



St. Vincent de Paul

Catholic Church and Academy News

October/November 2023

Parish News

Consoling Sisters

The Altar and Rosary Society hosted a reception for Miss Isabel Brauner, on Saturday, September 9. Miss Brauner entered the Consoling Sisters in Narni, Italy on the October 2, feast of the Guardian Angels and her 24th birthday.

Miss Brauner made a pilgrimage to the Holy Land before going to Italy.

The Consoling Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus were established in 1961 by Fr. Basilio Rosati, a Passionist priest. They were entrusted to Fr. Emmanuel du Chalard of the Society of Saint Pius X (SSPX) by Fr. Basilio in 1996.

The Sisters' mother house is in Vigne di Narni, Italy. They have opened their first house in the United States, in Phoenix, Arizona. For now, this will not be a house of formation.

For more information about the Sisters visit www.consolingsisters.org.

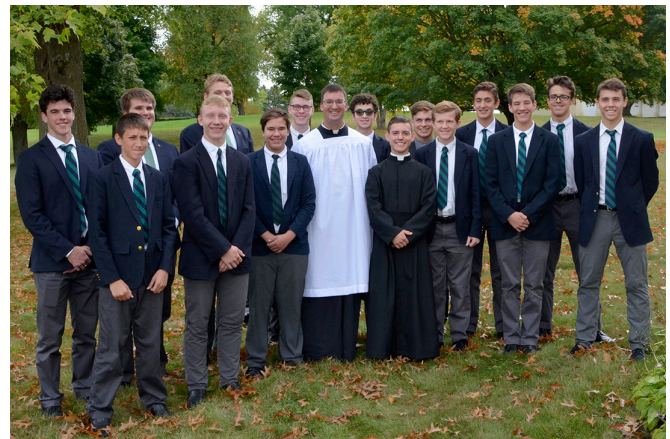


Brothers' Novitiate

Dominic Nienaber received the cassock and religious name of Brother Philip on Friday, September 29. Fr. Fullerton gave the habit to seven new novices, and received vows from nine brothers, including the first vows of Br. John the Evangelist and the perpetual vows of Br. Boniface.

Fr. Scott Graves and the high school boys were able to attend the ceremony.

For more information about the Brothers' Novitiate, visit <https://holyangels-novitiate.com/en>



Priors' Corner

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Dear Parishioners,

“Kneel down, chosen one of God, and say the Our Father!”

These words are spoken by the priest to a convert when he is about to be baptized a Catholic. They are at the door of the church, still outside, and the convert goes to his knees, grateful from the bottom of his heart to call God “Father.”

Each one of us by our baptism is in fact proven to be a “chosen one” of God. The unbaptized soul is a spiritual orphan – poor, helpless, fatherless. Then God – the King of Heaven and earth, the Father of fathers – reaches out to him and adopts him, lifts him up and makes him one of His own children!

Great privileges are bestowed upon the soul from that moment. He is given the Catholic Faith and the very life of God is born within him. His soul is marked with the Blood of Christ, marked with the sign of the cross, a mark that will forever show him to be the son of a Heavenly Father. Further, he is set on the path to heaven and given access to the sacraments that will help him follow that path to the end – an access given only to baptized Catholics, and without which heaven becomes virtually impossible.

More than all that, however, a sacred mission is entrusted to the baptized soul. At baptism, he is made a guardian of the very life of God, and swears to defend that life – in his own soul and in the souls around him – to the very death.

Rather die than betray that mission, on which so much depends and by which we are so honored! And for that we must be noble in mind, heart, and soul. Not for us the bare minimum of Catholic life, the easy way, the cowardly compromise. We are Catholics, marked with the Blood of the Lamb! *We cannot* be, in our lives, no different from those around us who haven't been given what we have been given, who don't understand what we understand. A child of God! Those words mean something in real life!

Let us, then, be courageous on the battlefield of this world – courageous in fighting against the weakness we know to be within us, courageous in standing up against the vulgarity and indifference that is everywhere around us. Let us give our all in everything we do, knowing that what we do and how we do it reflects on the God whose children we are.

Yours, in Christ the King,

Fr. Gerard Beck
Prior

Church Windows

The final church window was removed and sent for repair and restoration. The project will resume sometime in the spring.

Thank you to all who helped to clean the church during the process in preparation for Sunday Masses.



