

MATER DEI PARISH

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." - Mk 8:34-35



The Mater Dei Parish Community offers the following families our heartfelt sympathy on the death of their loved ones. Your families will be remembered in our prayers.

... to the family of **Gregory Kent Waetzig**, who died on August 20th at the age of 63.

... to Sara Cafferty upon the death of her mother, **Cheryl Cafferty**, who died on August 29th, at the age of 59.

May God open his arms and welcome them home and continue to be your strength and consolation.

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Rest in the presence of God simply because God is God and you are you. This is all that is necessary. Out of this relationship will come inspiration, understanding, courage, constancy, truth, and virtues of all kind. We will find ourselves knowing the true meaning of things and developing a depth of insight that is not found following purely human venues. It is God who inspires and opens human hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, we understand all of our relationships with a richer appreciation and come to know who Jesus, who speaks of God's kingdom, really is. The trust that is fostered from resting with the Divine One allows us to see that God's ways are not our ways. There is something bigger going on in this picture of life. It is something mystical and magical that seeks to surprise us at every turn. It is not for us to cling to this world and its limitations. Our adventure is to dream bigger and brighter, realizing that it is even in suffering that the radiant light of the dawn will come. God's ways allow for our paths to be rocky, challenging, difficult, and even crippling at times. Purely human eyes cannot understand the 'why' of such experiences. The eyes and mind of God, however, reveal and detail a journey that ends in glorious resurrection joy. When we lose our axis and become too human in our thinking, Jesus rebukes us and gently reminds us how to see.

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Ladies Retreat with Sonja Corbitt



All women are invited to attend a one-day retreat at Mother Teresa Catholic Church, Topeka, KS 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 in-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.mtcctoepka.org.

OBSERVANCE FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

Sunday:	24 th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day
Monday:	St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Tuesday:	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Wednesday:	Our Lady of Sorrows
Thursday:	Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
Friday:	St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Next Sunday:	25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday



Mass Schedule

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

RECONCILIATION

Saturday – 3:00 pm



Bible Studies – Bible studies

Thursday evenings, 7:00 p.m. –
8:00 p.m. 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. Call the Parish Office,
785-232-7744, to schedule Baptismal Prep
Classes and/or Baptisms.



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.

The Office of the Permanent Diaconate is offering an information night **Monday, September 13th** at Christ the King, 5973 SW 25th St., Ste A, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm. Everyone who is interested in learning more about the diaconate is welcome to attend. Those who believe the Lord may be calling to serve as deacons will be given resources to assist in their discernment. Spouses are strongly encouraged to attend.

Attendance at an information night is required for those who intend to apply for admission to the diaconate program this coming year.

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September 12, 2021

happy
Grandparents day

Grandparents Day Blessing

God of our ancestors,
we thank you for our children
and our children's children.
They are reminders from you about how
precious life can be.
We humbly ask for wisdom and
patience as we take pride and wonder in
our grandchildren.
Those of us who now pray to you
also seek your blessing upon these men
and women
who are our grandparents or who act in
place of grandparents.
Bless all the children and their parents
and grandparents
with your abundant grace.
We ask all this through the intercession
of
Saints Joachim and Anne, parents of
the Blessed Virgin Mary,
patron saints of grandparents,
in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Evangelization Committee

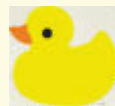
Come join us on the Mater Dei Parish Evangelization Committee. New members and new ideas are welcome and encouraged. Help us to bring Jesus's mission for all of us to our parish family, to our local area and the country. To take a look for yourself either come to a meeting on the **3rd Monday of the month** (6:00 pm in the school basement) 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.

Mater Dei Child Care Center is doing the Topeka Duck Race. It's not too late. Please help us meet our Goal!

Online www.topekaduckrace.org

Click on our team (Mater Dei Child Care Center).

You can adopt Single, family, flock, or oodle...



We will Receive 50% of the Proceeds back! Online adoptions may continue right up until 10:00 a.m. the day of the Race! Race is Saturday, September 18, at Lake Shawnee.

Thank you for all your support!

Eucharistic Adoration



If you are interested in spending one hour with God on Thursdays from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, the following hours are available:

9:00 am
10:00 am
12:00 pm
3:00 pm
5:00 pm
6:00 pm
7:00 pm
8:00 pm

Please call the office, 232-7744, with your name, phone number and time you would like.



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.

