



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Third Sunday Of Lent~ March 12, 2023 John 17:1-9

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 4 pm

(at St. John the Baptist in February)

Sunday at 9 am

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



Feast of St. Patrick - March 17

Saint Patrick, pray for us!



Keeping In Touch

This past week has been yet another busy week. Besides the normal busy-ness on Thursday, we had a gathering of all the priests concerning our policies dealing with sexual abuse. Since this deals in part with Canon Law I had to give part of the presentation regarding how the law has changed recently in this regard. As a church and as an Archdiocese, we are trying to do everything that we can to provide and promote a safe environment for everyone, especially our young people. On another note you will notice that I am not here this weekend. After the meeting of the priests, I headed to the airport to begin a trip to Canada. I am going up to spend the weekend with my mother who will turn 80 on Sunday. Please say a prayer for my safe travels and that I don't run into a snowstorm. Be assured, as always that you will be remembered in my prayers at masses while I am away. I will see you all next weekend (yes, it is a short trip). As a final note, next Friday we will celebrate St. Patrick. This is always great celebration for the Irish and indeed for everyone. Please take note of the dispensation that Archbishop Naumann has granted with regards to abstaining from meat on the Friday of March 17. As we celebrate St. Patrick, let us remember how he brought Christianity to Ireland and let us follow his example and share our great faith with all those we encounter not only on St. Patrick's Day, but indeed every-day as he did.

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

Welcome **Rev. Greg Schmitt**
C.S.S.R. who will be with us to celebrate Masses and tell us about the work of Unbound, a lay Catholic sponsorship ministry that helps children and elderly in 18 developing countries. To learn more, call (800) 875-6564 or visit **Unbound** online at www.unbound.org.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, March 12- Third Sunday of Lent

9am- Charles "Jake" Sutulovich
Novica Nikolic
Dorothy Kladusan
Kathleen Kosorog Daniels

Thursday, March 16-

8am- Vera Mikic
Millie Bartolac
Galen Koch

Saturday, March 18- St. Cyril of Jerusalem

4pm- Vigil Mass at Holy Family
St. John's and Holy Family
parishioners



Sunday, March 19- Fourth Sunday of Lent

9am- Frank Stimac
Franklin Paul Stimac
Marica Black
Katherine Suljak

LITURGICAL MINISTRY MARCH

March 12, 2023

Lectors: C. Schneider, M. Piskuric
Eucharistic Ministers: S. Morrow
Servers: A. Morrow
Sacristans: S. Sandelich, G. Garcia

March 19, 2023

Lectors: V. Tomasic, V. Dordevic
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Tomasic
Servers: A. Morrow, M. Viskovic
Sacristans: H. Rebeck, W. Christ

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Sun. 03/06/2023

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| Envelopes/Loose: | 3359.56 |
| Building Fund: | 805.00 |
| Candles: | 147.50 |
| Poor Box: | 36.00 |
| Priest Retirement: | 100.00 |
| Mass Intentions: | 200.00 |
| Central Eastern Europe: | 5.00 |
| Earthquake Relief Turkey & Syria: | 200.00 |
| In Memory of: (Rose Brooks) | 900.00 |
| Catholic Relief: | 70.00 |
| Easter Flowers: | 110.00 |
| Food Kitchen: | 50.00 |



~Rosary Rally~
March 12, 2023
3:00 pm-4:15 pm
Holy Cross
8311 W. 93rd St.
Overland Park, KS
66212

Prayer Requests



Becky Horvat, George Fracul, Karen Novak, Maria Peresic, Ana Piskuric, Enzina Reynolds, Chris Braun, Sr. Mary John, Jennifer Vallejo, Barbara Hotajac, for all those who suffer from addictions, cancer, mental health issues, for those who are serving time in prison, and anyone else in need of our prayers.



