

PENTECOST SUNDAY
VISITATION PARISH
MAY 28, 2023



Celebrate our parish feast day!

Feast of the Visitation

Wednesday, May 31

Rosary 6:00 pm; Mass 6:30 pm

Reception following

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Next weekend's second envelope benefits Visitation's St. Vincent De Paul Society. The Society is made up of a group of parishioners committed to working with and for the poor in our community whether it be delivering meals to the homebound, assisting people newly released from prison or doing home visits. Your donations are used to provide rent, food or utility assistance to those in need.

VIS ON MAIN

Episode 5 NOW STREAMING at

www.visonmainkc.com.

Host Lorraine Gordon speaks with Msgr. Brad Offutt, Fr. Pat Rush, Fr. Jim Caime, SJ of St. Francis Xavier parish, and Faith Formation Chair Kristie Larson about Pope Francis and the 10th anniversary of his papacy.



PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEW PARISHIONERS:

- Caleb & Morgan Johnson
- Gregory Starman
- Ashley & Erik Henkelman & children, Evie, Hutch, & Mason
- R. J. Trowbridge

The Respect Life Ministry's 4th annual art contest winner is 5th grader Adele Salle!

Her beautiful depiction of the Blessed Mother will be available on prayer cards located in the Narthex until the end of the month.



WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY

OUR SYMPATHY

to the family of Dede Murphy and Jerry Murphy who died this week.

REMEMBER OUR SICK

Timothy Charles

Jim Kearns

John Anderson
Pamela Atherton
Maggie Quirarte Bates
Marilyn Frechin Blank
Leonardo Borders
Chace Brundige
Mike Caraway
Shari Caraway
Marianne Carl
Beverly Cascone
Mary Beth Cicchetti
Olivia Connealy
Jean Cummings
Allie May Dudenhoeffer
Bill Fuss
Shana Gadt
Brooke Kuechler Harris
Mike Henninger
Joe Irwin
William Jewell
Erin Kallman
Jaquie Kallman
Shirley Kempker
Marriane Kersten
Kevin Koch
Bryan Larson
Betsy Lazere
Jeanne Lendabarker
Anthony Lipari, Sr.
Mary Lipari
Jorge Maldonado

Scott Martens

Priscilla McInnes

Mike McIntosh

Tim McNamara

Thomas McNamara

Tricia Melland

Birdie Mendence

Andy Metzler

Lionel Morgan

Krystal Nemetz

Jennifer Olson

Charles Oppenlander

Nicholas Parscale

Nicola Pistone

Kat Potter

Peggy Pruitt

Ruth Quirarte

Quinn Regan

Theresa Ritchie

Ellie Rose

The Ryan Family

The Saalberg Family

Fran Schuetz

Barbara Schulte

Aimee Sesler

Sandra Sharp

Bill Stone

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 # 3

On Alert: Team # 10

MASS INTENTIONS FOR MAY 29 - JUNE 4

Monday, May 29 – Memorial Day
9:00 am Those Who Have Died
in Service to Our Country †

Tuesday, May 30
6:45 am Dave & Tish Offutt
8:15 am Anne McGee †

Wednesday, May 31
6:45 am Gerald Abbenhaus †
8:15 am Terry Jones †
6:30 pm People of Visitation

Thursday, June 1
6:45 am Dick Miller †

Friday, June 2
8:15 am Polly Donnelly †

Saturday, June 3
8:15am Robert Hughes †
4:00 pm John C. Kohn †

Sunday, June 4
8:00 am People of Visitation
10:30 am Steven Raby †

LITURGICAL MINISTERS JUNE 3-4

	4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
ALTAR SERVERS	J. Berghoff C. Tietjen T. Saxe	A. Hughes W. Lueke D. Colombo	J. Deekan M. Filing I. Janes
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LECTOR	S. Derks	S. Miller	E. Carlyle
USHERS	A. Barber S. Barone	K. Banes T. Colburn	K. Kelly sub req R. Lang
SACRISTAN	K. Berghoff	B. Truta	P. Ekerdt

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

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 2022-23

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Diocese of Kansas City St. Joseph
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Victim Assistance Coordinator,
Whitney True-Francis 816-392-0011

SOCIAL CONCERNS

CLEMENCY FOR MICHAEL TISIUS

The state of Missouri is scheduled to execute Michael Tisius on **June 6, 2023** at 6:00 pm. This will be the third execution this year in Missouri, and another is scheduled in August. Visitation parishioner Elizabeth Carlyle is one of the attorneys representing Michael and asks for the parish's prayers and help.

