



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

5th Sunday of Lent

March 17, 2024

John 12: 20-33

Parish Office:

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

Office: (913) 371-0627

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

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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, JV, VF, Pastor

Mrs. Wendy Christ, Administrative Assistant

Mr. Tony Locatelli, Music Director

Mass Schedule:

Saturday at 4 pm

(at Holy Family in March)

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

Amen , amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of what; but if it dies, his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me."

- John 12:20-33

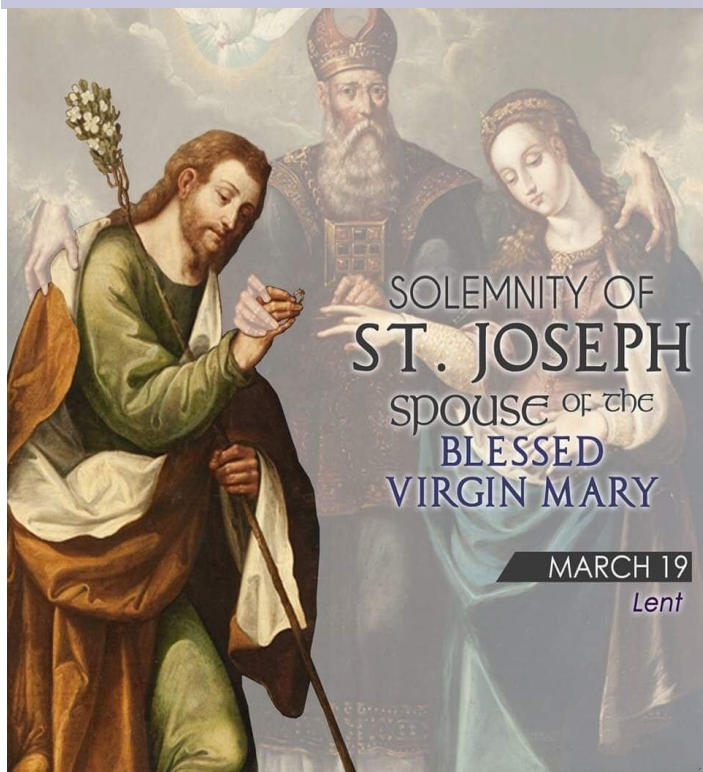
Keeping In Touch

Something that I like to do, but very rarely get to do I got to do! After the writing of my last column, the movie "Cabrini" was released. Archbishop Naumann had rented the theater for members of the chancery staff to see the movie. I had the privilege of being one of the ones that accompanied the Archbishop to the movie.

I have to admit that Saint Cabrini is a saint that I did not know much about. I knew her name, I knew that she had administered here in the United States, but other than that I really knew nothing. This limited knowledge came to me as a child. I had been given one Christmas a picture book of saints and Saint Cabrini was one of those saints. I vividly remember the picture of her in that book (which I still have). The movie which was very good gave me great insight into the life of this great woman. Her determination born out of her great faith allowed her to affect the lives of many. In fact she said this, "I will go anywhere and do anything in order to communicate the love of Jesus to those who do not know him or have forgotten Him."

Her life is a great example of God's love and care for us. As you can probably gather, I highly recommend this movie. Even more so, I highly recommend looking to the example of Saint Cabrini as we strive to live our faith and the instruments of God's love in the world.

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



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, March 17- St. Patrick's Day

9am- Kralj Family
Fabina Family
Pero & Dorothy Sutulovich
Frank & Mary Nahajzer

Thursday, March 21- 8am-

Saturday March 23-

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

Sunday, March 24- Palm Sunday

9am- Mike & Barbara & Anna Kralj
Eugene Sostarich
Anton & Lily Rendulic
Joe Schwab

LITURGICAL MINISTRY - MARCH

March 17, 2024-

Lectors: A. Morrow, V. Tomasic
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Tomasic
Servers: A. Garcia, I. Dordevic
Sacristans: S. Sandelich, G. Garcia

March 24, 2024- Palm Sunday

Master of Ceremonies: C. Schneider
Lectors: G. Garcia, M. Garcia
Passion Narrator: G. Garcia
Passion Speaker: M. Garcia
Eucharistic Ministers: S. Morrow
Servers: M. Viskovic, A. Morrow, A. Garcia
Sacristans: P. Mikesic, P. Hill

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Sun. 3/10/24

Envelopes:	2360.00
Loose:	21.00
Building Fund:	225.00
Candles:	90.00
Poor Box:	20.00
Good Friday:	40.00
Holy Saturday:	30.00
Easter Flower Offering:	100.00
Easter Sunday:	30.00
Catholic Relief Services:	60.00
Priest Retirement:	20.00
In Memory of:	500.00
(Dan Brooks for Building Fund)	
Mass Intentions:	50.00



