



# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Second Sunday Of Lent~ March 5, 2023 Matthew 17:1-9

## Parish Office:

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Office: (913) 371-0627

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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

**Sophia P. Kovac**, 103 of Kansas City, Kansas passed away

Tuesday, February 21,

2023. Services for Sophia were

held Wednesday, March 1, at St.

*John the Baptist Catholic*

*Church*, 708 N. 4th, KCK. Burial

at Mt. Calvary Cemetery, KCK.

Sophia was born April 8, 1919, in St.

Joseph Missouri to Matthew and Sophia

(Grdinovac) Bert. She was blessed with

a son, David and to this day they have

been there for each other though the

tough and good times. Sophia worked

at Swift & Company in the Time Office,

both at the Kansas City location and St.

Joseph location. She retired from the

Lanter Company, even after retirement

she was always working hard and helping

others. Surviving Sophia is her son David Kovac, and

was preceded by her parents, brothers Joseph Bert and

John Kalcic; sisters Catherine Malnar and Mary Cade.



## Keeping In Touch



My trip to the Monastery last week was good even though I was awoken on Sunday night with a tornado watch. While I

am kept busy with the hearing of confessions while I

am there, it is also a time when I can slow down a

bit. It was great that this came at the beginning of

lent! We live in a busy world and we have busy lives

but it is important for us all to slow down every

once and a while and to focus again. Lent is a good

time to do this but we can only slow down for so

long and then we have to pick up the pace again.

For me after returning from the Monastery the rest

of the week was as busy as ever. There was a funeral,

Masses, meetings, office work, Confirmation for

Resurrection Catholic School (please pray for them)

and then on Friday I had to travel to Salina for meetings.

Next week, I am sure will be a busy week. In

the midst of our business I encourage us all to take

some time this lent to slow down and look to our

relationship with God!

Blessings in Christ and St. Augustine,

Fr. Joseph M. Arsenault, SSA, JV, Pastor

Congratulations for  
making it into  
National Honor  
Society!

St. John the Baptist parish would like to congratulate **Austin Morrow** on the achievement of being inducted into the **National Honor Society** on *February 27, 2023*. Austin is a sophomore at Basehor Linwood High School. He enjoys being a member of the Robotics Club and also being in the school band playing the violin in the School Orchestra. Austin has served for 8 years at St. John the Baptist parish. He is the son of *Steve & Sara Morrow* and grandson of *Richard and Phyllis Hampton*.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### **Sunday, March 5- Second Sunday of Lent**

**9am-** Nick & Joel Fabina  
Mike Zeljeznjak  
Sandy McGinley Blankenship  
Michael McGinley

### **Thursday, March 9- St. Frances of Rome**

**8am-** David Allen McNerny  
Marica Dukovcic  
Branimir Dukovcic  
Bernice Kovac



### **Saturday, March 11-**

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

### **Sunday, March 12- Third Sunday of Lent**

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

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY MARCH

### **March 5, 2023**

**Lectors:** M. Viskovic, R. Sambol  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** M. Garcia  
**Servers:** A. Garcia  
**Sacristans:** P. Mikesic, P. Hill

### **March 12, 2023**

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

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	<u>Sat. 02/25/2023</u>	<u>Sun. 02/26/2023</u>
<b>Envelopes/Loose:</b>	2057.00	824.00
<b>Building Fund:</b>	215.00	750.00
<b>Candles:</b>	125.36	75.51
<b>Poor Box:</b>		21.00
<b>Black Indian Mission:</b>	5.00	5.00
<b>Central Eastern Europe:</b>	40.00	275.00
<b>In Memory of: (Rose Brooks)</b>		200.00
<b>Donations:</b>		50.00
<b>Mass Intentions:</b>		70.00



### **~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, Georgia Monroe.,  
Jennifer Vallejo,



## Upcoming Events

### **Coffee and Donut Sunday**

The event will be hosted by the **Seniors** in the church basement after the **9am Mass on Sunday March 5th**. Please come and join the parish for fellowship and updates from other parishioners.

### **Monthly Senior Luncheon**

Senior meeting and lunch will be served. Bring a friend and come join us for fellowship, with bingo and prizes on **Wednesday March 8th starting at 11 am** in the church basement.

### **Next weekend, March 11/12,**

please 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](http://www.unbound.org).



*"St Alphonsus Liguori founded the Redemptorists specifically to preach to people who were poor, neglected, and living on the margins. As a Redemptorist, I see Unbound as an extension of my Redemptorist calling. The more we stand with others at the margins, the more quickly the margins will disappear."*

**Father Greg Schmitt**, a Redemptorist and native of Milwaukee, has served as pastor in Kansas City, Seattle, and New Orleans, worked in retreat houses in Fargo, North Dakota, and Oakland, California and preached parish missions in Chicago, Brazil and Nigeria. His work has not only included assisting with clothing and food banks but also administering funds to people in need after Hurricane Katrina. Father Schmitt enjoys golf, walking, and wood-working.

### **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.

### **Lenten Shrimp Dinners**

Come join us for our Lenten Shrimp dinners on **Friday March 3 & 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.

