

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Father Joseph M Arsenault, SSA, Pastor
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sept. 5, 2021



All good giving and every perfect gift is from above,
coming down from the Father of lights...
Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

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Mass Intentions

Sept. 5 - 9 a.m. Sunday Mass
St. John's Parishioners

Sept. 9 - 8 a.m. Thursday Mass
Mary Cavlovic

Please remember! There will be no 4 p.m. Saturday Mass at St. John's during September. The Saturday Mass will be held at Holy Family. It will resume again during October.

Croatian Festival Update

There was no rain and the evening was beautiful. Our 2021 Croatian Festival on Aug. 21 was a success.

Despite a lighter than usual turnout, we raised money for St. John the Baptist and shared our traditions.

Although COVID affected our festival, many people participated from a safe distance through the raffles, donations of prizes and the Support St. John's sponsorships to generate funds for the church.

We send our sincere appreciation to the many volunteers who helped plan the festival, worked the prize and food booths, to those who participated in sponsorships and raffles and contributed the prizes that defray our costs.

We asked, you answered....

Here is a wonderful example of our community participation. For a while, we did not have enough desserts promised. So, we sent out

a call. And, on festival night, there were so many desserts! The next day after Mass, parishioners were invited to the auditorium for a snack!

Thanks to all who responded to our call. Please know that your treats were thoroughly enjoyed!

And the winners are....

Maxi Raffle

\$5,000 - Marty Yadrick
\$2,450 - Jim Jaksetic

Mini Raffle

\$2,500 - Bill Kovach
\$2,500 - Bill Flamank

Strawberry Baskets (3)

Diane Boan
Vince Pemberton
Kathy Hanis

Money Raffle

\$500 - Christine & Bob Braun
\$250 - Jim Jaksetic
\$100 - Tom Lally
\$75 - Walter Zuk
\$50 - George Thomas
\$30 - Chris Schneider

Father Joseph and Father Peter

Our new pastor, Father Joseph M Arsenault, joined the festival and stayed through the evening.

Father Peter Jaramillo, our previous pastor, was also in attendance.

It was great for all of us to visit with our priests!

With gratitude, Francie Sachen

This year, we greatly missed Francie Sachen who retired from her festival committee work after many years.

The committee discovered what a treasure Francie has been - it took several people to do her job!

Thank you, Francie, for your contribution to our festival's success.

The results

We are all excited to hear the outcome of the festival. Stay tuned to your bulletin!

Once everything is totalled and reviewed, we will share a report in a few weeks.

With our Condolences

Our parish mourns the loss of two parishioners. We offer the families of Mrs. Ferrantelli and Mr. Zeljeznjak our prayers and deepest sympathies.

Bernice Fabac Ferrantelli

Bernice Fabac Ferrantelli died Aug. 25, 2021. She was 97.

She attended St. John the Baptist School and Bishop Ward High School.

An accomplished athlete, Bernice was an active participant in CYO sports as a volleyball and basketball coach.

In 1989, she retired from Home State Bank. Before that she worked for Holsum Foods.

Bernice had strong ties to our parish. She served as Altar Society president for many years and belonged to the St. John's Senior Citizens.

She was a member of the Don Lipovac booster club and enjoyed many trips with the group during her retirement. She was a member of both the Croatian Catholic Union and the Croatian Fraternal Union for 79 years. Survivors include her only daughter, Luann, and her husband Larrance. Bernice is preceded in death by her husband Jake Ferrantelli; her parents Izidore and Helen (Krznicaric) Fabac; and siblings Rose Verbon, Mike Fabac, Charlotte Etter, Frank Fabac, Karl Fabac, Catherine Fabac and Elizabeth Fabac.

A Mass of Christian Burial was



held on Aug. 30 at the church, with internment at Mount Calvary Cemetery in Kansas City Kansas.

Mike Zeljeznjak

Mike Zeljeznjak died Aug. 22.

He was born in 1938 in Novaki, Croatia. Thirty years later, he came to the U.S. with his wife and son.

Mike worked as a meat cutter at Sambol Meat Packing Company for 10 years. He then moved to General Motors Fairfax Assembly Plant where he retired in 2004 after 22 years.

He was a member of St. John the Baptist and belonged to the Croatian Federal Union St. Martin's Lodge 14. Mike is survived by his wife of 57 years, Louise; son Zeljko; brother Nikola (Mary) Zeljeznjak; brother-in-law Frank Cavlovic of Canada; and many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents Mirko and Mara Zeljeznjak; sister Ana Zugcic; and brother Ivan Zeljeznjak.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Aug. 28 at the church, with burial at Gate of Heaven Catholic Cemetery.

