

VISITATION PARISH  
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY  
JUNE 12, 2022



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

**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



### **SEEKING PARISH PARTNERS TO SERVE AS BAPTISM VISITORS**

*Inspired by the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the home of Saints Elizabeth and Zechariah.*

- Receive a monthly email listing recently baptized children
- Prepare a gift bag (items supplied in the parish office)
- Schedule your Visit with the parents
- Visit the family's home and present the gift from the parish

#### **During the Visit:**

Congratulate the parents and child; remind them that the parish community is here to support them; ask if they need anything; offer to pray with them; report to the Baptism Ministry Team about your visit.

**Time Commitment:** up to 1 hour per Visit.

**Visitor Coordinator:** Stephanie Barone,  
[myodyn@sbcglobal.net](mailto:myodyn@sbcglobal.net) or 286-6336.

### **VISITATION CHOIR**

Members of our Visitation Choir are currently half-way through a two-week tour of Italy. Watch for updates on our social media sites and catch their concerts on our YouTube channel.



## WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY

### **WEDDINGS**

The parish extends prayers and congratulations to Emily Reboulet and Joel Mabey on their wedding here on June 4.

### **OUR SYMPATHY**

to Ann Coppage on the death of her father, Tim Sterrett.

### **REMEMBER OUR SICK**

#### **Jean Cummings**

Suzanne Adams  
 Pamela Atherton  
 Maggie Quirarte Bates  
 Marilyn Frechin Blank  
 Dorothy Bock  
 Leonardo Borders  
 Mary Ann Brown  
 Mike Caraway  
 Shari Caraway  
 Marianne Carl  
 Beverly Cascone  
 Joanne Comisky  
 Olivia Connealy  
 Jimmy Connell  
 Allie May Dudenhoefter  
 Shana Gadt  
 Susie Haake  
 Brooke Kuechler Harris  
 Mike Henninger  
 Joe Irwin  
 William Jewell  
 Lee Jones  
 Jaquie Kallman  
 Peg Kallman  
 Shirley Kempker  
 Marriane Kersten  
 John Langle  
 Bryan Larson  
 Betsy Lazere  
 Jeanne Lendabarker  
 Anthony Lipari, Sr.  
 Jorge Maldonado

Priscilla McInnes  
 Tim MacNamara  
 Thomas McNamara  
 Tricia Melland  
 Birdie Mendence  
 Andy Metzler  
 Lionel Morgan  
 Maggie O'Neill  
 Jennifer Olson  
 Charles Oppenlander  
 Nicholas Parscale  
 Connie Perucca  
 Nicola Pistone  
 Kat Potter  
 Peggy Pruitt  
 Ruth Quirarte  
 Quinn Regan  
 Carol Riesmeyer  
 Ellie Rose  
 The Ryan Family  
 The Saalberg Family  
 Gary Schafer  
 Fran Schuetz  
 Barbara Schulte  
 Aimee Sesler  
 Sandra Sharp  
 Special Intention  
 Jeannie Sullivan  
 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, 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 10

## SOCIAL CONCERNS

### COMMUNITY GARDEN – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are interested in helping maintain our garden, please contact Alison Dudley at 914-3528 or [alisondudleykc@gmail.com](mailto:alisondudleykc@gmail.com).



### REFUGEE SERVICES- HELP NEEDED

If you are interested in refugee resettlement and want to work with other Visitation parishioners to help a family in transition, please email [karen@church.visitation.org](mailto:karen@church.visitation.org) or call Karen Miller at 381-6914. Team leaders and volunteers will be needed to pursue this opportunity

### SANTA MARIA MADRE DE LOS POBRES

Friends of Maria Madre de los Pobres and fellow healthcare workers,

Our Sister Parish clinic in El Salvador is faced with challenges - now more than ever. The Madre Steering Committee is hopeful that we can send a Medical Delegation in October 2022. We are reaching out to find enough doctors, APRNs, Nurses, PT/OT, pharmacists, dietitians that may be open and willing to this adventure. Please contact Karen at 381-6914 or email [karen@church.visitation.org](mailto:karen@church.visitation.org).