### BIBLE STUDY

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!





**Stations of the Cross**

1. Jesus is condemned to death.
2. Jesus bears His cross.
3. Jesus falls for the first time.
4. Jesus meets His mother.
5. Jesus is helped by Simon.
6. Veronica wipes the face of Jesus.
7. Jesus falls a second time.
8. Jesus speaks to the women.
9. Jesus falls a third time.
10. Jesus is stripped of His garments.
11. Jesus is nailed to the cross.
12. Jesus dies on the cross.
13. Jesus is taken down from the cross.
14. Jesus is placed in the tomb.

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Fasting	Abstinence
Ash Wednesday Good Friday	Every Friday during Lent
Ages 18-59	Ages 14+

#### How do we fast?

When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

#### Am I excused from fasting and abstinence?

Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the **physically or mentally ill** including individuals suffering from **chronic illnesses** such as **diabetes**. Also excluded are **pregnant or nursing women**.

For more information on fasting and abstinence, visit [usccb.org](http://usccb.org).



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## Dalma with Spinach recipe~ India



1 c water  
 1½ c pigeon peas or black eyed peas, cooked  
 1 c pumpkin or butternut squash, cubed  
 ½ c potatoes, cubed  
 ¼ t salt  
 1/3 t turmeric  
 1 t fair trade olive oil  
 3 dry red chilis, broken into bits  
 1 t cumin seeds  
 ½ c tomatoes, chopped  
 3 c spinach, chopped  
 ½ t cumin  
 ¼ t chili powder  
 Mix pigeon or black eyed peas, pumpkin, potatoes, salt and turmeric in a pan with water. Cook until vegetables are soft—about 15 minutes—and set aside. In a separate pan, heat oil. To the oil, add chili, cumin seeds and tomatoes. Fry until tomatoes are soft. Add spinach and stir until soft. Combine both mixtures, adding cumin and chili powder (if a spicy dish is desired) and simmer for 2 minutes.

Serve hot over rice.

Makes 4-6 servings

### [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org)

During Lent, we are called to give special attention to our relationship with God. Through opportunities to deepen our prayer, practice fasting and give alms, we meet our Lord and encounter our sisters and brothers around the world.

Make a donation to CRS Rice Bowl to help communities in Honduras, the Philippines, Kenya and other countries overcome hunger and malnutrition, poverty and the impacts of climate change. Your almsgiving will make a difference for families trying to escape poverty and thrive.

**To donate by phone:**  
 1-877-435-7277

**To donate by mail:**  
 Catholic Relief Services  
 CRS Rice Bowl  
 PO Box 5200  
 Harlan, IA 51593-0700

The gifts described are symbolic and represent the good your donation will do for people in the countries where we serve.

You will find the CRS Rice Bowls at the entrances of the church please take home, fill and bring back before end of Lent.

**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 1 of Lent** – Jesus is Arrested in John 18: 1-11  
(posts 2/27)

**Week 2 of Lent** – The Courtyard of the High Priest in John 18:12-27 (posts 3/6)

**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)

**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](http://ChristsPeace.com) or call 913.773.8255.

**Novena to Saint Joseph for those on the path to Adoption**

March 11-19 In 2023, the Church celebrates the **Solemnity of Saint Joseph**, husband of the **Blessed Virgin Mary**, on **March 20th**. This occasion is an opportunity to highlight the gift of adoption by seeking the intercession of St. Joseph for the many people whose lives are touched by adoption. Resources are available to assist you with inviting others to join in prayer leading up to the solemnity, **March 11-19**. <https://www.respectlife.org/adoption-novena-resources>

**Blessing for Expectant Parents by Archbishop Joseph Naumann**, *Sunday March 26* at **Nativity Archbishop Naumann** will be giving a special blessing to expectant parents and their unborn children to celebrate the **Solemnity of the Annunciation**.

*Sunday, March 26, 11:00 a.m. Mass*  
**Church of the Nativity, Leawood**

This solemnity commemorates the visit of the angel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary to inform her that she was to be the mother of our Savior. It calls us to reflect on the blessing of new life and how we are to care for, protect, and welcome new life, as the Blessed Mother did for the Christ child.  
All expectant parents are welcome!

**CATHOLIC PLANNED GIVING BRIEF: STOCK AND BOND GIFTS**

113 gifts of stock or fund shares were donated and received by the archdiocese in 2022 from the faithful to support One Faith, the Archbishop's Call to Share, and over 30 parishes and organizations. How are gifts of stock valued? There are special rules for valuing a gift of stock. The value is determined by taking the mean between the high and the low stock price on the date of the gift. Mutual fund shares are valued using the closing price for the fund on the date of the gift. For more information and other ways to plan your giving beyond cash donations, visit [CatholicPlannedgiving.com](http://CatholicPlannedgiving.com).