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Prayer Requests

Pope Francis I, for our Candidates who will enter the Church at our Easter Vigil and will be receiving the Sacraments of The Eucharist and Confirmation, Jaydon Dextre, Mary Ann Stimac, Millie Sambol, Michele McKeever, Sarah Skradski Coleman, James Lipovac, Dianna Stimac, Chris Braun, Irene Delich, Ana Piskuric, George Fracul, 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

The Altar Society will host the annual **Palm Sunday Bake Sale** on *March 23rd and March 24th*. Bake goods can be dropped off in the church basement after 2pm on *Saturday March 23rd* or before Mass on *Sunday, March 24th*. Lots of delicious baked items will be available for purchase on Saturday from 2-4 and Sunday after Mass. Apple Strudels will be for sale for \$15 per strudel with a limit of 3 per person. There will also be donuts and coffee after Mass on March 24th.

Runnin' With the Revs Games All are invited to cheer on your favorite priest or student player at the Runnin' With the Revs basketball game on *Monday, April 8th* at **St. James Academy** in Lenexa or *Monday, April 15th* at **Hayden High School** in Topeka. Both games begin at 7 pm. Priests will be teamed up with 8th grade and high school students from area Catholic schools in an exciting game of basketball. Bring your family and friends to enjoy this fun event. Donations collected will benefit our seminarians.

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.*

Join Us for Stations of the Cross Every Friday During Lent!!

5:30p.m. - Croatian

Your presence is warmly welcomed as we come together for this meaningful Lenten tradition.



Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann and Bishop James V. Johnston will concelebrate a special Mass with Anointing of the Sick and ritual blessing of the sick, in the manner done at Lourdes, France, on **Saturday, March 23, 2024 at 10:00 AM** at **Cure of Ars Parish**, 94th and Mission Road, Leawood, Kansas. Mass will be preceded by the opportunity for the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** from **9:00 to 9:45 AM**. We encourage anyone who is sick, suffering, chronically ill, and their caregivers, to attend. All those attending will receive prayer cards and Lourdes water to take home. A short reception will be held after the Mass. If possible, please send the names of those who wish to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick to maltakc@yahoo.com or contact **Doug Rivard** at 913-620-1759.

The Secretariat for the Synod of Bishops has requested input from dioceses on two questions. Responses to the two questions will be synthesized into a short report to be submitted by each diocese to the U.S. bishops' synod team. Two listening sessions in the Archdiocese are scheduled to receive input: **March 19** at **Church of the Nativity Parish Hall**, Leawood, and **March 20** at **Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish Hall**, Topeka. Registration is not necessary. Both sessions will begin promptly at 6:30pm and end at or before 8pm. The two questions being considered exclusively are: 1) Where have I seen or experienced the church's structure(s), organization, leadership or life facilitate or hinder the church's mission of spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ? and 2) How can the structures and organization of the Church help all Christians respond to Christ's call to proclaim the Gospel and to live as a community of his love and mercy? Please consider joining us for one of these sessions. Alternatively, if you wish to provide short answers (limited to 500 characters) to the two questions, you may visit this link from **March 17** to **March 24**: <https://archkck.org/synod/>

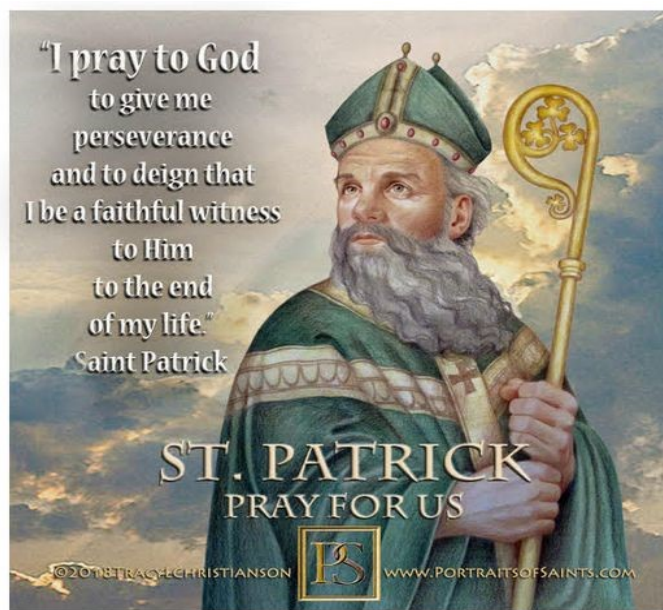
CALL TO SHARE 2024
PARISH TARGET: \$19,822
Total Raised : \$9,120
Reported as of February 18, 2024

Facing death, Jesus said in today's Gospel, "I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? "Father, save me from this hour"? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour" (John 12:27).