When Michael was 19 years old in June of 2000, he participated in a failed attempt to help an older prisoner, Roy Vance, escape from the Randolph County, Missouri Jail in Huntsville, Missouri. In the attempt, Michael Tisius killed the two jail guards, Leon Egley and Jason Acton. He was arrested soon afterwards and confessed to his crime.



Michael was especially vulnerable to Vance because of his age, mental impairments and terribly traumatic childhood. He saw Vance as the father he never had. Vance has now taken full responsibility for the plan and for involving Michael. Vance is serving a sentence of life without parole, but Michael was sentenced to death. Much of the information about Michael's background that has now been developed was not presented to the jury which sentenced him to death. His lawyers were paid an inadequate flat fee for his sentencing hearing, and the Missouri Public Defender System got what it paid for.

Since he came to prison in 2000, Michael has matured. Now 42 years old, he is not the adolescent who came to prison. His former warden, Troy Steele, has described him as "a model inmate" who "expressed regret and remorse. And I would say this was very unusual." Michael is a talented artist. He lives peacefully in the prison and has a positive impact on others. He is not the person he was in 2000.



Our Catholic Catechism provides, "The Church teaches, in the light of the Gospel, that 'the death penalty is inadmissible because it is an attack on the inviolability and dignity of the person' and she works with determination for its abolition worldwide."

There is no question that Michael's crime was a terrible one. But Mr. Egley and Mr. Acton cannot be restored to life by Michael's execution. And there is very little evidence that execution helps the surviving victims, precisely for that reason.

For all of these reasons, we urge you to work against this execution. You can do that by -

- Prayer, for Michael, for his victims, for his legal team, and for those who must carry out the execution
- Contacting Governor Parson, who has the power to grant clemency and commute Michael's sentence to life without parole. The best way to do this now is to use the phone number and email contact form on the governor's website, governor.mo.gov.
- Spreading the word!

If the execution proceeds as now scheduled, please plan to attend the vigil here at Visitation on June 6 at 5:45 pm in the St. Joseph Chapel.

For more information about Michael, use this link to view his clemency petition which has been submitted to the governor. There, you will see the letters quoted here, more of his art and much more.

<https://bit.ly/MichaelClemencyApp>

SOCIAL CONCERNS

REFUGEE ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!



The Visitation Refugee Assistance Committee is currently *collecting* items to help a new Kansas City resident set up a new home! If you want to donate items, please click this QR code:



Helpers are also needed, if you are willing to help clean, sort, organize or move, please use this QR code:



If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Julie Morrand jgmorrand@yahoo.com or Mike Morrand at MJM2U2.mm@gmail.com.

VISITATION HABITAT BUILD DATE on Saturday, June 17 from 8:30

am-

3:30 pm! Please call or email Karen Miller at karen@church.visitation.org or 816-753-7422 to reserve a spot!

Registration closes at 12:00 pm on Friday, June 2.

Construction Volunteer Information:

- Construction volunteers do not need to have any prior experience in construction or bring any of their own tools; we will give you all of the education and tools you need!
- All registered volunteers will receive their assignment location via automated email 3 days prior to the volunteer day.
- In case of inclement weather, please call our Weather Hotline at 816-897-7799 to hear the recorded message for any cancellations or changes. We update the message by 7:15 am each morning.
- We ask that all volunteers stay the full day, from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm
- We will have 30 minutes set aside for lunch time. You will need to provide your own lunches. Feel free to bring your lunch or have lunch delivered to the site.
- We highly recommend you bring a water bottle with you.
- Please wear clothes you don't mind getting dirt, mud or house paint on, and wear sturdy/closed toe and heeled shoes (NO flip flops, sandals or crocs!) If you have work gloves, please bring them.
- Dress for the weather. If there has been rain on previous days, be prepared for the sites to be muddy.
- The use, purchase and possession of alcohol, drugs and weapons are forbidden on Habitat KC property and volunteer sites.
- All volunteers must be 16 or older to volunteer.



RACIAL JUSTICE

VISITATION RACIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE INVITES YOU TO REGISTER AND ATTEND UNITE KC'S 3RD ANNUAL WALK FOR UNITY ON SATURDAY, JUNE 9.

Unite KC's 3rd annual Walk for Unity is on Saturday, June 10! This year's theme, "Come to the Table," emphasizes the need for all of us to come together and take our place in pursuing racial healing and unity in Kansas City.

At this year's Walk for Unity, we will fight racial division by coming together and nurturing positive relationships as we walk, eat lunch and enjoy the day's festivities together.

