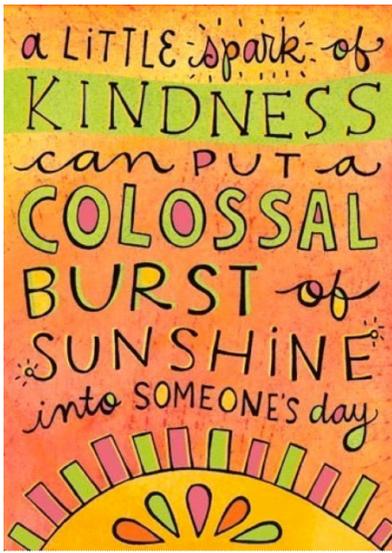


# GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH



Regardless of where you are from, your occupation, your family, your marital status, your personal history, your age, your background, your race, your ethnicity, your political affiliation, your religion, or your gender, **we are happy you are here with us today to worship!** We invite you to learn more about our parish and its activities by contacting our office, website or simply by mingling with our parishioners after mass.

## Parish Office:

1310 Westport road  
Kansas City, MO 64111  
(816) 931-4351 phone  
(816) 531-6396 fax

## Office Hours:

Monday- Thurs ..... 8:30AM- 4:00PM  
Friday..... CLOSED

## Parish Website:

[guardianangelskc.org](http://guardianangelskc.org)

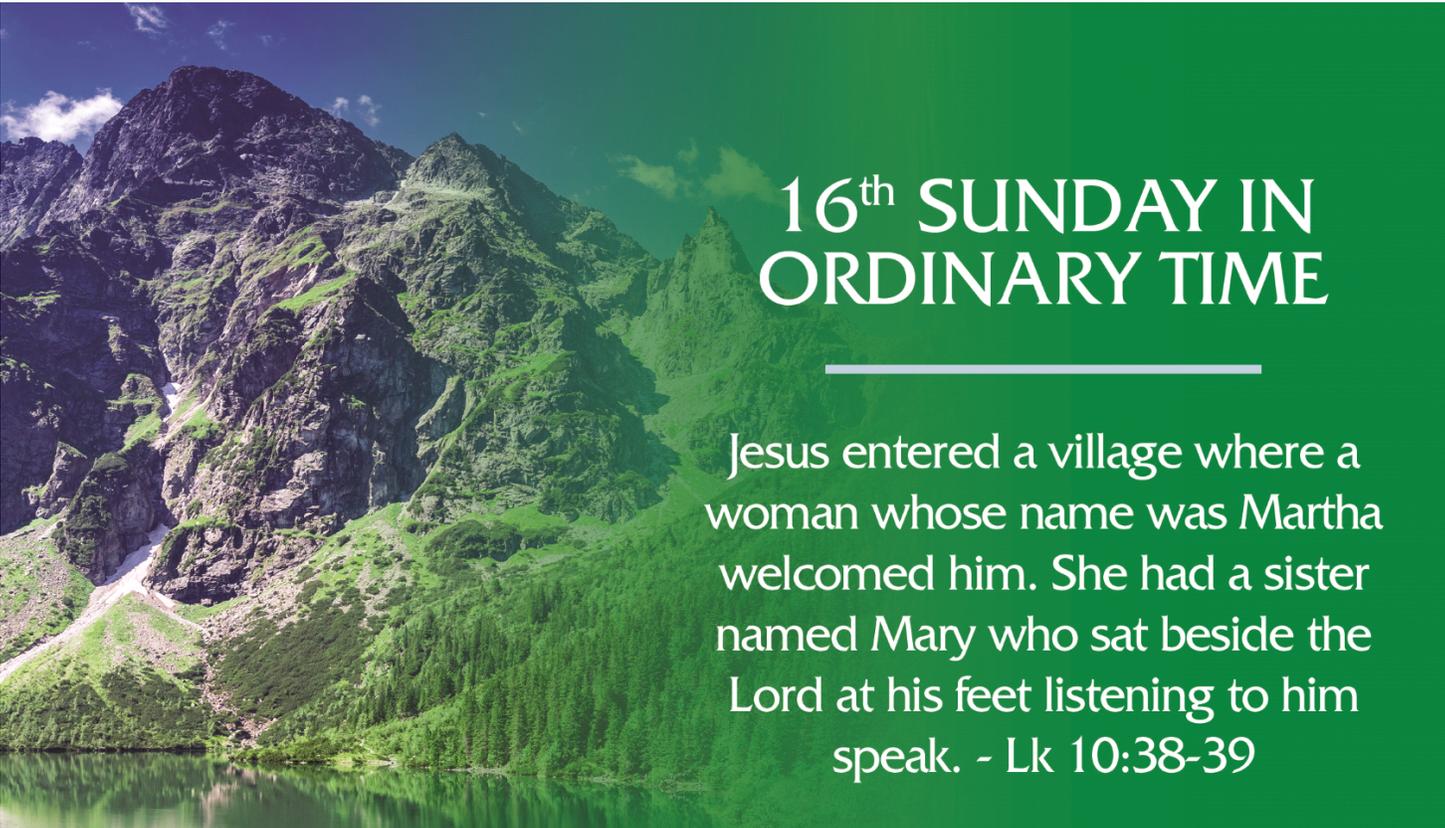
## Reconciliation:

Saturday ..... 3:15 PM—3:45 PM

## Liturgy Schedule:

Saturday ..... 4:00 PM  
Sunday..... 8:30 AM & 9:45\* AM  
..... and 11:00 AM

\*The 9:45 am mass was added for the Our Lady of Hope Ordinariate Community. Everyone is invited to attend this mass; it is a beautiful service and all are welcome.



## 16<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. - Lk 10:38-39

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, July 20

4:00 pm.....For Refuge Everywhere

### Sunday, July 21

8:30 am.....Barbara and Ed Bender

11:00 am.....Parishioners and Benefactors

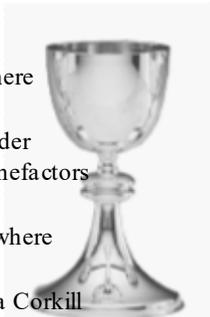
### Saturday, July 27

4:00 pm.....For Travelers everywhere

### Sunday, July 28

8:30 am.....For Bob and Barbara Corkill

11:00 am.....For Parishioners and Benefactors



“Every time you think you’re being rejected, God is actually redirecting you to something better. Ask him to give you the strength to press forward.”

Nick Vujcic

### PRAY FOR OUR SICK & MILITARY

#### *Please pray for those who are sick or recuperating:*

Shirley Andrade, Angela & Henry Barbosa, Mary Bartlett, Kelly and Joseph Chambers, Larry Clark, Aurora Davis, Cathryn Dugan, Jose Padilla Enriques, Marie Furlong, Pat Garcia, Shawn Gaupp, Bill Getz, Charles Gurera, Sylvia Harral, Frankie Hernandez, Nick and Rita Hernandez, Adri Jordison, Freddie Juarez, Jackie Kallman, Vicki Koch, Mary Komoroski, Ermaline Lopez, Michael Lucas, Frankie Magana III, Steve McCray, Michael McCunniff, Andy McEachron, Harper McLean, Fr. Joe Miller, Kathy Neal, Cathy Norbury, James Norbury, Christopher Pacheco, Celia Padilla, Rose and Joe Padilla, Ashley Parton, Margaret Reid, Guadalupe Reyes, Valeria Ricu, Theo Stephen Ridenour, Teresa Rivera, Jessie Ruiz, Betty and Tom Ryan, Michael Schlueter, Kelli Seiler, Genevieve Substine-Lewis, Marigene Suellentrop, Susan Tarwater, Warren Toms, Beverly Tumberger, Socorro Velo, Kay Ward, Michael Weaver, Jim Wood and for all the sick and infirmed.

#### *Please pray for those serving in the military:*

Ryan Asbury (Air Force), Carlos Garcia III (Navy), Joshua Kappler (Navy), Nick Malott, Michael Mathews (Army), Joe Penniston, Nikolas Ramirez (Army), James Reyes (Marines), Geoff Schultz (Air Force), Richard Sowders (Army), Bill Suellentrop (Army), Garrett Trowbridge (Army), Connor Wiltse (Air Force).