September 21st at 7 PM
October 19th at 7 PM

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY



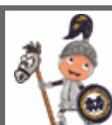
Mater Dei School has a part time janitorial position available for the 2021-2022 school year. This position

is a minimum of 15 hours per week with the possibility of 25 hours. Virtus training is required for this position. Please contact Andrea Hillebert at (785) 233-1727.

Mater Dei Child Care Center is looking for a Full-time and Part-time Toddler Teach Float. Must have 6 months experiences in a license child care center. Send resume to

materdeiccc@materdeischool.org or call Ms. Virginia, at 232-1603.

Mater Dei Child Care Center is seeking a Lead Preschool 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 at 232-1603.



Mater Dei Child Care Center has openings for Preschool's, age 2 1/2 - 4.

Come in and see us for a tour!

Call Ms. Virginia to schedule a tour, 230-1603.

Calendar of Events

Sept. 12th – Religious Education – 9:00 am – 10:30 – Mater Dei School Cafeteria
Sept. 13th – Bingo Early Bird Special – 6:30 pm – Hayden High School
Sept. 13th – Fall Bazaar Meeting— 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm—Parish Hall
Sept. 13th – Regular Bingo – 7:00 pm – Hayden High School
Sept. 14th – St. Benedict Circle - 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm – Parish Hall
Sept. 14th – Knights of Columbus 4th Degree – 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm – Rossiter Hall
Sept. 15th – RCIA – 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm – Parish Hall
Sept. 15th – CCC Board Meeting – 5:15 pm – 5:45 – Child Care Center
Sept. 16th – Light of the World – 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm – Parish Hall



K of C Breakfast following 8:00 am Mass on Sunday, September 19th in the Parish Hall.



Cleaning Mater Dei Holy Name

We are asking for help to do a deep cleaning of the church. The next scheduled deep cleaning is **September 17th, 9:30 a.m.** With many hands this should take no longer than a couple of hours. Please bring yourself, your hand vacuum, your dusters, and other equipment you might need to help us clean. All cleaning chemicals, etc. will be provided.

If you can make it great, if not say a little prayer for us as we clean and polish. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Nancy Cina at 785-817-1708.



The Annual PTO Trash Bag fundraiser is here! We have the blue, yellow, and white bags in rolls and the large paper bags back again this year. They are **\$11 each** and are locally made in Kansas City. Over 35% of every sale stays with Mater Dei School and is one of our largest fundraisers! **Orders are due to the office on**

September 13 so please call our office at 233-1727 or reach out to your favorite student or school family. Bags will be delivered on or after September 23. Thank you!



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.



Come Support Troop 26 in their next year of Scouting.

Popcorn Sales start the weekend of Sept 25 - 26 following all masses. There will also be an opportunity to support scouts, the Military and First Responders with an American Heroes donation.

Come visit all the Troop members and see what activities and adventures they have accomplished this past year in scouting.



**9th Annual
1/2Way to St. Patty's Day Mater Dei
Golf Tournament**



**Thursday
September 16, 2021**

11:00 am Check-In
Lunch provided
12:00 pm Shotgun Start
Fee: \$75.00 per person
Format: Four Person Scramble
Flights A-B-C if enough
teams allow for it.

Cash Prizes

Each flight will be awarded cash prizes as follows:

1st Place ---- \$75/player
2nd Place --- \$50/player

Other prizes

Fabulous raffle prizes too!

If interested in playing, pick up a flyer in the Vestibule or call Parish Office, 232-7744 or John Tetuan 213-5095 for additional details.

Proceeds Benefit Mater Dei Parish & School.

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!



Halfway to St. Patrick's Day Parade Setup - The Irish Club of Topeka is looking for 12 student volunteers to help setup and break down the barriers along the Halfway to St. Patrick's Day parade route.

The parade is set for **Saturday, September 18th**. Volunteer hours will be 9 AM to around 2 PM.

Students will earn 6 service hours and receive a keepsake t-shirt to wear during the event. Bottled water will be provided.

Students can register by emailing Curtis Jones at Curtis.w.jones@live.com.

**9TH ANNUAL HALF WAY TO ST. PATTY'S DAY
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- * Hole Sponsor
- * 1 Tournament Entry Fee

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- * Hole Sponsor



All proceeds will go toward the Mater Dei School and Mater Dei Churches

Please Join Us!

