

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Father Joseph M Arsenault, SSA, Pastor
First Sunday of Advent, Nov. 28, 2021



To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

A sweet memory plus an upcoming Centennial
The Club will be 100 in 2022

The Beginning of A Dream (Source: The St. John's Chimes)

"One summer evening in 1922, a group of young men met on the east lawn of the public library, Sixth and Main (probably Minnesota...). Someone casually mentioned starting a club so they could have a place to meet instead of pool halls and on street corners.

"That was the founding of the St. John's Catholic Club. The boys that talked that evening were Nick "Ty Cobb" Krall, Nick "Corn" Jarnevich, Joseph "Brass" Bartolac, Joseph "Doc" Kostelac, George "Curly" Mikesic, Henry "Hank" Delich, Tony "Lefty" Kostelac, John Tomasic, Joseph "Skinny" Preblic, Charles "Smith" Simatic and Joseph Stimac."

The Club became a reality for the men of St. John's and a great family place to gather and bowl.

Below are the Club's very formally dressed Board of Directors from 1971, nearly a half-century after its inception: Vincent Pemberton, Joseph Grosko, Tony Mikesic, Ray Andrisevic and DeWayne Fanning.



We look forward to bringing you more club history and fun photos during 2022.

This photo, left, was taken from a post on the St. John's Catholic Club Facebook page.

Mass Intentions

Throughout December, the 4 p.m. Saturday Mass will be celebrated at St. John the Baptist Church.

Nov. 28 - 9 a.m. Sunday Mass
St. John's Parishioners

Dec. 4 - 4 p.m. Saturday Mass
Janko Ivicak
Nikola Bert
Miho and Ana Cavlovic
Robert Sullivan

Dec. 8 - Holy Day of Obligation
Solemnity
of the Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Virgin Mary

A list of Masses for this Holy Day will be provided next week.

Thank you, Skradski's

Our Catholic Art Calendars are now available in the church. Pick one up as you attend Mass.

These calendars are provided at no cost to

St. John
the Baptist,
because of



the generosity of Skradski Funeral Home.

Steve Pierce, who owns Skradski's and Muehlebach's, has continued the tradition of supporting our church as the Skradski family did for so many years.

Not only have they provided us with printing and other donations, the Pierce Family is frequently in attendance at church events.

Our Parish News - Christmas Events

Altar Society Brunch - Dec. 5

Members of the Altar Society will celebrate the season with a brunch.

It will be held after the 9 a.m. Sunday Mass on Dec. 5 in the church basement.

Have a wonderful time - and thank you for your time in planning and voluntunings to help our parish.

Seniors Brunch - Dec. 7

St. John's Seniors will gather for the annual Christmas brunch on Tuesday, Dec. 7, at 11 a.m.

The catered lunch will be at the Strawberry Hill Museum.

Note that the day is Tuesday rather than the usual Wednesday. This is because of scheduling at the museum.

Pre-reservations are needed for the caterer. Information: Joanne Lally at (913) 281-4448.

Breakfast with St. Nick! - Dec. 4

Don't miss photos and breakfast with the jolly guy who has a white beard.

It will be 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., Saturday at the museum. Information on the menu and cost is available at strawberryhillmuseum.org.

Go for St. Nick and stay for tours. The Olde World Christmas is now open.

Weekly Collections Nov. 21, 2021

Envelopes:	\$ 2,156
Maintenance:	\$ 210
Candles:	\$ 60
Poor:	\$ 11
Human Development:	\$ 5
Funeral Donations:	\$ 25

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Christmas Dance - Dec. 11

Start your holiday season with music, singing and dancing to the tunes you love.

A *Masked Christmas Dance* will start after the 4 p.m. Mass on Saturday, Dec. 11, in the auditorium.

Listen to the tunes of our beloved Kolograd. This group includes our parishioners and has performed at our festival dances for many years.

The cost is \$10 per person, but kiddos 12 and younger get in free.

Tickets are available at St. John's Catholic Club or at the door.

Yes, of course, there will be food and beverages for purchase, so don't bother to cook.

Put on your kolo shoes and bring a friend. Can't dance? Join the group and someone will guide you along.

Information

Jim Baric - (913) 563-0625

Phil Ashley - (816) 210-9035

Joe Baric - (913) 558-3528

Kenny Yarnevich - (913) 788-9758

Food Drive

Most of us will be enjoying holiday treats this season: fudge and cookies, strudels and povitica, traditional ham or turkey meals with all the trimmings. Ok, and maybe even fruitcake.

Please remember that some in our community will struggle with the bare essentials, if that.

Throughout December, the Altar Society will collect non-perishable canned and boxed items. All food will be given to Catholic Charities.

Drop your contributions in the church basement.

New Mothers Initiative

Raise your hand if you know a little one who has way too much stuff? However, some new moms who do not have the basics. Let's lend a hand!

The Altar Society will collect baby items for the Wyandotte Pregnancy Clinic. Bring baby items - diapers, wipes, onesies, baby shampoo, baby lotion, teething items and small toys - to the church basement.

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Mass Schedule:

9 a.m. Sundays, 8 a.m. Thursdays, *4 p.m. Saturday

Confessions before Saturday Mass

(*Saturday Mass is held at St. John's in August, October, December, February, April & June; it is held at Holy Family in opposite months.)

Prayer Line: (913) 281-4448