## The Week Ahead.....

We have no activities scheduled the coming two weeks — we wish you a happy and safe summer.

### Readings for the week of July 21, 2019

**Sunday:** Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 [1a]/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42  
**Monday:** Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2]/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18  
**Tuesday:** Ex 14:21--15:1/Ex 15:8-9, 10 and 12, 17 [1b]/Mt 12:46-50  
**Wednesday:** Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28 [24b]/Mt 13:1-9  
**Thursday:** 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1 bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [5]/Mt 20:20-28  
**Friday:** Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/Mt 13:18-23  
**Saturday:** Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [14a]/Mt 13:24-30  
**Next Sunday:** Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

We want to form a Security Committee at Guardian Angels, to access and make recommendations for keeping our church safe from vandalism and keeping our parishioners safe. If you are interested, please contact Kate in the parish office at 816-931-4351.

### FOOD PANTRY

We are fortunate at Guardian Angels to have a Food Pantry to help with the needs of the hungry in the Westport/Roanoke area. While we do utilize Harvesters for the majority of our food supplies, we also depend on the generosity of parishioners.

**Current Needs in the Food Pantry:** soup, cereal, canned vegetables, dried pasta, pasta sauce, canned ravioli, tuna, shampoo.

### SCHOOL SUPPLY NEEDS

While we realize school recently ended, this is the time of year we gear up for fall and start to stock up on school supplies for children who will be in school in the fall. Items we will need include the following. We will have collection baskets set up, beginning in July.

composition notebooks (wide ruled)	colored pencils
pencils	pink erasers
pocket folders	highlighters
colored construction paper	dry erase markers
watercolor sets	tissues
hand sanitizer	pencil boxes
ear buds	pens
plastic folders	calculators
backpacks	rulers

## Bishop Lopes to Visit Our Lady of Hope and Guardian Angels

Bishop Steven Lopes of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter will visit Our Lady of Hope and Guardian Angels on September 28 & 29. This will be a pastoral visit for the Our Lady of Hope Community for Confirmation and First Communion. This is an excellent opportunity for everyone to meet him. Bishop Lopes served in the Vatican as an official of the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith from 2005 – 2015. He was then named by Pope Francis as the first bishop of the Ordinariate.



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### Being a Welcoming People

CARA (Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate) is a non-profit research center that conducts social scientific studies about the Catholic Church. According to their research, people who identify as “former Catholics” in 2018 was 26.1 million people in the United States, which is the largest number of people in this group since they began collecting this information in the 1970’s.

Further research shows that the main reason people join a parish is an “open, welcoming spirit” (according to 86% of respondents). While there may be additional reasons that people no longer identify as Catholics, it is important to do our part to insure that people who come to Guardian Angels to worship, feel both welcomed and included.

The obvious thing we can do for visitors is to smile and introduce yourself. The important thing is to notice them and acknowledge their presence. While we attend mass to connect with God, no one wants to be where we don’t feel welcome.

While welcoming people to church is a task for all in attendance, not everyone is comfortable doing so. We ask that you put yourself in the position of being the new person at mass. How would you like to be treated? When we do this, we have more empathy for visitors. Let’s work together to insure that all visitors are made to feel welcome and included.

## Parish Financial Support

July 14, 2019

Envelopes .....\$1,709.50  
Plate .....\$701.69  
**Total for the weekend.....\$2,411.19**  
**June Electronic Giving.....\$2,862.00**

**Thank you for your generosity!**

### Sisterhood of Salaam Shalom

Please join us for an interfaith event celebrating HOPE on Sunday, July 28, from 3pm till 5pm. Sheila Sonnenschein is the volunteer coordinator for the Sisterhood of Salaam Shalom in the Kansas City metro area. She will talk about her work locally, nationally and internationally. Each month Muslim and Jewish members of the Sisterhood of Salaam Shalom meet in each others homes to dialogue with the aim of building trust and friendships. Shalom is the Hebrew word for peace and harmony. Salaam means “peace be upon you.” This event is held at the Precious Blood Renewal Center at 2120 St. Gaspar Way in Liberty, Missouri. For more information or to register visit [www.pbrenewalcenter.org](http://www.pbrenewalcenter.org) or call 816-415-3745. Everyone is welcome.

