



# Time & Talent

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Prince of Peace  
Ministries, Programs &  
Organizations at work!



## ***Parish Programs***

### **Altar Servers**

Altar serving is a very rewarding way for our youth to serve the Lord and our parish community. This ministry is for boys and girls who are baptized Catholic and in the 5th through 8th grades. Training sessions are held throughout the year, watch the bulletin for details. Once trained, servers are scheduled on a rotation basis.

### **Art & Environment Committee**

Men and women of the parish volunteer their time to develop and coordinate the appropriate environment in the Church for each liturgical season. There are a number of people who support this committee including seamstresses, flower arrangers, sign makers, artists, woodworkers, crafters, etc. A willingness to work hard and the love of enhancing the worship environment are the only requirements. We are always looking for new people with new ideas who would like to offer their time and talent. Interested parishioners should contact the A & E Coordinator.

- **Sanctuary Plant Care:**

Volunteers care for and water plants inside the church. Volunteers always needed.

### **Prince of Peace Catholic School**

Established in 1986 to serve as a center of Christian development for young people Kindergarten to 8th grade. Through daily instruction in our Catholic faith, we strive to proclaim the message of Jesus, develop a sense of community, encourage service to others, and to guide students in the ways of faithful citizenship. Prince of Peace Catholic School offers the students an education which encompasses the whole of human life— physical and spiritual, intellectual and moral, domestic and social.

### **Choir**

A music minister is someone who shares faith, serves the community, and expresses the love of God and neighbor through music. Our parish music ministry offers many opportunities for you to share your love of God through music. The music styles range from contemporary to traditional. Choir opportunities are available at each Mass, along with the St. Gregory Choir, Contemporary Choir and St. Cecelia's Children's Choir.

## Parish Programs

### Christian Formation:

The Religious Education Department of Prince of Peace Parish accepts the mission of being Christ to others and seeks to foster the faith of the children and youth of our parish by involving them in the threefold mission of the Church: Worship, Education and Service. Please contact the School of Religion Office for additional information on their programs.

- **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults RCIA**

RCIA is a spiritual and educational experience for those who wish to consider becoming members of the Catholic Church. Catholics of the parish are called to be involved in this initiation process by sponsoring adults interested in becoming members of the Catholic Church. Sessions are held on Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM.

- **Rite of Christian Initiation of Teens RCIT**

RCIT is a program for teens (grades 9—12) who want to join the Church and receive the Sacraments or who have been baptized Catholic and have missed receiving any of the following sacraments: Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation. Classes take place on Sunday afternoons at 4:00 PM.

- **Rite of Christian Initiation of Children RCIC**

RCIC is for children (grade 3—8) who have been baptized Catholic and have missed receiving any of the following sacraments: Reconciliation & Eucharist. This program is also for children who want to join

the Church and receive the Sacraments. Classes take place on Thursday evenings at 6:30 PM.

### School of Religion (SOR) Program

- **Preschool/ Kindergarten**

"Children's Church" is for 3 and 4 year-old children and Kindergarten students. Classes are held on Sunday mornings during the 9:00 AM and 10:30 AM Masses.

- **Elementary Program**

Public school students, grades 1—6, are encouraged to gather together as a community. Trained catechists share their Catholic faith, Church teachings and traditions with our parish youth.

- **Sacramental Preparation**

First Reconciliation and First Eucharist are celebrated during the 2nd grade. Preparation begins in the 1st Grade.

- **Jr. High Program**

During 7th and 8th grade, students prepare to receive and celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Our program engages students in a variety of ways to grow in their faith.

Confirmation preparation begins in the 7th grade and is celebrated in the 8th grade or 9th grade as applicable.

- **Senior High Youth Ministry**

Our High School Youth Ministry aims to bring teens closer to Christ through fellowship, community, service, evangelization, faith-learning, prayer, and so much more. All 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to come be a part of this community of faith. Activities include our Life Teen Mass, weekly meeting following the Sunday 5:00 PM Mass, Service Crew, Peer Ministry, Bible Studies, the annual Musical, Mission Trips, Archdiocesan Events, and much more.

