



# St. Mary of the Visitation Catholic Church

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August 29, 2021 WELCOME TO THE VISITATION Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**  
Saturday Anticipated Mass: 5:30 pm  
Sunday Masses: 8:00 am  
(Contemporary Choir) 11:00 am  
Daily Masses: Tues.-Fri. 8:00 am  
Confessions: Tues.-Fri. 7:30 am  
Sat. 4:00-5:00 pm  
Or by appointment  
Religious Education: Sun. 9:30-10:45 am  
Office Hours: Mon.-Thur. 8:30 am-3:30 pm  
Fri. 8:30 am-12:30 pm  
Parking Lot Code: 222

**Prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary for our roof restoration.**  
We turn to you for protection, Holy Mother of God, *our patroness*. Listen to our prayers and help us in our necessity of *restoring our roof*. Save us from every danger and *bless all our benefactors*, Glorious and Blessed Virgin. Amen.



“Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile.” - Mk 7:15

**First Thursday Adoration**  
**September 2, 2021**  
*We will have monthly Holy Hour on every First Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM.*  
*Please mark your calendar.*



September is  
Month of Our Lady of Sorrows

The Sub Tuum Praesidium is the oldest known prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary for intercession. Please join with the choir in prayer.

Liber Usualis, Solesmes, 1961, p. 1861

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S UB tu-um prae-si-di-um confu-gimus, \* sancta De-i Gé-ni-trix: nostras depre-ca-ti-ō-  
nes ne despi-ci-as in ne-cessi-ta-ti-bus: sed a pe-ri-cu-lis cunctis li-be-ra nos sem-per,  
Virgo glo-ri-ō-sa et be-ne-dic-ta.

## St. Mary of the Visitation Catholic Church

### Attention Mothers & Expecting Mothers

St Mary of the Visitation is forming an Expecting Mothers Ministry to provide expecting mothers of the parish with encouragement, prayers, and a delivered meal. Whether expecting a first child or another sibling, the parish family would love to share in the joy of each new life. Expecting mothers and those interested in supporting this ministry are encouraged to contact Amanda Freiburger at [amanda.freiburger@gmail.com](mailto:amanda.freiburger@gmail.com) or 256-585-7144.

### Like to Sing? Play an instrument?

Our choir is looking for new members-we need singers and instrumentalists. If you would like to serve in this ministry, please contact Marjorie Arnston at [marjorie@arnston.net](mailto:marjorie@arnston.net).

### Come Join Us for a Catholic Book Club!

We'll be reading "Consecration to St. Joseph", written by Fr. Donald H. Calloway, MIC.

Why St. Joseph? According to Fr. Calloway, first we need the spiritual fatherhood of St. Joseph to help us protect marriage and the family. Second, the entire world needs to be re-evangelized, including the vast majority of baptized Christians.

There will be a 33-day preparation and we'll be using Fr. Calloway's book as a guide to learn more about this amazing saint! We hope to begin this book study around the end of September, meeting once a week, so that the group can be consecrated to St. Joseph on All Saints.

As this is the "Year of St. Joseph", please consider being part of this book study. Call or text LuAnn Poniatowski at 256-426-8898 for more information. *Hope to see YOU there!*

### Buildings & Grounds Committee More members needed!

The Buildings & Grounds Committee (B&G) is looking for more volunteers. If you are an able body, please call Mr. Manfred Segewitz, 256.527.2278, or email [manfseg@gmail.com](mailto:manfseg@gmail.com). There are many different opportunities where help is needed and it is greatly appreciated.

### SMV Women's Group

We will be meeting on Thursday, September 2, at 6:00pm in the Fr. Trecy Room. The group will be discussing videos that have been emailed to the roster of women who have shown interest. If there is anyone who wishes to join us, and would like the links to the material, please email Sarah Rogers at [slrogers@gmail.com](mailto:slrogers@gmail.com).

**DUE TO THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY,  
FAITH FORMATION CLASSES WILL  
NOT BE HELD NEXT SUNDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 5.**

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\* Altar flowers are for the intentions of the \*  
\* Ellis/Nerger families. \*  
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### Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers may be donated in *memory or honor* of a loved one or to mark a special occasion. Flower donations are \$75.00 and are tax deductible and will be included in your contribution statement. An acknowledgement will be included in the bulletin. Please contact the office 256.536.6349 to select the weekend for your flower donation.

### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for all sick and recovering parishioners, families, & friends, our military and our first responders. May God bless all caregivers. Names will remain on the prayer list for four weeks and may be submitted by email: [smvparish@smvparish.com](mailto:smvparish@smvparish.com) or by calling the office at 256.536.6349.

Beth Bodine Mason	Jim Blasingame
Anna Marie Williams	Tracy Humphries
Joyce Ellis	Jim Wall
Viola Cucullu	Ben Geist
Jeff Skupien	Benjamin Coleman Boak
Holly Cooney	William Lankford
Dave Matteson	Henry Lankford

### Please Let Us Know

Do you have a death in your immediate family? Do you need a visit in the hospital or an anointing? Would you like Holy Communion brought to the homebound? Please reach out to the office and let us know your spiritual needs. We also have Prayer Warriors ready to pray for you, your family, and friends.

