MATER DEI PARISH

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2021

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

"From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly."
- Lk 1:48b-49, 52

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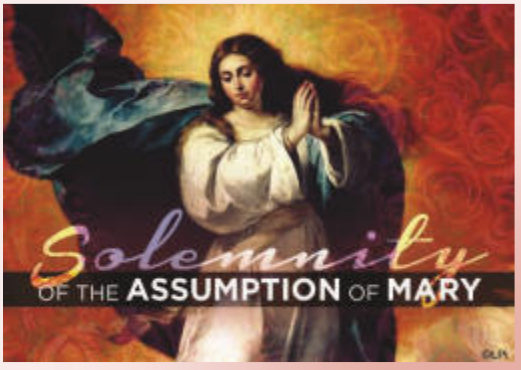

The Assumption: A Sign of Hope

Is the resurrection a concept or reality? For many of us, the resurrection of the dead may be a stray idea recite in the Nicene Creed. Heaven we discuss. But resurrection? The feast of the Assumption is a reminder to us that heaven gets even better! We pray that the souls of the faithful departed would soon be united to God in heaven. The truth is, the separation between our souls and our bodies was not God's original plan for things. It's one of the results of the Fall, of original sin. At the end of time and Jesus' second coming, our bodies and souls will be reunited. Lest we forget, Mary's Assumption is the reminder. Today, we celebrate that Mary is enjoying what we, too, hope to participate in — complete joy in heaven with our God, experienced body and soul. Today and every day, let's pray for those who have died and that we may meet them again in the heavenly kingdom.

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Rosaries in the Rosary Garden at Christ the King

Please join us again the 3rd Tuesday of the month in prayer and fellowship as we pray the rosary in the Rosary Garden.

August 16th, at 7 PM
September 21st at 7 PM
October 19th at 7 PM

Eucharistic Adoration

We adore and receive the Eucharist in communion at Mass, which is the most beautiful act of worship that we have as Catholics. Being in the presence of the body, blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ gives spiritual strength and nourishment in a uniquely powerful way.

Jesus asks us in Scripture (Mark 14:37) to spend time with Him, countless saints have written about the benefits of praying in the presence of the Eucharist, and the Magisterium of the Catholic Church teaches us that the Eucharist is the 'source and summit of the life and mission of the Church'."

It is important to make time to just sit in God's presence and listen. Ask God to speak to your mind and heart and give you all the graces and guidance you need. The graces from adoration might not be noticed until later that day, week or month.

Eucharistic Adoration is now available every Tuesday from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. Thursday will become available if there is sufficient interest. If you would like to spend one hour with God, or be added to the substitute list, please call the office, 232-7744, with your name, phone number, day and time you would like.

Open Adoration Hours

Tuesday: 7 - 8 pm

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? If so, the RCIA Program is for you!

Mater Dei Parish RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will begin **September 1st, 6:30 pm**, in the Parish Hall. For more information about the RCIA Program, contact Deacon Chris Seago at 785-232-7744.

A vast majority of those joining the Church do so because someone invited them! Please prayerfully consider inviting a spouse, family member, friend or neighbor to join us in our celebration of the Catholic Faith.

Evangelization Committee

Come join us on the Mater Dei Parish Evangelization Committee. New members and new ideas are welcome and encouraged. Help us to bring Jesus's mission for all of us to our parish family, to our local area and the country. To take a look for yourself either come to a meeting on the **3rd Monday of the month** (6:00 pm in the Parish Hall) or contact one of our members: Gabe Hillebert, Theresa Wicker, Ann Leiker, Deacon Bob or Diana Ortiz, Justin McLuckie, Terry Marlin, Kevin or Karen Mead and Andrea Hillebert.

Next meeting, August 16th, 6:00 pm, Parish Hall

Bible Studies – Bible studies are held Thursday evenings, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at Mater Dei Parish Hall.

Prep Classes are held the 3rd Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m., Parish Meeting Room. Baptisms are held the 4th Sunday of month after the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Call the Parish Office, 785-232-7744, to schedule Baptismal Prep Classes and/or Baptisms.

