



# The Angelus

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FROM THE DEAN

## Valuing What We Do

On Sunday, September 6, you are invited to bring something that represents the work you do. All will be invited that day to bring objects representing their work forward at the offertory as we present “ourselves, our souls and bodies,” and our work as a living sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Cards on which to write down what we do will be available for those without a work symbol to present.

Along with our tithes and offerings, these work symbols will be placed on the tables at the front of the nave. Then we give thanks to God by celebrating Eucharist.

Labor Day was first observed in New York the first Tuesday of September in 1882. Two years later the first Monday in September would be locked in for the holiday. Eventually it would become a national holiday. It was to be day to celebrate “esprit de corps” for trade and labor unions, with parades, and for picnics for workers and their families. In time, the day before, would be known as Labor Sunday. It was a day for education around labor and a time to delve into the spiritual aspects of life and labor.

The issues that faced the American work forces at the close of the nineteenth century have long passed from memory with our forebears four and five generations ago. For most of us, Labor Day is a last hurrah for summer. It’s a long weekend for a visit to the lake, for an extra weekend day to get a project done around the house, and to fire up smokers and grills for some barbecue with friends.

What remains for us in this holiday is that any and all work we do is of value. All merit recognition for their work. All deserve thanks. All have a right to safe and hospitable workplaces. All should have the chance to earn fair and just compensation. These are the very

issues that gave rise to labor movements in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. They are as current today as they were at that time.

As baptized persons our “ministry” happens through our work in the world. More than a long weekend, we need Labor Day to pause and take stock in what it is we do and what we value.

May God bless us and the work we offer.

—Peter

### Dean’s Forum

**Sundays • 9:15 a.m. • Founders’ Hall**

During these weekly sessions, presentations and discussions focus on topics such as Kansas City’s Food Deserts, Issues Facing Downtown, An Update on Kansas City Community Kitchen (it started at the Cathedral), Engaging the Hispanic Community, Reaching Our Nearest Neighbors. Watch for weekly topics on the website and in “Cathedral News for This Week” e-mails.

### Everyone Deserves a Home

A six-week series of presentations on homelessness, its causes and what we can do about it begins Sunday, August 12. Each week includes a guest presenter from greater Kansas City and opportunity for discussion. Sessions take place in Founders’ Hall.

Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral is a Stephen Ministry congregation. To find out more about this ministry, call 816-474-8260.



# Treasurer's Report

The month of June was a strong financial month for the Cathedral. Income for the month was ahead of last year due to a one time distribution from an externally administered trust, while expenses for the month were lower than last year due to lower expenses in the Parish Life and Music areas. The result was a healthy surplus for the month.


June	2015 MTD	2014 MTD
Income	\$ 306,514	\$ 288,866
Expenses	\$ 130,676	\$ 139,464
Net Total	\$ 175,838	\$ 149,402

That surplus for the month improved the YTD results as well. So far this year, income

	2015 YTD	2014 YTD
Income	\$ 941,384	\$ 910,325
Expenses	\$ 831,565	\$ 867,909
Net Total	\$ 109,819	\$ 42,416

from the Endowment is running above last year and parking income is also making a strong contribution to our bottom line. Volunteers have been busy collecting donations from convention center big events. Meanwhile expenses are running below last year across the board as better weather is keeping down the property and utility expenses, and while hosting fewer special events is helping keep other expenses down. This has allowed the Cathedral to devote more resources to Social Outreach and support of the National Church.

—Chuck Ritter, Treasurer



## ROYALS VS. ORIOLES

Join other parishioners and invite friends to the **Royals vs. Baltimore Orioles game Tuesday, August 25.** We start with a buffet picnic in the Plaza Party Porch area. Food includes unlimited cheese burgers, hot dogs, mac and cheese, soft drinks, bottled water, chips and cookies. A cash bar is available. Cost is \$40 per person, and we have a limit of 30 people. Contact Jim Robertson to reserve your spot, [jasbrob@aol.com](mailto:jasbrob@aol.com).