### Mass Intentions August 28—September 5

Sat	5:30 PM	For the Parish
Sun	8:00 AM	Bishop Steven J. Raica (I)
	11:00 AM	†Becky Boak
Mon	8:00 AM	No Mass
Tue	8:00 AM	Lynne Greco (I)
Wed	8:00 AM	†Bob Davis
Thu	8:00 AM	Cherie Miller (I)
Fri	8:00 AM	Shea Latini (I)
Sat	5:30 PM	John & Sally Ownings (I)
Sun	8:00 AM	For the Parish
	11:00 AM	For the Catechists (I)



### Before-Mass Rosary

The Rosary will begin 20 minutes before each weekend Mass, provided there are volunteers to lead in praying the Rosary.

Rosary booklets are available in the vestibule.



**RCIA—All are Welcome**  
Classes begin Sunday, September 12  
at 9:30am in the Fr. Treacy Room.

**The Sanctuary Light**

“The Lord said to Moses: Order the Israelites to bring you clear oil of crushed olives for the light, so that you may keep the lamp burning regularly. In the tent of meeting, outside the veil that hangs in front of the covenant, Aaron shall set up the lamp to burn before the Lord regularly, from evening till morning, by a perpetual statute throughout your generations. He shall set up the lamps on the pure gold menorah to burn regularly before the LORD.” (Leviticus 24:2-4; Exodus 27:20-21)

**Beginning September 8, the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, our sanctuary light will burn each day for the intentions of one of our parish families. The families will be assigned alphabetically and if possible, please stop by the Church on your day and say a prayer.

**BLUE ENVELOPES IN PEWS**

The finance council has decided to use the current blue envelope for the Roof Restoration Campaign effective August 15. The Together in Faith Building Campaign is suspended until completion of the restoration. All donations received, excluding the Sunday collection, will be directed towards the restoration.

**New Ministry—Altar Candle Care**

A team is needed to care for our altar candles to include: cleaning the wax from the candlesticks, polishing if needed, ensuring the candles stand straight, etc. Please call the office if you can help.

**September Schedule**

- September 2 SMV Women’s Group Meeting (6:00pm-JTR)
- September 2 First Thursday Adoration (7:00pm)
- September 7 Finance Council Meeting (6:00pm-O)
- September 12 Donut Sunday (After 8:00am Mass-PC)
- September 12 RCIA Classes Begin (9:30am-JTR)**
- September 12 Faith Formation-Adults Begin 9:30-10:45am (PC-Gym—Evelyn Jaap, AB—Mike Janssen)**
- September 13 Mental Health Birthday
- September 14 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting (6:00pm-PC)
- September 14 Quilting Lessons Begin (6:00-8:00pm-JTR)
- September 17 Cajun Fish Dinner (5:00pm-till sold out-PC)
- September 19 K of C Pancake Breakfast (9:00-10:30am-PC)
- September 21 Buildings & Grounds Meeting (6:00pm-JTR)
- September 28 Meals on Wheels
- September 29 SMV Men's Group Meeting (7:00pm-JTR)

Wednesdays 6-8:00 PM Radio Control Helicopter/  
Plane Flying (PC)

(JTR) Fr. Jeremiah Treacy Room, (O) Office, (PC) Visitation Parish Center,  
(AB) Administrative Building-Courtyard Ramp

**Adult Faith Formation**

Beginning Sunday, September 12, 9:30-10:45am  
Pre-registration is not required.

A parish team will lead the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**, which will meet downstairs in the Fr. Jeremiah Treacy Room at the administrative building next to the church. Anyone wanting to learn more about the Catholic Faith — whether to consider joining the Church or simply to enrich one’s knowledge and faith — is welcome. Contact the parish office if you have questions.

**Mike Janssen** will lead a faith-sharing study group with the focus on discussing relevant topics associated with our Catholic faith. *Don’t miss the first session* as the group will actively participate in building a “mind map” centered around religious education. From this discussion, topics will be selected with supporting material taken from a variety of available sources. Been scratching your head or praying about a certain aspect of our faith? Come share your thoughts and ideas with your fellow parishioners and together we’ll dive a little deeper into our faith and its practice. This group will meet upstairs in the administrative building; direction signs to the meeting location will be posted.

**Evelyn Jaap** will lead a group that will meet in the gym at the parish center and will view and discuss the series *At the Table with Jesus: Do This in Remembrance of Me* presented on DVD by Franciscan priest Fr. William L. Burton, O.F.M. He explores the question, “Why did Jesus ask his disciples to remember him by partaking in a meal?” Fr. Burton discusses the historical context and development of the Last Supper, and he leads us to an understanding of communal meals as Jesus saw them: a way of sharing the Gospel. Sample topics are: “Jewish Notions of Food,” “Table-Sharing in the Gospel of Luke,” and “The Largesse of God.” After each 25-minute video, the group shares insights, questions, and stories of faith.

**\*\*\*Online Giving \*\*\***

Contributions can now be made through our parish website: [smvparish.org](http://smvparish.org) by selecting the secure “Donate” link located at the top of the page. Please call the office if questions or for more information.

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Weekly Church Support August 21/22	\$ 9,297.00
Special Repairs	\$ 50.00
One Voice	\$ 20.00
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