



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 15 2023 Matthew 22: 1-14

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 St. John the Baptist in October)

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

Pray for us, O Holy Saints!

St. Hedwig, Religious

St. Margaret Alacoque, Virgin- October 16

St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr- October 17

St. Luke, Evangelist- October 18

St. John Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priest & Companions, Martyrs - October 19

St. Paul of the Cross, Priest- October 20

Keeping In Touch

The Canon Law Convention has finished and it was very good. I am getting ready to drive back to Kansas City as I write this. It will be about a 9 hr trip. I am glad that I like to drive!

This coming week will be full as it will be a time to get caught up on things. One of my responsibilities is to approve all the marriages of the people who live in the Archdiocese. Normally the paper work comes in early so that we have a lot of time to deal with it; however, sometimes it comes in just before the wedding is to happen. This week while I was away, I had 3 come in for weddings that are this weekend. One was in our Archdiocese and two were in other Dioceses. For the two that were to happen in other Dioceses once I gave my approval, I had to get the paperwork to the other Dioceses for their approval. In one of the cases the person in the other Diocese that approves the papers there was here at the Convention so I pulled him aside and we went over them and gave the approval verbally. The other one I emailed the person with copies of the paperwork. Even though there has been the verbal approvals once I get back I will have to sign the paperwork and get it to the right place so that it can be archived with signatures.

Most people (even the couple who are getting married) don't realize what goes on behind the scenes and the time and effort that goes into making sure that everything is in place for the happy day to take place. Looking forward to seeing you all soon!

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



Ramona Alvarado Garcia, aged 81, peacefully passed away on the morning of *October 7, 2023*. She was born on *September 2, 1942*, to Sostenes and Teodora (Alvarez) Alvarado. She worked for the archdiocese of Kansas City Kansas as a director of religious education at St. Joseph /St. Benedict now All Saints parish (retired). Ramona loved life, music and especially dancing. Preceding Ramona in death are her parents, six siblings, and a baby boy. She is survived by her devoted husband, Alfonso P. Garcia; sons Alfonso (JoEllen) Garcia, Michael (Julie) Garcia, Gerry (Shelly) Garcia, and Albert (Christina) Garcia; daughters Rachel Garcia and Susana (Daniel) Jensen, as well as her twenty-three grandchildren and thirty-six great-grandchildren, and a multitude of loving friends.

A funeral mass was held on *Saturday, October 14, 2023* at St. John the Baptist Church (708 N. 4th St. Kansas City, KS 66101) at 10:00 AM with burial to follow at Mt. Calvary Catholic Cemetery (1150 N 38th St, Kansas City, KS 66102).

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, October 15-

9am- Mr. & Mrs. Matt J. Modrcin Jr.
Helen & Denis (Jelica) Sudac
Enzina Reynolds
Elsie & Arthur Neet

Thursday, October 19-

8am- Miho & Ana Cavlovic

Saturday October 21-

4pm- Vigil Mass at St. John the Baptist
St. John & Holy Family
parishioners

Sunday, October 22-

9am- Nikola & Magda Sestric
Joe Sambol & Tomecal Family
Vera Mikic
Lola Mae Wade-Stimac

LITURGICAL MINISTRY - OCTOBER

October 14-15, 2023-

Lectors: G. Garcia ; S. Taylor, M. Viskovic
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Garcia ; N. Gasparovic
Servers: A. Garcia ; none
Sacristans: M. Foster, J. Foster; H. Rebeck, W. Christ

October 21-22, 2023-

Lectors: L. Worner ; C. Schneider, M. Viskovic
Eucharistic Ministers: T. Jaksetic ; M. Tomasic
Servers: none ; M. Viskovic
Sacristans: K. Grisnik, E. Grisnik ; B. Horvat

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	<u>Sat. 10/7/23</u>	<u>Sun. 10/08/23</u>
Envelopes:	2446.00	3972.00
Loose:	57.00	57.00
Building Fund:	435.00	567.00
Candles:	80.00	87.00
Poor Box:		1.00
Leaven:	23.00	23.00
World Mission:	25.00	10.00
All Saints:	20.00	
Ghana Project:	301.00	448.00
Mass Intentions:		80.00

QR Code for Online Giving to
St. John the Baptist



Prayer Requests

Pope Francis I, Pearl Carriger-Leal, Teresa Kovac, Delores Denk, Judi Tucci, Susanna Laundry, Kenny Yarnevich, Dianna Stimac, Irene Delich, George Fracul, Karen Novak, Ana Piskuric, 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

Rosary in Honor of Our Lady of Fatima

You are invited to attend a Rosary in honor of **Our Lady of Fatima** on **Saturday October 14, 2023** at 12:00 (noon) at Holy Family Park across the street from Holy Family Church, 274 Orchard St. Kansas City, Kansas. Connie Kucenic is promoting and leading the Rosary at the Park on this day. So if you can, come and join saying the Rosary in honor of Our Lady of Fatima! Don't forget to bring your rosary!