MATER DEI PARISH MASS TIMES

Daily Mass—Monday - Friday

Mater Dei - Holy Name - 8:00 am

Mater Dei - Assumption - 12:00 pm

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday

Mater Dei - Holy Name - 5:00 pm

Sunday

Mater Dei - Holy Name

8:00 am, 10:30 am, 5:00 pm

RECONCILATION

Saturday - 3:00 pm

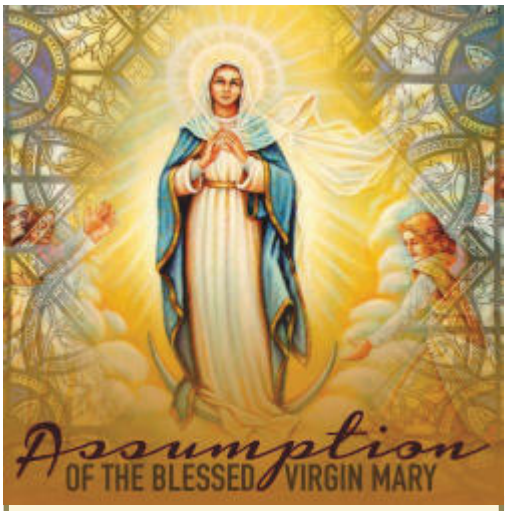
ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

THE CRISIS OF SUICIDE – EVENING OF HEALING AND HOPE - Join us for an evening of healing and hope. Kelly & Bob Specht, founders of Carl's Cause, will tell their story, and a teen breakout session will be offered. Professional counselors will offer resources and give concrete ways to foster mental wellness. Recommended for teens and up. Tuesday, **August 31, 2021 at 7:00 PM** at St. Ann Catholic Church, 7231 Mission Rd, Prairie Village, KS 66208. For more info visit www.carlscause.org and www.archkck.org/family/caresupport/catholic-counselors/

Pro-Life Partners' Event - Abby Johnson – Keynote Speaker at the Wyandotte & Olathe Pregnancy Centers Life & Hope Banquet You are invited to the annual Life and Hope Banquet on **September 2**, supporting Wyandotte and Olathe Pregnancy Clinics. This year's guest speaker is Abby Johnson, a woman who experienced a change of heart while being a revered employee of one of the country's largest abortion clinics. Register at www.LifeandHopeBanquet.com. Wyandotte & Olathe Pregnancy Centers support women and families facing challenging pregnancies, helping them to choose life for their child and a healthier future for themselves.

ONE-DAY LADIES' RETREAT WITH SONJA CORBITT - Mother Teresa Catholic Church in Topeka, KS will be hosting a one-day ladies retreat on Saturday, **September 25th** with Sonja Corbitt, the Bible Study Evangelista! We will gather at 8:30 am to pray the rosary. The retreat will begin at 9:00 am and conclude at approximately 3:00 pm with plenty of time between talks for fellowship. Beverages, light snacks, and lunch will be provided. There is no cost to attend but a free-will offering will be accepted. To assure we have enough food, registration is required. Please register online at www.mtcctopeka.org. Additionally, here is a link to our Facebook event: https://fb.me/e/16dnRWIxU.

Daughters of Isabella - Little Flower Circle - The next meeting will be held in person on **August 22, 2021 at 12:45 PM** in Yadrich Hall at Christ the King Parish, 5972 SW 25th St. A Rosary will be followed by the business meeting and social time. Social distancing and masks will be required. If anyone knows of a member or family member of Daughters of Isabella in need of the Circle's prayers call Bobbie Graff Hendrixson at 785-271-0145. If you are interested in or would like more information about Daughters of Isabelle call Cindy Keen at 785-228-9863.



Everyday Stewardship

An everyday steward is called to be gracious. I read once that to be a gracious person meant to walk softly, speak with intent, and to leave those you have met feeling that their lives were better that day because they encountered you. What a way to live!

But alas, living like that each and every day is so very hard. I hate to think that sometimes people I have encountered are happy to see me go, but I know that it is true. As Christians we are graced people, but on some days, that grace can seem pretty hidden.

If you are looking for an example of gracious living look no further than Our Lady. She answered the call regardless of the cost and she lived her life with a great dignity in the face of horrible trials. She was a gracious host to the Incarnation in her womb and she continues to invite us to get to know her Son better. She certainly embodies the definition of gracious living above.

We are called to always be ready and open to the call of her Son. He will bring us to those in need, seeking light in a world of darkness. Our hope must be then that after our encounter with another, they will feel enriched by our presence. Of course, we will know, like Our Lady knew before us, that it wasn't about us at all. It was about the Jesus in us meeting the Jesus in them.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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Praise God with Music

Are you looking for a meaningful way to serve your parish community? Does music lift your spirit and bring you joy? We have just the thing for you! The music ministry is looking for individuals to serve as cantors or accompanists. If you're not comfortable singing alone, consider inviting a friend to join you. If helping once or twice a month is all your schedule can handle, it would still be greatly appreciated. Some musical knowledge or experience is helpful, but training is available for cantors. Please prayerfully consider this very rewarding ministry! For more information or to volunteer please contact Theresa at 785-221-8658.

