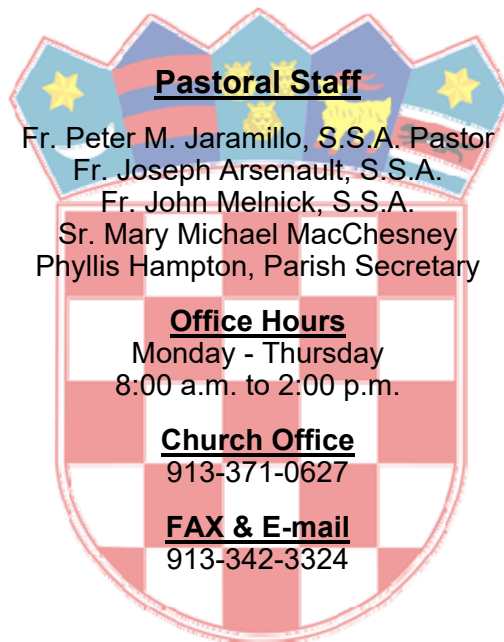


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Weekday Mass Including Adoration:
Thursday 8:00 a.m.

Weekend Mass Schedule:
Saturday 5:15 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Confessions:
By Appointment. Call 913-371-0627

Rosary:
Saturday 4:45 p.m. and Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Marriage Preparation:
Notify the parish eight months prior to the wedding.

Pastoral Care of the Sick:
Crisis Prayer Line: 913-281-4448 or 913-608-5600
Anointing and Pastoral Visits: Contact Church Office

Parish Contact Information:

Finance Council President	Mark Calvert
Parish Council President	Don Taylor
Altar Society President	Kelly Moutray
St. John Catholic Club, 913-371-9690	Ken Yarnevich
St. Cecilia Choir / Organist	Matt Winterhalter

MARCH 12TH, 2017
2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

*Jesus
was transfigured
before them;
his face shone
like the sun
and his clothes
became white
as light.*

Matthew 17:2

MARCH 12TH, 2017 - 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Thursday, March 16th

8:00 a.m. Mike & Barbara Kralj, Novak Family,
Veronica & Mijo Sudac

Saturday, March 18th

5:15 p.m. Anna & Anton Gasparovic,
Josip & Sestric, Victoria Stancic,
DeAnne Sepehar, Branimir Dukovic,
Stejpan & Ana Jagodic.

Sunday, March 19th

9:00 a.m. Parish Members

March 18 - 19, 2017

	5:15 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Lectors	B. Horvat B. Horvat	M. Viskovic M. Calvert
Eucharistic Ministers	M. Foster C. Delich B. Pa;cher	F. Soptic J. Jaksa B. Blankenship
Cantor		Choir
Servers	I. Garcia	L. Viskovic N. Viskovic

WEEKLY COLLECTION

March 4 - 5, 2017

Week: \$ 4,160.00
Maintenance: \$ 1,695.00
Loose: \$ 143.00
Poor: \$ 61.27
Candle: \$ 205.02
Ash Wednesday: \$ 188.00



If you have a family member who is hospitalized or homebound and would like to have a visit or receive communion, please contact the Church Office. Hospitals do not inform us of a parishioner being admitted to the hospital. Call Phyllis at 913-371-0627.

Meetings & Parish Events

March 12, 2017 - Rosary Rally

3:00 p.m.

March 17, 2017 - Croatian Stations of the Cross

5:30 p.m.

March 24, 2017 - Croatian Stations of the Cross

5:30 p.m.

March 24, 2017 - Shrimp Dinner - St. John's Club

5:30 p.m.

March 30, 2017 - Church Cleaning

Following 8:00 a.m. Mass

March 31, 2017 - Croatian Stations of the Cross

5:30 p.m.

