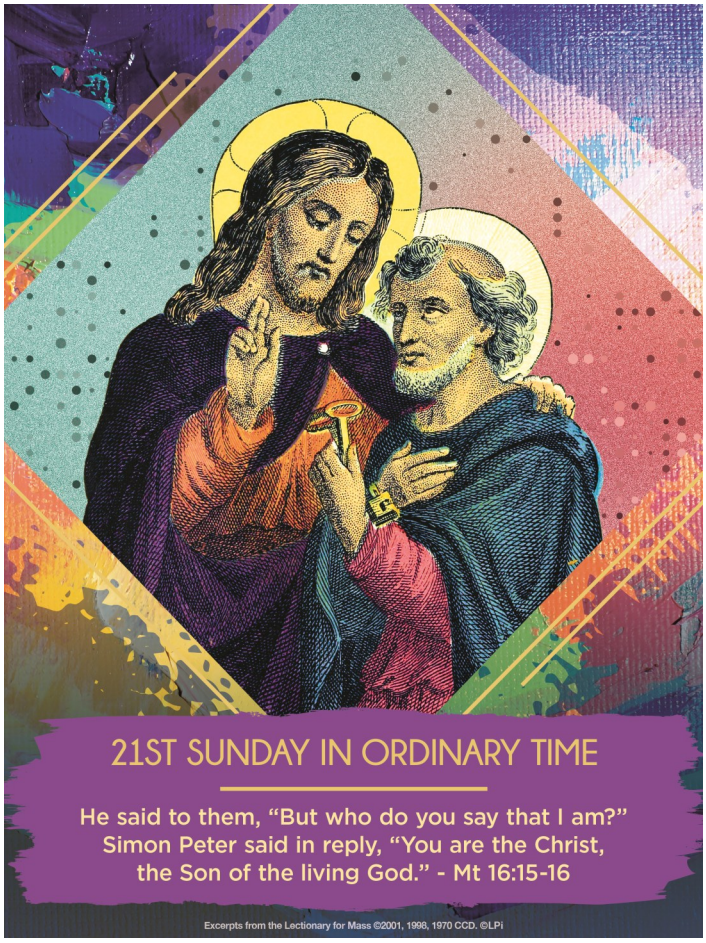
GUARDIAN ANGELS
CATHOLIC CHURCH
and
Our Lady of Hope School



LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Saturday..... 4:00 pm
Sunday ..... 8:30 am and 10:30 am
Tue/Wed/Thurs..... 5:30 pm
Thurs*..... 8:15 am (during school year)

*This Thursday Mass is OLH School Mass

RECONCILIATION:

Tue/Wed/Thur. ..... 4:45 pm
Saturday..... 3:00 pm
Other days—call for appointment

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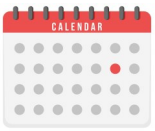
CALENDAR AND SCHEDULED EVENTS



Tuesday, August 25 at 6:15 p.m.
Festival Meeting in the Parish Hall
Monday, September 7
LABOR DAY—Office Closed
Tuesday, September 8 at 6:15 p.m.
Pastoral Council Meeting—Parish Office
Thursday, September 17 at 6:00 p.m.
BUNKO in the Parish Hall

Readings for the week of August 23, 2026:

Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2a, 2b-3, 6 and 8/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mk 6:17-29

August Prayer Intentions

Bishop Johnston: For spouses who have been abandoned, that they know the closeness of Christ and experience the support of their brothers and sisters in their parishes as they persevere in fidelity to their marriage promises.

Holy Father Pope Leo: Let us pray that in large cities often marked my anonymity and loneliness, we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

COLLECTION FOR AUGUST 16, 2026

Envelopes/Mail in Donations	$3,504.00
Plate Offering	$438.00
Weekly Collection Total	$3,942.00

This weekend's second collection is for the GA Building Fund.

