

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Father Bill Fisher, Pastor

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 2, 2020

Most glorious God,

As I pause in the midst of this day, I invite You into this moment of prayer.

I ask Your pardon for any way that I have failed to love today. For my pride, envy, gluttony, greed, lust, sloth and anger, I beg for Your forgiveness.

Once again, I dedicate this day to You.

I pray for humility, kindness, temperance, charity, chastity, diligence and patience.

Help me, Lord, to listen to Your gentle voice and to trust in Your guidance and grace.

My life is Yours, dear Lord. My life is Yours.

May I hold nothing back from You.

May I fulfill my duties this day in accord with Your perfect will.

I love You, dear Lord. I love You with all my heart.
Help me to love You and others with all my might. Amen.

Little things mean a lot

⇒ A special thank you to our own St. John's farmer, George Dragush. He shares his summer garden bounty of tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers and zucchini with fellow parishioners. We appreciate you!

⇒ Know someone who needs a free wheelchair? Call the rectory at (913) 371-0627

Weekly Collection July 26 2020

Envelopes:	\$	4499
Maintenance:	\$	640
Assumption of Mary	\$	20

Thank you for your support of our Croatian Catholic legacy. We appreciate your generous donations.



Best wishes to Dragica Jambrosic who celebrated her 89th birthday on July 28. Send her a card:
2327 N. 75th Terrace
Kansas City, KS 66109

Bake a Batch and Feed the Hungry

Wanted: Yummy cookies and brownies. Our next food kitchen will be Aug. 10 and we need your baking skills to fill our sack lunches!

Package those delicious delectables in a plastic bag with three cookies or one brownie. Leave them at the parish house Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. where treats will be placed in the freezer.



If you are not a baker, we also need individual packages of chips, and fruit cups or pudding.

The pandemic has caused many to lose their jobs. More people have come to depend on our food kitchen for a needed meal.

Your continued devotion to our community's hungry is greatly appreciated. It is only as a parish that we can make a difference in the lives of those in need.

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2020 Support St. John the Baptist



Fundraising Update

Thanks to all who have participated - we have raised nearly \$20,000 so far through Support St. John's and the Mini and Maxi Raffles.

50/50 Raffles

The 50/50 Raffles have raised \$9,950 for our parish. The Mini Raffle is sold out!! The winner will receive \$2,500.

We have 149 Maxi Raffle entries - two drawings and all entries will be included in both.

The first Maxi Raffle drawing will be for the \$5,000 prize. A second drawing will have a \$2,450 prize - and it continues to grow!

Support St. John the Baptist

If you have not donated, please consider making a contribution in the amount you would typically spend on food and drink, raffles and prize donations.

Although we will share the names of donors as a public thank-you, you can remain anonymous if you choose. Information: OurCroatianParish@gmail.com

Traditional Money Raffle

Prizes for the Money Raffle are \$500, \$250, \$100, \$75, \$50 and \$30. Tickets are \$1 each or \$10 for the sheet.

Forms

All forms are on our website: www.stjohnthebaptistcatholicchurch.com.

Strawberry Hill The Worner Family

Strawberry Patch Anonymous

Strawberry Plant Karolyn & Nick Tomasic Kathy Dumovich Kovac Loren & Kathy Lally Bareiss Larry Lindelow St. John's Senior Citizens Anonymous

Strawberry Shortcake The Skradski Family The Gasparovic Family Anonymous

Strawberry Seed Helen Taylor Nancy Sachen Paula Mikesic Anonymous

Strawberry Preserves Jim Fracol Patti Hill Pete & Pat Novosel George Thomas Frank & Ljubica Kozar Bernadette & Mark Tomasic Bernadette Horvat Anonymous - 11 donors

Strawberry Pie Theresa Jaksetic Joanne Lally Anonymous Al Boan

Thank You!!

Mass Readings for August 2, 2020
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Courtesy: usccb.org

First Reading (1IS 55:1-3)

Thus says the LORD: All you who are thirsty, come to the water! You who have no money, come, receive grain and eat; Come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and milk! Why spend your money for what is not bread; your wages for what fails to satisfy?

Heed me, and you shall eat well, you shall delight in rich fare. Come to me heedfully, listen, that you may have life. I will renew with you the everlasting covenant, the benefits assured to David.

Responsorial Psalm
(PS 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18)

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and of great kindness.
The LORD is good to all and
compassionate toward all his works.

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

The eyes of all look hopefully to you, and you give them their food in due season; you open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

The LORD is just in all his ways
and holy in all his works.

The LORD is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

Second Reading
(2ROM 8:35, 37-39)

Brothers and sisters:

What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword?

No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Alleluia (MT 4:4B)

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

One does not live on bread alone,
but on every word that comes forth
from the mouth of God

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel (MT 14:13-21)

When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself.

The crowds heard of this and followed him on foot from their towns.

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick.

When it was evening, the disciples approached him and said, “This is a deserted place and it is already late; dismiss the crowds so that they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves.”

Jesus said to them, "There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves."

But they said to him, “Five loaves and two fish are all we have here.”

Then he said, "Bring them here to me," and he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass.

Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds.

They all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the fragments left over—twelve wicker baskets full.

Those who ate were about five thousand men, not counting women and children.

