



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

21st Sunday In Ordinary Time

August 24, 2025

Luke 13:22-30

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, 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 August)

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

"Happy Wedding Anniversary!

The parishioners of St. John's wish you a day filled with joy, love, and cherished moments as you celebrate another year of your beautiful union."

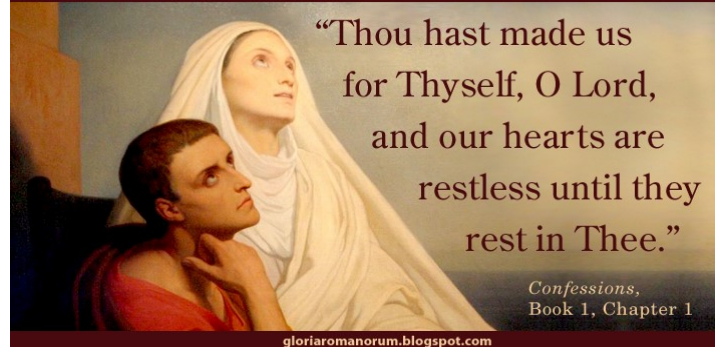
Mary & Jim Foster - 55 Years

Jadranka & Nikola Gojmerac- 46 Years

Wendy & Danny Christ - 5 Years

Happy Anniversary

St. Augustine and St. Monica



"Thou hast made us
for Thyself, O Lord,
and our hearts are
restless until they
rest in Thee."

*Confessions,
Book 1, Chapter 1*

gloriaromanorum.blogspot.com

Keeping In Touch

This past week has been a normal, busy week. Looking to the coming week which will be busy, we have the Feast of St. Monica and St. Augustine. As an Augustinian this is a great feast for me. As I prepare to celebrate this great feast, I am of course reminded of the great gift that St. Augustine is to the church and in particular the great gift of the Rule that we as Augustinians follow.

The charism that St. Augustine gave to the church was that of community. Augustine believed that we found God in communities and called us to be of one mind and of one heart intent upon God. I saw this week in the news that Pope Leo (an Augustinian) has decided that he will have others live with him in the papal apartments. This comes as no great surprise. It is the way he has been formed and the way he has lived this religious life. It is a place where he finds God. This great example that Augustine leaves us is strengthened by the example of our Holy Father. It is a gift that I cherish.

As we celebrate the great Solemnity of St. Augustine, I ask you to pray for me and for all Augustinians that we may be faithful to the charism entrusted to us.

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



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, August 24-

9am- John F. Mikesic
Janko Hlade & Family
Family of Nikola Jadranka Gojmerac
(46th Wedding Anniversary)
Deceased Members of
St. Theresa & St. Bernadette's Circle

Thursday, August 28-

8am-

Saturday, August 30-

4pm- Vigil Mass at St. John the Baptist
People of the Parishes

Sunday, August 31-

9am- Stjepan & Ana Jagodic
Stjepan, Marica & Branimir Dukovic
Kathy Stancic & Stanley Stancic
Anton & Lily Rendulic, Michael & Kathy Tomas

LITURGICAL MINISTRY - AUGUST

August 23-24, 2025-

Lectors: B. Horvat ; S. Glenn, M. Viskovic
Eucharistic Ministers: S. Morrow ; C. Schneider
Servers: none ; M. Garcia
Sacristans: B. Horvat, C. Kolich ; P. Mikesic, P. Hill

August 30-31, 2025-

Lectors: G. Garcia ; M. Viskovic, B. Horvat
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Garcia ; A. Kucenic
Servers: A. Garcia ; I. Dordevic
Sacristans: M. Foster, J. Foster ;
B. Horvat, K. Moutray

*Please submit any bulletin news and events by
Wednesday to the Parish office by phone 913-371-
0627 or email to ourcroatianparish@gmail.com*

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	<u>Sat.08/16/25</u>	<u>Sun.08/17/25</u>
Envelopes:	2075.00	2765.00
Loose:	1525. 50	124.00
Building Fund:	145.00	170.00
Candles:	139.50	170.00
Poor Box:		40.80
Assumption:	155.00	135.00
Leaven:		23.00
Mass Intention:		20.00
Food Kitchen:		20.00
Donation:		50.00

Visit Our Sunday Visi-
tor online giving at
[https://osvhub.com/
stjohnthebaptists/
giving/funds](https://osvhub.com/stjohnthebaptists/giving/funds)



Prayer Requests

Pope Leo XIV, Kathy Riley, Sarah Skradski-Coleman, Milka Subasic, Millie Sambol, James Lipovac, Chris Braun, Dianna Stimac, Special Intention, In Thanksgiving, for all those who suffer from homelessness, addictions, cancer, mental health issues, for those who are serving time in prison, for all the holy souls in purgatory, and anyone else in need of our prayers

(If you or a family member or a friend requests prayers for someone, we will add them on our Prayer List. Please contact the church office to renew, add, or remove a name from the list.)

Upcoming Events

Coffee and Donut Sunday

The event will be hosted by the **Altar Society** on **Sunday September 7th**. Please come and join the parish for fellowship and updates from other parishioners. Trash Bags will be available to buy during coffee and donuts! Yellow bags are 39 gal 25/roll, White bags are 15 gal 65/roll, Blue bags are 55 gal 16/roll, cost per roll is \$12.00. Make checks payable to **St. John the Baptist Church**. Exact money if paying with cash please.

Food Kitchen

Food Kitchen date is for **Monday September 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 September 9th at 6 pm** at the house of the hostess. Not a member, but want to become a member? Call the office for more information 913-371-0627.

