

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church



22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time * August 28, 2022 * Luke 14:1, 7-314

Parish Office:

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Sacraments:

Confession at 3 pm before Saturday Mass or call for appointment

Parish Staff:

Fr. Joseph M. Arsenault, SSA, Pastor

Sr. Mary Michael MacChesney

Mr. Stuart Taylor, Music Director

Mrs. Wendy Christ, Administrative Assistant

Mass Schedule:

Saturday at 4pm

(at St. John the Baptist parish in August)

Sunday at 9am

Thursday at 8 am

Parish Ministries:

Finance Council

Richard Sambol

Parish Council

Don Taylor

Altar Society

Kelly Moutray

St. John's Club

Ken Yarnevich 913-371-9690

Prayer Line

(913) 281-4448



In Loving Memory

Katherine Erin Suljak, 59 of Basehor, Kansas passed away at home with her family by her side on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 after a long fight with pancreatic cancer. Kathy was born November 21, 1962 in Mrzljaki, Croatia to **Mike and Mary (Livojevic) Suljak**. Her family came to the United States on September 11, 1967. Kathy and her sister Mirica, both attended St. John the Baptist and Bishop Ward High School. In 1985 she met the love of her life Jerome Mulich at Commercial National Bank and have been together ever since. She loved her Thursday nights at Mamas playing games and helping each other get thru the loss of their daughter and sister Mirica in 2017. Sunday dinners at Mama Suljak's were a constant. Before the pandemic, Kathy and her friends from kindergarten met once a month at some one's home. The timing was devastating for the ladies because they didn't get to see Kathy thru chemo and radiation. She loved the Chiefs! Kathy had a beautiful soul and will be deeply missed by her family and friends. Surviving her are her mother Mary, Jerome, aunts and uncles, brother-in-laws and sister-in-laws, nieces and nephews and many cousins. Preceding her was her father Mike, sister Mirica and grandparents. A Christian Burial Mass was held on Wednesday August 24th at St. John the Baptist church.



Elizabeth "Bette" Ann Curtin, 79, of Kansas City, Kansas passed peacefully at home after fighting a battle with Alzheimer's/dementia for the last 2 years. Born in KCMO at St Joseph hospital, and receiving her high school diploma at Metropolitan Community College in Omaha. She attended college at Omaha College of health careers and got her diploma as a medical assistant in July 1976. Prior to the diploma she worked at St Margaret's in KCKs, McPike drug Co., and Pamida Co. She returned to Kansas City in 1976 and started her career with Drs' McFarland, Lehner, Nickell and Lopata in a private office. In 1992 she moved to St Lukes Internal Medicine on the Plaza at there inception, working as a Medical Assistant until her retirement in 2007. Bette was a member at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic church for 35 years. She served on Parish council, Liturgy council, women's club, Eucharistic minister, Sacristan, funeral dinner coordinator and served with the St. Mary's food kitchen. She most loved teaching religious education to the children, communion to the homebound and taught Bible study. She is preceded in death by her parents Nellie and James and her sister Dorathy, and infant daughter Brenda Marie. She is survived by a brother Robert (Sharon) and a sister Mary K (Jim) and two sons Steven, **Danny (Wendy)** a her daughter Brenda. Grandchildren Hannah and Rachel Uziel, Deborah Christ, Jeremy Christ, Ashlee Christ and multiple great grandkids. A Christian Burial Mass was held on Saturday August 27th at Holy Name of Jesus church with interment at Mt. Calvary cemetery.



Keeping In Touch

As I mentioned last week, this weekend we celebrate the feasts of **St. Monica and St. Augustine**. It is no surprise that this is a major feast for us Augustinians. As we know, St. Augustine in his younger years led a very sinful life. His dear mother, Monica, loved her son and was very worried for him. She spent years praying that he would have a conversion and draw closer to the Lord. Her prayers were certainly answered and Augustine became a great Saint. I have to admit that I often refer to him as the "Saint of second chances." His life and writings are a great gift to the Universal Church. One of his famous sayings is "Our hearts are restless until they rest in God." This saying speaks to us not only of his journey, but of our own. As we recall his memory, may we continue together to seek God and in seeking Him, may we find Him. On Sunday afternoon, Fr. Peter and I will be joined by an Augustinian priest from California, as well as the Augustinian sisters from Topeka for an afternoon of celebrating St. Augustine. Please pray that as we gather together we may not only celebrate this great Saint who inspires us, but that we may also live more deeply the way of life that he gives to us that leaves us ever closer to God. On this great feast, I leave you with these words of Augustine, "To fall in love with God is the greatest romance. To seek Him, the greatest adventure. To find Him, the greatest human achievement."