### Fr. Ed’s Podcast

If you missed any of Father Ed’s homilies, you can find them at <https://fatheredwills.podbean.com/>. In addition to his homilies you will find conference talks and Bible studies. There are hours of listening pleasure at your fingertips.

### Charismatic Renewal Conference Coming to G.A.

Catholic Charismatic Renewal is a spiritual movement within the Catholic Church that incorporates aspects of both Catholic and Charismatic Movement practice. It is influenced by some of the teachings of Protestantism and Pentecostalism with an emphasis on having a personal relationship with Jesus. Guardian Angels and the Our Lady of Hope Community will host this year’s Diocesan Charismatic Renewal Conference on September 13-15. It will be a great time for teaching, prayer, and worship. Fr. Ed will be the keynote speaker. Get it on your calendar early so you don’t miss any of it. There will be a number of jobs in preparation for this event; if you can volunteer to help, please contact Kate in the parish office.

### Help Wanted

Seeking help cleaning a small house in Westport. Please call Robert at 816-786-3298.

### Time and Talent

Two weeks ago we kicked off our stewardship campaign at Guardian Angels Parish. There are Time and Talent sheets in the pews and at entrances to the church. Please carefully consider your personal time and your God-given gifts before filling out a form. We would love to have 100% participation of all able adults in the parish. Please place completed forms in the offertory baskets or send to the parish office.

### Luncheon with Lamar Hunt, Jr.

Catholic Charities will be hosting a luncheon featuring Lamar Hunt, Jr. at Missouri Western University in St. Joseph, MO on August 1, 2019. This event will coincide with the Chiefs Training Camp happening there on the campus. Lamar will speak about his family, their commitment to the community and how that drives their desire to give back. Tickets can be purchased by texting SJMO2019 to 41444 or contacting Nancy Butters, Development Manager, at [nbutters@ccharities.com](mailto:nbutters@ccharities.com) or 816-659-8266.

## Thoughts from Guardian Angels

### Looking Through Windows

Beloved,

When I first walked into the nave of Guardian Angels, I noticed the beautiful collection of stained-glass windows. They are among the most beautiful in the country. But beyond their beauty, they tell a story about who this parish is.

The windows on the south wall reflect the five Joyful Mysteries of the rosary. Guardian Angels together with Our Lady of Hope is called to be a joyful parish.

The windows on the north wall select scenes from the life of Christ, but with an obvious emphasis. Several of the windows depict children. In one window Jesus says, "Let the little children come to me." Another shows Jesus in the carpenter shop, learning his trade from his father, Joseph. In a third, Jesus is reaching out to heal a child. Guardian Angels and Our Lady of Hope cares about children. The parish has educated children from all walks of life. Even today, with its association with Our Lady of Hope School, the parish assists and educates children so they can find their way out of poverty into hope for a better way of life.

While the child being healed is the focus of the healing window, also present are the outcasts and the marginalized. The blind, the lame, and the lepers are represented. Guardian Angels has always reached out to the marginalized and offered welcome, acceptance, and healing. Our Lady of Hope joins this mission.

Another theme is redemption and the authority of The Church. Peter is given the keys to the kingdom. Those keys are accompanied by the power to bind and to release, to grant absolution and forgive sins. The scene is being observed by sheep, recalling Jesus' interaction with Peter, "Do you love me? Then, feed my lambs." Over the front doors of the church is the

cross bearing the Divine Name of Jesus surrounded by the symbols of the pope and the local bishop. God's plan of redemption in Christ is carried out by The Church, under the magisterium and the direction of the local bishop.

Above the choir loft Saint Cecilia, Patron Saint of Musicians, leads a choir of saints and angels. The tradition of worship in song has always been associated with Guardian Angels and Our Lady of Hope; it will continue.

The story of Mary and Martha is also depicted, calling us all to a life of prayer. It is the prayer life of the church and its individual members that empowers Guardian Angels and Our Lady of Hope to fulfill its mission in the Westport area.