Sister Barbara Kushan, 81, a **Sister of Charity of Leavenworth (SCL)** for almost 62 years, died on *March 1, 2023*, at Ross Hall, Leavenworth, Kansas. Sister Barbara dedicated 44 years of her ministry to education. Barbara was born *Sept. 6, 1941*, in Kansas City, Kansas, the younger of two children of **John and Genevieve (Stempski) Kushan**. She professed vows as **Sister Ivan Marie** on *Aug. 9, 1969*.

She later returned to her baptismal name. Sister Barbara enjoyed celebrations with lots of family and friends and good Croatian and Polish food. There will be a vigil service at *7 p.m., Tuesday, March 14*, in **Ross Chapel, SCL Mother House, Leavenworth**. Mass of Resurrection will be celebrated in **Ross Chapel** at *10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 15*. Interment will follow in **Mount Olivet Cemetery, Mother House** grounds. Memorial contributions can be made to the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth, 4200 S. 4th St., Leavenworth, KS 66048.

"If your gift is serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, teach well." Romans 12:7

~Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon her. May the soul of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

Upcoming Events

Food Kitchen

Food Kitchen date is for **March 13th**. Desserts may be dropped off in the church basement the weekend before or the day of at the **Willa Gill Center** (645 Nebraska Ave) after 8:30. There is a desperate need for volunteers to help serve from 11-12:30. Financial donations can also be made. Checks can be made to St. John the Baptist Church with a designation for the food kitchen.

St. Bernadette's Circle

Members of the circle are invited to come to the meeting on **Tuesday March 14th at 6 pm** in the church basement. Not a member, but want to become a member? Call the office for more information 913-371-0627 ask for Wendy.

The Altar Society will have our first meeting of the year on **Sunday March 19th**, following 9am Mass. Our annual Palm Sunday Bake Sale will be on **April 1st and April 2nd** following Mass. Lots of yummy Croatian baked items will be available for purchase. Apple Strudels will be for sale \$15/strudel with a limit of 3/person. The **St. Bernadette circle** will have a craft table with some wonderful gifts during the Palm Sunday Bake Sale. Proceeds go towards a quilt for the upcoming festival. Continue to Save your Best Choice Labels and drop them in the box in the vestibule of the church.

Lenten Shrimp Dinners

Come join us for our Lenten Shrimp dinners on **Friday March 24 at 5:30pm** in the gym of **St. Johns**. Cost of dinner is \$20.00 per person and will include jumbo shrimp, corn on the cob, potatoes, hush puppies, salad and bread. RSVP by contacting the Club 913-371-9690 or **Larry Steele** 913-956-2096.



In this year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Three, the optional memorial of **St. Patrick** falls on Friday of the Third week of Lent. The memory of this saint, who was a missionary Bishop to Ireland during the fifth century, is not only celebrated in Ireland but indeed throughout the world and especially here in the United States. In light of this, and in memory of this great saint who brought Christianity to Ireland, I hereby Dispense from the obligation to abstain from meat on *Friday, March 17, 2023*, all the faithful of the Archdiocese as well as all those who may be visiting or travelling through the Archdiocese on that day. While no one is obliged to use this dispensation, anyone who does choose to use the dispensation and eat meat on that Friday, I exhort them to choose another day that week in which they may perform an act of penance (abstain from meat or do an act of charity, an exercise of piety, or some other penance).
Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
5:30p.m. every Friday during Lent
at St. John the Baptist (Croatian)

"By the sweat of your brow you shall eat bread, Until you return to the ground, from which you were taken; For you are dust, and to dust you shall return."
- Genesis 3:19



Makes 4 servings

**CRISPY PANCAKES RECIPE
 - VIETNAM**

For Pancakes

1 c rice flour
 1 c water
 1 c coconut milk
 ½ tsp salt
 1 tsp turmeric
 1 scallion, sliced thin
 Oil (for cooking)

For Vietnamese Dipping Sauce (Nuoc Cham)

6 Tbsp warm water
 2 Tbsp sugar
 2 Tbsp lime juice
 2 Tbsp fish sauce
 1 garlic clove, minced
 1 red chili, minced

For The Filling

2 c fresh bean sprouts
 ½ lb small shrimp, peeled
 6 scallions, sliced
 Mint and cilantro for garnish

For The Vietnamese Rice Flour Pancakes Mix all pancake batter ingredients together in a large bowl until smooth. Let the mixture stand for 30 minutes while you prepare the other ingredients. For The Vietnamese Dipping Sauce (Nuoc Cham) Mix all the dipping sauce ingredients. Set aside.

