



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

John 20, 19-31

2nd Sunday Of Easter~ Divine Mercy

April 7, 2024

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Parish Office:

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

Office: (913) 371-0627

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

Web: stjohnthebaptistcatholicchurch.com

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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



Keeping In Touch

Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen indeed!

We are in the midst of what is called the Octave of Easter. What this means is that the eight days following the celebration of Easter are celebrated as Easter days. In the midst of this joyful time, I again want to express my gratitude to all of you for your faith and your support that enables and makes visible our communities of faith. As the disciples experienced in the days following the Resurrection, there are moments of sadness, wonder, and rejoicing. In our day as we recall the great event of the Resurrection, we too experience this in our own lives.

This past Friday I attended the funeral of one of our priests. Fr. Travis Mecum, who was ordained in 2020, passed away after a brief illness. It is a sad moment to have to bury someone so young, not only in years, but also in priesthood. We give thanks to God for his life and for his almost four years of priestly service. We give thanks to God for the gift of the Resurrection and we pray that Fr. Travis will participate in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

As we pray for the repose of his soul, we also pray that the Lord will send many others to answer the call to serve our Diocese as priests. We pray that the Lord is calling to us will have open ears to hear God's call and generous hearts to respond. Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen indeed!

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



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 7- Divine Mercy

9am- George Gray Jr.
Eugene Sostarich
Ana & Nick Kucenic
All Family Jadranka Nikola Gojmerac

Thursday, April 11-

8am- Franklin Paul Stimac
Dellaverne Harris
Max Stimac
George & Kate Yuratovich

Saturday April 13-

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

Sunday, April 14-

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

LITURGICAL MINISTRY - MARCH

April 6-7 , 2024-

Master of Ceremonies: C. Schneider
Lectors: G. Garcia ; M. Viskovic, C. Schneider
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Garcia ; S. Morrow
Servers: A. Garcia ; A. Morrow
Sacristans: A. Nastav, R. Nastav ;
B. Horvat, K. Moutray

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

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	<u>Fri. 3/29</u>	<u>Sat. 3/30</u>	<u>Sun. 3/24/24</u>
Envelopes:	830.00	60.00	2249.00
Loose:	157.41	300.00	733.00
Building Fund:	200.00	350.00	650.00
Candles:		125.00	117.30
Poor Box:			95.00
Good Friday:	888.00		
Holy Saturday:	10.00	333.00	130.00
Easter Sunday:	40.00	60.00	1013.00
Easter Flower:	25.00		
Cross:	150.00		
Tomb:	79.03		156.25
Catholic Communication:			20.00
Priest Retirement:	50.00	20.00	
Food Kitchen:	145.00		
Donations:	500.00		



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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

Coffee and Donut Sunday

The event will be hosted by the **Parish Council** in the church basement after the 9am Mass on *Sunday April 7th*. Please come and join the parish for fellowship and updates from other parishioners.

Food Kitchen

Food Kitchen date is for *Monday April 8th*. 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 April 9th 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.

Monthly Senior Luncheon

Monthly Senior Luncheon Senior meeting and lunch will be served. Bring a friend and come join us for fellowship, with bingo and prizes on Wednesday *April 10th* starting at 11 am in the church basement.

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!

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.

Eucharistic Revival Christ's Peace House of Prayer

22131 Meager Rd., Easton

Friday, April 12th at 5:30pm – Sunday, April 14th at 4:30pm

Jesus invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival, which culminates in Indianapolis this July, is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Join us as we delve deeply into the powerful reality that is the Eucharist. Jesus, the Lamb of God, sacrificed so that we may have life, brings us himself in the heavenly bread of the banquet that takes place in heaven and on earth at the same time. Come worship our Eucharistic Lord with expectant faith during this enriching retreat. There are conferences, spiritual direction, 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.

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

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/>

Divine Mercy Sunday Pro-Life Prayer Service

April 7, 6:00pm at the **St. James Academy Chapel**
Through the ocean of love and mercy poured out on Divine Mercy Sunday, this prayer service will help us honor the unborn children who have lost their lives to abortion, offer healing to those impacted by this loss, and reaffirm our commitment to protect all life in our country. All are welcome.
6pm rosary/6:30 -7:30 service.

WAKE

A PRO-LIFE PRAYER EVENT

Eucharistic Adoration • Praise + Worship • Inspirational Skit
Symbolic Casket Procession to Honor the Unborn and Family Intentions



April 7, 2024 Divine Mercy Sunday

Divine Mercy Meditations
St. James Academy Chapel

All are welcome!
6:30 PM – 7:30 PM
Rosary begins at 6:00 PM

Through the ocean of love and mercy poured out on Divine Mercy Sunday, WAKE will honor the unborn who have lost their lives to abortion or miscarriage, offer healing to those affected by infant loss, and help reignite and restore the desire to guard the dignity of all life in our country.

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

Jesus did not waste time. While the disciples were still reeling with amazement at his resurrection, Jesus introduced them to their mission: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you" (John 20:21).

The Father sent Jesus into our world to bring hope. On this Divine Mercy Sunday, God's mercy is the greatest hope our broken world has ever known. We have been sent, and it is our job to spread the message. In the coming days, our neighbors need to see our Resurrection joy and be moved by our witness so that they wonder, "Where do they get it?" The answer is, "Jesus." Please support our Archbishop's Call to Share appeal, so that we can make more people curious about Jesus-until His Kingdom comes again in glory. May He bless you and help you know Divine Mercy like never before.

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

Hear ye! Hear ye! 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**- The Women's Auxiliary will be hosting a Kolo Class, free and open to the public in St. John's Gym on *April 7th* from 1:30-3:30. The class will be led by Lisa (Baric) Moyer. 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.

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.*



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**



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 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.