THE JOURNEY OF TRANSFIGURATION

"We used to be such good friends. How is it that you've moved so far away?" one man asked another. "Perhaps," the other replied, "you have moved away. By standing still." This exchange very well could have happened between Peter and Jesus, had Peter been allowed to erect tents to stay on the mount of the Transfiguration. He nearly succumbed to the temptation to stay in a place of wonder and light. But Jesus knew the hard truth: we are on a continual journey when we are walking the paths of God's will. It is not good for us to stay in one place on our faith journey. Equally unhealthy is staying put in times of joy and wonder to avoid life's difficulties, or to wallow in our trials and temptations and fail to be companions for our sisters and brothers who are also suffering--or celebrating! The pilgrim Church is required to do one thing on its Lenten journey: to walk continually with Christ as his Body born of water and the Spirit, seeking God's will, helping the reign of God to be known on earth, being led to the end of our journey, transfigured for all time into the company of heaven.
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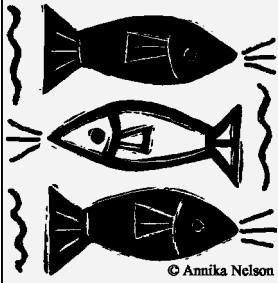
Remember Walter Gasparovic



**Walter passed away February 28th, 2017
His funeral mass was March 7, 2017 at
St. John's Church. May he rest in peace.**

**Food Kitchen
Monday, March 13**

Please leave desserts in the Church basement. We go to the Food kitchen at 8:30 a.m. from St. Johns.
We need your help!!



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Blessed Sacrament was not reserved in church buildings in the first centuries of the church. In those early years, of course, people met in borrowed "house churches," gathering on the Lord's Day for community, apostolic teaching, the breaking of the bread, and the prayers, as Acts of the Apostles tells us. Dispersed, people went their way into the workaday world until the next assembly. Weighing down their hearts was the absence of brothers and sisters, not only the sick, but those imprisoned for the faith. No wonder they developed a way of extending the food of the Holy Table to them.

Forty years ago, every altar boy in training heard about Saint Tarcisus. He was a twelve-year-old boy at the time of intense persecution in fourth-century Rome. His community had begun to convey the consecrated bread from their Eucharist to those condemned to death or awaiting trial. Normally deacons did this, but on one occasion, it was necessary to send the boy to bear the holy mysteries to the prison. The legend says that he was an athlete, and was detained on the way by some playmates who wanted him to join in their game. When he refused, they demanded to know what he was carrying. The situation went from bad to worse, and he was badly beaten and died of his injuries. A hundred years later, a pope called him a second St. Stephen. In the nineteenth century, Cardinal Nicholas Wiseman of England wrote a novel in which he expanded the story and popularized it. By then, no one seemed to notice that this twelve-year-old was actually touching and ministering the Eucharist, unthinkable until recently. Scholars say the story rings true: the first reason for setting some Eucharistic bread aside was not adoration, but Communion of the sick.

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The Lenten Season

Experience Taize' prayer.

You are invited to participate in Taize prayer on Thursday, April 6th at 7:00 p.m. in Annunciation Chapel on the Campus of the Mother House of the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth, 4200 South 4th ST. Leavenworth, KS. Call 913-680-2342 or 913-758-6508

Retreat for 8th graders --- Luke 18
Overnight retreat, March 31-April 2
For more information call Liz Miller at 913-645-1514

**Bible Study at St. John the Baptist Church
Thursday morning 9:00-10:30 a.m.**

**Lenten Reflections Series
Given by Fr. Peter Jaramillo SSA (please bring Bible)**

16 March	Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults
23 March	Devotions & Saints for the Lenten Season
30 March	Rediscovering Sacrament of Penance Preparing for Easter

RESURRECTION CYO

Biscuits and gravy breakfast

April 2, 2017 at St. Johns auditorium 8 a.m. to noon

Tickets \$5.00 carry outs available

For tickets call Joanne at 913-281-4448

Congratulations to the 7th grade basketball team at Resurrection School. They are the CYO 7th grade champions. This is their second championship in three years. Tommy Lally is a player on the team and their coach is Tom Lally, members of our parish.

**Holy Rosary Rally of Grater Kansas City
At St. John the Baptist Parish
March 12th, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.**

We will pray the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries of the Holy Rosary. Visit www.rosaryrallieskc.org. This is the 100th Anniversary of our Blessed Mother's apparitions at Fatima, Portugal.

1917 - 2017 - 100th Anniversary

SORE SHINS

Don't break your shin on a stool that is not in your way.

--Irish proverb

TRUE FRIENDSHIP

A true friend can hear a tear drop.

--Anonymous

Skradski Funeral Home and Kansas City Kansas Fire Department will be conducting a Heart Safe Community Class Sat. March 25, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. The class will be teaching Hands only CPR! Save a Life!

RSVP: 913-371-1404
Skradskifh@msn.com
340 N. 6th Kansas City, KS.