



# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

**"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."**

**St. Matthew 11:25-30**

**14th Sunday in Ordinary time - July 9, 2023 Matthew 11:25-30**

## **Parish Office:**

708 N. 4th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101

**Office:** (913) 371-0627

**Hours:** Mon-Fri 8:30am-5pm

**Web:** [stjohnthebaptistcatholicchurch.com](http://stjohnthebaptistcatholicchurch.com)

**Email:** [ourcroatianparish@gmail.com](mailto:ourcroatianparish@gmail.com)

**Facebook:** St. John the Baptist Croatian Parish

**Instagram:** OurCroatianParish

## **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

913-371-9690

Prayer Line (913) 281-4448

**A**t that time Jesus exclaimed:

"I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,  
for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned  
you have revealed them to little ones.  
Yes, Father, such has been your gracious will.  
All things have been handed over to me by my Father.

No one knows the Son except the Father,  
and no one knows the Father except the Son  
and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him."

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,  
and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me,  
for I am meek and humble of heart;  
and you will find rest for yourselves.  
For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

**~Matthew 11:25-30**

## **MONTH OF JULY**

IS DEDICATED TO THE  
**MOST PRECIOUS  
BLOOD OF JESUS**



THE BEAUTY OF MY CATHOLIC FAITH

## **Keeping In Touch**

As we hear in the Gospel this week Jesus says,  
"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,  
and I will give you rest." This invitation from the Lord brings great joy to my heart.

This past year has been a very busy year for me and with the words of Jesus ringing in my ear, I will be heading off for vacation with my family for the next two weeks. While I am away, several priests have graciously agreed to say the masses. Please welcome them, as I know you will, and please pray for me that this time with my family will be restful and blessed and that my travel be safe. Also be assured that I carry all of you in my thoughts and prayers. See you soon!

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



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday, July 9-**

**9am-** Marica Black  
Janko & Maria Dukovcic  
Misko, Mirko, Kata Piskuric  
Ivan, Louise, John Brozenic

**Thursday, July 13-**

**8am-** Dianna & Frank Stimac  
John F. Mikesic  
Marija & Janko Dukovic  
Dr. Matt J. Modrcin

**Saturday July 15-**

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

**Sunday, July 16-**

**9am-** Frank, Franklin, & Dianna Stimac  
Katie & George Kucenic  
Novica Nikoic  
Barbara Hotujac

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY FOR JULY

**July 9, 2023-**

**Lectors:** M. Garcia, M. Viskovic  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** B. Horvat  
**Servers:** A. Garcia  
**Sacristans:** B. Horvat

**July 16, 2023-**

**Lectors:** A. Garcia, M. Garcia  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** M. Tomasic  
**Servers:** M. Viskovic  
**Sacristans:** S. Sandelich, G. Garcia

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	<u>Sun. 07/2/23</u>
<b>Envelopes:</b>	4062.10
<b>Loose:</b>	122.00
<b>Building Fund:</b>	700.00
<b>Candles:</b>	135.50
<b>Poor Box:</b>	15.00
<b>Peter's Pence:</b>	25.00
<b>Fathers Day:</b>	75.00
<b>In Memory of:</b>	200.00
(Fr. John Melnick)	
<b>Mass Intentions:</b>	20.00

QR Code for Online Giving



## Prayer Requests

Pope Francis I, Enzina Reynolds, Dianna L. Stimac, 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

### From The Altar Society

~We have started to send out our **Annual Strawberry Hill Altar Society Golf Letters**. If you are interested in playing, being a hole sponsor, or donating an item to our auction, please look for a flyer in the back of the church or contact **Kelly Moutray** at 816-863-4414 or [kelmoutray@gmail.com](mailto:kelmoutray@gmail.com). Proceeds are split amongst the 3 Altar Societies and used to help maintain our worship areas, culture, and community services.

### Food Kitchen

Food Kitchen date is for **July 10th**. 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 desserts and 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 July 11th 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.

### 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 July 12th starting at 11 am** in the church basement.

**The Special Needs Ministry for the Archdiocese** is holding its **Totus Tuus** week at **Queen of the Holy Rosary** in Overland Park **July 17-21**. Ages 6+ are invited to join us as well as all siblings that are 6 years old and above. Cost is \$40 per person or \$60 per family. Volunteers are also needed for the week. Those interested in signing up to participate can do so at <https://archkck.org/special-needs/home/>. Please contact **Josh Ruoff** in the special needs ministry office at (913)647-3054 or by email: [jruoff@archkck.org](mailto:jruoff@archkck.org) if you have any questions or would like to volunteer.





## 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 hope to have the rest of our order this week for purchase at the parish office.
- Our sponsorship total is now \$19,000 – thank you sponsors! If you would like to be included on the festival banner, the deadline is July 31.
- 50/50 raffles are flying in!
- 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

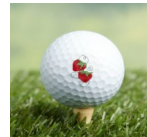
### Class of 1978—45 Year Class Reunion

*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.