The final window along the north wall is the Guardian Angel window, showing the guardian angel protecting the children under his charge. In a similar way, the parish stands guard over Westport giving shelter, safety, and healing.

Windows of the four evangelists - Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John - look over the altar. In this place, the Gospel will be always be preached in Truth and purity. When I became a priest, I promised Jesus to always teach his word without fail or fear, and to proclaim everything he told me to speak. I pray for the intercession of the Evangelists to give me strength to keep that promise.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Ed

## Procedures, Sacraments and Information for Guardian Angels Parish

### **Baptism**

Contact Fr. Ed in the parish office after your baby is born, in order to schedule the baptismal class and the date of the baptism.

### **Confirmation, Eucharist & Reconciliation**

Preparation for this sacrament is offered yearly. Contact the parish office for more information.

### **Funeral**

Contact the parish office at the time of the death.

### **Marriage**

Please contact Fr. Ed in the office, preferably nine months before your proposed marriage date. Note that it is wise not to make other arrangements until you know your wedding date is available here at our church. Guardian Angels does have a wedding planner for an additional cost, please let us know if you are interested in this service.

### **Penance**

Saturday afternoon between 3:15 and 3:45 pm.

### **Religious Education**

Sessions for children and families are held monthly. Contact Sr. Linda in the parish office for more information.

### **Interested in Becoming Catholic?**

This process is called Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Call Sr. Linda Barringer at the parish office for information on this process.

### **Sick or Hospitalized**

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

### **Parish Hall Rental**

Parishioners who have been registered for one year or more, should contact the parish office for rental information.

### **School Cafeteria Rental**

Contact the parish office for availability and cost.

### **Bulletin Announcements**

Items to be included in the bulletin need to be sent to Kate Riha in the parish office no later than Monday before that Sunday's intended inclusion date. Announcements are

subject to approval.

### **Newcomers**

Registration Forms are located in the literature holders in the back and at the north entrance to the church. When completed, these can be returned to the parish office or placed in the collection baskets at Mass. Welcome!

### **Mass Intentions**

Please call the office during business hours.

### **Our Lady of Hope Catholic School**

(next door to Guardian Angels on Mercier)

Mary Delac, Principal

4232 Mercier, Kansas City, MO 64111

Office: (816) 931-1693; Fax: (816) 931-6713

Our Lady of Hope is a Deanery school, not a parish school (it is made up of six parishes).

### **Sacrament of the Sick**

Please contact the parish office if you or a loved one is ill or if you have surgery scheduled, to arrange for an anointing.

### **Quinceanera**

Please contact the office nine (9) months in advance to schedule a preparation class.

### **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,
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or [crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org](mailto: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 the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or [chastain@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.



### **Taco Dinner and Horse Races**

The Holy Name Society will host a Taco Dinner and Horse Races on Saturday, August 10 at 5:00 pm in Our Lady of Hope Cafeteria, 4232 Mercier, next door to the church. The cost for the Taco Plate (includes all you can eat tacos with rice or fideo) is \$6.50. Dessert, beer and soft drinks are available for an additional charge.

### **Catholic Charities Helps Flooding Victims**

With all the recent flooding, many families in our area have experienced devastating effects to their homes, farms and property. Catholic Charities is honored to play a part in the relief efforts throughout some of the hardest hit areas in northwestern Missouri, by providing grocery store, gas station and Walmart gift cards to purchase basic needs. To date we have served 182 households, impacting 474 individuals. Thank you for your continued support of our programs and directed donations. To help with this cause, please text MOFLOOD to 41444 or contact Linda Hopkins, Donor Stewardship Specialist at [lhopkins@ccharities.com](mailto:lhopkins@ccharities.com) or 816-659-8205.

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Saturday, August 10**

5:00..... Horse Races and Taco Dinner\*

#### **Thursday, August 15**

6:00 pm ..... Bunko

#### **September 13-15..... Catholic Charismatic Conference**

#### **Thursday, September 19**

6:00 pm ..... Bunko

#### **Saturday, October 12**

5:15 pm ..... Bingo

#### **Thursday, October 17**

6:00 pm ..... Bunko

\*Hosted by the Holy Name Society

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