



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Forgiveness

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time- September 17, 2023 Matthew 18: 21-35

Parish Office:

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

Office: (913) 371-0627

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

Web: stjohnthebaptistcatholicchurch.com

Email: 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

Mrs. Wendy Christ, Administrative Assistant

Mass Schedule:

Saturday at 4 pm

(at Holy Family in September)

Sunday at 9 am

Thursday at 8 am

Parish Ministries:

Finance Council Richard Sambol

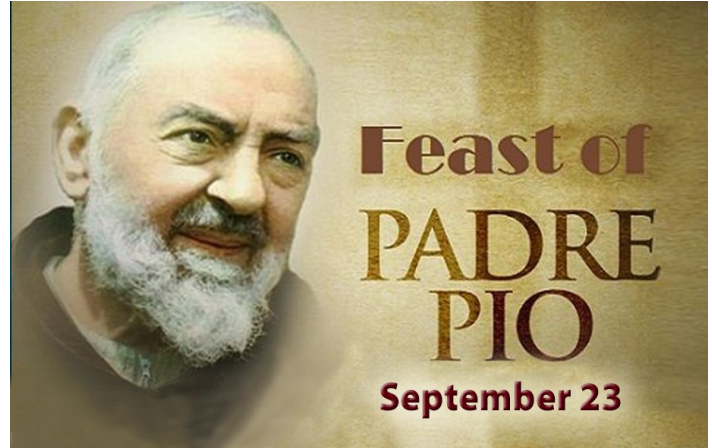
Parish Council Don Taylor

Altar Society Kelly Moutray

St. John's Club Ken Yarnevich

913-371-9690

Prayer Line (913) 281-4448



Keeping In Touch

Time is passing us by. It is hard to believe that we can already feel the beginning of fall. Life for the most part is back in full swing after our summer. As I've said before, for me the fall can be a busier time than normal. In the coming weeks, the busyness is going to be in full swing.

It all starts off with this coming week where I will be travelling to the monastery where I am the Extraordinary Confessor. All day Monday and part of Tuesday I will be hearing confessions. Tuesday afternoon I will have a meeting before I leave and then after a five hour drive, I will be back home. On Wednesday, I will be in meetings most of the day. The big meeting that day is the meeting of the Presbyteral Council. This is a meeting of various priests representing various parts of the diocese with the Archbishop. During this long meeting we report to the Archbishop what is happening in the various parts of the Archdiocese and we discuss and have presentations with regards to how we can better serve and meet the needs of the people of the Archdiocese. It is always a very interesting and informative meeting. Please pray for us that we may be effective and good shepherds. To end the week Thursday and Friday come at this point, look to be my normal Thursday and Friday. Before I know it, I will find myself with this week behind me and writing to you next week. Until then!



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

Congratulations Winners Announcement From Parish Festival '23

- ◇ Maxi-5000 Matthew Thomas
- ◇ Maxi-1500 Therese Horvat
- ◇ Mini-2500 Amy Kolich Fisher
- ◇ Mini-2500 Sandy & Mike Cannon
- ◇ Basket-1 Mario Viskovic
- ◇ Raffle-30 Ivana Morris
- ◇ Raffle-50 Joe Cavlovic
- ◇ Raffle-75 Laura St. Denis
- ◇ Raffle-100 Mike Ivicak
- ◇ Raffle-250 Anne Flenker
- ◇ Raffle-500 Mary Gurski
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Thank you to everyone who supported and helped with our
2023 Croatian Festival.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, September 17-

9am- John F. Mikesic
Novica Nikolic
Special Intention
Albert P. & Wilma A. Boan, Al & Julie Boan ,
David Boan

Thursday, September 21-

8am- Zvonko Krstulic
Ana Bert & Family
Eugene Sostarich

Saturday September 23--

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

Sunday, September 24-

9am- Nikola Kucenic
Katherine Schwab
Family Suljak
Jason Reynolds

LITURGICAL MINISTRY - SEPTEMBER

September 17, 2023-

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

September 24, 2023-

Lectors: C. Schneider, M. Piskuric
Eucharistic Ministers: N. Gasparovic
Servers: A. Morrow
Sacristans: B. Horvat