FR. CARLITO'S CORNER

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 16: 13-20
August 23, 2026

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks His disciples a question that is addressed not only to Peter and the Twelve, but also to every Christian: "Who do you say that I am?" Peter responds: "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

During this time, there were various beliefs about Jesus. Some people thought He was John the Baptist, others thought he was Elijah or Jeremiah (prophets from the Old Testament), or one of the other prophets. The word Christ and Messiah both mean the Anointed One or the Chosen One. Jesus had repeatedly promised that a Messiah would come to redeem humanity. Peter recognized that Jesus was not simply another messenger from God. Jesus is the One in whom God's saving plan reaches its fulfillment or completion.

For us, this question remains fundamental. Christianity is not simply following a moral code or an ethical system. At its center is JESUS CHRIST. Jesus knew Peter had faults, like we all do. He had enough faith to walk on water and enough doubt to sink like a rock. Jesus saw something in the mixed bag of Peter's life; he saw it had value and purpose. Jesus sees this in our lives as well.

Our confession of faith begins when we recognize who Jesus is and allow this recognition to change our lives. Our confession of faith should not remain a doctrinal statement; we should speak with our actions. It can be seen in how we treat others. It is evident in how we treat the poor and vulnerable. It affects how we deal with our enemies. It shows how we use our time, our resources, our talents, our possessions and our influence. In other words, our confession of faith should move us from knowing about Jesus to actually following Him.

"Follow Me"

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Parishioners may submit the name of a loved one to be included in the prayer list below. **This list is for those who are living and currently experiencing illness or hospitalization.** To add or remove a name, please contact the Parish Office

Ralph Andrade, Michael Batton, Ginger Camerillo, Esteban Carmona, Jennifer Cervantes, Linda Hernandez, Jack and Rita McBratney, Stella Ojeda, Annette Perez, Sue Reyes, Carolyn Ruiz, Louie Vaca, Rosina Valdivia

We are looking for people to help us when we have funeral luncheons. It has been the history of our parish to host family lunches. It is a service we would like to continue to be able to help our parishioners to show they can count on our parish family.

We are looking for people that we can call upon to serve these lunches. If we can create a list of people, you may not be called upon each time. Unfortunately, we would only be able to give you a few days notice once the family has requested a lunch from the parish when a loved one has passed.

We are also looking for at least one or two people to be the point person(s) that can pull the lunch together along with the volunteers. You would have to shop for the food we prepare.

If you are interested in helping out and help us continue this service here at Guardian Angels, please call the office. Thank you for your consideration.

Observances for this Week

Monday, August 24—St. Bartholomew, Apostle

Thursday, August 27—St. Monica

Friday, August 28—St. Augustine

Saturday, August 29—The Passion of St. John the Baptist

Matthew: 16

"And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it."

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 22
4:00 pm.....A.J. Zahner

Sunday, August 23
8:30 am.....Barbara Storey+
10:30 am.....Tino & Margaret Medellin+

Tuesday, August 25
5:30 pm.....Parishioners of G.A.

Wednesday, August 26
5:30 pm.....Jerry & Patty Murphy+

Thursday, August 27
5:30 pm.....Parishioners of G.A.

Saturday, August 29
4:00 pm.....Jerry & Patty Murphy+

Sunday, August 30
8:30 am.....Parishioners of G.A.
10:30 am.....Jerry & Patty Murphy+

+Denotes Deceased

A Mass intention is a specific purpose to which a Mass, often for a particular person (living or deceased) or for a specific need or situation. It's a way of applying the graces of the Eucharist for a special intention, or for the soul of a deceased person. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a mass intention at 816-931-4351. Mass intentions are $10.00.

SACRAMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION

New Parishioners
Welcome! Please register by downloading a registration form from our website, or contact the parish office. We are glad you are here!

Baptism
Contact the parish office to schedule the baptismal class and the date of the baptism.

Weddings & Quinceañera
Contact the parish office to schedule a date (preferably nine months before your proposed date).