**HOPE FAITH MINISTRIES** is reopening the sewing center and is looking for a volunteer to assist in teaching and guiding sewing projects. The time is Thursday morning from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Please contact Bill Staggs if interested at 304-3264 or [willstaggs48@gmail.com](mailto:willstaggs48@gmail.com).

**CAREPORTAL** is a platform created to connect children and families in crisis with individuals who have a desire to help. Local welfare professionals identify a need and social workers or caseworkers submit a request that goes out to participating churches nearby. It is easy to help. One or two times a week, our parish will send out emails with opportunities to assist those in need. Once you see an opportunity that interests you, click “I can help.” The social worker or caseworker will let you know how to get the item to the family. If you want to receive notifications one or two times per week, email Karen Miller at [karen@church.visitaiton.org](mailto:karen@church.visitaiton.org) and you will be added to a list of first responders!

### FEED THE HUNGRY

#### ONE CITY CAFE

Everyone is welcome to join us every 2nd & 4th Thursday (next on June 23) of the month, 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm. The volunteer schedule is flexible. You can come late or leave early and still be a major contributor. With the new design of the space, there is a need for at least 15 volunteers. For more information, contact Bill Staggs at 304-3264 or [willstaggs48@gmail.com](mailto:willstaggs48@gmail.com).

**MORNING GLORY CAFE** is a ministry of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception downtown Kansas City to help those in need with a morning meal in a warm (or cool) environment every Tuesday through Friday. Visitation Church provides volunteers for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday (next on June 21) for approximately 150 guests. To volunteer, contact Sandie McCray at [simntandie@aol.com](mailto:simntandie@aol.com).

MASS INTENTIONS FOR JUNE 7-12		LITURGICAL MINISTERS JUNE 18-19		
		4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
<b>Tuesday, June 14</b> 6:45 am Scott Allen † 8:15 am Greg, Julia, & Geo Malter		<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b> J. Berghoff Teddy Saxe J. Harris	A. Graziano J. Deekan A. Hughes	E. Orscheln I. Janes R. Fisher
<b>Wednesday, June 15</b> 6:45 am Rev. Sandy Sinclair † 8:15 am Sharon Smart †			L. Waters K. Van Asdale D. Valenti L. Saxe Kevin Connor	J. Gillis M. Gillis A. Florez E. Florez M. Florez
<b>Thursday, June 16</b> 6:45 am Michael Siragusa †		<b>LECTORS</b> M. O'Neill	T. Dakan	S. Derks
<b>Friday, June 17</b> 8:15 am Mike Frechin †			M. Cicchetti A. Holewinski A. Peratt <b>sub req</b>	M. Dakan C. Schorgl <b>NOT FILLED</b>
<b>Saturday, June 18</b> 8:15am Isabel Duba † 4:00 pm Martha Beckers †		<b>SACRISTAN</b> K. Berghoff		
<b>Sunday, June 19</b> 8:00 am People of Visitation 10:30 am Michael Siragusa †			E. Johnson	S. McCray

## MINISTRIES

### GREETERS NEEDED

We are in need of people to serve as greeters (ministers of hospitality) at all liturgies with the most need at the 10:30 am Mass. Greeters serve as the face of our community! Greeters welcome all who enter our doors at Mass. They distribute order of service cards, take up the offertory collection and tidy up after the liturgy. If you are available and interested in serving, please contact Liturgy and Music director, Alejandro Manso at 753-5155 x1307 or [alejandro@church.visitation.org](mailto:alejandro@church.visitation.org).

## DIOCESE OF KC-SJ

### DIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY - ST. JOSEPH, FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Bishop Johnston will celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi with Mass and Eucharistic procession in Kansas City this year. All are welcome to attend 11:00 am Mass on June 19 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish (3934 Washington St.) with procession afterwards to Guardian Angels Parish (1310 Westport Road.) This celebration will constitute the opening of the National Eucharistic Revival in our diocese.