EVER·MORE IN LOVE

Are you more in love with your spouse now than you were last year? We believe that you can be!

Join us for the **EverMore in Love** Weekend Immersion Retreat for married couples of all ages at:

Mother Teresa Catholic Church - Topeka, KS

August 28-29, 2021

Saturday: 8am-9pm & Sunday: 8am-4pm

Includes Sunday Mass - Sleep at home

Register at: https://evermoreinlove.org/events

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Catholic & attending Washburn University in the Fall?

Join us for our **Kick-Off Mass, BBQ & Student Orientation on Sunday August 22nd at 5 pm**.

Sign up for our student organization **God's Bods Catholic Campus Center at Washburn University** through **BODS CONNECT** https://www.washburn.edu/student-life/student-involment/

Questions: email us at wucatholic@hotmail.com.

Type **question** in the subject line.

Calendar of Events

Aug. 16 - Evangelization Committee – 6:00 pm – Parish Hall
Aug. 16 - Baptismal Prep Class - 7:00 pm - MD Parish Meeting Room
Aug. 17 - Fall Bazaar - 6:00 pm - Parish Hall
Aug. 18 - 1st Day of School - 7:50 am
Aug. 19 - Child Care Center Board Meeting – 5:15 pm – CCC 2nd Floor
Aug. 19 - Light of the World – 5:30 – Parish Hall

K of C Breakfast following 8:00 am Mass on Sunday, August 22nd in the Parish Hall

Religious EDUCATION

Religious Education will be starting up soon and we need religious education teachers. If you want to help with weekend religious education as a weekly teacher or "emergency substitute", please email Ethan Gentry, gentrye@materdeischool.org or call the parish office at 232-7744.

Topeka IrishFest – Halfway to St. Patrick's Day event in September

It's never too early to celebrate St. Patrick's Day! Join us on **Saturday, September 18 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.** for the Halfway to St. Patrick's Day Topeka IrishFest at 8th and Jackson in Downtown Topeka. We'll start off with our popular fun run – 2.5 K – at 10 a.m. and hope you'll join us for Irish Food (including our popular Patty's Pockets), a beer garden, whiskey tasting, adult and children's games, live bands and Irish dancing. The Topeka St. Patrick's Day Parade will start at noon in the downtown area, so there will be something for everyone.

For more information, and to register for the Fun Run, visit www.TopekaIrishFest.com.

The Topeka IrishFest is a major fundraiser for Mater Dei Parish so we hope you'll invite family and friends to join you at the festival. See you there!

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 15, 2021

Sunday:	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Monday:	St. Stephen of Hungary
Thursday:	St. John Eudes, Priest
Friday:	St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
Saturday:	St. Pius X, Pope

Mater Dei School
First Day of School
August 18th

Prayer for Students

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for the gift of learning!
I want to grow closer to you
in everything I do at school.
In math and science, help me to see
your beautiful plan in the world.
Help me to discover new stories
and values as I read and write.
In arts and music, help me to be
creative.
In sports, help me to treat my
teammates
and my opponents fairly.
Help me to learn new skills
in technology.
Jesus, you are the perfect teacher.
Help me to listen with open ears,
an open heart, and an open mind
to all my teachers at school.
Help me to treat my classmates
with care, kindness, and respect.
Thank you, Jesus, for school!
Amen.

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Mater Dei Child Care Center has openings for Preschool's, age 2 ½ - 4. Come in and see us for a tour! Call Ms. Virginia to schedule a tour, 230-1603.

***Mater Dei Child Care Center* is looking for a Toddler Teach Float.** Must have 6 months experiences in a license child care center. Send resume to materdeiccc@materdeischool.org or call Ms. Virginia, 232-1603.

Mater Dei Child Care Center is seeking a Lead Preschool Teacher and a Lead Toddler teacher with at least 6 months experience. Must be professional, a team player and at least 18 years old. Monday through Friday, pay depends on experience and education. Start date, immediately. Email resume to materdeiccc@materdeischool or Call Ms. Virginia 232-1603.

Searching for a deeper relationship with God? God always invites us to grow in a deeper relationship with Him. This Fall the Life in the Spirit Seminar can give you the start to that deeper relationship. Join us on Thursday, **September 2, 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** and the following five Thursdays at Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish, 17th and Stone, in O'Connor Hall. Refreshments afterwards. Sponsored by Glory to God Community. For more information contact Allan or Vickie Holthaus at 862-9738.