No Mass on *Thursday September 28, 2023*-Due to
Priest Convocation

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	<u>Sun. 09/10/23</u>
Envelopes:	4069.80
Loose:	63.57
Building Fund:	525.00
Candles:	149.50
Poor Box:	40.00
Assumption of Mary:	20.00
Leaven:	276.00
Mass Intentions:	10.00
Donation(s):	10,000.00

QR Code for Online Giving



Prayer Requests

Pope Francis I, Susanna Laundy, Kenny Yarnevich, Dianna Stimac, Irene Delich, George Fracul, Karen Novak, Ana Piskuric, Jennifer Vallejo, Chris Braun, Special Intention, In Thanksgiving, 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

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH CELEBRATES 115 YEARS SERVING THE STRAWBER- RY HILL COMMUNITY & 15th ANNUAL SLOVENEFEEST

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2023

274 Orchard Street, Kansas City, Kansas, 66101

The festival begins at 4:00 p.m. with Mass at

Holy Family Church, with festivities following from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Monsignor Mejak Hall, gym, and the Holy Family school grounds at 513 Ohio Ave. There will be a food court, games for children and adults, a mini silent auction, cultural booth and souvenirs and traditional Slovenian dinner. Featured Craft Beer for Slovenefest 2023-is from Polka City Pilsner. The entertainment includes the Brian McCarty Band and Hrvatski Obicaj.

Visit holyfamilychurckkck.org on Facebook or call (913) 413-0022 for information.

Strawberry Hill Altar Societies

Golf Tournament will be held on *October 2, 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.

RCS Raffle Fundraiser

Each fall, Resurrection has a parent-led raffle fundraiser. All RCS families participate in this event, selling \$5 raffle tickets throughout the community. The proceeds will go to assist with the many costs of operating a school. The raffle includes a \$1,500 prize drawing, \$500 prize drawing, and \$250 prize drawing. The prize drawing will take place on *October 12th, 2023* after the Walk-a-thon. The winner will be announced on Facebook. RCS Families will be selling raffle tickets after masses on the following week-ends: *September 23rd/24th and September 30th*

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times."

- Matthew 18:21-35

Organist/Choir Director – St. John the Baptist Catholic Church on Strawberry Hill in Kansas City, Kansas is seeking an Organist/Choir Director for established Adult Choir. The successful candidate would accompany the choir on a sixteen rank organ for weekly rehearsal, Sunday Masses, as well as other liturgies and liturgical holidays throughout the year. Knowledge of Catholic liturgy preferred. Interested applicants should send letter of interest, resume, and references to St. John the Baptist parish office at: ourcroatianparish@gmail.com.

The family of **Eugene Sostarich** would like to thank everyone for the cards, prayers, and Condolences. Eugene's funeral was held at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church on September 6, 2023. Burial was at Mt. Calvary Cemetery.



On Sunday, September 24th the Archdiocese will commemorate with the **Holy Father** and the whole Church the **109th World Day of Migrants and Refugees**. "Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay" is the theme chosen by the Holy Father. **Pope Francis** intends to promote a renewed reflection on a right that has not yet been codified at the international level: the right not to have to migrate or, in other words, the right to be able to re-main in one's own land. To learn more go to: <https://migrants-refugees.va> **Archbishop Naumann** will be celebrating Mass in a way that highlights the many cultures of our Church here in Kansas at 11:00 am at **Prince of Peace** with a reception to follow.



George and Betty Dragush, parishioners of St. John the Baptist, would like to express their gratitude and many thanks to everyone for all the prayers, cards, food, treats, and visits. But most of all, the Love. Please keep them both in your prayers.

World Day of Migrants & Refugees Mass and Reception

WHEN: Sunday, September 24

11:00 am Mass followed by a Reception

WHERE: Prince of Peace

16000 W 143rd St. Olathe KS 66062

All Catholics are invited to the join our Migrant and Refugee communities for Mass with Archbishop Naumann and a reception featuring samples of ethnic food from their cultures.

