

# The Angelus

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# FROM THE DEAN For Children's Sake

Most parents and teenagers can remember the red tape ritual of applying for and receiving a driver's license. My own rite of passage as a motor vehicle operator involved hour-long trips to a rural county office. We took the long drive to avoid the more urban New York State Department of Motor Vehicles of my native county north of "The City." I was a bit nervous on those journeys with one of my parents over twisting two-lane roads. I wanted that license.

I remember studying the state driver's manual and taking a multiple choice test of twenty questions to receive my learner's permit. Two types of driver's education followed. Driver's Ed at high school. That included lectures and movies that taught safe driving techniques and the consequences of drinking, hotrodding, and speeding.

My favorite film was "The Last Prom." You guessed it. The cool kids with the coolest prom outfits leave the prom in a cool car for a party where strong, cool drinks are served. If my memory serves me right, the movie began and ended with the school choir vocalizing some sacred sounding lament. Their star classmates are no more. There has been an accident involving speed, alcohol, a convertible, daring and an immovable ancient tree on the side of the road.

What sticks in my mind with all that education are the stern and solemn warnings of police officers, Driver's Ed teachers, driver's manuals and my father. Their scripts were delivered in harmony. "Don't speed. Don't show off. Don't drink and drive." Motor vehicles get us from point A to point B and serve as symbols of power and prestige. They can also be lethal instruments. The sound of those alarms contributed to the shaking in my innards the day we drove those twisting miles on the way to my driver's test.

None of us could ever imagine abandoning laws, training programs, or even driver's licenses for our

kids. Insanity. Irresponsibility. Perish the thought. I have to admit as I write this my innards are upset. I am alarmed by the Missouri Legislature's decision to override the Governor's veto of blocking the repeal of laws requiring gun safety training classes in order to get a permit for concealed carrying of a firearm. Anyone can carry a concealed firearm in public without a permit.

Where is the logic here? We would never countenance anyone driving without a license, even if they were old enough to operate a motor vehicle. That wouldn't happen even if car manufacturers wanted loosened regulations in order to sell more cool cars. What in God's good creation is going on with guns? And, what can we do about it?

While I personally will see what I can do, I want to underscore the duty you and I have to uphold the dignity of every human being. Part of this is acknowledging our corporate responsibility for the good of all people.

Later this month on October 23 we observe Children's Sabbath and begin our annual stewardship ingathering of money for funding mission. On that day of special emphasis, we pledge "to renew and live out our moral responsibility to care, protect and advocate for all children." We also pledge our resources for something greater than ourselves—to support work in Christ's name among the vulnerable.

In the coming days you and I must ask ourselves about how we strive for the wellbeing of God's people and God's world. We must accompany our children in ways that lead to responsible and loving care. Handing over keys always involves training and good rules.

For the sake of our children,

—Peter

## Treasurer's Report

Grace & Holy Trinity's Financial Status As of August 2016

July	2016 MTD	2015 MTD
Income	\$ 138,892	\$ 143,786
Expenses	\$ 161,696	\$ 151,856
Net Total	\$ (22,804)	\$ (8,070)

		2016 YTD		2015 YTD		
Income	\$	1,184,747	\$	1,182,917		
Expenses	\$	1,130,627	\$	1,132,870		
Net Total	\$	54,120	\$	50,047		

Income in August was below last year due to lower pledge receipts. Expenses for August were higher than in 2015 in the property part of the budget, primarily due to the timing of insurance premium payments and the cost of maintenance of the HVAC systems. The result was a modestly higher deficit in August of this year.

On a YTD basis the picture looks better as both income and expenses are running very much in line with last year. Through August, both last year and this year showed a surplus. This puts the Cathedral on a sound financial basis as it enters the busy fall season of activities.

Maintaining this sound financial position requires the continued support of the congregation. Parishioners are asked to prayerfully remember to make timely payments on their pledges in support of the Cathedral's ministry.

—Chuck Ritter, Treasurer



#### Service of Healing and Wholeness Sunday, October 16, 8 and 10:15 a.m.

We welcome the Reverend Marshall Scott, Director of Spiritual Services, St. Luke's Hospital as preacher. It is a tradition at the Cathedral to offer laying on of hands and anointing for healing on the Sunday closest to the Feast of Saint Luke, October 18.