- **Vacation Bible School**

Children ranging in ages from 4-year-olds through the 4th grade can participate in Vacation Bible School. Students learn about God's love for them through music, crafts and Bible stories. VBS takes place during the second week of June each year.

## Parish Programs

### **Early Education Center (EEC)**

The Prince of Peace Early Education Center is designed to meet the educational needs of our parish families. A safe, caring and academically sound environment is provided for the young children of our parish.

All programs are developmentally appropriate with the added bonus of Catholic education and prayer. EEC is fully licensed by the state of Kansas, and all of our staff members are experienced and certified. EEC is located on the parish hall level, and is open Monday through Friday between 6:30 AM and 6:00 PM. We provide two preschool options full-time and part-time with morning and afternoon sessions. Our full-time pre-school starts at age 2. Our part-time pre-school is for 3 and 4-year-olds. We also provide after school care for morning Kindergarten and 1st through 5th grade.

### **Eucharistic Ministers**

Ministers assist the celebrants in the distribution of Holy Communion at weekend Masses. Training sessions are given twice a year.

### • **Eucharistic Ministry to the Sick**

Eucharistic Ministers take Communion on a weekly basis, or as needed, to those who are sick, shut-in and at area nursing homes and hospitals. Training is provided.

### **Lector**

The Lector proclaims the first and second readings. It is how the word of God reaches each parishioner at Mass. The Lector is also responsible for reading the announcements before Mass and the petitions during Mass. Training sessions are given twice a year.

### **Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration**

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration is simply our response to Jesus' love for us, whereby each of us is willing to spend a quiet holy hour of prayer in His Eucharistic Presence once a week on a regular basis. The Perpetual Adoration Chapel is located in the northeast corner of the Church. The Adoration Chapel is open seven days a week, twenty-four hours a day with the permanent exposition of Jesus in the

Most Blessed Sacrament.

People may sign up for an hour for a quiet place to go and pray.

*You can accomplish more in one hour with God than one lifetime without Him.*

### **Ushers**

An Usher is instrumental in creating an atmosphere of hospitality and friendship with those attending services. The Usher welcomes, seats, assists those with special needs, gathers the collection, facilitates the communion procession, distributes the bulletin and provides additional services as requested by the presiding priest.

## ***Parish Organizations***

### **Altar Linens**

This dedicated group clean, iron and repair the altar linens and purificators used at Mass. Workers are scheduled on a monthly basis. If you like to sew, we could use your talents to help make the purificators. Supplies provided.

### **Adult Bible Study**

The Adult Bible Study was formed to provide an opportunity for adults of our parish to participate in Bible study within our Catholic faith. Through personal study, small-group discussion, lecture, and prayer, the program provides a solid balance of scholarship, reflection, and application. We welcome those who have never studied the Bible before and those who have been reading the Bible for quite a while. Each study will be four to twelve weeks in length and will be announced in the bulletin. For more information, please contact the Adult Bible Study coordinator.

### **Bereavement Support Ministry**

When a loved one dies, often it is easier to deny the pain of loss than confront it. Sharing our grief experience promotes healing. If you would like to share with others who have also suffered the loss of a loved one through death, please join us. We meet the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM. If you would like more information, please contact the Bereavement Coordinator.

### **Children's Adoration**

The purpose of this program is to help young children discover the silent, loving Real Presence of Jesus through Eucharistic Adoration. The Children's Holy Hour is every Sunday afternoon from 2:00—3:00 PM in the Adoration Chapel. For more information, please contact the coordinator.

### **CYO, Catholic Youth Organization**

The mission of this athletic organization is to help youth grow in the image of Christ through athletic events. CYO athletics is open to all parish boys and girls in the 3rd—8th grades.

CYO participates in the following sports: Track & Field, Football, Volleyball and Basketball.

### **Friend's of St. Anthony**

If you are single, widowed, married, retired, 65 or older and a registered member of the parish, or parents of a registered member of Prince of Peace, we invite you to join us. We meet once a month for lunch or breakfast. There are no membership dues. We are sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. This is a good way to meet other members of our parish. We build friendship, and have lots of fun and laughter.

