# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Father Joseph M Arsenault, SSA, Pastor Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Feb. 20, 2022

I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia, alleluia. *Jn 13:34* 

# Mass Intentions

The 4 p.m. Saturday Mass will be celebrated at St. John's during February.

Feb. 20 - 9 a.m. Sunday Mass Deceased Members of Mikesic Family Mary Livojevic Special Intention Albert Yarnevich

Feb. 24 - 8 a.m. Thursday Mass Matt Thomas Janko Hlade Nikola Kolic

Feb. 27 - 9 a.m. Sunday Mass Edie Kovach William Baric Sr. Mara Kucenic Miro Jadric

Mass intentions are available for the 9 a.m. Sunday and 8 a.m. Thursday services.

If you would like to request an intention, please call the church at (913) 371-0627, or email OurCroatianParish@gmail.com.

Father Joseph's column "Keeping in Touch" will return next week.



St. Mark's Church, Zagreb, is believed to have been built as early as the 13th Century. On the roof, the tiles represent the Triune Kingdom of Croatia, Slavonia and Dalmatia (left), and the coat of arms of Zagreb (right). Photo credit: Ante Odak. Source: CroatiaWeek.com.

# Lent begins on March 2 - Ash Wednesday

Lent will begin with Ash Wednesday on March 2. It continues through sundown on Holy Thursday.

We will share the schedule for receiving ashes next week. In future bulletins, we will bring you information about Lent and Easter services.

Throughout the 40 days, we are asked to pray, fast and give alms to help us prepare for the Lord's Resurrection at Easter.

We seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting.

During Lent, we are called to abstain from luxuries (think chocolate) and also to create a true inner

conversion of our heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully.

### **Obligations for Lent**

Catholics who are age 14 and older should abstain from meat on Fridays during Lent.

Fasting is an obligation on both Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for those who are 18 through 59.

This is excused for anyone who is ill, pregnant or nursing, or for whom fasting would jeopardize health.

Fasting is eating one meal during the day with two smaller portions (like snacks) and nothing between meals.

# Our Parish News

# Jake - keep getting better!

Jake Sutulovich, the patriarch of St. John's Catholic Club, is thankfully on the mend.

Nicky Tomasic III reports that Jake has been released from the hospital and he misses the Club very much.

Jake says hello to his friends at St. John's and sent a big thank you for all of the cards and good wishes.

He can now have visitors. His address for visits and greetings is Advent Health Care Center, Room 108, 6501 W. 75th St., Overland Park, KS, 66204.

We are happy to hear good news about Jake's recovery!

# Parish Office is now open!

Loren Tran is now manning our parish office.

It is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The phones are up and running.

We are pleased to have Loren with us. He has been working with the many volunteers who have been pitching in since the retirement of Phyllis Hampton.

Feel free to stop in or call to say hello and welcome!

# Church Directory - it's getting closer!

All of the photos and documents from St. John's have been submitted to the directory company.

We had 14 people who submitted their personal photos - and so far, 11 have sent their \$10 fee! If you have not sent your fee, please do so!

Again, we appreciate everyone's patience as we update the directory. The last booklet was published in 2014 and is very much out of date.

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#### Mass Schedule:

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

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

PRAYER LINE: (913) 281-4448

# Quick reminder about candles

All of the proceeds from lighting candles in our church help St. John's.

Unfortunately, the price of purchasing big candles has gone up - and now the cost of lighting the candles has also increased.

So, the new donation for large candles will be \$5 each (compared with the previous contribution of \$3.)

We apologize and appreciate your understanding.

If you prefer the small candles, the cost remains the same at 50 cents.

#### **Lenten Shrimp Dinners**

Mark your calendars for the annual shrimp dinners sponsored by St. John's Catholic Club.

Check off two Fridays when you don't need to worry about cooking and cleaning up. Instead, come on down for food and fellowship.

Two dates are scheduled: March 4 and April 8, both begin at 5:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

Price is \$18 per person and the menu is jumbo shrimp, corn, potatoes, hush puppies, bread and salad. Beverages will be available for purchase.

Want in? Book your tickets by calling the club at (913) 371-9690, or contact Larry Steele at (913) 956-2096.

### **Bulletin changes**

Our weekly bulletin will change to the pre-pandemic look in the coming weeks. Distribution will continue to be the same - via email, web and Facebook.

Weekly Collections				
		12, 2022	Feb. 13, 2022	
Envelopes:	\$	2,423	\$	1,271
<b>Building Fund:</b>	\$	977	\$	400
Candles:	\$	79	\$	88
Poor:	\$	-	\$	36
Mass Intentions:	\$	-	\$	60
<b>Priest's Retirement:</b>	\$	25	\$	-
Donation:	\$	-	\$	
Food Kitchen:	\$	-	\$	250
Funeral Donation: (Janko Hlade)	\$	490	\$	60 -