



# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

3rd Sunday Of Easter

April 14, 2024

Luke 24:35-48

## 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, JV, VF, Pastor

Mrs. Wendy Christ, Administrative Assistant

Mr. Tony Locatelli, Music Director

## Mass Schedule:

Saturday at 4 pm

(at St. John the Baptist in April)

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

(913) 281-4448

## Prayer Line

## Congratulations

St. John the Baptist parishioners would like to congratulate those who received Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil this year to **Reese Fisher** and **Jason Keck** for entering the Church and receiving the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion. To **Brandon Fernandez** for receiving sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion.



## Keeping In Touch

This past week was for the most part what I might refer to as a normal week –said masses, worked in the office, visited the sick, and many other things. There was, however, two out of the ordinary events that took place for me this week.

The first was the solar eclipse. I was at the time of the eclipse with a group of priests and we all decided to take a break and to observe the eclipse (with the protective glasses, of course). As we were observing together, I was struck by the beauty of God's creation.

The second event that was out of the ordinary for me was I had to give a talk at a parish regarding my work in the Tribunal and annulments in general. The 45 minute gathering turned into an almost 2 hour gathering. I was edified at the interest of the people in the topic. The questions that arose, in light of this interest, were very good and engaging. It made for a wonderful evening. Overall this past week has been a great week and I look forward to the week ahead.

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



## *In Memory of John "Ivan" Podrebarac*

January 8, 1944 — March 20, 2024

John "Ivan" Podrebarac died peacefully at home on Wednesday, March 20, 2024. Born in Croatia, John moved with his family to Kansas City, Kansas in 1971. A true artisan butcher and machinist by trade, John enjoyed socializing and tending to his elaborate garden and animals. He was preceded in death by his mother Veronika and father Franje; Survived by wife Dragica; children, Marijan (Dana) and Joey (Lindsay); grandchildren, Josh (Kelsey), Enzo and Riha; sister Lubica. Services were held for John on Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at St. John the Baptist Church at 414 Barnett Ave., Kansas City, Kansas 66101. The family of John Podrebarac would like to thank everyone for the all donations made to the building fund for St. John the Baptist, Mass Intentions, cards, prayers, and condolences given from everyone. God Bless each of you.



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Sunday, April 14-

**9am-** George & Katie Kucenic  
Janko Hlade & Family  
Krupic Family  
Dolly Eskina

### Thursday, April 18-

**8am-** Janko & Marija Piskuric  
John F. Novak  
Ljubica Delac

### Saturday April 20-

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

### Sunday, April 21-

**9am-** Joel & Mary Livojevic  
Joe, Mijo, Veronika Sudac  
Kovach & Krupich Family  
Catherine Myers

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY - MARCH

### April 13-14 , 2024-

**Lectors:** J. Alvey ; M. Piskuric, R. Sambol  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** T. Jaksetic ; N. Gasparovic  
**Servers:** none ; I. Dordevic  
**Sacristans:** M. Foster, J. Foster ; P. Mikesic, P. Hill

### April 20-21 , 2024-

**Lectors:** M. Grisnik ; V. Tomasic, M. Viskovic  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** B. Horvat ; M. Tomasic  
**Servers:** none ; M. Viskovic  
**Sacristans:** K. Grisnik, E. Grisnik ;  
S. Sandelich, G. Garcia

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	<u>Sat. 04/6/24</u>	<u>Sun. 4/7/24</u>
<b>Envelopes:</b>	3760.00	2498.00
<b>Loose:</b>	145.00	101.00
<b>Building Fund:</b>	554.00	705.00
<b>Candles:</b>	54.51	88.00
<b>Poor Box:</b>		1.05
<b>Good Friday:</b>	75.00	
<b>Holy Saturday:</b>	65.00	
<b>Easter Sunday:</b>	75.00	
<b>Easter Flower:</b>	10.00	
<b>Catholic Relief:</b>	5.00	
<b>Priest Retirement:</b>	10.00	
<b>Rice Bowl:</b>	60.00	
<b>Mass Intentions:</b>	450.00	
<b>In Memory of:</b>	2815.00	
(John Podrebarac for Building Fund)		



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St. John the Baptist



## Prayer Requests

Pope Francis I, 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

### **Frozen apple strudels available for sale**

\$15 each. Make checks payable to :  
**St. Johns Altar Society** Please call Wendy at the rectory at 913-371-0627 to arrange for purchase and pick-up. Thank you for your interest.

**The Baric Brothers** will be teaching some classes just in time for summer. Big things are coming up. Croatian Day! The Sugar Creek Slavic Festival! The St. John's Croatian Parish Social! And I'm sure we're going find more times and places to put on our dancing shoes. Kolo Classes- Jim and Joe Baric will lead Kolo Classes in St John's Gym on *April 14th & April 28th*. Class time will be from *1:30-3:30* on both days. These classes are also free and open to the public.

**Day of Prayer in Atonement** for Sexual Abuse in the Church *6:30 PM, Friday, April 26*

### **Savior Pastoral Center Chapel**

12601 Parallel Pkwy. Kansas City, KS

On *Friday, April 26*, you are invited to join

**Archbishop Naumann**, who will offer Mass in atonement for the harm resulting from sexual abuse in the Catholic Church. This scandal has left victims with lasting wounds, and has caused people to mistrust the Church. This Mass is open to all who want to support and pray for healing for victims, and for the integrity of our clergy. Immediately after Mass there will be a short information session about abuse, and how the Archdiocese cares for victims using Restorative Justice principals. Then a reception will follow for conversation and fellowship. Resources will be available for all who are interested in this topic.