To Prepare the Filling Preheat a 9 inch, non-stick skillet with a lid over medium heat. Add the bean sprouts and cook until most of the moisture has evaporated. Remove the sprouts from the pan and set aside. Increase the heat to medium high. Add 1 tsp of oil to the skillet. Add the shrimp and cook for 2-3 minutes, until cooked through. Add the scallions and sauté for 1-2 minutes. Remove the mixture from the pan and set aside.

To Make the Pancakes Add ½ tsp of oil to the skillet (if it looks dry) and pour about ½ c of the batter into the hot pan, tilting the pan quickly to create an even layer of batter that coats the pan. Distribute some of the cooked filling and bean sprouts over half of the batter and cover the skillet for 2-3 minutes, until the edges begin to brown. Remove the lid and reduce the heat to medium, cooking until the bottom of the pancake is crispy, 3-5 minutes. Once the bottom of the pancake is golden and crispy, fold the pancake in half over the filling. Transfer to a plate and serve. Continue with the remaining batter and filling, adding a little oil as needed before pouring the batter.

Christ the King Church in *Kansas City, KS*, located at 53rd and Leavenworth Road, is hosting a monthly all-night adoration, Mass, and procession to beg for the protection of the unborn and the conversion of those seeking and providing abortions. The next Vigil and Mass will take place starting

Friday, March 17th from 7 p.m. till 8 a.m. on Saturday the 18th, followed by a bilingual Mass. Confessions will be available during Mass. Then, we'll take a short walk down Leavenworth Road to the **Planned Parenthood** clinic where we will pray until 10am. Please join us for part or all of this work to end abortion in Wyandotte County, in Kansas, and the whole country. We are looking for adorers throughout the night, particularly able-bodied men to anchor the safety of the night hours. Please contact the **Christ the King** office to sign up for a slot: 913.287.8823 (call or text) contact@ctkkck.org

Lenten Silent Retreat:
Blessings of the Beatitudes
Christ's Peace House of Prayer

22131 Meager Rd., Easton

Friday, March 17th at 5:30pm -

Sunday, March 19th at 4:30pm

Join us this Lent as we follow the blessed path that **Jesus** laid out for our sanctification. **God** created us to live a life that leads us to the beatific vision. Living the beatitudes allows us to overcome our transgressions against divine law, regain our spiritual health, and bring us face to face with our loving God. There are conferences, Eucharistic Adoration, Mass, Confession and time for private prayer, reflection and walking. Cabins/Courtyard Rooms: \$170 Single/\$250 Couple or Single Guest Rooms: \$100 (Meals Included). To attend, fill out the Individual Retreat Form at ChristsPeace.com or call 913.773.8255.

The Office of Evangelization of the Archdiocese of Kansas, in collaboration with

Sophia Spiritually Center, will like to invite all the women to a **Lenten Multicultural Retreat** on *Sunday, April 16th from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.* at the **Sophia Center** in Atchison. The Retreat is bilingual. Let's reach across the English-Spanish language barrier to extend mercy, healing, and hope to each other. This **Divine Mercy Sunday** experience will include Mass with the Benedictine Sisters, brunch, and contemplative experiences. Join us for what promises to be rich multicultural interaction and sharing. For more information, use this link [Catholic Woman Retreat](http://CatholicWomanRetreat.com). For questions, contact the Evangelization Office. **Karla Melgar**. kmelgar@archkck.org (913) 328-2600