## *Compassionate Friends:* A Lay Visitation Ministry

A Visitation Ministry is one of love and compassion extended to members of the congregation, whether it is carried out by clergy or lay members of the congregation. In our commitment to care for all in our congregation, Grace & Holy Trinity Cathedral is beginning a new ministry called Compassionate Friends. Compassionate Friends is a lay visitation ministry offering the opportunity to be symbols of God's love to those who are homebound and may be facing circumstances leaving them feeling alone, isolated, or in need of friendship. Lay Visitors will use a listening ear, support, encouragement, prayer and occasional acts of service as tools for ministry.

GHTC will recruit and train members who feel called to this ministry. Training will include those skills most necessary for skilled and caring visitation. Then, matches will be made with lay visitors and church members who need care.

Visitors will meet with their homebound friend regularly (sometimes weekly, sometimes monthly along with regular phone calls, depending on the need).

A Lay Visitor should have the following qualities:

- be a "people person"
- have good listening skills
- have gifts of patience, faithfulness, keeping confidences
- background in elder care helpful
- can accept others as they are

The training for this ministry will be held October 1 & 8, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. If you are interested in becoming a part of this Lay Visitation Ministry team or if you would like to explore it further, please contact Canon Christy Dorn at 816-474-8260 or by email *cdorn@kccathedral.org*. If you, a loved one, or someone you know, would like a visit from a Lay Visitor, please contact Canon Dorn. Your referral will be held in confidence.



## A Tribute

The Trinity Choir has long enjoyed the musical and spiritual offerings of many, many musicians. One who has dedicated a considerably long ministry is Randal J. Loy. Randal joined the Choir in 1984, coming



to the Cathedral from St. Andrew's Church. He has been a section leader for both the Tenor I and Tenor II sections.

Because of health reasons, Randal is taking a sabbatical from the Choir. We wish to thank him for his dedication to the Choir and to the Cathedral. We look forward to the day when he can return to the Choir.



—Canon John Schaefer

# New Children's Choir

#### Director

Linda Martin has extensive experience in teaching classroom music and private voice lessons, directing choirs of all ages and presenting music and worship workshops for Choristers Guild, Association of Lutheran Church Musicians, and



Evangelical Lutheran Church's Bethany House of Studies. She has been a featured soprano soloist, has performed as a piano accompanist, and coached performing music majors. Mrs. Martin created and established Kansas City Ballet's Community Education and Outreach Programs. She is passionate about sharing her joy in music with others and especially encouraging and nourishing the faith life of young people through music and their participation in worship.

## Music Search Update

After conducting telephone interviews with nine potential candidates, the Music Search Committee identified five candidates and followed up on references for each. Two top candidates have been invited to Kansas City for interviews early in October. Please keep in your prayers the Committee and candidates as they seek to discern a call, and Canon John Schaefer and his wife, Fiona, as they conclude ministry at the Cathedral.



## Celebrating the Ministry of Canon John Schaefer

Plans are being made for celebrations to give thanks for the long and fruitful ministry of John Schaefer at the Cathedral. Mark **Sunday**, **November 13, 2 p.m.** for a community-wide celebration for John when we mark his forty years of service to the Cathedral and greater Kansas City. John concludes his ministry at the end of the year when we will also offer thanks, prayers, and well wishes. You can expect a direct communication about these celebrations soon. Music Celebration Committee: David Barker, Tara Bennett, Burma Cenovich, The Very Rev. Peter DeVeau, Tom Garrison, Sarah Ingram-Eiser, Lenette Johnson, Larry McMullen. Music Search Committee: Diane Barker, Chair, The Very Rev. Peter DeVeau, Jay Carter, Sara Copeland, Joey DeSota, Paget Higgins, Joyce Steeby, Mike Thomas.

## Upcoming Music Events

#### Saturday, October 1 at 7:30 p.m. The Lyric Opera presents Schubert | Beatles

This fascinating program combines Scubert Lieder with special arrangements of songs by the Beatles in a format that showcases their similarities and differences. Tickets available at *kcopera.org/ tickets*.

**Sunday, October 16 at 5 p.m. CHORAL EVENSONG** Trinity Choir; Keith Benjamin, guest trumpeter

**Sunday October 23 at 5 p.m. CHORAL EVENSONG** The William Jewell Schola Cantorum

#### Friday, October 28 at 7:30 p.m.

**CLARION: KEITH BENJAMIN, TRUMPET; MELODY STEED, ORGAN** Conservatory trumpet professor Keith Benjamin and organist Melody Steed—present world premieres of works by Anthony Plog, Samuel Adler and Conservatory professor James Mobberley.