World Day of
Migrants and
Refugees
24-IX-2023

"Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay"

Religious Education Classes For Adults

Becoming a Catholic and living the faith classes began on *September 12th*, classes are weekly on Tuesdays from 6:30pm-7:30pm at Holy Family School 515 Ohio Ave KCKS 66101 for adults who desire Baptism, Holy Communion, Confirmation, or a better understanding of the faith. For registration call 913-371-0627.



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RETURNS

*** SEPTEMBER 24TH ***

1124 CALIFORNIA RD WILLIAMSBURG, KS

FOR INFORMATION: 785-746-5693

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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

The Holy Name of Jesus Parish on
Southwest Blvd in Kansas City, Kansas
is having their annual Ice-Cream Social
Saturday, September 30th.

1001 Southwest Blvd, Kansas City, KS
66103

Join us for Mass at 4pm with the social
beginning at 5pm going to 10pm. There
will be lots of children's games, raffle
prizes, pull tabs, 50/50, food and
drinks. Music will be by "Stranded in the
City". (All proceeds will go to special
projects of Holy Name of Jesus School.)

Please join us for an
ADORATION + SHIN DIG



SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

6:00 PM DOOR / DRIVEWAY OPENS

7:00 - 8:00 ADORATION

8:00 - 10:00 COUNTRY HOE DOWN & SMORES

Pull out your bibles, pull up your boots - it's time to pray and dance!
Rooted in heavenly prayer and held in the beauty of St. Andre Orchard (aka The
Rzha Farm), we're so excited to share this evening of goodness with you.
Please bring chairs or blankets for adoration.

St. Andre Orchard: 5443 Rawlins Rd, Atchison archkck.org/rural

While RYMO and this event are primarily focused on HS students, absolutely all ages are
welcome to attend

Respect Life Sunday Mass with Archbishop Naumann October is Respect Life Month. It is a time when the Church asks us to pray and reflect more deeply on the sanctity and dignity of the human person and our responsibility to defend all life, especially the most vulnerable. This year's theme is "Radical Solidarity," helping us to understand how to put our love for others into firm and determined action. Learn more at:

<https://www.respectlife.org/radical-solidarity>.

All are invited to celebrate Respect Life Month's kick-off Mass with the Archbishop, with a reception to follow:

Respect Life Sunday Mass with Archbishop Naumann *Sunday, October 1st, 10:30 a.m.*

St. Joseph Catholic Church

5901 Flint St. Shawnee KS



Please support Donnelly College's SHINE 2023, their annual fundraiser. Donnelly College is the archdiocesan college that provides a quality, Catholic higher education to those who may not otherwise be served. We need your help to be able to offer affordable, quality higher education: Please consider buying a ticket, sponsoring a table or making a donation of any amount; we are grateful for your support. Thank you to those parishes, organizations and individuals who have generously supported SHINE 2023. Please see a list of sponsors and event information here. Join us at SHINE and help spread the word about this fun, philanthropic event on **October 5, 2023** at The Abbott in Kansas City, Missouri. Together we can make Donnelly College the most accessible and transformative Catholic College in the country! Please contact Marcea Brown with any questions.



Benedictine College's Center for Family Life

Invites you to the **Nuptial Charity Retreat** this October! Married couples of all ages are invited to come learn from **Fr. José Noriega, DCJM**, a theologian and pastor specializing in marriage and family life. The retreat will explore the Holy Spirit's role in the marriage covenant. This couples' retreat serves as a foretaste of our upcoming Family Week (May 26-31, 2024). *Saturday, October 14, 2023 8:30 am- 4:00 pm* **Benedictine College Atchison, KS** Lunch will be provided. Cost is \$50 per couple. Find out more and register at benedictine.edu/NuptialCharity



MASS OF INNOCENTS *"We shall find our little ones again up above." -St. Zélie Martin*

If you love a child who died before or shortly after birth, please join us for the **Mass of Innocents**, *October 15th at 1pm* at Holy Spirit in Overland Park Celebrated by **Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann**, this annual event invites families of all ages to come remember their little one and receive comfort from the Body of Christ. No RSVP is necessary. Please contact **Brad DuPont** with questions: bdupont@archkck.org (913) 647-0301.



**REACH
KCK**

Confirmation Bonfire

15
OCT
2023
3-6
pm



Keynote Speaker
**Tony
Melendez**

"I am the
living bread
that came
down from
heaven;
whoever eats
this bread will
live forever".
Jn 6, 51.