### **Funeral Dinner Ministry**

This ministry provides a meal for the families of a deceased member of the parish on the day of the funeral. Parishioners are contacted and asked to bring various food items for this meal.

### **Garden Club**

Established with the purpose of keeping the house of the Lord as tidy and beautiful as possible, by maintaining the Church plantings and flowers.

## ***Parish Organizations***

### **Knights of Columbus Council #7909**

This dedicated group of Catholic men volunteer time and skill to help the parish grow. Through fundraisers such as the Mission From God Golf Tournament, Casino Knight and the Old Settlers Days Braco House their time and talent gifts have helped fund many Church improvements. Along with sponsoring Pro-Life, youth and senior activities they maintain our parish grounds.

### **POP MOMS — Mothers of Ministry & Social Group**

The POP MOMS Group is an organization that provides a great opportunity to get to know other families with young children within our parish community. We meet on the first Thursday of each month, at 7:00 PM in the SMT Hall. We participate in service activities and organize social functions each month. Our activities include – playgroups, mom's/couple's nights out, field trips and holiday events, including our annual Easter Egg Hunt and Children's Christmas Party.

### **Nursery**

Nursery services are available at the 10:30 AM Mass for ages toddler to school age. This service is provided by parent volunteers.

### **Prayer Groups**

- Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima
- Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions
- Early Bird Rosary

### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Compassion and the love of knitting/crocheting have been combined into a powerful ministry and spiritual practice which reaches out to those in need of comfort and solace, as well as in celebration and joy. Many blessings are prayed into every shawl. This ministry meets every other Wednesday in the Faculty Lounge from 7:15-8:30 PM. If you know how to knit or crochet and would like to join this ministry please contact the coordinator.

### **Respect Life Committee**

This Committee supports the Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life activities as developed by the United States Catholic Bishops. Parishioners are called to help in four major areas: Public Information and Education; Pastoral Care; Public Policy and Prayer and Worship.

### **St. Joseph Career Transition Group**

- Contemplating a career change?
- Conducting a job search?
- Starting a new business?

The Saint Joseph's Career Transition Group meets Wednesday mornings at 7:00 AM in the St. Mark/Luke Room. This is a wonderful opportunity for spiritual enrichment and practical support during this time of transition.

## Parish Organizations

### Scouting Programs

Open to all boys and girls of the parish from grades Kindergarten, through High School.

- Boy Scouts is for boys from age 11 (6th grade) to age 17. Troop #240 is part of the Heart of America Council in the Red-Tailed Hawk District. Meetings are Monday evenings from 7:00—8:30 PM during the school year.
- Cub Scouts is a program for boys from the 1st—5th grades. Pack #3240 meets on the fourth Monday of the month from 7:00—8:00 PM in the SMT Hall.
- Girl Scouts is a part of the Mid Continent Council of Girl Scouts. Girls are organized into troops usually from the same grade level, from kindergarten, and continuing on through high school.

### "Sew & Sews" Quilting Group

Membership is open to anyone interested in quilting and friendship. We meet in the Faculty Lounge Monday evenings from 7:00 – 9:00 PM. We work on a raffle quilt, pillows for the Cardiac unit at Olathe Medical Center and baby quilts to donate to the Knights of Columbus collection for needy babies. For more information, please contact the Sew and Sews Quilt Coordinator.

### Singles Group \*

Fun and interesting this group is designed for all single, divorced, or widowed members of our parish who would like to meet people with common interests. Activities include: Bible Study; Community Service Projects; Sports; Monthly birthday dinners, game nights, movies, dancing and more.

*\* A coordinator is needed for this Ministry.*

### Social Concerns Committee

This community service oriented committee supports many area social service agencies and charities, such as: Catholic Social Services; Catholic Charities of Olathe; The Salvation Army; Shalom House, a Catholic Worker Home; St. Mary's Food Kitchen and the Community Blood Bank. During the Christmas season the "Advent Giving Tree" is set up to collect and distribute gifts to 10 different area charities. "Lenten Giving" at Easter provides envelopes to parishioners to give cash donations for the specific needs of area charities.