**Special Guest FR. ROBERT W. CONROY, M.C. VICAR GENERAL MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY FATHERS**  
**TIJUANA, MEXICO**

**Schedule & Locations**

*Saturday, March 25th @ Holy Cross Parish, Overland Park, KS*  
4:00 PM | Holy Mass  
5:00 PM | Reflection Night

*Monday, March 27th @ St. Paul Parish, Olathe, KS*  
6:00 PM | Reflection Night

*Thursday, March 30th @ Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Topeka, KS*  
5:00 PM | Reflection Night

*Sunday, March 26th @ St. Paul Parish, Olathe, KS*  
8:00 AM | Holy Mass  
10:00 AM | Holy Mass

*Tuesday, March 28th @ St. Paul Parish, Olathe, KS*  
6:00 PM | Reflection Night





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[www.cfnek.org](http://www.cfnek.org)

**CATHOLIC FOUNDATION**  
OF NORTHEAST KANSAS

913.647.3062

## A CATHOLIC WOMEN'S RETREAT

Bilingual (Spanish/English) for  
Women 18 and older

Please note that we are not able to  
provide childcare.



Sophia Spirituality Center  
751 South 8th St.  
Atchison, KS 66002

## RETIRO DE MUJERES CATÓLICAS

Bilingüe (español/inglés) para  
mujeres mayores de 18 años

Tenga en cuenta que no podemos  
proporcionar cuidado de niños.

SUNDAY, APRIL 16  
DOMINGO, 16 DE ABRIL  
9:30AM-3:30PM

## MERCY, HEALING & HOPE

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 multi-cultural interaction  
and sharing.

## MISERICORDIA, SANACIÓN Y ESPERANZA

Atravesemos la barrera del idioma inglés-español  
para extendernos misericordia, sanación  
y esperanza unas a otras. Esta experiencia del  
Domingo de la Divina Misericordia incluirá Misa con  
las Hermanas Benedictinas, desayuno tardío  
y experiencias de oración contemplativas. Únase  
a nosotros para lo que promete ser una rica  
interacción y un intercambio multicultural.



### TO REGISTER IN ENGLISH

Scan the QR code to register now!  
Questions?  
Contact Mary Kay at 913.645.5382

If you would like to contribute  
to our ministry, a free will  
donation of \$35 would be  
greatly appreciated.

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Si desea contribuir a nuestro  
ministerio, una donación  
voluntaria de \$35 sería  
muy apreciada.



### PARA REGISTRARSE EN ESPAÑOL

¡Escanee el código QR para  
registrarse ahora! ¿Preguntas?  
Contactar a Karla Melgar al  
913.328.2600

[WWW.SOPHIASPIRITUALITYCENTER.ORG](http://WWW.SOPHIASPIRITUALITYCENTER.ORG)

## 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](mailto:maltakc@yahoo.com) or contact **Doug Rivard** at 913-620-1759.



[Mission.ArchKCK.org](http://Mission.ArchKCK.org)

Scan here to donate  
to the 2023 Archbishop's  
Call to Share Appeal

For questions about your gift please call the  
Office of Stewardship and Development at 913-647-0325



## CALL TO SHARE 5th Week!

March 4/5

Parish Goal~ \$19,822

Don't forget to return your Call to Share envelope!  
As of February 19, 2023, out of 179 households,  
40 households returned their CTS  
appeal for a total of **\$10,990.00**.  
(total is updated monthly)

Have you donated to the Archbishop's Call to Share yet?  
If not, donate today at  
[Mission.Archkck.org](http://Mission.Archkck.org)

Thank you so much for supporting the Archbishop's Call to Share! You and your parishioners make a difference in people's lives. The success of ACTS is a true reflection of the generosity and service of you and your parishioners.



**Croatian Open Golf Tournament** is May 19th. If you golfed last year please submit your team entry fee of \$400 by April 15 to reserve your spot. After that date your spot is not guaranteed. Hole sponsorship is also very important to the success of the tournament. Sponsorship levels are \$100, \$250, and \$500. Proceeds will go towards bowling lane maintenance and support of a scholarship fund the Club is looking at starting up. Sponsorships forms are available in the back of the Church or at the Club. Any questions please email me.

[Sachenjoe@gmail.com](mailto:Sachenjoe@gmail.com)

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.

### Mass & Procession to Planned Parenthood KCK - Third Saturdays

Please mark your calendars every third Saturday of the month to join others from around the Archdiocese to celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass followed by a procession to Planned Parenthood on Leavenworth Road in KCK. Abortions are expanding rapidly in Kansas. Your prayers and peaceful witness on the sidewalks is urgently needed to save unborn lives and help women in need.

**Saturday, March 18, 8:00 a.m. Mass**  
**Christ the King Parish, 3024 N 53rd St, Kansas City, KS**  
**Process to Planned Parenthood after Mass for sidewalk prayer**

### Runnin' With the Revs Games

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.

### 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](http://www.catholicwomensconferencekc.com)

### The Enderle-Bogenrife Scholarship Endowment:

**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](mailto:landofoz1239@sunflower.com) or call 913-369-2718.

Scholarship application deadline is **May 1, 2023**.

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](http://archkck.org/reportabuse).



Office for  
Protection & Care

The Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas | [www.archkck.org](http://www.archkck.org)

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**