### **Mother's Day Breakfast**

Once again St. John's Catholic Club will be having a Mother's Day breakfast. It will be after 9:00 am Mass on May 12th. Tickets are still only \$5.00 and available at the club at 913-371-9690 or contact John Mikesic at 913-669-3262. Hope to see you there!

### **Rosary Rally for April!**

4/28/2024 ~ 3:00PM-4:15PM

**CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION**

9510 W. 127th St. Overland Park Kansas 66213

### Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas

is looking for volunteers who are committed to helping future US citizens. We hold Citizenship Preparation classes to help legal permanent residents prepare for their naturalization interview and we are looking for volunteers to help in our classes or tutor students one-on-one. If you have a passion for teaching or tutoring we could use your help. Volunteers will review civics questions and N-400 questions with students while practicing their reading, writing and conversational English skills.

Please contact us if you have any questions or to apply

Phone: 913-391-0256

Email: [citizenship@catholiccharitiesks.org](mailto:citizenship@catholiccharitiesks.org)

### Please help support our priests and seminarians!

Each year, a special offertory collection is taken up throughout the Archdiocese on **Good Shepherd Sunday** which is allocated to three funds supporting the priesthood:

1. The education and support of our 25 seminarians.
2. Continuing education and retreats for our 115 priests.
3. The care of our 22 retired priests.

In thanksgiving for our current and future "Good Shepherds," please be generous in your support on **April 21, 2024**. Thank you!

### HOLY FAMILY ALTAR SOCIETY SPRING BINGO

**Saturday, April 20, 2024**

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

**Doors Open: 5:30 p.m.**

**Dinner Served: 5:45 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.**

**Bingo Starts: 7:00 p.m.**

\$20.00 donation includes one sausage dinner, one bingo card, & two drink tickets. 20 Regular bingo games and 3 Blackouts. Paper sheet bingos may be purchased for Black-out games. Advance tickets are \$20.00. If purchased at the door, the cost will be \$25.00 per person/per ticket.

#### For tickets contact:

Sarah Simonich Lee - 913-905-9399

Sandy Cannon - 913-396-1564

Parish Office - 913-413-0022

**NO ONE UNDER 21 ADMITTED**

### Join us on **April 24, 2024** for a Parish Workshop on Charitable Giving Strategies at

**St. Ann Catholic Church**, 301 William Street, Effingham, KS 66023. The event will begin at 7:00 PM with a presentation from Jeannine Edmonds on understanding different kinds of investment accounts and tax consequences for each, and charitable giving strategies. Go here to register today!

<https://www.cfnek.org/events/zp5dei9yv8ajsg5e94sfuv6viravt3>

*Please submit any bulletin news and events by Wednesday afternoon to the Parish office by phone or email to [ourcroatianparish@gmail.com](mailto:ourcroatianparish@gmail.com)*



**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](mailto:Sachenjoe@gmail.com)



### **ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CLUB ANNUAL CROATIAN GOLF TOURNAMENT SUNFLOWER HILLS GOLF COURSE SILENT AUCTION FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2024**

The Croatian Golf committee is sponsoring a Silent Auction Item to be awarded at the golf tournament *Friday, May 17th*. Complete Furnace and A/C Installation Donated by **Adam Golubski, Owner, Delta T Heating & Cooling, LLC**. If the past winter has you thinking about a new furnace and A/C system, you're in luck! Bid now on this brand new Goodman HVAC system, including installation, generously donated by Delta T Heating & Cooling, LLC. This package is valued at \$9,000.00. Auction is open to anyone, golfers and non-golfers. Minimum bid restrictions must be met. The most current bid will be posted on **St. John's Club** Facebook page. For more detailed information or to place your bids, email **Joe Sachen** at [sachenjoe@gmail.com](mailto:sachenjoe@gmail.com) or text 913-708-4689. Your bids will be placed in the order in which they are received. The auction ends on May 17th, 2:00pm which is the end of the golf tournament. As always, we appreciate your generosity and support. Thank you.

The Gospel calls all of us to “go and make disciples of all nations.” All are invited to **BEHOLD KC**: a free, public, outdoor event where we will gather as a regional community of faith from Missouri and Kansas for a historic once-in-a-generation Eucharistic celebration.

**BEHOLD KC** will be held on *May 4, 2024, from 4 to 9:30 PM* at the **National WWI Museum and Memorial North Lawn**.

What better chance to behold the true presence of our Lord Jesus Christ than in our own backyard? As we journey through the Eucharistic Revival, this is a special opportunity to publicly witness with your friends, family, and small groups, without the large cost of attending other big Catholic events held in different cities.

Behold KC will include a bilingual Mass, Confession, nationally-recognized praise and worship performed by **Steve Angrisano**, local choirs, a public Rosary, and the largest Eucharistic Adoration opportunity in our city in more than 80 years!

Please extend an invitation to your family and friends! Registration is not required but is strongly recommended. For full event details and registration, visit [beholdkck.org](http://beholdkck.org).

**There is no better time to BEHOLD our Lord!**



## 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**

**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, April 19th from 7 p.m. till Saturday morning the 20th**, 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](mailto:contact@ctkkck.org)

### **Camp Tekakwitha Women's Retreat**

This is a weekend for you! You will find speakers that inspire you, Sacraments that draw you to the heart of Christ, and fellowship with other women. This retreat offers large group and break out sessions, individual reflection, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, free time, friendship, laughter, and joy! Here you will find the space to relax, rejuvenate, and reconnect. Come enjoy the beauty of God's creation at Prairie Star Ranch and the gift of sharing life with other women seeking the heart of Jesus.

**Date:** April 26-28, 2024

**Information and Registration:** <https://archkck.org/camp-tekakwitha/womens-retreat/>