Our Parish News

Help Wanted!

St. John the Baptist Parish will be seeking a full-time administrative assistant and a part-time bookkeeper. Details will be in *The Leaven's* next edition.

After publication of the classified ad, qualified applicants may submit an application and resume to OurCroatianParish@gmail.com.

Please share this information with those you believe may be interested.

Senior Meeting - Sept. 8

St. John's Seniors will meet at 11 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 8, in the church basement. There will be a potluck lunch. Please wear a mask when you are not eating!

The group meets on the second Wednesday of the month.

Food Kitchen

Our monthly St. Mary's Food Kitchen will be Monday, Sept. 13.

About 200 sack lunches will be served. The government commodities for the hot lunches have been delayed because of Labor Day.

The items needed this month are fruit or pudding cups.

Volunteers are needed each month to serve at the Food Kitchen, beginning at 10:15 a.m. If you can share a few hours of time, email OurCroatianParish@gmail.com or call the church office at (913) 371-0627.

Weekly Collections

	Aug. 21, 2021	Aug. 22, 2021	Aug. 28, 2021	Aug. 29, 2021
Envelopes:	\$ 1704	\$ 1226	\$ 1517	\$ 770
Maintenance:	\$ 519	\$ 55	\$ 125	\$ 35
Candles:	\$ 0	\$ 110	\$ 0	\$ 114
Poor:	\$ 0	\$ 60	\$ 0	\$ 10
The Leaven:	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 46	\$ 46
Assumption:	\$ 0	\$ 50	\$ 0	\$ 0
Mass Intentions:	\$ 0	\$ 60	\$ 0	\$ 0

SLOVENESEST

Holy Family, our sister parish, is set to hold their festival on Saturday, Sept. 25.

There will be a 4 p.m. Saturday Mass, followed by the festivities. It will include a dinner, children's games, prize raffles and music.

Support Holy Family! Find more at holyfamilychurchkck.org.

Church Directory photo appointments now available

Our parish is now accepting appointments for the new church directory photos!

A photo of you and your family will be taken by a professional photographer during the week of Oct. 19. You will receive the directory plus a free 8 x 10 portrait for your participation.

Appointments are now available online. For those who do not have access to a computer, we will assist you by phone.

Time and place

Your appointment will take approximately 10 minutes.

Choose an appointment time that is convenient for you, whether it is at either St. John's or Holy Family.

Tuesday, Oct. 19 and Wednesday, Oct. 20 - 2 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at St. John the Baptist

Thursday, Oct. 21 and Friday, Oct. 22 - 2 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Holy Family

Saturday, Oct. 23 - 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Holy Family



Instructions for making an online appointment:

- ⇒ Visit our church website: stjohnthebaptistcatholicchurch.com.
- ⇒ Click the link on our home page.
- ⇒ On the calendar (left side of the page), choose a date and click on it.
- ⇒ You will see the open appointment times. Choose one and click on it.
- ⇒ Enter your information and submit your request.
- ⇒ You will receive an email to confirm your appointment.
- ⇒ Mark your calendars and arrive for your appointment!

Options

We understand that some parishioners will not be able to come to the church to have a photo taken.

There is an option to submit a photo for the church directory. The photo must be taken by a camera or smartphone and sent digitally.

A professional photo may not be used because of copyright issues.

There is a \$10 cost to submit a photo. Not only will the photo be included in the directory, but you will also receive a copy of the book.

To submit a photo, send it to OurCroatianParish@gmail.com.

No computer access?

If you do not have a computer to make an appointment, we can take your information by phone.

We will begin phone appointments on Monday, Sept. 12.

Check next week's bulletins for the phone numbers!

We appreciate your help in making an appointment online or by phone.

It's Up to You campaign

Pope Francis is on a mission to increase participation in COVID vaccines.

Each individual gesture of charity will transform the world.

"Contributions to ensure the majority of people are vaccinated is an act of love - love for oneself, love for one's family and friends, love for all people," the Holy Father said in an announcement released Aug. 18.

"Thanks to God and to the work of many, we now have vaccines to protect us from COVID-19."

Commit an act of love - get your vaccine now!

The Leaven, Aug. 27, 2021

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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



Croatian Festival 2021

Photos by Max Grisnik