Grab your friends, family, youth group, and chaperones and register for this year's RCYC

which will be held *March 25-26, 2023* at **Prairie Star Ranch**. Expect everything like a big conference, but smaller screens and better food. We can't wait to see you there! Please see the flier and find more information at: <https://archkck.org/rural/events/rcyc/>

Renewed by His Love: Women's Conference on Healing and Forgiveness

May 4-6, 2023 @ Holy Trinity Catholic Church in

*Lenexa KS **May 4th- 5pm-9:30pm May 5th- 6-10pm***

May 6th- 8am-4pm We all have something in our lives that is broken — that needs to be mended, fixed or healed. Jesus longs to wrap His arms lovingly around us, healing broken relationships with God, broken relationships with others and broken parts of ourselves. As women, we tend to put everyone else's needs ahead of our own, sometimes including our spiritual needs. Join us to experience **Christ's Divine Mercy** and the power of healing and forgiveness in your life. We will have exposition of the **Blessed Sacrament**, adoration, & opportunities for reconciliation, as well as a wine and cheese social Friday evening. **Archbishop Naumann** will also celebrate Mass with us. Presenters include **Fr. Joel Haug, Sr. Bethany Madonna & Mr. Andrew Comiskey** Early registration for \$85 ends March 19. Regular registration is \$125. More information: www.catholicwomensconferencekc.com



This life-giving event began in 2017 and has been a real gift to many retreatants. It is held at **Prairie Star Ranch** on *April 28-30th*. You will find speakers that inspire, sacraments that draw you to the heart of Christ and fellowship with other women. This retreat offers large group and break out sessions individual reflection, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, free time, friendship, laughter, and joy! Here you will find the space to relax rejuvenate and reconnect. Come enjoy the beauty of God's creation at Prairie Star Ranch and the gift of sharing life with other women seeking the heart of Jesus. Below is the link for all of the information and to register:

https://archkck.org/camp-tekakwitha-womensretreat/?fbclid=IwAR2_Xvj5Boljh9K39vMcP1r7J0s6wmithcCE1vAXskwVdS_gSdACnm6ZT3I

Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann and Bishop James V. Johnston will concelebrate a special Mass with Anointing of the Sick and ritual blessing of the sick, in the manner done at Lourdes, France, on Saturday, March 11, 2023 at 10:00 AM at Cure of Ars Parish, 94th and Mission Road, Leawood, Kansas. Mass will be preceded by the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 9:00 to 9:45 AM. We encourage anyone who is sick, suffering, chronically ill, and their caregivers, to attend. All those attending will receive prayer cards and Lourdes water to take home. A short reception will be held after the Mass. To facilitate planning, please send the names of those who wish to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick to maltakc@yahoo.com or contact Doug Rivard at 913-620-1759.

St. Joseph Adoption Novena

March 11-19

*Praying For All
Who Travel
Upon the Path
of Adoption*



respectlife.org/adoption-novena



Archbishop Naumann will be offering a series of weekly Lenten reflections on the narrative of Christ's Passion found in the Gospel of John. A reflection will be posted Monday of each week of Lent, along with transcriptions and study guides in English and Spanish. They are encouraged for personal meditation and/or group study through the Lenten season. **Archbishop's** reflections can be accessed at: <https://archkck.org/oe/lenten-reflections/>
Jesus' Passion in the Gospel of John
(Chapters 18-19)

Week 3 of Lent – Interrogation before Pilate in John 18:28-40 (posts 3/13)

Week 4 of Lent – Jesus is Condemned in John 19:1-16 (posts 3/20)

Week 5 of Lent – Jesus is Crucified in John 19:17-30 (posts 3/27)

Holy Week – Testimony in John 19:31-42 (posts 4/3)

⚡ RESURRECTION FAMILY NIGHT ⚡

CHILI DINNER & BINGO

Saturday, March 25th

Bishop Forst Hall at St. Mary - St. Anthony Church
615 N. 7th St. | Kansas City, KS 66101

EVENT TIMELINE (5-8 PM)

- **5:00 PM:** Doors open. Silent auction and 50/50 raffle begin.
- **5:45 PM:** Bingo begins. There will be 10 games.
- **7:45 PM:** Silent auction and 50/50 raffle end. Drawing takes place before 8 P.M.



