



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

Mr. Tony Locatelli, Music Director

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
Parish Council
Altar Society
St. John's Club
Richard Sambol
Don Taylor
Kelly Moutray
Ken Yarnevich
913-371-9690

Prayer Line (913) 281-4448

FASTING & ABSTINENCE

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
(USCCB)

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. 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. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said,

"If you wish, you can make me clean."

Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him,

"I do will it. Be made clean."

The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean.

Then, warning him sternly, he dismissed him at once.

He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed:

that will be proof for them."

The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter.

He spread the report abroad

so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly.

He remained outside in deserted places, and people kept coming to him from everywhere.

Keeping In Touch

As you may have noticed, this year Lent begins early. This coming Wednesday we begin the Lenten season with celebration of Ash Wednesday. As we prepare to enter into the Lenten season of prayer, fasting, and alms giving we are reminded of our need to conform our lives more and more after the life of Christ. I encourage you during this Lenten season to do one thing that will draw you closer to God. When we think of doing it all at once it can be overwhelming, but if we focus on one thing it can become very doable. I hope and pray that this Lent will be for each one of us a time where we draw closer to the

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

Lord.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, February 11-

9am- Mike & Katherine Suljak & Marica Black

George, Ivan & Ana Brajkovic Janko & Marija Piskuric Ivan & Louise & John Brozenic

Thursday, February 15-

8am- George Gray Jr.

Frank & Franklin Stimac Andjelka Radmilic-Jackson

Saturday February 17-

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

Sunday, February 18-

9am- Nikola & Magda Sestric Milan Gasparovic Miho & Magda Kucenic Andjelka Radmilic-Jackson

LITURGICAL MINISTRY - FEBRUARY

February 10-11, 2023-

Lectors: J. Alvey; M. Viskovic, R. Sambol Eucharistic Ministers: G. Garcia; P. Mikesic

Servers: A. Garcia ; I. Dordevic Sacristans: K. Grisnik, E. Grisnik ; B. Horvat, K. Moutray

February 17-18, 2023-

Lectors: M. Grisnik; V. Tomasic, M. Piskuric Eucharistic Ministers: T. Jaksetic; M. Tomasic

Servers: A. Morrow; A. Garcia
Sacristans: T. Jaksetic, C. Delich;
S. Sandelich, G. Garcia

Please submit any bulletin news and events by Wednesday afternoon to the Parish office by phone or email to ourcroatianparish@gmail.com

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Sat.2	2/03/24	Sun.2/04/24
Envelopes:	3150.00	1088.00
Loose:	120.00	87.00
Building Fund:	1172.00	520.00
Candles:	71.00	84.75
Poor Box:		15.00
Solemnity of Mary:		10.00
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Black Indian Mission: 25.00

Central Eastern Europe:

Mass Intentions: 150.00 Food Kitchen: 100.00



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St. John the Baptist



Prayer Requests

Pope Francis I, Sarah Skradski Coleman, James Lipovac, Dianna Stimac, Chris Braun, Irene Delich, Ana Piskuric, George Fracul, Karen Novak, Special Intention, In Thanksgiving, for all those who suffer from homelessness, addictions, cancer, mental health issues, for those who are serving time in prison, and anyone else in need of our prayers.

Upcoming Events

Food Kitchen

Food Kitchen date is for *Monday February 12th*. 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 February 13th* 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 bring a brown bag lunch. Desserts will be served. Bring a friend and come join us for fellowship, with bingo and prizes on *Wednesday February 14th* starting at 11 am in the church basement.

Lenten Bible Study

The Gospel of Mark, starting *Tuesday, February* 13,2024, from 10:30-11:30am at Holy Family School First Classroom. ~Sr. Marie Kathleen

LENTEN MORNING RETREAT

Given by Fr. Richard Gielow, C.M.

Thursday, March 7th

Beginning with 8 am Mass; ending 12 pm.

At St. John the Baptist Catholic Church,

708 N. 4th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101 Free Will Donation; Light refreshments

ALL are welcome RSVP St. John the Baptist Catholic

Church: 913-371-0627

ASH WEDNESDAY -FEBRUARY 14 MASSES

10:00 a.m. -St. John the Baptist

5:30 p.m. -Holy Family Church





Shepherd Field Group - Holy Land OLIVE WOOD CARVINGS & CRAFTS SALE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Our friends from Bethlehem in the Holy Land are going to be at Holy Family Church, Sunday February 18. They come to us to sell the olive wood carvings and crafts that are hand made by the Christians in the Holy Land. This is their main source of income.

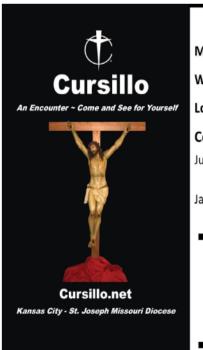
We need to support these people by buying their beautiful olive wood carvings and crafts so we can help Christian families stay in the Holy Land. Pray for the Christians in the Holy Land and support them so we all can do our part to keep our Christian bells ringing in the Holy Land. Thanks and God bless. www.shepherds-field.com

CALL TO SHARE 2024 PARISH TARGET: \$19,822 February 11, 2024

In today's Gospel story, Jesus cleanses a leper with the words, "Be made clean" (Mark 1:41). The faith of this leper moves God to give him the outward cleanliness he sought. This healing would allow him to re-enter Jewish society, from which he had been cast out.

Jesus says he came that "they might have life and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). He didn't just come to cleanse the outside, like the Pharisees, who "cleanse the outside of the cup and the dish"" (Luke 11:39). He came to renew all of us, outside and in.