## Back-to-School Blessing • August 9

School starts in early August for many students, teachers, administrators and parents. You are invited to bring your backpack or other school supplies and receive a blessing as you begin another academic year.

## Safeguarding God's Children Workshop

**August 22 • 9 a.m.-Noon • Common Room**

As a community of faith, we are committed to keeping our children safe. Safeguarding God's Children is a workshop for the prevention of sexual abuse of children and youth. The Diocese of West Missouri requires this training for all employees (full or part time) of churches, schools and diocesan institutions and for all volunteers who work with children and youth in any ministry setting. Contact Julie Brogno at [childrensformation@kccathedral.org](mailto:childrensformation@kccathedral.org) for more information.

## Come See How We've Grown!

The number of children at the Cathedral is growing, and Children's Formation is growing with them! Starting in September, fourth- and fifth-graders will have a chapel service of their own during the 10:15 service. Godly Play will continue to be offered for children 3–5, and children in grades K–3 will continue to have chapel together. A children's music class is also in the works for the time between the 8 and 10:15 services. More details will be sent to parents in the coming weeks.

## Children's Formation Open House

**September 13 • 11:45 a.m. • Haden Hall**

All are invited to visit the Godly Play room and Children's Chapels while enjoying coffee hour refreshments. We will bless the spaces where our children worship and a Godly Play story will be told.



# June and July Flowers, to the Glory of God ...

## June 7

- in honor of our grandson, Hank Leonard  
— Ron & Carolyn McLeroy

## June 14

- in thanksgiving for Carson August Walker Finet on his birthday — Ruth Finet
- in thanksgiving for Stephanie Bess Biddle — Phyllis Biddle

## June 21

- in loving memory of Bill Bucker — Bob & Barbara Bucker
- in loving memory of Jack Frech and Eric Carlson  
— Robert & Linda Carlson
- in thanksgiving for Emma's recovery — Pat & Kay Woolley

## June 28

- in memory of my husband, William Coleman Reed — Shawsie Branton
- in honor of our wedding anniversary — Pat & Kay Woolley
- In thanksgiving for our new family member, Bella Capitola Brown — The Morrison Family

## July 5

- in memory of our daughter and sister, Maria Alexandra Mauro — Sandra & Albert Mauro, her sister Rachel and her brother Albert
- in honor of Carla & Murray McNair and Nancy Smith — Douglas & Cecelia McNair

## July 12

- in thanksgiving for Kathryn Celeste Finet — Ruth Finet
- in thanksgiving for our daughter & son-in-law, Betsy & Beattie Leonard — Ron & Carolyn McLeroy

## July 19

- in loving memory of our daughter, Lynn  
— Ron & Carolyn McLeroy
- in memory of my mother, Telva — Marnell Sparks
- in memory of Lucille Johnston
- in thanksgiving for Peter DeVeau on his birthday  
— John & Vangie Rich

## July 26

- in thanksgiving for Nancy Gingrich Cavanaugh on her birthday — John & Vangie Rich
- loving memory of Carmen Pena — John & Vangie Rich

To donate toward the flowers to celebrate a special event or remember a loved one, contact the Cathedral office (816.474.8260 ext. 103 or [jsweeting@kccathedral.org](mailto:jsweeting@kccathedral.org)) or sign up (and pay) online: [www.kccathedral.org/flowers](http://www.kccathedral.org/flowers).



# Mission and Service Projects

Our mission efforts can't take a summer vacation. Please consider participating in one or more of these ongoing service opportunities.

- **DONATE PAPER PRODUCTS** during the month of August. Social Outreach is collecting household paper products — paper towels, toilet paper and tissue — for Hillcrest Hope Transitional Living Center in Liberty, MO. Please remember Hillcrest when shopping this month!



- **BRING FOOD** for St. Mary's Pantry, including Gatorade-type drinks for the hot summer months.

