

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Father Joseph M Arsenault, SSA, Pastor
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 21-22, 2021



Taste and see the
goodness of the Lord.

Mass Intentions

Aug. 26 - 8 a.m. Thursday Mass
Kristina Baric
Fran Rodina
John Mikesic

Aug. 28 - 4 p.m. Saturday Mass
Milan Gasparovic
Nick and Joe Fabina
George & Kata Trzok

Aug. 29 - 9 a.m. Sunday Mass
St. John's Parishioners

COVID 19 and the Festival

Many of our regular festival attendees have decided to stay home this year, given the surging number of COVID cases. We are glad they are keeping health and safety in mind.

If you attend the festival, please take extra precautions for yourself and others. Masks are required indoors, but we highly recommend them outside as well.

Pull the mask up to eat or drink and then down again! Safety, first!

Our Parish News

Golf Alert!

What a deal! Here is an excuse to play golf on a weekday and support the Strawberry Hill Altar Societies, including our own St. John the Baptist group.

A golf tournament is planned for Monday, Oct. 4, at Sunflower Hills Golf Course. Entry fee is \$100.

Get your group together, take a vacation day and enjoy a wonderful time in the fall sunshine.

Be sure to check out the raffle and take a chance on some fun prizes.

If you are looking to honor a loved one or advertise a business, then become a hole sponsor for \$100.

Let's all support the work of our wonderful Altar Society.

Need more information? Send an email to csandysangels@aol.com or cshomin@everestkc.net.

St. John's Club & Bowling Alley

Our own St. John's Club is a happening place! Take a peek in the newly renovated club.

Bowling leagues are back. And it's a great spot for visiting with friends and having a cold beverage.

Soccer lovers, rejoice! The Club has watch parties when the Croatia team plays. The next party will be Saturday, Sept. 4. Be there at 1 p.m. for food and settle in to watch the game at 1:45 p.m.

By the way, the Club is available to rent for parties. Whether it is for the family or the corporation - everyone loves to bowl and eat.

Information: text (913) 238-9648 or stjohnsmensclub@sbcglobal.net.

Strawberry Hill Museum

The beautiful Victorian home next door to our church is now the Strawberry Hill Museum and Cultural Center.

It has a rich history in our community, first as a family home and later as an orphanage to the children who lost their parents in the 1918 flu epidemic. For many years, it served as the convent for the nuns who taught at St. John's Elementary School.

This building now honors the heritage of many Strawberry Hill ethnicities.

After a long hiatus for the pandemic, the museum will re-open for the Olde World Christmas display on Nov. 6.

Make this part of your holiday traditions - it is a sight worth seeing. The museum is beautifully decorated for the Christmas season.

Stay tuned for ticket information and tour days.

Stay in touch

You can find our bulletin on Facebook at St. John the Baptist Croatian Parish or our website: stjohnthebaptistcatholicchurch.com.

Or, join our email list and have the bulletin delivered to your inbox. Just send a message to OurCroatianParish@gmail.com to be added!

If you are on Facebook, check out Families of Strawberry Hill page, the museum and St. John's Club. You will find the latest news and cool photos and news clippings from our past.



St. Rose of Lima

On Monday, we celebrate the feast day of the first canonized saint of the Western Hemisphere.

St. Rose (1586-1617) lived in Peru when South America was just beginning to learn about the Catholic religion.

Despite her parents wishes, she did not want to marry, but chose to live the life of Christ.

Her mother allowed her to become a member of the Third Order of St. Dominic, but insisted she continue to live at home. There, she spent time in penance and solitude, often wearing a crown of thorns.

Later in life, St. Rose opened her home for children, the elderly and sick.

She was 31 when she died.

Because of her skills in gardening and needlework, St. Rose is the patron of embroiderers, gardeners and florists.

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Weekly Collections	
Aug. 14-15, 2021	
Envelopes:	\$ 3,670
Maintenance:	\$ 409
Candles:	\$ 89
Poor:	\$ 0
The Leaven:	\$ 23
Assumption:	\$ 335

2021 Croatian Festival

Our traditional Croatian Festival is the result of many hours of planning and the dedicated work of many volunteers.

This has been a difficult year as we struggled to determine whether to hold the festival or cancel it. Our goal is to bring the Croatian traditions to the community and to raise funds that support our parish.

Hrvatski Obicaj

After our 4 p.m. Saturday Mass, we are pleased to bring you the sounds of Hrvatski Obicaj.

This group of dedicated musicians perform Tamburitza music shared by many Slavic cultures.

Many members of the group are also St. John the Baptist parishioners and volunteer to play at our festival each year.

Support the group by attending their other performances or purchase a CD of their music.

Find them at kctamburasi.com.

Thank you!

We appreciate the support of our

organizations who help make the festival a success.

The Altar Society oversees the making of delicious apple strudels and poviticas for our prize booths.

The Seniors take charge of the sausage dinner (and sarma, when we have it!).

St. John's Club members help with all the heavy lifting, oversee the salami and poker booths, and take care of the beer trucks.

Your festival committee, which has been led by Chris Schneider for more than 30 years, begins planning in January each year.

We have been very pleased to see our younger parishioners take their place on the committee!

The Financial Report

It will take several weeks before we are able to report the amount of proceeds from the festival.

After we have received some of the bills, we will be able to share the information with the parish.

Thanks to all for the time, support and prayers for our festival.

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Mass Schedule:
4 p.m. Saturday
(August, October, December, February, April & June)
Confessions before Saturday Mass
9 a.m. Sundays
8 a.m. Thursdays

Prayer Line: (913) 281-4448