## 5th Annual Rummage Sale Sponsored by the Holy Family Altar Society

### DATES:

July 6, 7 - 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

July 8 - 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

July 13, 14 - 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (if needed)

July 15 - 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (if needed)

**WE NEED YOUR USED ITEMS & TREASURES!  
WE WANT YOUR CLEAN ITEMS!**

- Furniture
- Kitchen Wares
- Household Items
- Home Décor
- Holiday Décor
- Building Materials
- Sporting Equipment
- Tools
- Slightly worn shoes/used purses
- Appliances (Working Only)
- Working Flat Screen TV's only



### We DO NOT WANT

- Computer Monitors, Non-Working TV's
- Car Seats & Baby Beds
- Chemicals, Paint
- Mattresses
- Furniture that is broken & unclean
- Stained, Odorous, any items with Mold
- No Clothes

Please schedule your drop off of items by contacting **Sandy Ziolo** at 913-515-0416.



**Now hiring! Catholic schools across the Archdiocese** are still hiring for the 2023-2024 school year. Fulltime and part-time positions are available for teachers, counselors, paraprofessionals, teacher aides, instructional coordinators, substitutes, and more. Are you a new graduate? Retired teacher? A public school teacher eager for a faith-filled environment? Have a passion for Catholic education? Apply online at [archkckcs.org/apply](http://archkckcs.org/apply). For a full listing of all positions please visit [archkckcs.org/job-board](http://archkckcs.org/job-board).

## CHRIST THE KING PRO LIFE PRAYER VIGIL

ADORATION 7PM-8AM

- Intercession
- Reparation
- Communion



**FRIDAY BEFORE THIRD SATURDAY  
OF EACH MONTH**

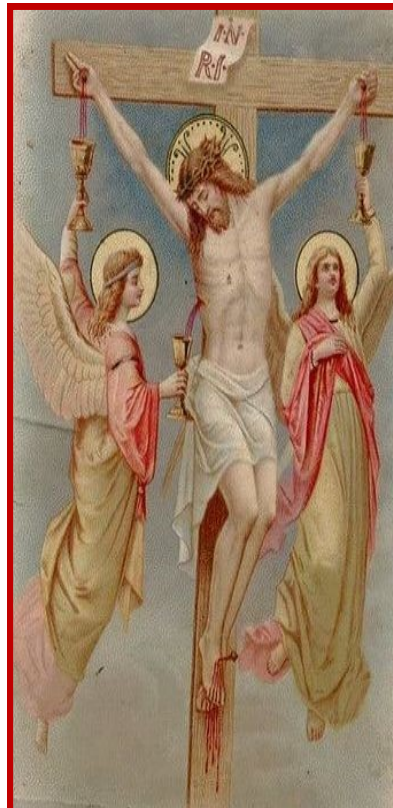
**CONTACT@CTKKCK.ORG 913.287.8823**

**3024 N. 53RD KANSAS CITY, KS**

## Prayer To The Precious Blood

ETERNAL FATHER,  
I OFFER THEE THE  
PRECIOUS BLOOD OF  
JESUS CHRIST,  
THE MERITS, LOVE AND  
SUFFERINGS OF HIS  
SACRED HEART, THE  
TEARS AND SORROWS  
OF OUR IMMACULATE  
MOTHER, AS THE  
PRICE OF THE FAVOR I  
WISH TO OBTAIN, IF IT  
IS FOR THY GLORY AND  
MY SALVATION.

*Amen*





Show your spouse that you "still do" -  
give them the gift of your time by  
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"This weekend is a **MUST** for all couples.  
It will definitely bring back romance and  
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code for registration & information!

**Save the Date**  
July 14 - July 16, 2023  
Savior Pastoral Center  
Kansas City, Kansas




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**CHECK OUT OUR NEWSLETTER!**



**Sips for Scholarships**  
RESURRECTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL



**Raising Funds for  
Need-Based Scholarships**

**July 30, 2023 | 5-8 PM**  
**Boulevard Brewery**  
2501 Southwest Boulevard  
Kansas City, MO 64108

**\$60 tickets**  
available at  
[rcskck.org](http://rcskck.org) or by  
mailing payment to  
the school.

**97% of  
students  
rely on  
scholarships  
to attend RCS.**





# steak Dinner



Saturday July 15th, 5:30pm-???

Come to: St. John's Gymnasium for a great  
Steak Dinner

\$20.00 Donation

RSVP by July 8th for a guaranteed plate

Call: Larry Steele 913-956-2096

Pick your steak from the grill! All the usual sides included!



50/50 Raffle  
Please RSVP  
CHILDREN WELCOME  
S.J.C.C. 414 Barnett Kansas City, KS 66101  
913-371-9690



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Please join Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann and  
Villa St. Francis for the first annual Villa Fall Ball - A  
Benefit dinner for Villa St. Francis.

*Saturday, September 23, 2023* at Fiorella's Event  
Center in Overland Park. Presenting the Sanctity of  
Life award to **Msgr. Raymond Burger** for service as  
Chaplain at Villa St. Francis & as an Archdiocesan  
Priest and Barb & Greg Trum for service to the el-  
derly, infirm, and dying. Learn more or register for  
the event at [VillaSF.org/fallball](https://VillaSF.org/fallball)



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*A Benefit for Villa St. Francis*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2023  
FIORELLA'S EVENT CENTER - OVERLAND PARK, KANSAS

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