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 Holy Family parish in September)

Sunday at 9am Thursday at 8 am **Parish Ministries:**

Prayer Line

Finance Council Richard Sambol **Parish Council Don Taylor Altar Society Kelly Moutray** St. John's Club Ken Yarnevich 913-371-9690

(913) 281-4448



The parish would like to congratulate Isaiah & Zuleyka Garcia on their marriage at St. John the Baptist church on September 10, 2022. Isaiah is the son of parishioners Gerry and Michelle Garcia. Your marriage honors God and brings so much joy to friends and family.



Mary Suljak would like to say thank Yery Special you to St John's parishioners for their kind expression of sympath their kind expression of sympathy & thoughtfulness on the death of her daughter, Kathy. It is deeply appre-

ciated and will always be remembered by her and the family. A special Thank You to Fr. Joseph Arsenault, the choir, the funeral dinner committee, and family & friends for their donations.

George & Betty Dragush for sharing fresh produce from your garden with all the parishioners after Sunday Mass.

Please submit any bulletin news and events by Thursday morning to the Parish office by phone or email.



Nicholas of Tolentine (1245-1305) was a simple priest and Augustinian friar who touched the lives of many. His spirit of prayer, penance, austerity of life and devotion to the Holy Souls were notable. His preaching brought many to Christ. As a priest

and religious, he was full of charity towards his brother Augustinians as well as towards the people to whom he ministered. He visited the sick and cared for the needy. He was a noted preacher of the Gospel. He gave special attention to those who had fallen away from the Church. People considered him a miracle worker. He often fasted and performed other works of penance. He spent long hours in prayer. The story is told that, one day, having fasted for a long time, Nicholas was physically weak. While at prayer, Jesus told him to eat some bread marked with a cross and soaked in water in order to regain his strength. Thus arose the Augustinian custom of blessing and distributing Saint Nicholas Bread in his memory. Another story relates that Nicholas, while asleep in bed, heard the voice of a deceased friar he had known. This friar told Nicholas that he was in Purgatory, and urged him to celebrate the Eucharist for him and other souls there, so that they would be set free by the power of Christ. Nicholas did so for seven days. The friar again spoke to Nicholas, thanking him and assuring him that a large number of souls were now with God. Because of this Nicholas was proclaimed patron of the souls in Purgatory. He is also considered the patron saint against epidemic disease and against fires. During most of his adult life, Nicholas lived in Tolentine, Italy. There he died September 10, 1305. Canonized in 1446 by Pope Eugene IV, Nicholas is the first Augustinian friar to be canonized

after the Grand Union of the Order of St. Augustine in 1256. The remains of St. Nicholas are preserved at the Shrine of Saint Nicholas in the city of Tolentine.





Keeping In Touch

As I am sure you have all heard by now, this past week her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II passed away. I'm sure it will not be a great surprise knowing that I was born and raised in Canada, but I am very sad at the death of the Queen.

She was a marvelous woman whose leadership and wisdom made myself and my fellow Canadians proud to call her our Queen. Not only was she a great Monarch, but she was also a woman of faith. As I give thanks for her leadership and her life, I entrust her to the mercy of God. May she rest in peace.

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



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Sept. 11-24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9am- John F. Mikesic Drago Zeljeznjak

> Zvonko & Dragica Zeljeznjak Mirko & Marica Zeljeznjak

Thursday, September 15- Our Lady of Sorrows

8am- Bernice Kovac

Paul & Dellaverne Harris Max & Lola Stimac Bette Curtin



Saturday, September 17-

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

Sunday, Sept. 18-25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9am- Anna & Matt Modrcin

Joe, Mijo,Veronika Sudac Ivan, Luise, John Brozenic

Suljak Family

LITURGICAL MINISTRY - SEPTEMBER

September 11, 2022

Lectors: M. Viskovic, R. Sambol Eucharistic Ministers: N. Gasparovic

Servers: M. Viskovic Sacristans: B. Horvat

September 18, 2022

Lectors: A. Dordevic, A. Garcia Eucharistic Ministers: M. Tomasic Servers: A. Morrow, I. Dordevic Sacristans: P. Mikesic, P. Hill

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

 Sun. 9/4/2022

 Envelopes/Loose:
 2151.00

 Building Fund:
 802.00

 Candles:
 113.00

 Poor Box:
 10.00

 Special Envelopes:
 301.00

 Mass Intentions:
 130.00

 In Memory of:
 730.00

(Katherine Suljak)



The Prodigal Son

Repentance Is Key to Restoration

Upcoming Events/Reminders

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*.

Monthly Senior Luncheon (Potluck)

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

Strawberry Hill Museum Court Yard Sale

The Museum will be having a Yard Sale on September 17, 2022, from 8am-4pm at 720 N. 4th Street, Kansas City, Kansas 66101, 913-371-3264. For more details, check out the website at www.strawberryhillmuseum.org

Strawberry Hill Altar Societies Golf Tournament

The tournament will be held *Monday, Oct. 3rd* at the Sunflower Hills Golf Course in Bonner Springs. The 4 person scramble will begin with a shotgun start at 1:00 pm. The cost is \$100/golfer and includes green fees, cart rental, snacks, dinner, prizes, and all beverages. We welcome anyone who would like to play (even if you don't have a teamwe will create a team)! We will also welcome any volunteers to help! Everyone is invited to participate in the raffle. All Proceeds from the tournament benefit the SJB, HF, and SMSA Altar Societies and the services they provide to the Parishes and Community. If you have any questions, please contact *Kelly Moutray at 816-863-4414* or

email kelmoutray@gmail.com

Croatian/Polish Palooza

October 15, 2022 1-5 pm at Moose Lodge KCK 1999, 6621 Turner Drive, \$15/person with performances by Hrvatski Obicaj Tammburasi!

Volunteers Needed- (Tour) Friends of Sacred Structures

Our Parish will be participating with *Friends of Sacred Structures* for Tours on October 16th 2:30 pm-5pm. I am needing 5-6 volunteers that day! Please contact **Wendy** in the parish office for details. Call 913-371-0627 or email ourcroatianparish@gmail.com

Resurrection_Catholic School's Annual Fall Raffle

Win \$1,500 1st prize, \$500 2nd prize, \$250 3rd prize Proceeds will help support *RCS budgeted items*. The prize drawing will take place on **October 7th** after the Walk-athon. The winners will be announced on Facebook and by phone also. Tickets are \$5 each and will be sold after *Mass on 9/18,9/25,10/2*. Tickets may also be purchased online at rcskck.org or by mailing payments to the school at 425 N 15th St., KCK 66102

Festival T-shirts for sale-

If you didn't get a chance to purchase a t-shirt from the *Croatian Festival* you still can do so by visiting the parish office during the hours 8:30 am-5pm M-F