Monthly Senior Luncheon

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

Strawberry Hill Museum DON LIPOVAC

"One of a Kind" Exhibit, 720 N. 4th St., KCK.
Weekends through Sept 21, 2025.
<https://strawberryhillmuseum.org>

50/50 Raffle

Mini 1 \$2500.00- Mary Hoytal

Mini 2 \$1100.00- Don Pfannenstiel

Maxi 1 \$5000.00- Phil Sostarich

Maxi 2 \$850.00- William Kovach

Money Raffle

1st \$500.00- Michael Kijowski

2nd \$250.00- Blazo & Kristie Djukic

3rd \$100.00- Michelle Eskina

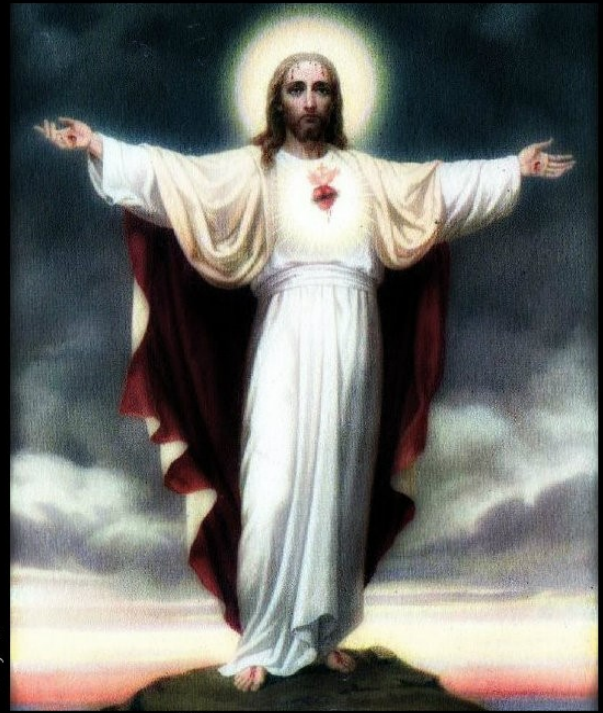
4th \$75.00- Kathryn Zunick

5th \$50.00- Marilyn Kessler

6th \$30.00- Mario Viskovic

Strawberry Basket- Richard Sambol

Thank you to everyone who supported
and Helped with our
2025 Croatian Festival



"Strive to enter
through the narrow door,
for many, I tell you, will attempt
to enter but will not be able..."

Luke 13:24

JESUS IS THE DOOR.
IT IS A NARROW DOOR
BUT ALWAYS WIDE OPEN
TO EVERYONE.
IT IS NARROW
NOT BECAUSE IT IS OPPRESSIVE
BUT SO AS TO PROHIBIT
THE ENTRY OF PRIDE WHICH BLOATS US.

Pope Francis



Saturday,
September 13, 2025

2nd Annual

One KC

Kansas River Cleanup

One River. One Day. One KC.

Free t-shirt to the first
300 participants!

Learn more and sign up at
www.bit.ly/RSVP2025OneKC



Slovenefest 2025

Saturday, September 27

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

274 Orchard Street, Kansas City, KS 66101

Celebrating the 100th anniversary of our current church building!

4:00 p.m. - Holy Mass

274 Orchard Street

5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Festivities

Msgr. Mejak Hall, Gym & School grounds - 515 Ohio Avenue

**Traditional Slovenian Dinner, Food Court,
Adult & Children Games, Raffles, Mega Money Raffle,
Cultural Booth & Souvenirs, Mini Silent Auction**

Music & Dancing featuring:

THE BRIAN MCCARTY BAND



For more information visit our website at www.holyfamilychurchkck.org, like & share the event on Facebook, or contact the church office at 913-413-0022.



All proceeds to benefit Holy Family Church

A message from the Office for Protection & Care

If you suspect abuse...

First, make a report to the Kansas Protection Report Center at (800) 922-5330.
Call 911 if the person is in immediate danger or injured.

Next, if the suspected abuse or concerning behavior involves an Archdiocesan cleric, employee or volunteer, call or text our Confidential Report Line at (913) 276-8703 or visit archkck.org/reportabuse.



The Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas | www.archkck.org

We are a community committed to preventing abuse. Our policies and programs prioritize safety of children and the vulnerable.

We care about survivors of abuse. Victim Care Advocate: (913) 298-9244

END OF SUMMER SOCIAL GATHERING WITH THE SISTERS!

Saturday, September 6, from

11:30a.m. - 2:00p.m.

All are welcome to join the Sisters, Servants of Mary, Ministers to the Sick for hotdogs and ice cream on the backyard patio at the Convent. Free will donation.

**800 N. 18th St.,
Kansas City, KS 66102.**

Discover God's call for your life!

God is calling you to a unique purpose in life, a work of love that only you can do. Discern your charisms (spiritual gifts) and begin to discern God's call. You have received gifts in Baptism and Confirmation through which God intends His love to reach others. Come and discover these charisms in you!

Curé of Ars Catholic Church - Fr. Burak Room
9401 Mission Road - Leawood, Kansas

September 27 (Saturday) from 9:00 am-3:30 pm

Cost: \$40 for parishioner / \$65 for non parishioner
(Fees include workshop, materials, & lunch)

*** Must be at least 20 years old to attend.

Register through the QR code or at: <https://www.wesharegiving.org/App/Form/6513b629-03e9-4b81-86be-8ab36f0d3fea>

Deadline to Register is Monday, September 15th.



Charisms enable Christians to accomplish things for God above and beyond their natural human abilities so they can give these gifts to others. As the Catechism reminds us, "All charisms ought to be exercised in the service of God." (CCC 2003)