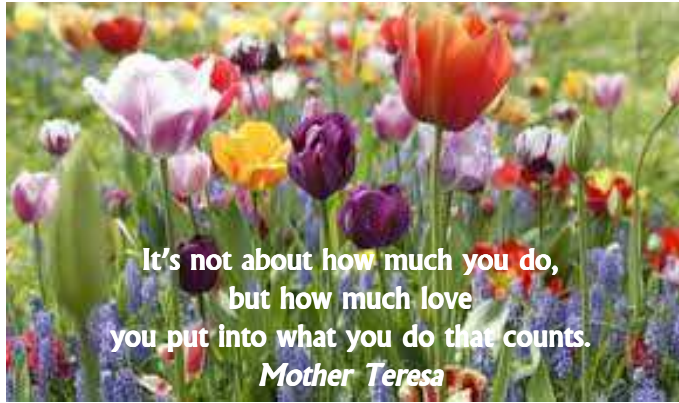


St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Father Joseph M Arsenault, SSA, Pastor
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 18, 2021



It's not about how much you do,
but how much love
you put into what you do that counts.
Mother Teresa

Mass Intentions

July 18 - 9 a.m. Sunday Mass
St. John's Parishioners

July 22 - 8 a.m. Thursday Mass
George & Katie Kucenic
Mirica Black, Mike Suljak, Special Intention

2021 Croatian Festival Update

We are counting the days until our 2021 Croatian Festival! It will begin around 5 p.m., following the celebration of our 4 p.m. Holy Mass.

Strawberry Basket

Once again, we bring you the strawberry basket raffle. We will have three delightful baskets stuffed with goodies, including a povitica, apple strudel, bottle of wine, bottle of slivovitz, T-shirt as well as strawberry- and festival-related items.

And the bounty keeps growing. Stay tuned for photos!

For your convenience, we have included tickets in this bulletin. This means you can participate even if you do not attend the festival.

Sausage Dinner Reservations

Remember to send in reservations for your sausage dinners.

To keep everyone safe, we must limit the number of people who are standing in line or eating in the auditorium.

Advanced reservations will help us do that. Really, wouldn't you rather be on the church grounds working to win a prize instead of waiting in line?

Money Raffle

The basket is about a third full! Great job everyone.

Our big prize is \$500. You can't win if you don't play!

50/50 Raffle

Your entries keep on flowing - that means more prizes for you and more proceeds for the church!

We have collected 168 entries - that is \$8,400 in prize money and \$8,400 for the church.

The Mini Raffle entries stand at 74, meaning there will be at least two prize winners. In the Maxi Raffle, we have 94 entries.

As a reference, in 2020, there were 254 total entries so we are on target to reach that number!

Support St. John's

Our parish is truly blessed with giving people. So far, the church has received \$18,550 from 35 sponsors to continue our Catholic Croatian traditions.

In 2020, without having a festival, 100 parish supporters gave \$30,695. These sponsorships ranged from \$20 to \$2,500 - and every dollar helped our church.

For the kiddos

Our little ones will have facepainting plus three booths of their own this year. Let them go wild at the fishing booth, soda ring toss and treat booth.

Please buy some items during your weekly grocery trip so we will have plenty of prizes! We are looking for 2-liter bottles of pop, along with boxes of kid-loving treats.

Use your Amazon Prime account to order donations without leaving the couch. A link is provided on the church website.

Prize donations

Yes, we want your unloved costume jewelry and watches. Someone else will love your trinkets and our church will make money. Hey, win-win!

Our Parish People

Get well soon!

Send prayers and good wishes to our friend, Helen Skradski. She had surgery last week.

We wish her good health and happiness!

With our deepest sympathies

Our heartfelt condolences to the

family of Robert (Bob) E. Scott who died July 5. He was 81.

Bob joined the U.S. Air Force in 1957 and served two tours in Vietnam. Afterward, he continued honoring his country in the Army Reserves, retiring as a Master Sergeant.