- **VOLUNTEER AT THE KANSAS CITY COMMUNITY KITCHEN** at 8<sup>th</sup> and Paseo. The KCCCK serves lunch every day Monday–Friday. Help is always needed preparing food or serving at lunchtime.



- **JOIN THE WORK DAY** at the Sheffield House, a shelter for homeless women and children. (10 volunteers needed)

For more information about these and other projects, please contact Terri Curran, [tcurra2@yahoo.com](mailto:tcurra2@yahoo.com).

### Thank You!

St. Mary's Pantry is passing out over 50 hygiene kits of shampoo, conditioner, bar soap and body lotion or mouthwash to their homeless visitors. A special thank you to everyone who donated supplies for assembling these kits.

**John Schaefer**  
With Friends  
Organ Recital  
Friday  
August 7  
7 p.m., Nave  
Grace & Holy Trinity Cathedral



# The Way

**Wednesday Evenings  
6-8 p.m.  
Begins September 30**

**M**ore than a “course” in Christianity as it is understood in the Anglican/Episcopal tradition, The Way is a journey. It takes shape from the ancient practice of preparing persons for baptism often called the Catechumenate. Each session includes a meal and conversation, a brief teaching, and time to engage with Scripture around a table.

The Way is for persons who would like to know more about the Christian faith and life, about the tradition

and practices of this church, prepare for baptism or the affirmation of baptism through confirmation or reception. The Way, our version of the “catechumenate” begins in the fall and runs through the Easter season. Breaks are taken in December and the weeks before and after Easter.

All are invited to journey along The Way. Questions? Contact Peter DeVeau, [pdeveau@kccathedral.org](mailto:pdeveau@kccathedral.org); or Larry Ehren, [lgehren@yahoo.com](mailto:lgehren@yahoo.com).



## **Fall Inquiry Sessions:**

**What does this mean to me? to you? to us?**

# An Awesome Summer for Cathedral Youth!

- **Camp WeMO** — The Cathedral had a record 12 youth at Camp WeMO this year (along with the GHYC youth leader and Dean Peter!) We had a great time exploring God's creation and growing in community.
- **MissionPalooza** — Cathedral youth also attended MissionPalooza, serving the local community and learning what it means to see the face of Christ in others. An awesome group of Cathedral volunteers spent an evening cooking and serving dinner for the youth as well!
- **Donut Club** — We've had a great time meeting up for donuts and movies throughout the summer! Our last Donut Club of the summer will be Sunday, August 16. Youth are invited to grab a donut before the 10:15 service (about 9:50 a.m.) and share in some quick Youth Room fellowship.



**Weekly Wednesday Night Youth Group** begins August 26. Youth Group meets 7–8:30 p.m. in the Haden Hall Youth Room. We share a fellowship meal at 7 p.m., then continue with community building and program. All youth in grades 6–12 are welcome!

Save the date for upcoming Diocesan Events:

- Happening #72 — September 18–20
- Diocesan Youth Gathering (DYG) — November 6–8

If you would like to receive weekly youth group updates, please send an e-mail to [youthformation@kccathedral.org](mailto:youthformation@kccathedral.org).



# Coming This Fall

## Monthly Men's Lunch Bunch

Men of the Cathedral, join us for a monthly lunch get together. The first date is Wednesday, September 9, at Jack Stack Barbecue at the Freight House, 11:30 a.m. Our agenda is fun, food, fellowship. All are welcome. RSVP to Jim Robertson, jasbrob@aol.com, as soon as possible, as we are limited to 25 diners.



## Episcopal & Friends LGBT Fellowship Group

The group will reconvene after a short summer hiatus on Sunday, September 13, at Immanuel Lutheran Church on Westport Road at 6 p.m. Tom and Kerri Gear will act as hosts and will provide the main course. We will fill in with appetizers, side dishes, salads, desserts, and beverages. The first season was a success, bringing together people from several parishes across both sides of State Line. In addition, people were eager to offer hospitality. The group met at a different venue each month. Remember, this group has no agenda other than the three "Fs": fun, food, and fellowship. All are welcome. Contact Jim Robertson, jasbrob@aol.com, for more information.