MONDAY NIGHT BINGO AT HAYDEN SPONSORED BY OUR PARISH

Come and play Bingo. It is a fun, inexpensive night of entertainment. You may even win some money while supporting our parish. Bring your family and friends. The more people participating, the more it benefits our Parish. **Early Bird starts at 6:30 pm with Regular Bingo starting at 7:00 pm.** If you would like to volunteer (must be 18 years or older) contact Corey Everett at corey715@gmail.com, or by phone, 785-414-0946.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - St. Matthew Catholic Church is looking for a full-time CUSTODIAN whose responsibility would be to clean and maintain the school, gym, pre-school, parish hall/cafeteria, kitchen and gathering space. Janitorial experience is preferred. Must speak English. Working hours would normally be Mon. - Fri., 12:00 noon - 8:00 p.m. with some flexibility. Benefits available. Applications can be picked up at the Parish Office, 2700 SE Virginia Avenue. If you have questions, contact Bob Broxterman, 785-232-5012, ext. 201.

Prayers For The Men and Women Who Serve In Our Armed Forces

Schuylor Baum - Navy
Jacob Crawshaw - Air Force
Ethan Figgs - Navy
Ryan France - Navy
Christopher Jones - Army
Joseph Immenschuh - Army
Mike Liotta - National Guard
Mark Lojewski - Army
Eddie Lyons- Navy
Jared Koopman - Army
Clayton Mettleton - Air Force
Benjamin Metzger - Army
Peter Oberle - Navy
Mason Pakerson - Air National Guard
Stephen Schmidt - Marines
Isaac Schreiner - Navy
Dylan Treadwell - Army
Garrett Wilson - Navy
Tyler J. Wilson - Air Force

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Margaret Barr
Tom Becher
Lela Becker
Kenny Bennett
Lorine Bloodworth
Rick Bloomquist
Marlene Gatesman Boboige
Bill Bond
Marcy Bowen
Ashley Brock
Toni Brown
Marianne Brownlow
Aiden Burkhart
Robin Burns
Pam Busch
Cheryl Cafferty
Bill Callies
Sandy Carter
Bill Cole
Timli Cole
Mindy Darling
Mark Dechand
Marie DeLong
Mary Denise Dexter
James Duncan
June "Melody" Duncan
Becky Boboige Egan
Heather Endsley
Jackie Erwin
Seraphina Espinoza
Mary Lou Escalante *
Kent Evans
Andrea Florez
Joseph Frederick
Janice Gill
Betty Glettig
Mary Godfrey
Alexis Gomez
Madison Good
Sandra Grabauskas
Joyce Green
Danny Halperin
Marie Hammon
Pat Hanrahan
Reid Harrison
Chelsea Hernandez
Kathy Hestand
Roy "Jim" Hillebert
Bonnie Hisey
Jim Hisey
Doug Holmes
Scott Holmes
Erin Hutton
Teresa Jenkins
Delina Jones*
Larry Johnson
Pauline Johnson
Bryce Kalas
Amy Kelly
Maxwell Kelly
Sam Kelly
Shirley Kelly
Theresa L.
Michaela Lake
Kathe Langer
Gretchen Lindabury
Margaret Longstaff
Adriana Luna
Jesus Luna
Omelia Luna
Vivianne Marousek
John Marr
Davonta Martinez
Tim McCarthy
Frannie Miller
Lindsay Miller
Margaret Moore
Royce Muller
Brantley Ness
Cheryl Ness
Jack Nork
Jason Ortiz
Dan Osborn
Kay Payne
Mary Pineda
Maddy Reynolds
Jamie Robinson
Karla Rodehorst *
Celia Rodriquez
Nellie Rodriguez
Isaiah Roeder
Elizabeth Romero
Jerry Rose
Josulyn Salsbury
Sam
Mary Anne Satterthwaite
Sharon Scheck
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Julia Seago
Jim Simons
Del Smith
Melanie Sutphen Stafford
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Bob Swafford
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Don Thompson
Tracie Sutphen Thornton
Nancy Tudor
Kenny Unterberger
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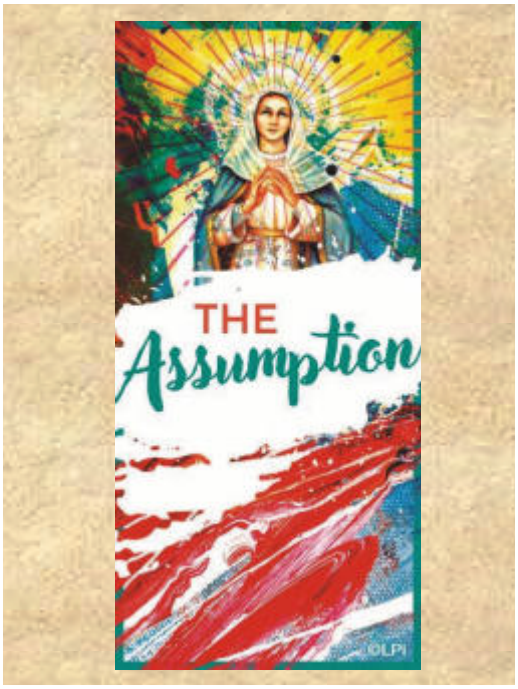

