start date is Thursday, August 19, from 4:20 - 5:30 pm.** 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.



PASTORAL CARE



BEGINNING EXPERIENCE COPING WITH LIFE ALONE ...

focuses on such topics as the grief process, changes in family and other relationships, trust, and coping with memories of your deceased spouse or dealing with your ex-spouse. It is designed to help individuals work through the trauma of losing their spouse, whether by divorce, separation or death. Coping with Life Alone, a ten-week online session, begins August 16. For more information, call Maria at 913-314-9844 or visit www.beginningexperiencekc.org.

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH



SEPTEMBER 25 & 26 Christ Renews His Parish Women's (CRHP) weekend!

The noise and busyness of life can be draining. If your tank feels empty and you long for a get away

to pray, reflect and grow in your relationship with Christ, this weekend is for you! Register today at www.visitation.org.

*"Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and
kindle in them the fire of your love..."*

GOLDEN SHAMROCKS

GOLDEN SHAMROCKS END OF SUMMER LUNCHEON & BINGO THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 12:00 NOON



The Visitation Golden Shamrocks is our parish seniors' group. All senior members of the parish are welcome at our seasonal gatherings in Tighe Hall for food, fellowship & fun. Join us for a tasty "picnic" lunch featuring pulled pork sandwiches, a variety of sides & cool, sweet ice cream! After lunch, we'll play our trademark white elephant bingo—bring a white elephant prize if you'd like, but it's not required to play! A free will offering will benefit Our Lady's Montessori School. RSVP to the parish office, 753-7422.

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

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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 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://www.gofundme.com/f/ride-for-madre-2021)

MASS INTENTIONS AUGUST 17-22

Tuesday, August 17

6:45 am Ron Bena †

8:15 am Sean West Sculley †

Wednesday, August 18

6:45 am Jeanne Blanck †

8:15 am Mary Agnes & Francis Bingert †

Thursday, August 19

6:45 am Mae Brown †

Friday, August 20

8:15 am Robert Lester †

Saturday, August 21

8:15 am Sheila Fitzgerald †

4:00 pm Clare Greteman †

Sunday, August 22

8:00 am People of Visitation

10:30 am Joyce E Offutt †

BAPTISM PREPARATION

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The next class will be **Saturday, August 21 from 9:00 – 11:00 am**. We will prayerfully walk through the Rite of Baptism and learn about the meaning of the ancient and rich Sacramental symbols. All are welcome!

For more information, contact Teresa Albright at 753-5155 x1306 or teresa@church.visitation.org.

SCHOOL

Girls Volleyball Coaches Needed

The Visitation Athletic Committee is currently seeking interested 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.

ABOUT TOWN

SAVE THE DATE to Remember 9/11 This year marks the twentieth anniversary of the terrorist attacks of September 11. Join us **Thursday evening, September 9, 7:00 pm at St. Francis Xavier Church** for a time of prayer, reflection, remembrance and commitment to action. **Bill Tammeus**, author of "Love, Loss and Endurance: A 9/11 Story of Resilience and Hope in an Age of Anxiety" will give the reflection. Bill, former religion columnist for The Kansas Star, has written a powerful book about the personal loss his family suffered on that fateful day (his nephew was killed) and about the dangerous rise of religious extremism in our world. For more information, contact Mariann McCormally at mccormally@sfx-kc.org. To purchase a copy of the book contact Bill Tammeus at wtammeus@gmail.com. (Sponsored by the SFX Adult Faith Formation Committee.)

FILM SCREENING

Join us for an Evening of Prayer & Film Screening

August 19, 2021

Tighe Hall, 6:00 p.m.

Followed by
Q&A with
Bill Quatman

MARY, LIFE AFTER JESUS:
The Road to Ephesus

Produced by *The Ephesus Foundation, Inc.*



SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2021
"SEASON OF CREATION HIKE" - LAKESIDE NATURE CENTER

MINISTRY & ACTIVITY FAIR

Which piece of the
puzzle am I?



Two weeks from today!
**2021 Ministry &
Activity Fair**

August 21-22, 2021
Following all Masses

There is a place for each of us at Visitation! Whether you are a new parishioner or just looking for a different way to be involved, our ministries & activities need you! Come to our Ministry & Activity Fair to discover your place in the puzzle.

Tuesday, August 10 @ 1:42 pm

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