We need your help to meet the many needs of those around you. Jesus says that, "As to what is within, give alms, and behold, everything will be made clean for you" (Luke 11:41). Jesus says there is a connection between almsgiving and the true cleanness of life which the Jews sought. Small wonder: Almsgiving requires sacrifice. It requires the same spirit of sacrifice that we need to take up our personal cross valiantly. Our Archbishop's Call to Share appeal is in full swing and encourage you to take this opportunity to help us help others.



Upcoming Weekends

Men: April 25-28, 2024

Women: May 16-19, 2024

Location: Sisters of St. Francis

Contacts:

Judy Newkirk 816.806.1997

jknewkirk65@gmail.com

James Newkirk 816.807.7700

james@ultreya.biz

Make a Friend

Be a Friend

Bring a Friend to Christ



ENCOUNTER SCHOOL OF HEALING

TEACHING, ACTIVATING & DEPLOYING CATH-OLICS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HEALING MINIS-TRY OF IESUS

Jesus never proclaimed the Gospel without demonstrating it in power and love. Jesus' healing ministry is at the heart of His Gospel of power and He expects His disciples to minister His healing on the earth (cf Mk 16:15-20). The Encounter School of Healing will teach and equip you to partner with the power of the Holy Spirit to experience healing miracles in the world around you. Healing is Jesus' idea and it is essential to the effective evangelization of our city and nation. Come experience the greater works Jesus has in store for you.

Friday, April 12: 6:30p-9:30p | Saturday, April 13: 9a-5p

Information and Registration: encounter

school.org/kansas-city

February Fun



St. Mary – St. Anthony Church

Bishop Forst Hall 615 North 7th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101

Sunday, February 18th - 2:00 P.M.

Win Poviticas & Apple Strudels
\$5 admission

for a card, desserts, popcorn, coffee

Heidi Cook, an art historian who teaches at Truman State University, is working on an article about the murals that famed Croatian artist Oton Iveković painted in St. John the Baptist Church in 1909. She is searching for images, photographs, or documents related to the murals (including church records or correspondence or any photographs of the sanctuary of St. John the Baptist taken between 1909 and 1932, when the murals were destroyed by smoke from a boiler fire). If you have access to these materials, or knows someone who might, please contact Heidi at hcook@truman.edu or 660-785-4457.



Join us for Game Night at the PAL! Sat., Feb. 24, 2024

We wanted you to be the first to know that we're hosting Game Night at the PAL on Sat., Feb. 24, 2024 at the Police Athletic League of KCK!

Great prizes for Bingo and great fun for your group! You'll enjoy dinner, drinks and fun! All proceeds support the PAL's terrific free youth development programs.

\$65.00 Tickets available at door includes dinner, drinks, bingo!! Get your tickets early – they'll be offered to the general public in just a few days!

Doors open at 5:00pm Play begins at 6:00pm 800 North 5th Street Kansas City, KS 66101

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Len[†]en \$hrimp Dinners



Friday February 23, 5:30 pm Friday March 15th, 5:30 pm

Dinner includes:

Jumbo Shrimp Corn on the Cob-Hushpuppies-Potatoes-Salad and Bread \$20.00 Donation

> RSVP by calling: Larry Steele 913-956-2096 Or the Club 913-371-9690

Upstairs, In the GYM, or Carry Out Hosted by:

St. John's Catholic Club



414 Barnett Kansas City, KS 66101

CHILDREN WELCOME w/ Special Pricing



Please bring non-perishable food and ersonal items (especially diapers and baby supplies) for the St. John's Church pantry. The need is great.

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 or call 913-369-2718. Scholarship application deadline is May 1, 2024.

CHRIST THE KING PRO LIFE PRAYER VIGIL

ADDRATION 7PM-8AM

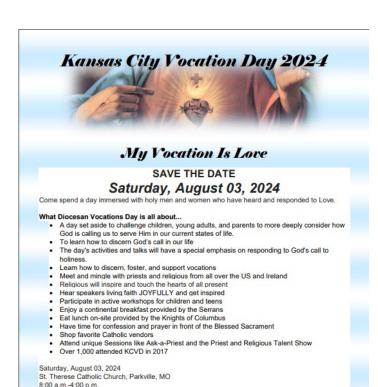
- Intercession
- Reparation
- Communion



FRIDAY BEFORE THIRD SATURDAY
OF EACH MONTH

CONTACT@CTKKCK.ORG 913.287.8823

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Mark your calendar and spread the word...

or to volunteer! KCVocationday2024@gmail.com



Please contact Tina Dotson if you have questions, suggestions, or ideas to make KCVD 2024 Great

City on A Hill - KC Underground Thursday, February 15th Coronation of Our Lady in Grandview MO (13000 Bennington Avenue) Join young adults for a beautiful night of prayer! As we begin Lent, take this opportunity to share time with our Lord and reset our hearts to enter into the desert with Him. More information on KC Underground can be found at: https://www.kansascityonahill.org/kc-underground



This year the first weekend of Lent falls right after Valentine's Day... and we have the perfect way to celebrate! Take some time away with your spouse to discover the link between holiness and romance, and go home with some practical ways to put more of both in your life! -How being "in love" with your spouse makes you holier -How to love your spouse more effectively -Great conversations with your beloved -Encouragement by like-minded couples (but no small group sharing!) Our Lady of Guadalupe – Topeka, KS February 17th at 8:30 am Register at https://archkck.org/marriageretreat/ If cost makes you hesitate to register, please email Brad below for a scholarship. Other questions? Contact Brad DuPont bdupont@archkck.org

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