Menu:

Chili Bowl: \$5
Chili Dog: \$5
Hot Dog: \$2
Beer: \$2
Soda/Water: \$1
Popcorn: \$1

A message from the Office for Protection & Care

If you suspect abuse...

First, make a confidential report to the Kansas Protection Report Center at (800) 922-5330.

Call law enforcement if the person is in immediate danger or injured.

Next, if the suspected abuse involves a cleric, employee, or volunteer of the Archdiocese, call the Archdiocesan Confidential Report Line at (913) 647-3051 or visit archkck.org/reportabuse.

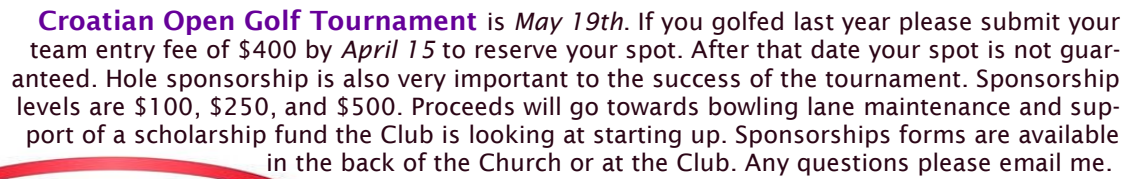


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We are a community committed to preventing abuse. Our policies and programs prioritize safety of children and the vulnerable.

We care about survivors of abuse. **Victim Care Advocate: (913) 298-9244**

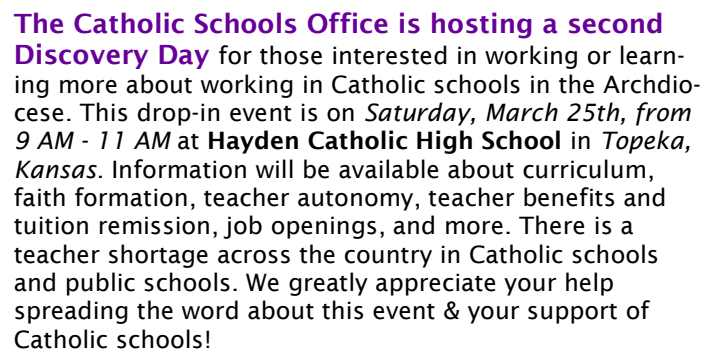


Thanks Special note: A replacement furnace and A/C system has been donated by **Adam Golubski** of Delta T H/C.

This item will be in an oral auction open to anyone. More details to follow.

All are invited to cheer on their favorite priest or student player at the Runnin' With the Revs basketball game on *Monday, March 20th* at **St. Thomas Aquinas High School** in Overland Park or *Monday, April 17th* at **Hayden High School** in Topeka. Both games begin at 7 pm. Priests will be teamed up with 8th grade and high school students from area Catholic schools in an exciting game of basketball. Bring your family and friends to enjoy this fun event. Donations collected will benefit our seminarians.

Mary Rose Enderle and Richard Bogenrife have established a scholarship endowment for Catholic students living in Leavenworth and Wyandotte counties that plan on attending a trade or vocational school. Most trade and vocational programs are available through community and technical colleges. The scholarship award is for tuition up to \$5,000.00. To request a scholarship application, please email **Dave Hernandez** at landofoz1239@sunflower.com or call 913-369-2718. Scholarship application deadline is *May 1, 2023*.



with Sr. Marie Kathleen Daugherty
Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. beginning on March 2, 2023.
The study group will meet at Holy Family School.
All are welcome! Bring your bible!



Catholic Schools

Discovery Day
for Teachers
3.25.23

Information on **benefits, tuition remission, curriculum, teacher autonomy, faith formation, and job opportunities.**