



16th Sunday in Ordinary time - July 23, 2023 Matthew 13:24-43

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Sacraments:

Confession at 3 pm before Saturday Mass or call for appointment

Parish Staff:

Fr. Joseph M. Arsenault, SSA, Pastor
Mr. Stuart Taylor, Music Director
Mrs. Wendy Christ, Administrative Assistant

Mass Schedule:

Saturday at 4 pm
(at Holy Family in July)
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
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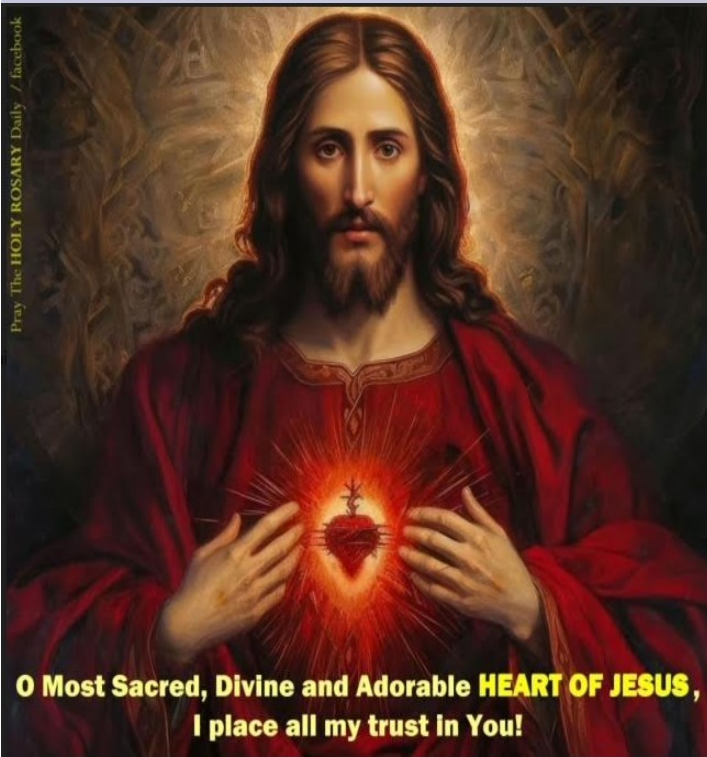
Jesus proposed another parable to the crowds, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat, and then went off. When the crop grew and bore fruit, the weeds appeared as well. The slaves of the householder came to him and said,

'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where have the weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' His slaves said to him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?' He replied, 'No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest; then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters, "First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn."' He proposed another parable to them.

"The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that a person took and sowed in a field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, yet when full-grown it is the largest of plants. It becomes a large bush, and the birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches." He spoke to them another parable. "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed with three measures of wheat flour until the whole batch was leavened." All these things Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables. He spoke to them only in parables, to fulfill what had been said through the prophet: *I will open my mouth in parables, I will announce what has lain hidden from the foundation of the world.*

Then, dismissing the crowds, he went into the house. His disciples approached him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field." He said in reply, "He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. Just as weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all who cause others to sin and all evildoers. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever has ears ought to hear."

~Matthew 13:24-43



Pray The HOLY ROSARY Daily / facebook

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, July 23-

9am- Ivan & Ana Brajkovic
Frank, George, Jim Brajkovic
Bob Braun Sr.
Louis Reimers

Thursday, July 27-

8am- Bernice & John Kovac
Vera & George Nastav
MaryAnn & Al Tomasic
Marica Dukovic

Saturday July 29- SS. Martha, Mary & Lazarus

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

Sunday, July 30-

9am- Stjepan & Ana Jagodic
Miho & Ana Cavlovic
Ivan Zeleznak
Franje & Zdenka Calovic

LITURGICAL MINISTRY FOR JULY

July 23, 2023-

Lectors: C. Schneider, M. Viskovic
Eucharistic Ministers: A. Kucenic
Servers: M. Viskovic
Sacristans: H. Rebeck, W. Christ

July 30, 2023-

Lectors: M. Piskuric, R. Sambol
Eucharistic Ministers: N. Gasparovic
Servers: A. Garcia
Sacristans: B. Horvat

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Sun. 07/17/23

Envelopes:	3880.80
Loose:	199.00
Building Fund:	75.00
Candles:	130.00
Poor Box:	7.00
Mass Intentions:	55.00

QR Code for Online Giving



Prayer Requests

Pope Francis I, George Gray, Katherine Novak, Dianna Stimac, Harold McClain, Irene Delich, George Fracul, Karen Novak, Ana Piskuric, Jennifer Vallejo, Chris Braun, Special Intention, 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.