When was the last time you had to face something difficult? Christ's perspective sheds new light on life's trials: "If [a grain of wheat] dies, it produces much fruit" (John 12:24-25).

As each of us follows Christ, we face trials. Our parish, like Christ, desires that our trials bear much fruit. Our Archbishop's Call to Share appeal is a time when we ask for your help. There is a sacrifice behind each gift: a dying to the other possibilities one might have used the money, time, or resource for. As you give, you can participate in Christ's sacrifice. You honor us with your gift, and we honor you, as we honor Christ's sacrifice for us! In advance, we thank you for helping us bear fruit and for all the souls entrusted to us. God bless you!

Happy Feast Day Saint Patrick 390 - 460
 Patronage: Ireland, engineers, paralegals. Invoked against snakes, sins, and witchcraft.
 Patrick was born in Scotland. As a boy of fourteen or so, he was captured during a raiding party and taken to Ireland as a slave to tend sheep. During his captivity, he turned to God. Patrick's captivity lasted until he was twenty when he escaped after having a dream from God in which he was told to leave Ireland. Patrick was ordained a priest and eventually a bishop and returned to Ireland where he preached the gospel for over 40 years converting many.
Feast Day: March 17



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Holy Family Altar Society Bingo

Saturday, April 20, 2024

Monsignor Mejak Hall
513 Ohio Ave., Kansas City, Kansas 66101

\$20.00 donation includes one sausage dinner, one bingo card, and two drink tickets. 20 Regular bingo games and 2 Blackouts. Paper sheet bingos may be purchased for Black-out games.

NO ONE UNDER 21 ADMITTED

More information announced in future bulletins

**RESURRECTION FAMILY
BINGO
NIGHT**

Saturday, March 23rd

Bishop Forst Hall at St. Mary - St. Anthony Church
615 N. 7th St. | Kansas City, KS 66101

EVENT TIMELINE (5-8 PM)

- **5:00 PM:** Doors open. Silent auction and 50/50 raffle begin.
- **5:45 PM:** Bingo begins. There will be 10 games.
- **7:45 PM:** Silent auction and 50/50 raffle end. Drawing takes place before 8 P.M.

Menu
Hot Dog: \$3
Nachos: \$3
Beer: \$2
Soda/Water: \$1
Popcorn: \$1
Cookies: \$1

**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

MONTHLY PRO-LIFE PRAYER TO END ABORTION
Christ the King Church in Kansas City, KS, located at 53rd and Leavenworth Road, is hosting a monthly all-night adoration, Mass, and procession to beg for the protection of the unborn and the conversion of those seeking and providing abortions. The next Vigil and Mass will take place starting *Friday, March 15th from 7 p.m. till Saturday morning the 16th*, concluding with a bilingual Mass at 8 a.m. Then, we'll walk down Leavenworth Road to the Planned Parenthood clinic where we will pray until 10am. Please join us for part or all of this work of mercy. We are looking for adorers throughout the night, particularly able-bodied men to anchor the safety of the night hours.

Please contact the **Christ the King** office to sign up for a slot, or for any questions:

913.287.8823 (call or text)

contact@ctkkck.org

Croatian Open Golf Tournament is *May 17, 2024*. If you golfed last year please submit your team entry fee of \$400 **by April 22** to reserve your spot. After that date your spot is not guaranteed. Hole sponsorship is also very important to the success of the tournament. Sponsorship levels are \$100, \$250, and \$500. Proceeds will go towards bowling lane maintenance and support of a scholarship fund the Club is looking at starting up. Sponsorships forms are available in the back of the Church or at the Club. Any questions please email me.

Sachenjoe@gmail.com



2024 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Family Church + St. John the Baptist

HOLY THURSDAY - MARCH 28

6:30 p.m. - Holy Family Church
For both parish communities

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES - MARCH 29

3:00 p.m. - St. John the Baptist
For both parish communities
5:00 p.m. - Holy Family Church (Burmese)

HOLY SATURDAY - MARCH 30

BLESSING OF FOOD

12:00 p.m. - St. John the Baptist
1:00 p.m. - Holy Family Church

8:00 p.m. - EASTER VIGIL - ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

For both Parish Communities

8:00 p.m. - EASTER VIGIL - HOLY FAMILY (Burmese)

EASTER SUNDAY - MARCH 31

9:00 a.m. - St. John the Baptist
10:30 a.m. - Holy Family Church
12:15 p.m. - Holy Family Church (Burmese)

