

VISITATION PARISH
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 3, 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

FAITH FORMATION

Pick up your family's FREE copy of this year's parish book, *Binding Us Together* by Alvin L. Brooks.

Books are available in the church narthex and parish office.

SCHOOL

BUY A FIRE RAFFLE TICKET! You Could Win \$2500!!

Fire raffle tickets are \$10. You may purchase from a school family, after Masses on October 16-17 or online:

<https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=fire&id=57>

If purchasing online, be sure to select Visitation School from the dropdown.



**CHRISTMAS IN
OCTOBER
37 YEARS OF
REBUILDING
HOUSES, LIVES,
AND
NEIGHBORHOODS
IN KANSAS CITY**

Visitation has a long and rich history with Christmas in October. The founding members and their families are parishioners as are many donors who still play a major role in rehabbing the homes of individuals in need. Please help us honor the legacy of Dick Miller and John McMeel. We need your help on October 9! If you have the ability to assist our team with new gutters and restoring a deck, we are especially in need of skilled helpers but anyone is welcome to participate. Volunteers can work for one hour or all day. Contact Brad Angermeier for more details at brad_angermeier@yahoo.com or call Karen Miller at 381-6914.

REMEMBER OUR SICK

Tina Amaro
Shari Caraway
Brenda Stremel
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Pamela Atherton
Barbara Kopp Atkinson
Maggie Quirarte Bates
Marilyn Frechin Blank
Dorothy Bock
Leonardo Borders
Mary Ann Brown
Mike Caraway
Marianne Carl
Beverly Cascone
Tom Colburn
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Fran Schuetz
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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: Team1 - Angela Bergner and Molly Hupke
On Alert: Team 4 - Linda Dro and Lois Roszak

RACIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE



Visitation
RACIAL JUSTICE
C O M M I T T E E

On Saturday, September 25, members of the Outreach sub-committee of the Visitation Racial Justice Committee toured the Woodland Greenway Farm. The Greenway covers a 15-block corridor that has nine agriculture businesses, community-led initiatives and non-profit organizations between 24th Street and 41st Street down and around Woodland Avenue in KCMO. The group shopped in the Ivanhoe Farmer's Market and visited and purchased produce and herbs directly from the urban farmers at:

Ophelia's Blue Vine Farm

<https://www.opheliasbluevine.com/>

Woodland City KC

<http://www.growinggrowers.org/woodland-city-kc.html>

Young Family Farm

<https://youngfamilyfarm.square.site/>



CONFIRMATION 2022

Registration is open for all baptized sophomores from September 11 to October 10. Registrations are due by October 10; no late registrations will be accepted. Confirmation is March 30, 2022 at 7:00 pm. All sessions will be in Tighe Hall. To register:



CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION SESSION for candidates and one parent on October 17 at 12:00 noon in Tighe Hall. There is a Confirmation fee of \$50 due upon registration, the fee may be paid online on our parish website under Online Giving, select Confirmation Fee. You may also submit a check made out to Visitation for \$50 with Confirmation in the memo, in an envelope with "Attention: Chris Sanders" on the outside.

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

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753-9061

Diocese of Kansas City St. Joseph
Ombudsman, Joe Crayon 812-2500
Victim Assistance Coordinator,
Whitney True-Francis 392-0011

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 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 for more information.

BLOOD DRIVE

VISITATION BLOOD DRIVE

A message from the Community Blood Center:

Thank you so much for allowing us to come out for another blood drive. The drive went very well and we can't thank you enough for your efforts in helping us save lives! Here are your numbers:

Blood Drive Results – 09/23/2021

- Goal: 45
- Registered: 32
- First Time Donors: 5
- Deferrals: 1
- Alyx: 4 procedures for 8 units
- **Total Units Collected: 35**

Thank you,

Cierra R. Pritchett, Account Manager

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE **72 FOR ANDREW** BLOOD DRIVE ON **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27** IN TIGHE HALL!

Just a little over a year ago, Andrew Blickhan, Visitation Class of 2012 and son of Visitation parishioner/Kindergarten teacher, Karen Strauss, was involved in a life-threatening accident. In the days that followed, Andrew received 72 units of blood as part of his treatment and recovery. Now, Andrew wants to say thank you to those who helped save his life by collecting 72 units of blood for the Community Blood Center. **Mark your calendars and plan to help Andrew – sign up details coming soon!**



SCHOOL OF RELIGION



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The “School of Religion” Community has met three times so far this year. The children are getting to know their catechists and peers in the parish; while S.O.R. parents have discussed ways they can continue their own religious education as a community of Catholic adults. Here are some of the things they are working on:

- **Cultivating a Prayer Life** – by making use of the sacred spaces in the church for quiet prayer and by praying the Rosary as a community at least once a month.
- **Listening to the Word of God** – by studying and praying with the

Scripture readings for the upcoming weekend.