#### Sunday, October 30 at 2 p.m.

**THE KANSAS CITY CHORALE PRESENTS BRAHMS: REQUIEM** "It was not his intention to pattern his Requiem after the Latin mass for the dead... instead, Ein Deutsches Requiem is a work of consolation for those left behind." Performed with piano duet accompaniment. Tickets available at *kcchorale.org/brahmsrequiem*.

## September Flowers, to the Glory of God ...

#### September 4

• In prayer for the Earthquake victims in Italy—the Gitta Family

CANDLES AT THE HEALING DESK ARE GIVEN IN THANKSGIVING BY BUD AND CANDY

#### September 11

- In memory of James Stadler—Douglas & Cecelia McNair
- In thanksgiving for summer ending—Anne Morse
- In thanksgiving for our wedding anniversary—the Gitta Family

#### September 18

- In thanksgiving for Lisa Holstein on her birthday—Sharon Hudson
- In thanksgiving for God's tender mercy toward his people the Gitta Family
- In honor of Cliff & Sheila Athorn's wedding anniversary— Yvonne & David Telep

#### September 25

• In thanksgiving for Ric Sweeting—Janet & Devon Sweeting



## Flower Memorials and Thanksgivings

To donate toward the weekly flowers to celebrate a special event or remember a loved one, sign up online at *www.kccathedral.org/flowers* or contact the Cathedral office, *jsweeting@kccathedral.org* or 816-474-8260 ext. 103.

## Episcopal & Friends LGBT Sunday, October 2

This gathering will be held in Founders' Hall at 6 p.m. As always, there is no agenda other than fun, food, and fellowship. All are welcome. Respond to Jim Robertson at *jasbrob@aol.com* or 816-569-5549.



## New to the Cathedral?

We will be hosting a Newcomer Gathering on **Sunday**, **October 2** at 11:30 a.m. For questions, or to RSVP, please contact our Welcome Ministry staff member, Christy Dorn, 816-474-8260 or *cdorn@kccathedral.org*.



## Monthly Lunch Bunch

Men and women of the Cathedral, join us for a monthly lunch get-together. The next date is Wednesday, October 5 at Anthony's, 701 Grand, 11:45 a.m. All are welcome and please invite friends! RSVP to Jim Robertson, *jasbrob@aol.com*, as soon as possible.

## Holy Hands Wanted

Wanted: people who want to share their gift of hospitality. Holy Hands is seeking hospitality ministers for teams on the fourth and fifth Sundays of the month. Please contact Ruth Finet at *ruthfinet@gmail.com* or call 816-564-8925 for more information.





## Blessing of the Animals

Come with your pets for our annual community Blessing of the Animals, Sunday, October 2, at 4 p.m. We gather on the north lawn (corner of 13th and Broadway) for a parade of pets and endangered species, prayers, music and a celebration of all of God's creatures. Animal and people treats will be available. A jazz duo will provide music during the event and perhaps our Children's Choir, too. Our KC Mounted Patrol will join us again this year!

We invite attendees to bring a donation for Wayside Waifs or Great Plains SPCA: canned kitten and cat food (pâté style), canned puppy and dog food, clay kitty litter (nonclumping), hand sanitizer, towels and copier paper are appreciated and monetary donations are greatly appreciated.

Bring your leashed, crated or otherwise secured domestic critters and be part of the holy fun! The tradition of animal or pet blessings is in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all God's creatures. Francis, whose feast day is October 4, wrote a Canticle of the Creatures, an ode to God's living things: "All praise to you, O Lord, for all these brother and sister creatures."



Gracie, the Cathedral cat, getting comfortable. For more information or to help with the event, contact Canon Christy Dorn, at *cdorn@kccathedral.org* or 816-474-8260.

## A Jewell Achievement

The William F. Yates Medallion for Distinguished Service was awarded to parishioner Sarah F. Rowland at the Opening Convocation held in the Gano Chapel, William Jewell College, Liberty, Missouri, Friday, September 9. Since 1980 thirteen persons associated with the



Cathedral have been the honored recipients of this nondegree award: Miller Nichols, 1980; Adele Hall, 1984; W.N. Deramus III, 1885; Mary Shaw Branton, 1988; The Very Rev. J. Earl Cavanaugh, 1989; John Schaefer, 1995; Donald Hall, 1998; R. Crosby Kemper, 1998; Landon H. Rowland, 2000; Jeanette Nichols, 2003; Jonathan Kemper, 2004; R. Crosby Kemper III, 2010. We are thankful for Sarah's work in the community and the many things she has done for the Cathedral. Congratulations, Sarah!