**RomeSweetHome
Italian Festival**
Christ the King Church 25th & Wanamaker

**Saturday,
September 25th**

8:00 am - 1:00 pm **Online Auction** 8:00 am **5K Run**

10:00 am **Rosary** 4:30 pm **Outdoor Mass**

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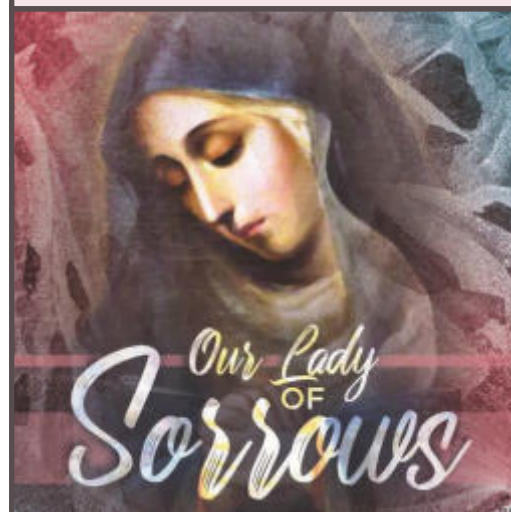
Run Registration, Dinner Tickets and
other Event Information online at
ctktopeka.org

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



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

September 15, 2022



Kenny Bennett	Jeremy Frev	Lindsay Miller
Rick Bloomquist	Janice Gill	Rovce Muller
Marlene Gatesman Boboique	Joyce Green	Cheryl Ness
Bill Bond	Kathv Hestand	Kav Pavne
Marcy Bowen	Scott Holmes	Karla Rodehorst
Toni Brown	Erin Hutton	Celia Rodriquez
Robin Burns	Delina Jones	Nellie Rodriquez
Mindy Darling	Larry Johnson	James Shirey
Mark Dechand	Michaela Lake	Del Smith
Mary Denise Dexter	Kathe Lanqer	Susie
Becky Boboique Egan	Adriana Luna	Ren Valdivia
Jackie Erwin	Jesus Luna	Austin Vail
Kent Evans	Omelia Luna	
Andrea Florez	Tim McCarthy	

Note - The above names were added 2019 - 2021. Names prior to 2019 were deleted.

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

Receipts for August 21, 2021 to August 27, 2021		Fiscal Year to Date
White Envelopes	\$3,532.00	\$66,600.00
Banking	\$2,472.00	\$40,959.00
Plate	\$1,135.61	\$5,926.86
Total Collections	\$7,139.61	\$113,485.86
Amount Budgeted for Collections	\$15,000.00	\$120,000.00
Income Over/-Under Budget	-\$7,860.39	-\$6,514.14

**THE FALL
BAZAAR
IS COMING!**

It is time to start planning for our annual Fall Bazaar, which will take place on Saturday and Sunday, November 6th and 7th. It is not too early to start on craft items for Country Store, coming up with ideas for theme baskets, watching sales for raffle prizes and Silent Auction items. Contact Gail Muñoz at 913-669-3754 or call the parish office, 785-232-7744, for additional information.



**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 Olivia338-3623
Mary Simmitt608-8192(c) or 234-6115(h)
Doris Estes224-8537

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 FOR THE WEEK



Monday, September 13, 2021

8:00 am John Canon ☩
12:00 pm Elizabeth Engroff ☩

Tuesday, September 14, 2021

8:00 am Sister Mary Corita Conlan ☩
12:00 pm Margaret Melchior ☩

Wednesday, September 15, 2021

8:00 am Joseph Lambrecht ☩
12:00 pm James Devlin ☩

Thursday, September 16, 2021

8:00 am Judith Young ☩
12:00 pm Bernard Spetter ☩

Friday, September 17, 2021

8:00 am No Mass
12:00 pm Elsie Borovick ☩

Saturday, September 18, 2021

5:00 pm Mater Dei Parishioners

Sunday, September 19, 2021

8:00 am Bruno Langer ☩
10:30 am Elizabeth & Howard Lieber ☩☩
5:00 pm Mary Calvin ☩



Parish Directory

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Deacon Chris Seago.....232-7744
Deacon Bob Ortiz.....232-7744

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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
Directory of Religious Education.....Ethan Gentry
gentrye@materdeischool.org

Liturgy Coordinator.....Kathy Woods
Sick & Homebound Ministry.....Call Parish Office
Eucharistic Adoration.....Call Parish Office

Bulletin Editor.....Gail Munoz, 785-232-7744
or bulletin@materdeiparish.org

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