- **Living a Sacramental Life** – with lessons on the Sacraments of the Church and occasional opportunities for Confession on Monday evenings.
- **Following Jesus and Living the Gospel** – by reading and discussing the social documents of the Church and by forming a parent book club focused on faith.
- **Strengthening the Domestic Church** – through conversations about parenting skills that are informed by faith.

Any parish adult is welcome! Join us in the St. Joseph Chapel on Mondays from 5:30 – 6:15 p.m. If you have questions about how you can minister to our parish's S.O.R. parents through your leadership or participation on Monday evenings, please contact Teresa Albright in the parish office.

RESPECT LIFE

PRAYER PROJECT

In partnership with KC Mother's In Charge (KC MIC) and St. Francis Xavier Parish, Visitation is seeking additional Prayer Partners in support of families across our Kansas City community.

KC MIC supports people in the immediate and ongoing grief and hardship of homicide violence in our city. When such tragic loss happens, KC MIC is contacted by the police department to provide immediate comfort, care and guidance to families. In the days, weeks and months that follow, KC MIC continues to provide outreach and support to those grieving and navigating the loss of their loved ones.

When the name of a loved one is shared with this ministry, a candle bearing the victim's name is available for pick up at Visitation's Church Office. As a Prayer Partner, you'll offer up regular intentions during your personal prayer time or with members of your own family over a few weeks while the candle is in your care. The partially burned candle then will be returned to Visitation in time for KC MIC to deliver it to the victim's family during a follow-up visit.

We hope that the victim's families will feel a sense of comfort and prayer-filled community during such a difficult time. Additionally, if a family continues to light the candle, this ministry will cover a one-time refill at The Corner Candleshop in Brookside.

Would you like to be a part of this ministry as a Prayer Partner? If so, please contact Karen Miller in the Visitation Church Office and she will add your name to the list: karen@church.visitation.org or 381-6914. To learn more about KC Mothers in Charge, visit: KCMothersInCharge.org. Below are the names of the victims for whom we are currently praying:

Kailey Love
Kentral Gray
Darrin Fry Jr.
Andrea Dean
Terrell Bell
Lavance Jones

Andrew Wheeler
Ahmad Cartwright
Deangelo Wallace
Shirley Ransom
Jaelin Ransom
Tyla Ransom

Robin Strother
Richard Lamont Hardin, Jr.
Monalisa Bruce
Jamell Funderburke
Fred Brewster, Jr.



RESPECT LIFE CHALLENGE: A CALL TO ACTION

On the Saturdays in October, Precious Blood Renewal Center will host a series of panel discussions looking at five distinct aspects of human life. Fr. Ron Will, CPPS, will lead the panels at 10:00-11:30 am. Central Time. You can join us in-person or via Zoom.



Saturdays in October from 10:00 - 11:30 am

Oct 2 – Elder Abuse Awareness
Oct 9 – Losing a Child to Homicide
Oct 16 – Abolishing the Death Penalty
Oct 23 – Preventing Gun Violence
Oct 30 – Grieving Miscarriage or Stillborn

Register or get more information:

Email: info@pbrenewalcenter.org or phone: 415-3745;
Online: pbrenewalcenter.org/events

FINANCIAL

First, a few words about the Parish budget for 2021/2022. Once again this year, we have employed a 3-year average of contributions received for budgeting. As last year's actual contribution income fell behind our budget projections for 2020/2021, the average this year has been reduced, but is still \$42,863 higher than 2020/2021 actual. With regard to parish expense budgets, this year's projections were based on resuming our activities at a similar level to those used in 2018/2019 (pre COVID). We were able to submit a balanced budget to the diocese of \$5.102 million for the 2021/2022 fiscal year.

August 2021 Contribution Income exceeded the 3-year average budgeted income calculation by \$16,110, or 5.7%, creating a year-to-date surplus in Church Contribution income of \$19,283 or 3.7%.

Other Income, which includes Ministry and Program Fees, miscellaneous one-time donations, school tuition, registration fees and after care fees fell short of budget by \$10,078 in August due to an early tuition payment in the month of July, netting a YTD shortfall of \$3,305.

Parish expenses were under budget for August by \$16,103, due mostly to personnel cost savings during the summer "downtime" at the parish and school. Similar expense underruns in July pushed the positive variance in expenses to \$35,867. Taking into account the positive variance in Parish Income generated in the past couple of months and the expense underruns for the year-to-date, Parish Net Income over performed expectations by \$51,845, or 15.1%.