COLLECTION REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2021 TO JUNE 30, 2022

Receipts for July 24, 2021 to July 30, 2021		Fiscal Year to Date
White Envelopes	$10,551.00	$48,109.00
Banking	$6,308.00	$26,420.00
Plate	$1,071.00	$3,460.00
Total Collections	$17,930.00	$77,989.00
Amount Budgeted for Collections	$15,000.00	$75,000.00
Income Over/-Under Budget	$2,930.00	$2,989.00

PARISH RESOURCES

COUNCILS, COMMITTEES & ORGANIZATIONS

Finance Council
Kevin Schmidt, Chairperson.....232-7744

School Business Team
Deacon Bob Ortiz, Chairperson
ortizdiogm@gmail.com

Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)
Candice Schulz, President.....554-7104
or candice.d.schulz@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus
Doug Holmes, Grand Knight.....817-6936

Altar Society
Merrill Befort, President.....232-7744

PARISH PRAYER CHAIN
Erin Storrer.....224-6163
Gail Johnson.....286-1350

Funeral Dinners
Peggy Olivia 338-3623
Mary Simnitt .....608-8192(c) or 234-6115(h)
Doris Estes 224-8537

Event Coordinators
Candice Schulz.....232-7744
Darian Hillebert.....232-7744
or email events@materdeiparish.org

URGENT LIFE RESOURCES

Pregnant? Need Help?
Gabriel Project.....913-602-0306
or gabrielproject.com

Abortion Pill Reversal Hotline.....877-558-0333
or AbortionPillReversal.com

Post-Abortive Help – Project Rachel & Project Joseph:
Archkck.org/prolife-end-of-life-care

National Catholic Bioethics Hotline:
215-977-2660

Suicide Hotline.....800-273-8255 | 913-602-0030
|suicidepreventionlife.org

Domestic Violence:
YMCA.....785-233-1750
Warm Line.....800-922-8189
Valeo.....785-233-1730
Family Service & Guidance Center....785-232-5005
Christ First Counseling.....785-272-0788

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 16, 2021

8:00 am — *Charles Lardner ✝*
12:00 pm — *John and Phyllis Birzer ✝*

Tuesday, August 17, 2021

8:00 am — *June Myers ✝*
12:00 pm — *Genevieve Balocca ✝*

Wednesday, August 18, 2021

8:00 am — *Elaine Roach ✝*
12:00 pm — *Katie McLaughlin ✝*

Thursday, August 19, 2021

8:00 am — *Sheila Randell ✝*
12:00 pm — *Maria Long ✝*

Friday, August 20, 2021

8:00 am — *Lucille Miller ✝*
12:00 pm — *Josephine Howley ✝*

Saturday, August 21, 2021

5:00 pm — *Jose & Mary Oliva ✝✝*

Sunday, August 22, 2021

8:00 am — *Mater Dei Parishioners ✝*
10:30 am — *Blanche Young ✝*
5:00 pm — *Edmund Hudspeth ✝*

Parish Directory

Pastor.....**Fr. John Pilcher**
Deacon Chris Seago.....232-7744
Deacon Bob Ortiz.....232-7744

PARISH OFFICE.....232-7744
Bookkeeper.....Amanda Kincaid
Receptionist.....Gail Munoz

SCHOOL.....233-1727
School Principal.....Andrea Hillebert
Secretary.....Monica McCaffrey

CHILD CARE CENTER.....232-1603
Director.....Virginia Cardenas

MINISTRY SUPPORT.....232-7744
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gentrye@materdeischool.org
Liturgy Coordinator.....Kathy Woods
Sick & Homebound Ministry.....Call Parish Office
Eucharistic Adoration.....Call Parish Office

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