BINGO Boo-Bash & Chili Supper

Saturday October 21 after 4pm mass in the church basement. \$15. Open to all. Sponsored by Croatian American Social Club. Denny Tokic 913-488-9976

Foster Family Appreciation Event

As part of October's Respect Life Month celebration, the Church of the Nativity & the Pro-Life Office are hosting a Foster Appreciation Respite Night event! All foster parents are invited to enjoy a free and relaxing evening of drinks, a catered dinner from Garozzo's, and an inspirational program, while the kids have a fun night with Chick Fil-A, bounce house, games and face painting in the gym. Contact **Susie Boster** at NativityFosterCare@gmail.com for more details and to register.

Foster Appreciate Respite Night

Friday, October 20

Church of the Nativity, Leawood KS; Parish Hall/Gym 6pm check-in. 8:30 event concludes. Registration required

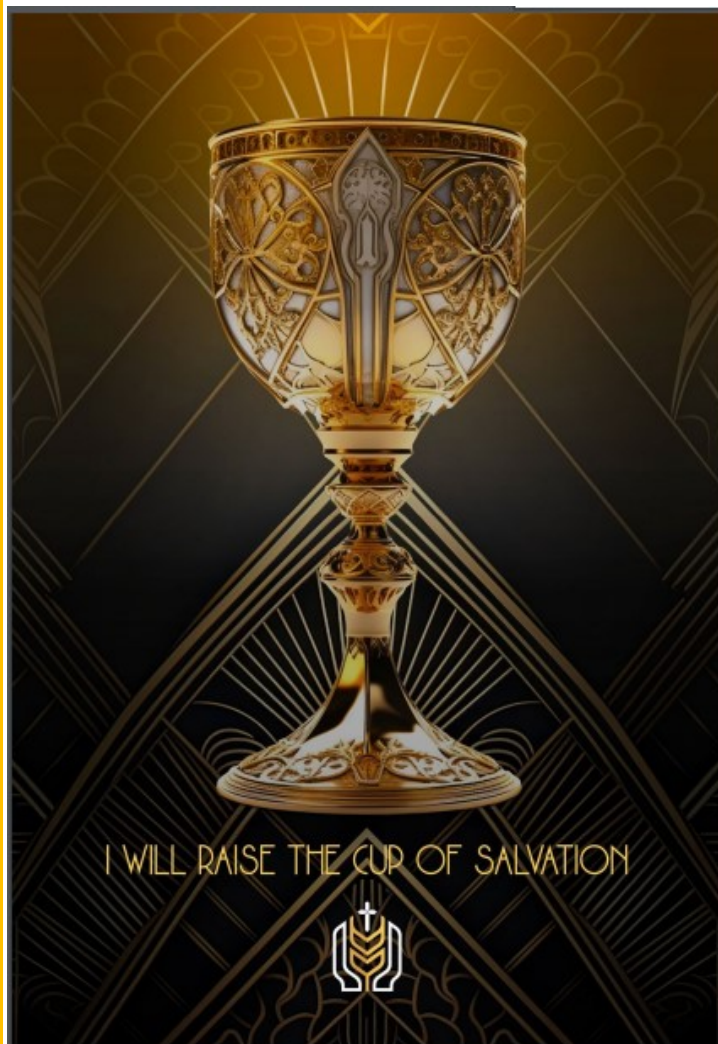


The Fall Apple Strudel Sale

Order now throughout October.
Apple strudels will be \$15/strudel .
A maximum of 5 strudel/person.

Joanne Lally is taking orders and can be reached at staragena@kc.rr.com or (913) 281-4448. We will be making a maximum of 200, so get your orders in early! As the orders for strudels are coming in we have also had a lot of requests for cheese strudels. Does anyone know of anyone making them for sale, if so, please let us know.

The Catholic Foundation of Northeast Kansas is hosting the **Annual Deo Gratias Appreciation Dinner** on **Thursday, November 30, 2023 from 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM** at **Savior Pastoral Center**. All are welcome to join us for this wonderful evening of celebration and giving thanks. This year's honorees are Distinguished Family: **John and Claudia Caton**, and Distinguished Organization: **Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church and School**. To register, visit: <https://www.cfnek.org/events/deogratias>.



CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF NORTHEAST KANSAS
**DEO GRATIAS
APPRECIATION DINNER**

Savior Pastoral Center | 12601 Parallel Parkway | Kansas City, KS 66109

2023 Deo Gratias Honorees:

Distinguished Family: John & Claudia Caton

Distinguished Organization:

Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church and School

Savior Pastoral Center

12601 Parallel Parkway, Kansas City, Kansas 66109

Thursday, November 30, 2023

- 5:30 p.m. Reception in the Art Hallway
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner – *Keleher Conference Center*
- 6:30 p.m. Invocation and Award Presentations, Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann
- 8:30 p.m. Final Blessing



Please register online at
cfnek.org/events/deogratias
or by scanning the QR code.

*Spouses & guests are welcome.
A complimentary dinner will be served.*

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The Catholic Foundation of Northeast Kansas is gearing up for **GivingTuesday**

(November 28, 2023). Don't miss an opportunity to join our 2023 campaign and leverage this national day of giving to raise funds to further your mission! Each parish, school, ministry, and nonprofit within the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas is eligible to participate in this day of giving on *Tuesday, November 28*. The kick-off webinar recording, training webinar schedule, registration form, and more resources to help you gear up for GivingTuesday can be found at cfnek.org/giving-tuesday. If you have any questions, please reach out to **Morgan Wade** at 913-721-1570 Ext 225 or mwade@archkck.org.



Blood Drive
Savior Pastoral Center

In the Gym
 12601 Parallel Parkway
 Kansas City, KS 66109

Tuesday, October 24, 2023
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: SaviorPastoral to schedule an appointment.

Come give Oct. 21 thru Nov. 9 and get a \$10 gift card by email. PLUS, get a chance to win a \$5,000 prize to treat yourself! You could be one of three lucky winners (one a week). Terms apply: rcblood.org/lunch

1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | RedCrossBlood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

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ST. JOHN'S CLUB
101ST ANNIVERSARY "HOMECOMING" DANCE

Bowling & Bluegrass

\$10 Admission
Includes music & bowling
\$10 Meal
Cevapi & sides
Cash Bar
Raffle

October 28th
Saturday
5-10pm

Baric Brothers
Traditional Croatian Music
The Matchsellers
Bluegrass
Konza Swamp Band
Bluegrass and Old Time

414 Barnett Ave. Kansas City, Kansas

COME FALL IN LOVE AGAIN

Going through a change of seasons in your marriage - new career, emptying nesting, aging parents? Register today for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience to embrace the changes while falling in love all over again. For more information, or to register for an upcoming weekend, visit www.WWME.org or scan the QR code.

worldwide marriage encounter

Save the Date: Nov. 10 - 12, 2023

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.

Festival T-shirts for sale! If you didn't get a chance to purchase a t-shirt from the Croatian Festival you still can do so by visiting the parish office during the hours 8:30 am-5pm M-F. For more details call 913-371-0627

Illuminating Scripture **Christ's Peace House of Prayer**

22131 Meager Rd., Easton

Friday, October 27th at 5:30pm – Sunday, October 29th at 4:30pm

The Saint John's Bible is the first completely handwritten and illuminated Bible to be commissioned by a Benedictine abbey since the invention of the printing press. Join us in discovering and praying with the beautiful illuminations contained in this masterpiece. We will be praying with the Heritage Edition of the "Gospels and Acts" Volume of The Saint John's Bible from K-State which is the full-size fine art reproduction of the original. Measuring two feet tall by three feet wide when open, it is the exact size of the original manuscript. 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.

Living Freedom in the Church **Christ's Peace House of Prayer**

22131 Meager Rd., Easton

Friday, November 10th at 5:30pm – Sunday, November 12th at 4:30pm

Pope Francis urges us to prepare for the jubilee year 2025 by studying the Vatican II documents, focusing this year on the four dogmatic constitutions. Join us as we explore these vital teachings important in our world as it seeks a deeper experience of freedom beyond personal willfulness. The constitutions show that freedom comes from our worship of God, the truths of the Bible and church teachings, and loving our neighbors in our modern times. 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.



COME VISIT OUR OPEN HOUSES!

SCAN QR CODES TO LEARN MORE FROM EACH HIGH SCHOOL!

BISHOP MIEGE
SATURDAY
OCTOBER 21



BISHOP WARD
THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 9



ST. JAMES ACADEMY
SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 11



SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS
SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 18



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.



USHERS NEEDED!

If you would like to usher at any of our weekend Masses, please call the church office at 913-371-0627

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

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OF NORTHEAST KANSAS



CATHOLIC FOUNDATION
OF NORTHEAST KANSAS

St. Michael Choir
Dr. Kevin Vogt, Director

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH, 2023 @ 7:00 PM

St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Parish
14251 Nall Avenue, Leawood, KS 66223

Kindly RSVP to Mary Ann Caffrey: (913) 345-8210 or maryannpiano@sbcglobal.net