### 8th Annual Pitching for Priests Softball Game - Summer Classic!

Annual Event to Help Benefit Our Seminarians -  
 Priests from Kansas City - St. Joseph  
 vs. Priests from the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas  
 Friday, June 10 at 7:00 pm \*Tailgating will begin at 4:00 pm

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## PASTORAL CARE



### *A Listening Presence*

#### **QUALITIES OF A BEFRIENDER**

Some reflections on qualities of a person who is a BeFriender:

- A person who can listen to others even when what they say doesn't seem to make sense.
  - A person who can allow others to express their own feelings without telling them how they should or shouldn't feel.
  - A person who is willing to sit quietly with others when they can't put their hurts into words.
  - A person in whom others can freely confide, knowing that confidentiality is a priority.
  - A person who can accept others as they are, rather than the way that person thinks others ought to be.
  - A person who will give others time and opportunity to make their own decisions without feeling a need to decide for them.
  - A person who can ask how others are doing without feeling an obligation to tell them what they should be doing.
- A person who is able to admit that they, too, experience life as burdensome at times and find it necessary to seek comfort and support from others.
  - A person who understands and values the faith community as necessary for spiritual growth.
  - A person who has an ability to draw on his or her own spiritual resources.

#### **Do you have these qualities?**

A person who can show concern and care in these ways is a true BeFriender.

BeFrienders are lay volunteers who provide pastoral care. They are trained to offer a caring, nonjudgmental presence and actively listen to the emotional and spiritual needs of people. They are a living reminder of God's love.

If you are interested in learning more about BeFriender Ministry training, would like to become a Befriender, or would like to recommend a person for BeFriender Ministry training, contact Chris Sanders at [chris@church.visitation.org](mailto:chris@church.visitation.org) or 753-5155 x1309. Please register by June 15, training begins June 20 and concludes on June 24.



## ABOUT TOWN



### PURSES WITH A PURPOSE

The FIRE Foundation is pleased to present the 11th Annual Purses with a Purpose on Thursday, June 16 at the iconic Hotel Kansas City. Picture yourself on a lovely summer evening enjoying panoramic views of our town from the top of the iconic Hotel Kansas City. As a guest at this festive fundraiser for women, you'll be surrounded by a beautifully curated collection of purses, totes, jewelry, unique packages and more. As you bid on your favorites, you'll enjoy bubbles and bites and chat with fabulous friends. The evening culminates with a spirited live auction featuring designer handbags that are sure to sweep you off your feet. Register here: <https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=fire&id=60>.

### 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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Priest in Residence, Fr. Charles Rowe  
**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	Tina Mateski
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Lorraine Gordon	Msgr. Brad Offutt, Pastor
Sara Keenan	Anne Ryan
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### SCHOOL OFFICE

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Secretary, Bridget Winget x3136

St. Vincent De Paul Help Line  
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](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.

## RACIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

### METRO-AREA JUNETEENTH CELEBRATIONS AND OBSERVANCES

Juneteenth, also known as Freedom Day, is a Federal holiday remembering the emancipation of enslaved Africans. It has been celebrated annually on June 19 in various parts of the US since 1865—and became a national holiday in 2021. The Visitation Racial Justice Committee encourages you to learn more about the holiday and about African-American culture by attending one or more of these events:



### JUNETEENTH KC HERITAGE FESTIVAL

June 18, Noon to 10:00 pm 18th & Vine, [www.juneteenth-kc.com](http://www.juneteenth-kc.com)

**JUNETEENTH KC** is Kansas City, Missouri's premiere community heritage celebration and is hosted annually within the 18th & Vine Historic District. Enjoy live entertainment, jazz artists, food vendors, pony rides and more. A special Youthzone will be open from Noon to 5:00 pm. At 1:00 pm, join Lead to Read KC and Alvin Brooks as he reads the children's story, *The Fall of Freddie the Leaf*.

### JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION AT THE NELSON

June 11, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm, The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art  
[art.nelson-atkins.org/32667/32726](http://art.nelson-atkins.org/32667/32726)

As part of city-wide observances, The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art presents its sixth annual Juneteenth Celebration. The celebration includes performances, art demonstrations, gallery tours, and more. All activities are free, but please reserve your timed ticket in advance by visiting the website listed above.