The Way Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m. Beginning October 5

We invite you to join us for an adult faith formation experience for those seeking to deepen their faith, or know more about the Episcopal Church. The Way is for persons new to the church, those desiring to be baptized, confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church. Each evening includes a meal, a brief presentation, group Bible sharing and concludes with prayer. Please contact Peter DeVeau, Dean, *pdeveau@kccathedral.org*; or, Larry Ehren, Way Coordinator, *lgehren@yahoo.com*.

## Children's Sabbath

#### Sunday, October 23

The 2016 National Observance of Children's Sabbaths<sup>®</sup> Celebration, "Children of Promise: Closing Opportunity Gaps," takes place **October 23**. The Cathedral will join with places of worship all across the nation as people of faith affirm that every child enters the world full of promise and potential. However, gaps in family income, early childhood development, and education widen over time, making it far harder for some children to thrive and fulfill their promise. During formation time and worship that day, we will raise a voice of concern about these opportunity gaps and learn how we can close them so all children have an equal opportunity to become all God intends them to be. We will also have a Noisy Offering collection of your spare change to be donated to outreach efforts that involve children.

Beau Heyen of Episcopal Community Services will open the in-gathering of our tithes and offerings for the mission of the Cathedral in 2017. Beau, who marks one year with ECS as President and CEO, has served in ministry in the United Methodist Church. His remarks will complement our observance of Children's Sabbath that day. The theme for our stewardship campaign **Growing in Faith Together** is the title given to this year's ministry fair held in September.





## Stephen Ministry Introductory Workshop

Saturday, October 22 Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral will host an Introductory Workshop on Saturday, October 22 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. There is

no charge for participants from GHTC. Those attending will catch a vision for lay caring ministry; experience a sample of Stephen Minister training; and learn the basics about Stephen Ministry, how it works and its benefits. Refreshments will be included. To register, please contact the Cathedral office at 816-474-8260. For additional information please contact Jim Robertson or Christy Dorn.



#### Fall Saints Festival Sunday, October 30

Come to church dressed as your favorite Saint (or another costume) and stay after the 10:15 a.m. service for a potluck lunch. The Cathedral will provide hot dogs, brats, and vegetarian dogs; please bring a side dish to share. Activities will include a photo booth with props, Giant Jenga and Mega Connect 4, a duck pond and pumpkin decorating!

#### All Saints' Sunday: November 6 Book of Remembrance

We gather names and add them to a book started in 2007. It is a lasting memorial of "those we love but see no longer." The book is displayed in the Cathedral on All Saints' Sunday. The names will also be listed in the bulletin. During the liturgy, there is a time when lectors read aloud the names of those who have died in the past 12 months, followed by a time when all present say aloud names of those they would like remembered.

Forms for submitting the names of those who have died within the past year will be available at services beginning **October 9**. You can place these in the offering plate or in the basket on the ushers' table. Names can also be emailed to communications@kccathedral.org. The deadline for submitting names is **Tuesday, November 1**. The names of all those who have passed away within the past year will be included in a visual display in the Nave.

#### Baptism

Holy Baptism for infants and young children will be administered **November 6**, All Saints' Sunday, at 10:15 a.m.; **January 8**, The Baptism of Our Lord; or at another service of your choice.

Baptism preparation for parents desiring baptism for their children is **Saturday**, **October 29**, 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Haden Hall nursery area. Contact the Very Reverend Peter DeVeau, *pdeveau@kccathedral.org* or the Reverend Canon Christy Dorn, *cdorn@kccathedral.org*, for more information.

# Youth update

## Network Acolyte Field Day

#### October 9

Youth in grades 6-12 are invited to a Network Acolyte Field Day to learn about everything from why we carry torches in procession to the best way to swing a thurible. There will be lots of fun, acolyte themed field day events; you won't want to miss it!

## Youth Leader Base Camp

#### October 14-15

Adults that work with youth in any capacity (acolyte leaders, youth ministry volunteers, outreach leaders, etc.) are encouraged to participate in Youth Leader Base Camp, a leader retreat defining the way that we minster to youth. For more information see *www.wemoyouth.com* 

## Network Corn Maze

#### October 21

The annual fall tradition is back! Youth from across the metro northwest are invited to an evening of fall fun at the Liberty Corn Maze!

