

Charisse...As parishioners, we're very familiar with her warm smile and musical talent! Some may be surprised to know she's also in a fight for her life battling End Stage Renal Failure. With this disease, you need dialysis or a kidney transplant to stay alive. Diagnosed in 2015 with renal cancer, she underwent surgery, removing the entire cancerous kidney. Unfortunately, a few months later her other kidney was failing. After a severe allergic reaction to medication, she found herself in need of emergency dialysis. These last couple of years on dialysis have been very difficult, but she tries to make the best of it and has even built friendships with fellow kidney warriors.

Sadly, she's already lost four warrior friends. She's so grateful to still be alive and is asking for help. Help her continue to watch her children grow, share joy with future grandchildren and celebrate all of life's precious moments with family and friends. Please consider being a donor and save her life!

For information on being a living donor, please visit Kidneyfund.org/kidney-donation-and-transplant

To register as a living kidney donor, visit

Kidneyregistry.org

## **IMPORTANT FACTS**

- There is no cost to being a living donor
- You can live a healthy life with one kidney
- The average wait time for a deceased kidney donor is about 6 to 7 years

Thank you so much for your compassion and prayers!