We will meet at the corner of Troost Ave. & Truman Road at 8:30 am. **The Walk will begin promptly at 9:00 am.** The walk distance is approximately 0.6 miles. We will walk down Troost, through 18th and Vine district and arrive at The Great Lawn at Paseo and E. 17th Terrace. Parking will be available across from Manual Career Tech Center (1215 E. Truman Rd. KCMO 64106) and behind Success Academy at Anderson (1601 Forest Ave. KCMO 64108).



New this year: Please pack your lunch or purchase a meal from available food trucks as we will share a meal during the Walk celebration. We encourage you to bring a water bottle and good walking shoes as well. If possible, carpooling is recommended. Don't forget to invite your family and friends! You can share this [Facebook event](#) or [Registration link](#). We look forward to walking with you!

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN



REGISTER FOR PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN 4.0 WORKSHOP MONDAY, JUNE 5 FROM 6:30 AM- 9:30 PM IN TIGHE HALL

Don't wait until life gets crazy right before school starts to take care of these requirements. There is a lot to do if you want to volunteer at the school or the parish. This includes helping with lunches, being a room mom or dad, volunteering in the nursery, with school of religion or Vacation Bible School - this list goes on. Please see below:

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph **REQUIRES** all parish and school employees and volunteers who work with children (school and childcare volunteers, coaches chaperones, SOR teachers, youth ministers, sacristans and Confirmation leaders) to take this workshop, register for a background check, sign an Ethics and Integrity in Ministry statement, take an on-line Mandated Reporter course and sign and Mandated reporter acknowledgement. If you plan to volunteer with children in the parish or the school, please complete these requirements. Register online at www.virtus.org. Click on registration, then select the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, MO. You may expect to spend 2 hours completing this process. If you have any questions, please call Janet Ridder at 816-381-6910.

ABOUT TOWN

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH

Violence in Our City Retreat

Saturday, June 3, 9:00 am-12:00 Noon



In preparation for our retreat, please consider the following questions:

- * *What do I think is the root cause of gun violence in our city?*
- * *How can I make a difference in the reduction of gun violence where I live?*
- * *What is my response as a Christian to the present situation?*
- * *Metropolitan areas such as St. Louis and Kansas City are hindered by state law in having reasonable gun control measures. How can this be corrected?*

8:30-9:00 Registration and refreshments

9:00 Panel of Speakers with breakouts:

- * Rosilyn Temple, Founder & Program Director of KC Mothers in Charge
- * Rev. Jacqueline McCall, Associate Pastor of Discipleship and Ministries for St. James United Methodist Church
- * Johnny Waller, Clear My Record Expungement Project Manager, UMKC School of Law

11:15 am Prayer Service

Sign-ups are always helpful for planning purposes, but not necessary. Visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A4CA5AF2EA6FF2-violence> to sign up. Contact Steve Bruns (sbruns51@gmail.com) or Sue Robb (srobb@sfx-kc.org) for more information.

SPRING CLEAN UP AT MARTIN LUTHER KING PARK

SATURDAY, JUNE 3 FROM 8:30 - 11:00 AM

To care for our common home, volunteers of all ages are invited to join the Jesuit Friends and Alumni Network of Kansas City anytime from 8:30-11:00 am on Saturday, June 6, to help clean up MLK Park at Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Woodland Avenue. Refreshments provided. RSVP not required but appreciated at <https://tinyurl.com/49shpe52>.

BISHOP LILLIS HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1966 REUNION

Reunion in June! For more information, classmates should contact ulasala@outlook.com or 816-587-3732.

MONASTIC EXPERIENCE - JUNE 23 - 29, 2023

BENEDICTINE SISTERS OF PERPETUAL ADORATION IN CLYDE, MISSOURI

For single women, age 18-40, who are considering religious life. There is no cost to attend. For more information or to learn about upcoming Monastic Experiences, including virtual opportunities, please contact Sister Maria Victoria at vocation@benedictinesisters.org, call 660-944-2221 x127 or visit www.BenedictineSisters.org and click on Vocations/Walk With Us.

COUNSELING/SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Holidays can be very stressful, with all the extra work and family gatherings. If you would like to find more ways to handle stress, consider counseling. Fr. Garry Richmeier is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist providing counseling and Spiritual Direction. He has offices in Liberty and at St James Church Midtown and accepts donations in lieu of a set fee. You can contact Fr. Garry at 816-415-2998 (no text) or garrycpps@gmail.com.

FINANCIAL

April Contribution Income was short of budget by \$19,832 or 6.69%. This month's deficit in contributions has increased the year-to-date shortfall to \$42,869 or 1% of budget. The good news is that Other Income, which includes ministries, program fees, miscellaneous one-time donations, school tuition, registration fees and before/after care fees exceeded budget by \$16,642.