## Save the Date for These Fall Events!

Diocesan Youth Gathering : November 4-6 Network Day of Service : November 19

## Keep Up to Date

If you would like more information on our youth ministry programs or to join our weekly email list, email Alexandra at *youthformation@kccathedral.org*.



## Parents' Forum

October 9, 9:15 a.m., Haden Hall Purple Door Room All parents, grandparents, and Children's Formation leaders are invited to join a discussion on children's spiritual development.

## Children's Formation Leaders Meeting

**October 16, 11:30 a.m., Haden Hall** This luncheon meeting will include training in safety procedures, classroom management issues, and renewing Safeguarding God's Children Training.

# Abiding Prayer "Abide in me and I will abide in

you." John 15:4

## Nurturing the Inner Self: Cosmology, Consciousness and Christogenesis

Mondays, September 12–October 24 7:15–8:30 p.m. + Common Room

While melding science and theology, Sr. Ilia Delio, OSF, takes us on a journey through the cosmos as she shares the evolving philosophical, theological and scientific discoveries that are shaping our outlook of God and nature. Sessions end with Abiding Prayer. Contact Jerry Grabher, *j.grabher3@gmail.com* or 816-590-6205 to register.

## The Cloud of Unknowing: A Loving Search for God

First and Third Thursdays of the Month, Beginning October 6

7:15-8:30 p.m. + Common Room

This fourteenth-century book called *The Cloud of Unknowing* by an unknown English author inspires us into the kind of loving union with God that *The Cloud* teaches. The author then leads us on a loving search for God. Sessions end with Abiding Prayer. Glenn Young, Professor of Theology and Religious Studies at Rockhurst University, will be returning to



the Cathedral to begin our sessions on *The Cloud of Unknowing*, Thursday, October 6 at 7:15, in the Common Room. Glenn did his doctoral thesis on *The Cloud of Unknowing*. You are welcome to attend the first session to hear Professor Young, without obligation to attend the rest. Contact Jerry Grabher, *j.grabher3@ gmail.com* or 816-590-6205 to register.

## Dean's Forum

Sundays, September 25–October 23 9:15 a.m. + Common Room Embracing Forgiveness: What It Is and What It Isn't This practical video series with the Rev. Barbara Crafton, includes time for small group discussion.



## Check Out the **Online Angelus**

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# The Angelus

Submissions from parishioners and small groups are welcome and encouraged. All entries are requested by the 15th day of the month prior to publication by e-mail to communications@kccathedral.org.

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## **Coming Soon**

October 1 • 9 A.M. Visitation Ministry Training

October 1 • 11:30 A.M. Women of Grace Luncheon

October 2 • 11:30 A.M. Newcomer Gathering

October 2 • 4 p.m. Blessing of the Animals

October 2 • 6 p.m. Episcopal & Friends LGBT

October 5 • 11:45 A.M. Monthly Lunch Bunch

October 5 • 6 p.m. The Way begins

October 8 • 9 A.M. Visitation Ministry Training

October 9 Network Acolyte Field Day

October 9 • 9:15 A.M. Parents' Forum

October 14-15 Youth Leader Base Camp

October 16 • 8 & 10:15 A.M. Service of Healing & Wholeness

October 16 • 11:30 A.M. Children's Formation Meeting

October 20 • 7 p.m. Accidental Saints Paperback Tour

October 21 Network Corn Maze

October 22 • 9 A.M. Stephen Ministry Workshop

October 23 • 10:15 A.M. Children's Sabbath

October 30 • 11:30 A.M. Fall Saints Festival

Abiding Prayer (Nurturing): Mondays, 7:15-8:30 p.m.

Abiding Prayer (Cloud): 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 7:15-8:30 p.m.

#### 10/6 THURS - BOSTON, MA - 7PM TRINITY CHURCH 206 CLARENDON ST.

NADIA BOLZ-WEBER

10/12 WED - DETROIT, MI - 7PM CHRIST CHURCH CRANBROOK 470 CHURCH RD., BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI

10/13 THURS - INDIANAPOLIS, IN - 7:30PM BROADWAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 609 E. 29TH ST.

10/20 THURS - KANSAS CITY, MO - 7PM GRACE AND HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL 415 W. 13TH ST.

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