### JUNETEENTH FREEDOM CELEBRATION

June 18, 4:00 - 8:00 pm, Harmon Park, 7727 Delmar, Prairie Village, KS



<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2nd-annual-juneteenth-freedom-celebration-tickets-343910524637>

The city of Prairie Village will host its second annual Juneteenth Freedom Celebration— featuring crafts, black-owned businesses, face painting and more. Congresswoman Sharice Davids headlines a program beginning at 5:30 pm. The Johnson County NAACP is hosting a fish fry dinner. For more information, visit the website listed above.

# Golden Shamrocks Summer Picnic

Thursday, June 16

12:00 - 2:00 pm

Loose Park Shelter

Our favorite chef, Mark Blanck, will be serving pulled pork with all your favorite picnic sides, beverages & fixins. Plus we'll have cards & board games available and a couple of special "door prizes."

RSVP to the parish office,  
753-7422.



## **HELP US PLAN FOR 2022-2023**

A mailing was sent to our senior/retired parishioners this past week. Part of the mailing is a survey to enlist your feedback on past Golden Shamrocks events and to share your ideas for future activities. All retired/senior parishioners are invited and encouraged to complete and return your survey to the parish office in the enclosed envelope no later than June 23.

We need new members for our Senior Ministry Team which helps plan our Golden Shamrocks events. If you are interested in being part of our group, please let us know on the survey. Questions? Contact Millie Krna at [milliekrna@gmail.com](mailto:milliekrna@gmail.com) or Megan Burdolski at [megan@church.visitation.org](mailto:megan@church.visitation.org).





# Continuing the Conversation about RACISM AND OUR FAITH

Join us for another opportunity to continue our conversations about racism and our faith. The evening will begin with social time and end with table conversations. There will also be a brief presentation about the federal holiday Juneteenth by A.J. Lowe, Adjunct Professor of History and Black Studies at Metropolitan Community College-Penn Valley,

## Thursday, June 23, 2022

Visitation Catholic Church, Tighe Hall \* 5141 Main St., KCMO 64112  
Doors Open at 6:30 p.m. Program begins at 7:00 p.m.



RSVP to 816-753-7422

-OR- [joni@church.visitation.org](mailto:joni@church.visitation.org)

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## USCCB STATEMENT ON GUN SAFETY

### ROBB SCHOOL SHOOTING

As a Catholic community of faith, we mourn the terrible loss of life that occurred in the massacre of schoolchildren at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas, on May 24, killling 21 people. Fear and anger fill many of our hearts—but that need not be our only responses. Action rooted in prayer and grounded in love can be our response as well.

Pope Francis invites us to work hard to avoid such tragedies as he spoke at the end of his general audience in St. Peter's Square on May 25. He said:

*“My heart is broken for the massacre at the elementary school in Texas. I am praying for the children and the adults killed and their families. It is time to say enough to the indiscriminate trafficking of weapons. Let us all work hard so that such tragedies can never happen again.”*

In the past, the American Bishops have written that the Church has been a consistent voice for the promotion of peace, and a strong advocate for the reasonable regulation of firearms. For many years, the USCCB has supported a number of reasonable measures to address the problem of gun violence. These include:

- A total ban on assault weapons, which the USCCB supported when the ban passed in 1994 and when Congress failed to renew it in 2004.
- Measures that control the sale and use of firearms, such as universal background checks for all gun purchases;
- Limitations on civilian access to high-capacity weapons and ammunition magazines, including banning all “bump stocks”;
- A federal law to criminalize gun trafficking; Improved access to and increased resources for mental health care and earlier interventions;
- Regulations and limitations on the purchasing of handguns including setting a more appropriate minimum age for gun ownership;
- Measures that make guns safer, such as locks that prevent children and anyone other than the owner from using the gun without permission and supervision;
- An honest assessment of the toll of violent images and experiences which inundate people, particularly our youth.
- Urging Catholics and all people of good will to contact Senators and Representatives to support legislative measures that uphold safety of all persons in our communities.

More information at: <https://www.usccb.org/resources/backgrounder-gun-violence-mercy-and-peacebuilding-approach-gun-violence>.

In prayer and in action—we are invited to do what each of us can—every prayer, every action, every voice does matter.