Parish expenses, were under budget this month by \$16,868 due to lower than anticipated facilities and operational expenses. This cost savings reduced the negative variance in Operating Income, leaving the Parish Net Income over budget by \$13,678 for the month.

This month's deficit in contribution income increased the negative variance in year-to-date contribution income to \$42,869 or 1.1%, while Other Income exceeded budget for the year-to-date by \$57,696. This shortfall in contributions reduced our positive year-to-date income from \$18,009 to \$16,868 ahead of budget. Parish Operating Expenses for the year-to-date, however, exceeded budget by 15,657, or 0.4%, driven primarily by higher than anticipated utilities and a variety of unbudgeted facility and maintenance expenditures in both the Church and School. Adding these expense overages to the contribution excess produced a negative variance in Parish Net Income of only \$830 or 0.2% for the year-to-date. Please note that Extraordinary Income, which includes capital improvement fund donations, memorials, wills and bequests are not reflected in our normal operating results and have generated a surplus of over \$304,592 so far this year which will offset the negative variance in Net Operating Income for the fiscal year. Compared to last fiscal year Parish Income shows a surplus of \$14,124, while operating expenses are higher by \$21,749 - creating a negative difference of \$7,625.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Isaac Uzcanga—Business Manager

	Month of April 2023		
	Actual	Budget	Difference
Contribution Income	\$ 276,640	\$ 296,472	\$ (19,832)
Other Income	\$ 47,537	\$ 30,895	\$ 16,642
Total Operating Income	\$ 324,178	\$ 327,367	\$ (3,189)
Operating Expense	\$ 399,664	\$ 416,532	\$ 16,868
Net	\$ (75,487)	\$ (89,165)	\$ 13,678

	Fiscal YTD (July-April)		
	Actual	Budget	Difference
Contribution Income	\$ 3,718,350	\$ 3,761,218	\$ (42,869)
Other Income	\$ 1,060,349	\$ 1,002,653	\$ 57,696
Total Operating Income	\$ 4,778,699	\$ 4,763,872	\$ 14,827
Operating Expense	\$ 4,364,788	\$ 4,349,131	\$ (15,657)
Net	\$ 413,911	\$ 414,741	\$ (830)

	Fiscal YTD		Difference
	This Year	Last Year	
Contribution Income	\$ 3,718,350	\$ 3,851,344	\$ (132,994)
Other Income	\$ 1,060,349	\$ 913,231	\$ 147,118
Total Operating Income	\$ 4,778,699	\$ 4,764,575	\$ 14,124
Operating Expense	\$ 4,364,788	\$ 4,343,039	\$ (21,749)
Net	\$ 413,911	\$ 421,536	\$ (7,625)

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.

IT'S TIME FOR THE VISITATION GOLDEN SHAMROCKS

Summer Picnic

Tuesday, June 6 12:00 Noon
Loose Park Shelter



RSVP TO 816-753-7422

*In the event of extreme heat
or inclement weather, we will
relocate to Tighe Hall.*



PASTORAL CARE

FUNERAL MEAL TEAM THANK YOU

On behalf of the parish community we thank our Women of Vis Funeral Meal Team 9: Team Leaders: Cathy Campbell and Charlotte Jett and members: Chris Alexander, Deborah Bird, Mary Ellen Boozer, Maureen McMeel Carroll, Ruby Kennedy, Nina LaFavor, Julitta Langle, Jolene Lynn, Terry McGhie, Donna Messina, Nicole Noblitt, Mary Ann Oswald, Megan Schaefer, Heather Shinn, Theresa Schekirke, Abigail Curry Swafford, and Josh Swafford. We also thank Funeral Meal Team 2: Team Leaders: Debbie Lolli and Susan Erwin and members: Elizabeth Carlyle, Mary Clarkson, Suzette Cutcliff, Betty Devine, Sarah Griggs, Becky Gude, Patti Finn, Pat Landwehr, Fran Lester, Kate Mahoney, Cathy Maple, Tina Mateski, Mary Montgomery, Louise Meyers, Barb Nelson, Cara Newell, Valerie Roach, Joanie Spiking, Becky Summers, Patty Walsh and Mary Wirken.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Join our Prayer Shawl Ministry! We are happy to teach you to knit or crochet and we have yarn available for projects! We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. If you have questions, you may reach Barb Truta at barbtruta@gmail.com.



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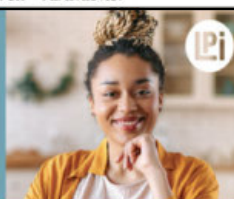
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