Blessed Sacrament
2215 Parallel Ave
Kansas City, KS 66104

For more information
(913) 449-1420
reachkck@archkck.org




Register using
the QR code

Memorial of St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon

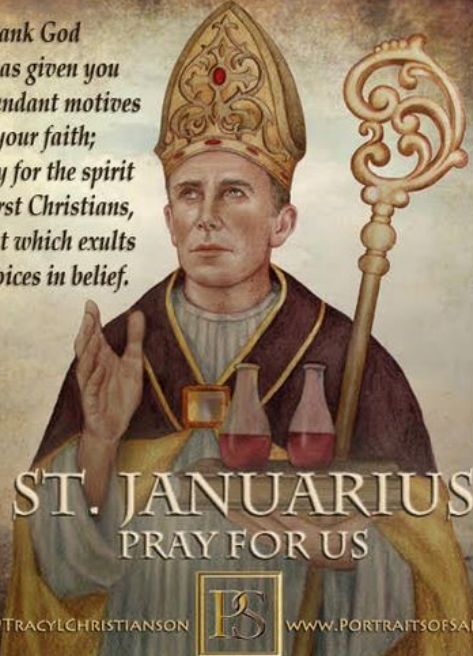
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St. Andrew,
pray for us!




Society of Today

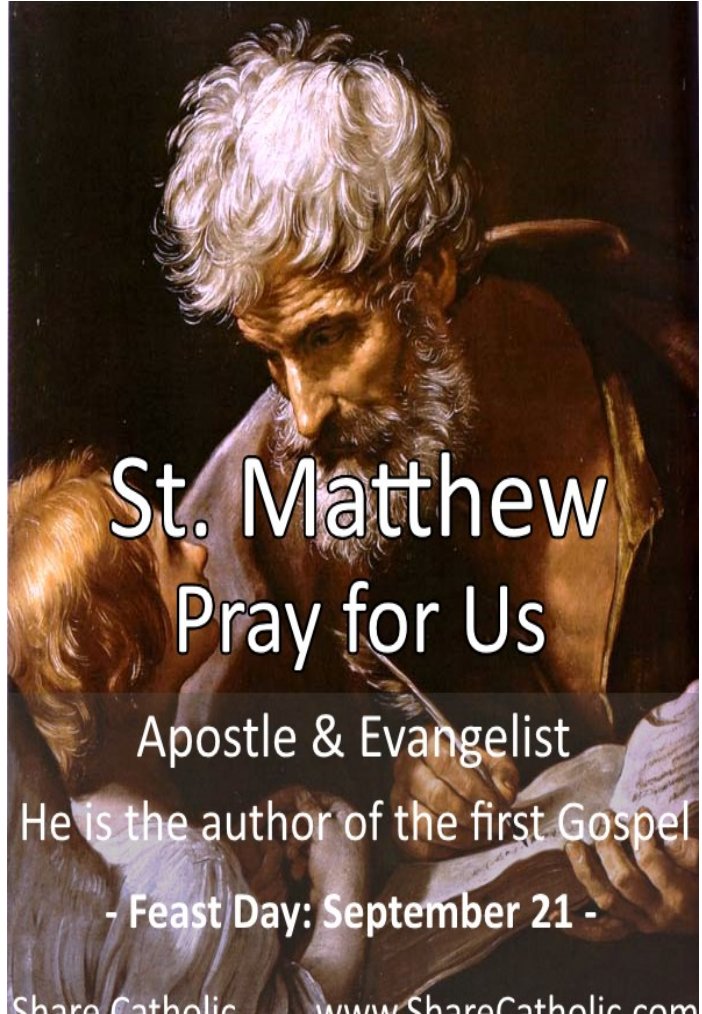
*Thank God
Who has given you
superabundant motives
for your faith;
and pray for the spirit
of the first Christians,
the spirit which exults
and rejoices in belief.*



ST. JANUARIUS
PRAY FOR US

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Feast Day : September 19



St. Matthew Pray for Us

Apostle & Evangelist
He is the author of the first Gospel
- Feast Day: September 21 -

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