Rosary March

Father Daniel Muscha led a rosary march on the Feast of the Most Holy Rosary, October 7 at Jacob

L. Loose Park in Kansas City. Approximately 300 faithful attended the march.



Starkenburg Pilgrimage

St. Vincent's once again hosted the Starkenburg Pilgrimage from October 12 - 14. The pilgrimage was organized by the Legion of Mary, and supported by the Scouts, and many volunteers.

This year marked the 25th anniversary of the start of the three day pilgrimage by Father Kenneth

Dean. Father Dean was in attendance at this year's pilgrimage.

Close to 400 attended the three day, increasing to 950 for one day on Saturday.

(Photos from Michael Sestak)



Academy News

Flora Campus



On the Feast of the Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary, September 15, the entire Flora campus renewed the consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

The 6th annual North American Martyrs Wiffle Ball Tournament was won by the Wailing Walruses.



Cross Country

The Middle School team won the Bishop LeBlond Invitational in St. Joseph, Missouri. Leo Hodal won the Freshman/Sophomore 5K race at the Grandview Invitational at Swope Park.

Basketball

The academy has started a Junior Varsity and Freshmen basketball program for the high school boys. Coaches are Chris Stockard and Matt Deister.

Academy boys grades 4 - 8 have also been given a chance for developmental practice at Christ the King gym at least once a month.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

- Nov 3 Jubilee Cup - 1:45 p.m. - St. Marys KS
- Nov 28 Midland Adventist - 5:00 p.m. - Shawnee KS
- Dec 1 IHS Lions (JH and HS) - 6:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. - KC MO
- Dec 7 KC East Lions (Freshmen and JV) - 5:00 p.m. & 6:15 p.m. - Independence MO
- Jan 4 KC East Lions (Freshmen and JV) - 5:00 p.m. & 6:15 p.m. - Independence MO
- Jan 9 Christ Prep - 8:00 p.m. - Olathe KS
- Jan 10 Guadalupe Centers - 6:30 p.m. - KC MO
- Jan 19 IHS Lions (JH and HS) - 6:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. - KC MO
- Feb 5 Whitefield Academy (JH and HS) - 5:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. - HOME
- Feb 13 Chesterton Academy - time TBD - KC MO



Tracy Campus

Field Trip

The first grade students enjoyed a trip to the Anita B. Gorman Conservation Discovery Center in

Kansas City on October 5.

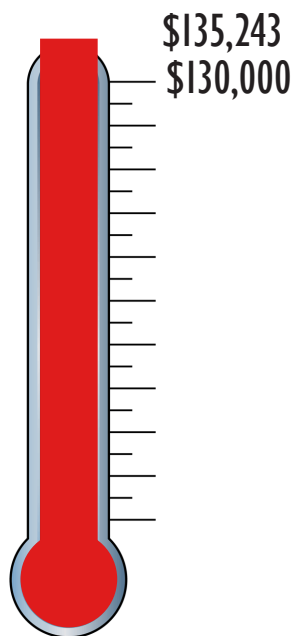


Jogathon

Despite the cold temperatures, the Jogathon was run on Monday, October 20. The 5-12th grade boys ran first at 9:00 a.m. Followed by the 5-12th grade girls, and lastly the K-4th grade students.

We have surpassed the \$130,000 goal. Thank to all who made this year's Jogathon such a success.

An additional Rally up site has been set up that relates strictly to additional fundraising. If you would like to donate to the Academy, please visit <https://fundraising.svdacademy.org>.



Angelus Press Conference

The Angelus Press Conference was held October 19 - 22. The Academy Juniors and Seniors attended the conferences on October 20. Bishop Bernard Fellay was the guest speaker at this year's banquet

on Saturday night. The Scouts helped to serve the dinner during the banquet. On Sunday Bishop Fellay offered a Pontifical Mass at St. Vincent's, and visited with the faithful outside following the Mass.



Upcoming Events

- Nov. 11 Adult Catechism
- Nov. 12 HNS meeting (elections)
- Nov. 12 Parish breakfast
- Nov. 15 Third Order of St. Pius X meeting
- Nov. 18 ARS conference for members
- Nov. 19 Pie sale
- Nov. 22-24 No School - Thanksgiving break
- Nov. 25 Adult Catechism
- Dec. 1 First Friday all day adoration
- Dec. 3 ARS bake sale
- Dec. 8 No school - Feast of the Immaculate Conception
- Dec. 9 ARS sponsored day of recollection for women (adult catechism cancelled)
- Dec. 10 HNS meeting
- Dec. 15 Academy Christmas Concert
- Dec. 15 Third Order of St. Pius X meeting

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