Blessings in Christ and St. Augustine,
Fr. Joseph M. Arsenault, SSA, Pastor

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, August 28-22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9am- John F. Mikesic
Sestric & Pavlic Family
Mike Zeljeznjak
Frank, George, Ivan, Ana, Jim Brajkovic



Monday, Aug. 29- Passion of St. John the Baptist

Thursday, September 1-

8am- Special Intention
Bernice Kovac
Manja & Janko Pukovic
Ana & Stjepan Jagodic

Saturday, September 3- St. Gregory the Great

4pm- Vigil Mass at Holy Family
SJB and HF parishioners

Sunday, Sept. 4- 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9am- Petar Baric
Mike Skradski
Clarence & Rose Rupp
Barbara Jaksetic

LITURGICAL MINISTRY FOR AUG/SEPT

August 27-28, 2022

Lectors: L. & R. Worner; A. Dordevic & M. Viskovic
Eucharistic Ministers: S. Morrow; M. Tomasic
Servers: A. Morrow; I. Dordevic
Sacristans: T. Jaksetic & B. Horvat; P. Mikesic & P. Hill

September 4, 2022

Lectors: G. Garcia, M. Viskovic
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Garcia
Servers: A. Garcia
Sacristans: G. Garcia

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	<u>Sat. 8/20/2022</u>	<u>Sun. 8/21/2022</u>
Envelopes/Loose:	4859.00	493.00
Building Fund:	1070.00	
Candles:	56.00	98.25
Poor Box:		6.00
Special Envelopes:	33.00	23.00
Mass Intentions:		
Food Kitchen:		
In Memory of:		350.00
(Catherine Podrebarac)		



A Blessed and Happy Birthday to **Heather Rebeck** from St. John the Baptist parish. May your life continue to bless others around you like our Blessed Mother Mary.

Upcoming Events/Reminders

Winners Announcement From Parish Festival '22

Maxi-5000	Richard Deitchman
Maxi-2200	Paula Jakovac
Mini-2500	Kathy Dumovich Kovac
Mini-2500	Mary Hoytal
Basket-1	Kathy Zeleznak
Basket-2	Alicia Zamora
Basket-3	Tamara Borisouth
Raffle-30	John Rebeck
Raffle-50	Cathy Schneider
Raffle-75	Al Boan
Raffle-100	Joan Jakska
Raffle-250	Cooper Sachen
Raffle-500	Karolyn Tomasic

Croatian American Social Club Annual Picnic

The second annual members picnic will be on *August 28, 2022 at 1pm at Wyandotte County Park* (Shelter D). Contact *Denny Tokic (913) 488-9976*

Holy Family 14th Annual Slovenefest

Holy Family Catholic Church, 274 Orchard, KCKS 66101, will celebrate their 14th annual Slovenefest on *Sat. Sept. 24* with Holy Mass at 4pm and festival starts at 5pm-10pm at Msgr. Mejak Hall, gym, and school grounds at 513 Ohio, KCK. There will be Slovenian dinner, children and adult games, silent auction, cultural booth, and a mega raffle. Entertainment includes The Brian McCarty and Hrvatski Obicaj. Contact Cathy Schneider at *913-620-2803*

Food Kitchen

Desserts, volunteers and donations are appreciated. Desserts are to be dropped off in the church basement on *9/11*. Please place a note on top that indicates Food Kitchen. Please pick up baking pans you left from last time. Meet us at the *Willa Gill Center at 8:30am* if interested in volunteering on *Monday September 12th*.

Coffee and Donut Sunday

The event will be hosted by the Altar Society in the church basement *after the 9am Mass on Sunday September 4th*. Please come and join the parish for fellowship and updates from other parishioners.

Monthly Senior Luncheon

Come join us for fellowship with bingo, prizes, and lunch on *Wednesday 9/14 starting at 11am* in the church basement.

National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

Saturday, Sept. 10 at 11am-12:30pm at Gate of Heaven Catholic Cemetery, 126th St. and Parallel Parkway, Kansas City, Kansas (Starting in the Chapel)

Shalom House Men's Transition Living Program at Sanctuary of Hope

The facility is nearly ready to reopen! Help provide a safe stable home for men experiencing homelessness. Become an Adopt-A-Room sponsor for our newly relocated and renovated Shalom House Men's Transitional Living Program at Sanctuary of Hope in Kansas City, Kansas. Your gift will help shelter up to 60 men while they engage in life-changing education, employment and other supportive services. For more information please contact Kurtis Grothoff at KGrothoff@catholiccharitiesks.org

Young Catholic Professionals

Come and join YCP for an upcoming Panel Q&A on Sept. 7th from 5:30pm-8pm at St Charles Borromeo parish at 900 NE Shady Ln Dr., KCMO 64118, for a discussion about human dignity and what it means to practice that virtue in daily life.