He also worked for the California penal system for 20 years.

Bob is survived by his ex-wife, Loretta, and children Robert, Richard, Amy and David; five grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Services will be 11:30 a.m., July 22, at St. John the Baptist with inurnment at Leavenworth National Cemetery.



Our Parish News

Can you help?

God loves a cheerful giver! And St. John the Baptist Church does, also!

We are extremely grateful for your monetary contributions, but we would also appreciate your time.

Please volunteer to be a Sacristan, lector or Eucharistic Minister for our Masses.

The number of these valuable people has continued to dwindle over the past few years.

Many hands make light work - if your family could help once a month, the burden would be light.

To volunteer, let us know by email or call the parish office.

Church Directory

Pictures for our church directory with Holy Family Church will be scheduled in October.

St. John's will host the

photographer on Oct. 19 and 20, while Holy Family will be open Oct. 21, 22 and 23.

Our parishioners may choose a convenient time slot at either church.

The picture will be professionally taken of your family. You will receive a free 8 x 10 portrait - and the option to buy additional pictures.

A church directory will be given to all parishioners.

Appointments will open online on Saturday, Sept. 4.

We understand that some of our friends may not have computer access and we will have options available.

Altar Society meeting

The Altar Society will meet Sunday after the 9 a.m. Mass.

A big thank you to the group and other volunteers for making apple strudel on July 17!

Saturday, July 24 & July 31
4 p.m. - Holy Mass at Holy Family Church. Confessions will be heard before Mass.

Thursday, Aug. 5
6 p.m. - Festival Committee Meeting, church basement.

Saturday, Aug. 7
4 p.m. Mass begins at St. John the Baptist and continues throughout August. Confessions will be heard before Mass.

Monday, Aug. 13
Food Kitchen

Saturday, Aug. 21
4 p.m. Mass
5 p.m. Croatian Festival

Monday, Oct. 4
Strawberry Hill Altar Societies Second Annual Golf Tournament at Sunflower Hills Golf Course. Proceeds will benefit the Food Kitchen. Save the date!

Weekly Collections July 11, 2021

Envelopes:	\$	4,241
Maintenance:	\$	173
Candles:	\$	20
Poor:	\$	40

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(913) 371-0627 FAX: (913) 342-3324

Email: OurCroatianParish@gmail.com

Web: stjohnthebaptistcatholicchurch.com

Facebook: St. John the Baptist Croatian Parish

Instagram: OurCroatianParish

Prayer Line: (913) 281-4448

2021 Croatian Festival
Strawberry Basket Raffle



Three Strawberry Baskets, valued at \$100-\$150, will be raffled at the 2021 Croatian Festival on Aug. 21!
Tickets are \$3.00 or 4 for \$10.00



Send your Strawberry Basket tickets with payment to:
St. John the Baptist, Attn: Strawberry Basket, 708 N. 4th St., KCK, 66101.

You may also drop in the collection basket or rectory mail drop - or bring your tickets to the festival!
Our festival will begin after 4 p.m. Mass - around 5 p.m. See you there!

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Strawberry Fields

Alex & Pat Gorsky

Strawberry Hill

The Worner Family

Strawberry Patch

Joe Baric Family (Joe, Jim, Lisa, Cathy & Janice)

The Taylor Families

Strawberry Plant

Tom Podrebarac

Kathy Dumovich Kovac

Kathryn A. Zunick

The Lally Family

Marty Yadrick

Honoring Kathryn Zunick - Rick & Susan Robards

The Winterhalter Family

Larry Lindelow

Anonymous (2)

Thank you for your generous support!