Upcoming Events

Altar Society Meeting

Will be on July 30th following 9:00 AM Mass. The meeting will be focused on the Social and will be short. I would like to encourage all of our wonderful women to attend as we prepare for a successful Social.

Sips for Scholarships

Resurrection Catholic School Raising Funds for Need-Based Scholarships *July 30, 2023* | 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM **Boulevard Brewery** 2501 Southwest Boulevard, Kansas City, MO. **To purchase tickets or to make a donation please visit: rckck.org**
97% of students rely on Scholarships to attend RCS.

Scott and Kimberly Hahn will be coming to Overland Park on *August 12, 2023* and are speaking at **St. Michael the Archangel** in Leawood. The day will begin with Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 8:15 a.m. and talks immediately to follow until 11:55am. Tickets are \$25.

“No Marriage is Beyond Hope!” Now taking reservations for Retrouvaille’s Marriage Enrichment Weekend in Kansas City! *September 1st-3rd* Register today at www.retrok.com **Registration closes August 29th** Retrouvaille is a life-line for marriages.....a program to help couples heal and renew their hurting marriages. The Retrouvaille Program is for Married Couples Facing Difficult Challenges in their Relationship A Marriage program that helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. A Christian marriage program, Catholic in origin, where couples of all faiths or no faith background are encouraged to attend. Primarily a practical program to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. Presenters are not trained marriage counselors, but rather couples sharing their personal stories of marital struggles and the tools they used to rediscover their love.

We are in need of homemade or store bought desserts for the festival dinner. Please deliver your goodies on August 18 between 9am-12. Place desserts in the gym on the stage floor. The desserts need to be in a disposable pan and non refrigerated since there is no room for storage. .

**The office will be closed on Friday July 21 & Monday July 24.
Have an awesome weekend!**



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church 2023 Croatian Festival News



Thanks to everyone who has ordered in advance by sending in forms or paying online.

- T-shirts ordered by July 1 are now ready for pick-up and shipping. We now have the rest of our order of T-shirts for purchase at the parish office or online.
- Our sponsorship total is now \$26,000 – thank you sponsors! If you would like to be included on the festival banner, the deadline is July 31.
- 50/50 raffles....We have 148 entries. Remember half the money that comes in goes out in prizes so the more entries the bigger the payout!
- Those who made advance reservations for Croatian dinners can pick up tickets on festival night at the Ticket Booth near the auditorium door. We suggest buying in advance to save you time, but tickets will be available at the door.

WE STILL NEED YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS OF PRIZES FOR THE KIDS' AREA – TOYS, GAMES, SNACKS AND 2-LITER BOTTLES OF POP.

The Strawberry Basket is filling up – but we can use donations of all things strawberry, Strawberry Hill, St. John's and Croatian.



BISHOP WARD
HIGH SCHOOL

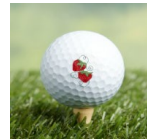
Class of 1978—45 Year Class Reunion

Saturday, September 23, 2023
Nigro Barn - 2940 South 59th Street
Kansas City, Kansas 66103
6PM to 10PM

Catering by Sutera's Beer & Wine Provided
\$25 Per Person

For more information call or text
Melissa Anzek Wiber 913-226-0590

STRAWBERRY HILL Altar Societies GOLF TOURNAMENT



- OCT 2ND- 2023-



4 PERSON SCRAMBLE

SUNFLOWER GOLF COURSE

1:00 PM SHOTGUN START. \$125.00 FEE

INCLUDES GREEN FEES, GOLF CART, PRIZES, DINNER, SNACKS, ALL BEVERAGES!

CONTACT ALTAR SOCIETY **Presidents-**
CAROL SHOMIN, 913-897-4833,
KELLY MOUTRAY, 816-863-4414, or
SANDY CANNON 913-396-1564.

Needed / For Sale

Jewelry Needed!

Please save all jewelry you no longer want or use and donate to **Karolyn Tomasic** to remake items to resell. All proceeds will benefit our 3 churches here on Strawberry Hill. Contact 913-371-8075.

Best Choice labels

Best Choice labels continue to be collected.
A box is in the vestibule for you to drop off!

Trash Bags for Sale

We now have trash bags for sale in the rectory. Yellow bags are 39 gal 25/roll, white bags are 15 gal 65/roll, and the blue bags are 55 gal 16/roll, cost per roll is \$12.00. Please stop by the church office during business hours of 8:30am-5pm to get yours! All proceeds will support our Parish. Thank you.