Sick or Hospitalized
Contact the parish office when your loved one is sick or admitted to the hospital.

Funeral
For funeral arrangements, contact the church office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Confessions regularly before 5:30pm Mass, Saturday at 3:00pm and also by appointment. Please call the church office for appointment if you can't make it on scheduled days.

Religious Education, Confirmation & RCIA
Contact the church office or send an email at office@guardianangelskc.org.

Mass Intentions, Parish Hall & School Cafeteria Rental
Please contact the church office.

Upcoming Event
SSA and Medicare Workshop

Guardian Angels will be sponsoring a Social Security and Medicare workshop in the Parish hall on **Friday, September 26 from 2:00—4:00 p.m.**

The SSA representative will discuss basic eligibility factors for retirement and survivor benefits.

The Medicare representative will provide informative and community information to help make the best healthcare decisions for 2027.

The festival volunteers have been busy these past weeks working together to get ready for our upcoming church festival on October 4th. A volunteer sign up board will be put up at the back of church the first week in September. Please sign up to volunteer your time. The next meeting is scheduled for this coming Tuesday, August 25 at 6:15 in the Parish Hall.

We pray for our military personnel that they see You working in their daily lives, that You are with them, whether they are in the field, at home, or abroad.

Ryan Asbury (Air National Guard), Ryan Edenburn (Marines), Sam Fair (Air Force), Carlos Garcia III (Navy), Mason Grado (Marines), Daniel Hitchcock (Army), Jonathan Hitchcock (Army), Stephen Hitchcock (Army), Nathan Hitchcock (Army), Nick Malot (Army), Sarah Martinez (Army), Joshua May (Army), Dylan Palmer (Marines), Joe Penniston (Marines), Thomas Reyes (Marines), Geoff Schultz (Air Force), Michael Sparks (Navy), James Sutherland (Army), Garrett Trowbridge (Army), Connor Wiltse (Air Force), Brian Zahner (Army).

We will be updating our military personnel listing. If you have any active military that you would like added to this list, please call the parish office.

Sexual Abuse

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. If the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph report the suspected abuse to the Diocesan Ombudsman, ombudsman@ombudsmankcsj.org at 816-213-6024.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate, at 816-714-2357 or

Celebrating Venerable Emil Kapaun

All are invited to a Memorial Mass for Venerable Emil Kapaun, Army Chaplain from Pilsen, Kansas. Following Mass, a portrait of Fr. Kapaun will be presented to the Diocese on August 29 at 11:00 am at St. James Parish, 309 S. Stewart Road, Liberty MO.

Emil Kapaun, an American Catholic priest and US Army captain served as a chaplain during WWII. He is officially recognized as a heroic example of Christian living for the Church. He was ordained a priest on June 9, 1940.

Father Kapaun carried his determination to 'spend himself 'onto the battlefield' and in his decision to remain with the wounded in the face of capture at Unsa. But the dicastery especially highlighted his service in the prison camp as an example of offering his life before his untimely death. The final act of charity occurred in May 1951 when his captors took him away to die. His men were ready to stand up and fight for him, but Father Kapaun would not allow it. He went peacefully, even forgiving his captors and offering them the blessing of God.

Upcoming Church Festival

The annual Guardian Angels Festival is the largest fundraiser for our parish. This year our Festival will be held on Sunday, October 4 from 11:30 am-7:00 pm. As part of the Festival, there will again be a silent auction. We are requesting the donation of items to be bid on at the Festival. Some great items for auctioning include: gift certificates, sports memorabilia, themed gift baskets, jewelry, theater tickets and sports tickets. **Donation Request letters are available in the back of church.** Please pick one up and ask your favorite business for their support! We request that donations have a $50 minimum value. Please bring your item donations to the church office. We are happily accepting donations through September 28. Thank you for your generosity.

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We are doing repairs of all our facilities a little at a time.

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