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2021 Croatian Festival

Strawberry Shortcake

Tony Kovach

Skradski Family (Helen, Matt Jr., George & Sarah)

Anita Gasparovic

Rose Andrisevic

Ivana Morris & David Martin

Anonymous (2)

Strawberry Preserves

The Sostarich Family

Tom & Carrie Lally

Pete & Pat Novosel

Barbara Zurga

In Memory of Kate & Ike Modrcin

Loren & Helen Taylor

St. John's Senior Citizens

Ted & Pam Rusovick

Jim Fracol

Frank & Ljubica Kozar

Mary Gasparovic

Anonymous (3)

Thank you for your generous support!

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2021 Croatian Festival

Donations accepted through Dec. 31, 2021



Donation Form

Our Croatian Festival is back this year. It will be a bit smaller and look a little different - all factors to keep the event as safe as possible. You will still find fun, food and drink, raffles and prizes, music and friendship - all done the Croatian Way!

St. John the Baptist has been fortunate because of your generous support for the maintenance and operations of our parish. Even without a festival, we were able to raise more than \$42,000 to continue the Catholic Croatian legacy.

Again, we ask for your help. Please consider a contribution to the 2021 Support St. John the Baptist. Proceeds are used for our church. Thank you for being part of our community!

YES! I want to help preserve St. John the Baptist and our Catholic Croatian legacy.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Strawberry Fields - \$5,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> Strawberry Shortcake - \$250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Strawberry Hill - \$2,500 | <input type="checkbox"/> Strawberry Preserves - \$100 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Strawberry Patch - \$1,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> Strawberry Seed - \$50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Strawberry Plant - \$500 | <input type="checkbox"/> Strawberry Pie - Choose amount |

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Do you want your name included in publications/social media? Yes No

You may drop this form in the weekly Mass collection with your payment or mail it to:

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Attention: Support SJB
708 N. 4th Street, Kansas City, KS, 66101

Information: 913-291-7539 or OurCroatianParish@gmail.com

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St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

\$5,000 Maxi Raffle

2021 Croatian Festival



Win money and help St. John the Baptist Catholic Church at the same time! Here's how the Maxi Raffle works:

- ✓ \$100 donation, with the winning amount split 50-50 between the winner and the church. If 100 entries are sold, the winner will receive \$5,000.
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- ✓ Entrants will receive a numbered receipt by return mail.

We will draw the winning tickets on Saturday, Aug. 21, 2021, at 708 N. 4th St., KCK, 66101. Winners will be contacted and posted on the church Facebook page.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please mail this form and your check to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Attention: 50/50 Raffle, 708 N. 4th St., KCK, 66101; or you may drop this in the weekend Mass collection basket or the dropbox in the rectory door.

**Information: (913) 669-2493 or
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St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

\$2,500 Mini Raffle

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Sausage Dinner Reservations



2021 Croatian Festival
Saturday, August 21, 2021



(Because of the continued need for indoor distancing, we are not able to offer sarma dinners.)

We are pleased to bring you Sausage dinners. Each dinner is \$15 and includes Croatian sausage, bun, coleslaw, dessert, iced tea and coffee plus your choice of mashed potatoes or Croatian potato salad.

Dinners are only available through advance reservations. Use this form to order! We will try to accommodate your time preference, but reservations are offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

Upon receiving your form and payment, we will confirm your reservation time by email or phone.

Number of dinners to reserve: _____ x \$15 Total: _____

Do you plan to: Eat in the Auditorium _____ Take-out: _____

*(The number of people in the auditorium will be limited due to physical distancing.
Take-out orders must be consumed outside the auditorium.)*

Please indicate time preferences for your reservation. We will confirm reservations by phone or email.

5:00 p.m. _____ 6:00 p.m. _____ 7:00 p.m. _____

5:30 p.m. _____ 6:30 p.m. _____ 7:30 p.m. _____

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

You may drop this form and payment in the weekly Mass collection, the dropbox in the back door of the rectory or by mail to:

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church,
Attention: Sausage Dinner Reservations,
708 N. 4th Street,
Kansas City, KS, 66101

For office use

Payment: _____

Reservation time: _____

Response made by: _____ Email _____ Phone _____

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