## The Wisdom of Jesus

No one's life has made such a great impact, nor sparked such immense curiosity as that of Jesus of Nazareth. How do you begin to approach such an inspiring life?

Two classes examining this question will be held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. One in the afternoon, 1:30–3:00 p.m., and the other in the evening, 7:15–8:30 p.m.

During our time together we will attempt to take ourselves back to the Sea of Galilee two thousand years ago, a time when they had no idea of how the story was going to turn out.

A new teacher has appeared on the scene. No one knows exactly where he came from or what he's teaching. People say that he used to be a devotee of John the Baptist, but he's preaching a very different message from John, certainly from what the rabbis are saying in the synagogues. The people are divided about him.

How do you know, when you stand before this man for the very first time, whether he's trustworthy? Whether you will give your heart to him or keep your distance.

As you stand there he turns to you and says, "Who do you say I am?" Jesus asks this repeatedly throughout the gospels. He asks us that same question today.

Would you answer differently if Jesus hadn't been resurrected from the dead? Looking back to the time of Jesus, what caused them to say, "Yes," to Jesus?

To enroll or find out more, contact Jerry Grabher, jgrabher@jgrabher@kccathedral.org or 816-590-6205

### New Saint Benedict Class

The Cathedral offers a new class on The Rule of Saint Benedict this fall if enough interested people register. The class requires six to eight people, willing to commit to one and a half hours once a month with preparation time between sessions. Tentatively, the class is scheduled on the first Wednesday evening of each month, beginning October 7, 7:15-8:30 p.m.



To enroll or if you have any questions, contact Jerry Grabher, [jgrabher@kccthedral.org](mailto:jgrabher@kccthedral.org) or 816-590-6205.

### Contemplative Living Through Centering Prayer

In the fall we will begin a series called Pathways to Awakening. We will discover the truths in the heart of the Gospels. Richard Rohr and James Finley will help us discover the wisdom of the four noble truths within the se books. They will help us to see that the heart of Jesus' teaching calls us to an awakening of God's presence in the — here, now and everywhere. They will help us to see that these same teachings can be found in the Buddhist tradition.

We will offer one session on Monday evenings, 7:15–8:30 p.m., and another one on Thursday afternoons, 1:30–3:00 p.m.

Contact Jerry Grabher, [jgrabher@kccathedral.org](mailto:jgrabher@kccathedral.org) or 816-590-6205, to enroll or for more information.



# August 30th

Social Outreach will host an Ice Cream Social in recognition and gratitude of everyone in the congregation who has supported the ministries at Grace and Holy Trinity during the past year.

Enjoy fellowship and tasty ice cream treats during hospitality time following morning services!

## Community Blessing of the Animals

**Sunday, October 4  
4 p.m.  
North Lawn**



**Pet Treats • People Treats  
Jazz Duo • Parade of Animals  
Prayers and Blessings  
KC Mounted Patrol  
Tons of Fun**

## August Weekly Activities

<b>Sunday</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9:15 a.m.	Adult Formation
10:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist & Children's Chapel
5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
<b>Monday</b>	
12:05 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
<b>Tuesday</b>	
12:05 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
1:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
2:30 p.m.	Men's Bible Study
<b>Wednesday</b>	
12:05 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
<b>Thursday</b>	
12:05 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
<b>Friday</b>	
12:05 p.m.	Holy Eucharist



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# Summer Music at the Cathedrals

**Sunday, August 9**  
***Schubert's DIE SCHÖNE MÜLLERIN***  
***Joseph DeSota, tenor; Natalia Rivera, piano***  
2:00 p.m. • Nave

**Sunday, August 16**  
***Cathedral Musicians' Potpourri Concert***  
2:00 p.m. • Nave

**Sunday, August 23**  
***A French Organ Festival***  
1:00 p.m. • Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception

**Sunday, August 30**  
***The Lyric Arts Trio***  
2:00 p.m. • Nave

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