



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

30th Sunday In Ordinary Time

October 26, 2025

Luke 18:9-14

Parish Office:

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Office: (913) 371-0627

Hours: Mon-Thu 8:30am-5pm Fri 8:30am- 4

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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 November)

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



Not a Holy Day of Obligation This Year
November 1st

In Memoriam



Ainsley A. Brajkovic

January 16, 1998 — October 12, 2025

Ainsley Elaine Brajkovic, 27 of Kansas City, Kansas passed away unexpectedly on October 12, 2025. Ainsley was born on January 16, 1998, to George Brajkovic & Dawn (McKee) Brooks, & granddaughter to Louise Brajkovic parishioner of St. John the Baptist. Services were held on Monday, October 20, 2025.



Stephen R. Stalker

January 16, 1941 — October 15, 2025

Stephen (Steve) R. Stalker, 84, son of M. Eugene and Madolyn (Ham) Stalker passed away October 15, 2025. He is survived by his wife Donna Dolinar Stalker parishioner of St. John the Baptist, daughter Susan (Susie) Carroll (James), and granddaughter Sidney. Services were held on Friday, October 25, 2025.

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen".

Keeping In Touch

This past week was what I might refer to as a normal week. I was especially grateful for this having just returned from the Canon Law Convention. As things began to settle and I began to think back over the past little while, I immediately began to think about the wonderful celebration from my 25th Anniversary. As I said that night I am filled with gratitude.

I also want to take this opportunity in a general way to thank once again all those who attended, all those who sent greetings who could not attend, and all those who gave gifts in many and varied ways. My deep gratitude for all your love and kindness towards me is a gift that I will always hold dear to my heart. Again, thank you!

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



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, October 26-

9am- Family of Nikola Jadranka Gojmerac
Miho & Ana Cavlovic
Kathy Stancic
Gordana Simpraga

Thursday, October 30-

8am- Pauline Wolf
Ainsley Alaine Brajkovic
Steve Stalker

Saturday, November 1-

4pm- *Vigil Mass at Holy Family*
People of the Parishes

Sunday, November 2-

9am- The Commemoration Of All The Faithful
Departed (All Soul's Day)
National Vocations Awareness Week Begins

LITURGICAL MINISTRY - OCT-NOV

October 25-26, 2025-

Lectors: M. Viskovic, S. Glenn ; G. Garcia, M. Garcia

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Tomasic ; W. Christ

Servers: I. Dordevic ; A. Garcia

Sacristans: A. Nastav, R. Nastav ;
H. Rebeck, W. Christ

November 2, 2025-

Lectors: M. Viskovic

Eucharistic Ministers: A. Kucenic

Servers: A. Garcia

Sacristans: P. Mikesic, P. Hill

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	<u>Sat.10/18/25</u>	<u>Sun.10/19/25</u>
Envelopes:	325.00	1340.00
Loose:	98.00	129.00
Building Fund:	20.00	255.00
Candles:	35.50	92.00
Poor Box:		31.00
Leaven:		23.00
Donations:		250.00

Visit Our Sunday Visitor online giving at
<https://osvhub.com/stjohnthebaptists/giving/funds>



Prayer Requests

Pope Leo XIV, Diane Boan, Milka Subasic, Dianna Stimac, Kathy Riley, Sarah Skradski-Coleman, Millie Sambol, James Lipovac, Chris Braun, 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.

Altar Society News

Thank you to all that sponsored, golfed, volunteered, and donated to the Strawberry Hill Altar Societies golf tournament. This was the best turn out to date! Your support is beyond measure as we continue the ministry of providing for our Parish and surrounding communities. You are all simply the BEST!

Thank you to Sarah Soptic, John Mikesic, and Stephanie Sandelich for taking on the daunting task of planning and organizing our Apple Strudel and Povitica Days throughout the year. Thank you to the plethora of ladies and gentlemen who make the dough, peel, and cut the apples, create our walnut mixture, measure the sugar and cinnamon, warm the butter, stretch the dough, bake our Povitica loaves, count and freeze the strudel strips, and wash and dry the dishes. Maintaining these traditions is testament to the love of the St. John's culture! Hvala!

Upcoming Events

Our parish will take up the Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS), next weekend, a collection approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to be taken every three years. The AMS provides pastoral care to Catholic men and women serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, enrolled at a U.S. Military Academy, being treated as a patient at any of the 153 U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers, or who work for the federal government beyond U.S. borders - including those from our own parish and diocese. The AMS does not receive any funding from the government or military, and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. To learn more about the AMS, go to www.milarch.org/nationalcollection.

Apple Strudel Sale-

Orders for the Altar Society's Fall Apple Strudel Sale will be taken beginning October 1st. **Joanne Lally** will take orders with a limit of 5 strudels per person, \$15 per strudel. Her email address is staragena@kc.rr.com and her phone number is 913-281-4448. Orders need to be made only through Joanne. These will be made available for pick up on **November 22nd at 3:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. & Nov. 23rd** after Mass. Payment for the strudels will be made upon pick up. Thank you for supporting the Altar Society.

A Celebration of Catholic Education

Gaudeamus

ANNUAL BENEFIT GALA

HONORING MONSIGNOR THOMAS TANK



Join leaders in education, business, parishes and civic groups from across the region as they gather to celebrate Catholic education and honor Monsignor Thomas Tank's decades of service.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2025
OVERLAND PARK CONVENTION CENTER
 6000 College Blvd, Overland Park, KS 66211

Michael & Lisa Connor
2025 GALA CHAIRS

Dcn. Dana & Deborah Nearmyer
HONORARY CHAIRS



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Spaghetti Dinner



Sunday, November 9, 2025
11 am - 4 pm

Delicious Pasta Meal
 Craft Sale
 Bake Sale
 Silent Auction
 50/50 Raffle

Join Us!
 for this fun
 Fall
 tradition

Dinner Includes:
 Pasta & Meatballs, Bread, Salad,
 Drink, and Dessert

Tickets: \$15 Adults, \$8 Kids (3-10 yrs old)

Eat-In or Carry-Out. Purchase meal tickets
 at the door. Cash or credit cards accepted.

All proceeds benefit our home for the elderly.
 *Extra parking down the block at St. John Francis Regis
 parish. Shuttle service will be available.

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HOLY FAMILY
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KANSAS CITY, KS **November 8th**

BINGO

Night

\$15
 dinner &
 BINGO card



Doors open at 5pm
 Chili dinner served until 6:15pm
 BINGO starts at 6:30pm

21+

call for tickets
913-413-0022, 913-396-1564 OR 913-905-9399

Please join us for a Catholic Young Adult in college conference on November 8, 2025 at Kansas City Kansas Community College from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

The goal of the Conference is to assist Catholics in College in the practice of the fullness of their faith on college and university campuses. This conference will explore several topics relevant to young adults in college and high school students, OCIA/RCIA candidates, and parents are also invited.

Some of the topics include: • Sharing your faith while in college. • How to practice your faith in a secular environment. • Dating and practicing one's faith.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Emeritus Joseph Naumann of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas. Msgr. Stuart Swetland will offer the keynote address, "Living your Faith as a Catholic in College". The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered as well as Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Admissions is free. For more information please contact: Professor J. Victor Ammons at 816-446-2936 or vjammons@kckcc.edu