Compared to the prior fiscal year-to-date, Parish Net Income for 2021/2022 surpassed last year's results by \$83,828, or 21.19%. This particular positive variance, however, will fluctuate from month to month as the year progresses, due in part to normal contribution and expenditure timing differences and to the volatility and some uncertainty that the Covid pandemic has introduced into Visitation parish life.

		Month of June 2021		
		Actual	Budget	Difference
Contribution Income	\$	297,665	\$ 281,555	\$ 16,110
Other Income	\$	441,938	\$ 452,515	\$ (10,577)
Total Operating Income	\$	739,603	\$ 734,070	\$ 5,533
Operating Expense	\$	420,825	\$ 436,928	\$ 16,103
Net	\$	318,778	\$ 297,142	\$ 21,636

		Fiscal YTD (July-June)		
		Actual	Budget	Difference
Contribution Income	\$	538,315	\$ 519,032	\$ 19,283
Other Income	\$	693,210	\$ 696,515	\$ (3,305)
Total Operating Income	\$	1,231,525	\$ 1,215,547	\$ 15,978
Operating Expense	\$	835,850	\$ 871,717	\$ 35,867
Net	\$	395,675	\$ 343,830	\$ 51,845

		Fiscal YTD This Year	Fiscal YTD Last Year	Difference
Contribution Income	\$	538,315	\$ 493,885	\$ 44,430
Other Income	\$	693,210	\$ 622,318	\$ 70,892
Total Operating Income	\$	1,231,525	\$ 1,116,203	\$ 115,322
Operating Expense	\$	835,850	\$ 804,356	\$ (31,494)
Net	\$	395,675	\$ 311,847	\$ 83,828

MASS INTENTIONS OCTOBER 5-10

Tuesday, October 5

6:45 am Rosemary Grady †
8:15 am Amy Todd

Wednesday, October 6

6:45 am Kathleen Andrews †
8:15 am Timothy O'Leary †

Thursday, October 7

6:45 am Marialice Searcy

Friday, October 8

8:15 am Mae Brown †

Saturday, October 9

8:15 am Kay McCarvill †
4:00 pm Bob Wittman †

Sunday, October 10

8:00 am People of Visitation
10:30 am G.F. Farley †

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COMMUNITY CARES



The 2nd Annual **Community Cares Project** needs your help! On **October 16**, teams of parishioners, both young and old, will spread out over our neighborhood to show care for fellow parishioners. That "care" will be a Covid-safe experience of raking leaves, planting pots, trimming bushes and general sprucing up of lawns. If you are able and willing to participate in this parish-focused activity, please reach out to Teresa Olsen at taolsen2@gmail.com or Karen Miller at karen@church.visitaiton.org or 381-6914.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<u>October 9 - 10</u>	Altar Server	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	Lector	Usher Greeter	Sacristan
Saturday, 4:00 PM	Mallory Williams Riley Teevan	Cathi Brain Robert Beckers David Pucci Lisa Waters Nicole Spachman	David Brain	Josh Batz Tatia Batz Amy Holewinski	Keenan Berghoff
Sunday, 8:00 AM	Daniel Colombo Jackson Sallee	Virginia Coppinger Janie Palmer Mary Otto Heather Shinn Cary Jackson	Dylan Schoening	James Erlacker Joseph Grego Bruce Palmer	John Reboulet
Sunday, 10:30 AM	James Harkness Jane Sonnenberg	Amanda Sonnenberg Sharon Derks Doug Valenti Jean Cummings NOT FILLED	Donald Closson	Tim Mayer NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Stacy Mayer

FAITH FORMATION

October 20

Visitation Catholic Church

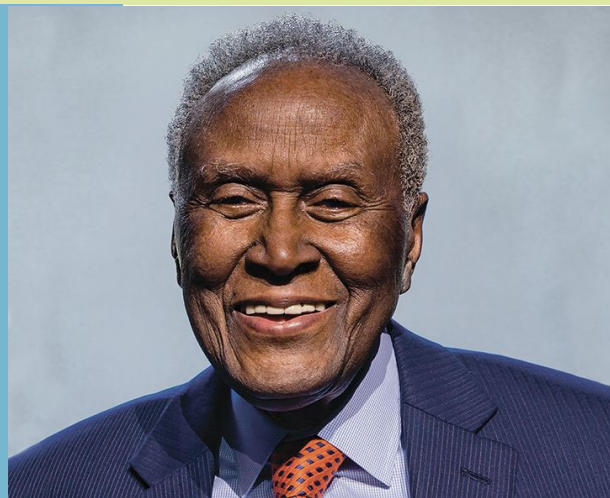
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