### **SCRIP** *a way of gifting to the Parish*

A parish wide fundraising effort. Gift certificates/cards to your favorite restaurants, grocery stores, department stores, theaters and more, are available for purchase after Masses each weekend. Each establishment donates a percentage of your purchase back to the Church.

## ***Parish Organizations***

### **St. Mary's Food Kitchen**

On the fourth Friday of each month Prince of Peace serves a hot meal to the poor and disadvantaged of Kansas City. Parish members volunteer to prepare and serve the food. We meet in the SMT Hall, and leave at 9:30 AM. Carpool transportation is available. Canned food, casseroles and cash donations are always needed and greatly appreciated.

### **Support Our Sick (S.O.S.)**

A Ministry sponsored by the Women's Organization, that offers support to members of our parish family in the

form of meals, transportation needs, home visits, grief support, respite care, and household assistance for the elderly and bedridden. If you are in need of any of these services, please contact the SOS Coordinator.

### **Women's Organization**

All women of the parish are automatically members of this active faith-filled organization. A few of the many projects serving the parish are, S.O.S. (Support Our Sick )the annual Parish Dance, Fall Craft Marketplace, College Care Packages, weekly Meals to the Priest's sprinkled with many social and spiritual

activities throughout the year. Join them on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 PM in the St. Luke/St. Mark Meeting Rooms.

### **Villa St. Francis**

A Catholic non-profit skilled nursing facility sponsored by the Archdiocese, located in Olathe. The Villa provides skilled nursing and rehabilitation services to the aging and infirmed with special concern for the poor. For volunteer opportunities, please call 829-5201.



Jesus offers to those who would follow him, the opportunity to become partners in God's work on earth.

For each of us, that involves taking responsibility to see that God's work gets done.

We ask that you contact a Ministry Coordinator, and sign-up to share your time and talent gifts with our parish community.

Altar Linen Society	Jan Collett	829-6289
Altar Server Coordinators	Bev Vanderslice	780-6572
	Ambrose Wolf	393-4992
Art & Environment Committee	David Sandvig	780-5381
Bereavement Group	Donna Kaberlein	829-5320
Bible Study	Bob Zarse	897-5689
Children's Adoration Hour	Lisa Cunningham	764-8221
Catholic Youth Organization (CYO)	Dennis Goodeyon	397-8313
Choir Director	Ralph Weber	764-5817
Early Education Center	EEC Office	829-2728
Eucharistic Ministers	Mike Eisele	782-5777
Friend's of St. Anthony	Lucia Negrete	780-3034
Funeral Dinner Committee	Marge Madrigal	764-4846
Garden Club	Kathy Kern	780-5677
Knights of Columbus	David Tout	782-6638
Lectors	Marty Clement	851-2733
Nursery - 10:30 AM Mass	Susan Scarlett	764-4348
Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration	Ann King	780-2360
POP MOMS	Suzanne Goff	839-2135
Prince of Peace School	School Office	764-0650
Prayer Groups:		
• Our Mother of Perpetual Help	Ann King	780-2360
• Early Bird Rosary	Bob Hale	829-7196
• Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima Prayer Cell	Evelyn Bulan	782-2695
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Paula Crotty	780-6110
Respect Life Committee	Cindy Whitney	685-2628
RCIA/RCIT/RCIC	Martha Tady	829-1147
School of Religion	SOR Office	829-1147
Scouts - Cub Scouts	Matt Klinker	226-7633
- Boy Scouts	Jim Wilmington	254-1909
- Girl Scouts	Rose Mitchell	829-2114
SCRIP	Chris Edmunds	780-1113
"Sew & Sews" Quilting Group	Sally Kennedy	764-6589
Singles	* <i>Ministry Coordinator Needed</i>	
Social Concerns Committee	Marie Hernandez	393-0769
SOS — Support Our Sick	Tammy Davis	782-0135
St. Joseph Career Transitions Group	Reid Hjelmass	940-7624
St. Mary's Food Kitchen	Cathleen Ogle	782-2837
	Dorian Assenmacher	897-9472
Ushers	Pete Majerle	764-3608
	Al Theno	764-4417
Women's Organization	Jodie Kersten	782-2353
	Susan Dubey	530-3794
High School Youth Ministry	Phyllis Mills	829-9088