



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

5th Sunday in Lent

March 22, 2026

John 11:1-45

Parish Office:

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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 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

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Prayer Line



The Raising of Lazarus

“I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.”

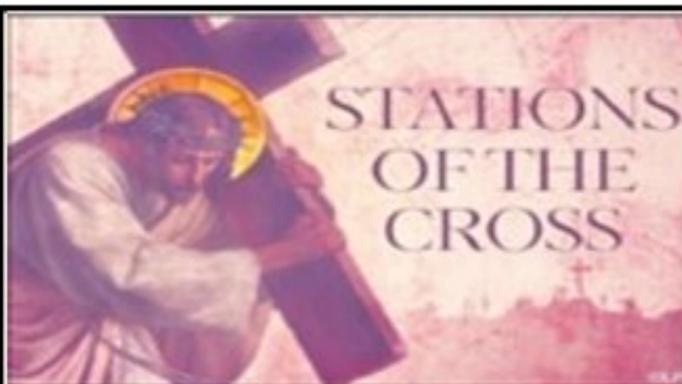
- John 11:1-45

Keeping In Touch

I have arrived home safe and sound and grateful for your prayers. The conferences that I gave in California to the sisters went very well. While it was good spending time and seeing many of the sisters who have over my time been stationed in Kansas City, it was also good to see some who I haven't seen since 2011.

In 2011, I also travelled to all the houses in the United States of the Servants of Mary to give four days of talks. The sisters are great women who have a very important ministry of ministering to the sick. Please say a little prayer that the Lord will bless their community and all of us because of their ministry with many vocations. Again it is good to be home and I look forward to seeing you all.

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



**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.

ARCHDIOCESAN CALL TO SHARE

Follow-Up Weekend

As of **March 20th**, our parish is getting off to a slow, but steady start with **47** gifts totaling **11,345.00**. Our parish goal is **\$20,000.00**, however, **100%** participation is our objective, As of right now we only have **27%** total participation at this time

A gift, no matter how small or large, is appreciated by those truly in need.

To learn more, visit the ACTS website at <https://archkck.org/call-to-share/about-acts/>.



Scan here to donate to the Archdiocesan Call to Share

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For questions about your gift, please call the Office of Stewardship and Development at 913-647-0325.

Our God is a loving, present God!

The Lord hears the cry of the poor (Psalm 34) though the Archdiocesan Call to Share. Please consider supporting this important campaign.

Time and time again, we see examples of Jesus working miracles that demonstrate his identity as the long-awaited Messiah. This powerful passage cements Jesus' divinity. Yet, at the same time, it confirms that Christ is also human. He loves Lazarus, Mary, and Martha. Jesus weeps for the loss of his friend and is deeply touched by the sorrow Mary and Martha feel at the death of their brother. He experiences these very human emotions because he is fully human.

But he is also fully divine. He brings Lazarus back, from the death to life, from the darkness of the sealed tomb to the bright light of his family home and sisterly love. Christ's deep love for this family reflects God's love for us. It is personal. God is always present and wants to be part of our lives.

Lazarus' rising from the dead foreshadows Christ's resurrection. Death has no power; Jesus will be with us always. When he is born, he is called "Emmanuel," or "God is with us." When he visits the apostles the last time before ascending into heaven, he reminds them that he will be with them always, "even to the end of time" (Matthew 28:20). In times of darkness, we can be emissaries of this very real, very personal, love that Our Lord has for us. By making a gift to the Archdiocesan Call to Share, we can make his presence known to those who need it most.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, March 22-

9am- George , Ainsley, Jim & Frank Brajkovic
Frank & Mary Nahajzer
Family of Nikola & Jadranka Gojmerac
Joe Cavlovic

Thursday, March 26-

8am- Anthony B. Pham

Saturday, March 28-

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

Sunday, March 29- Palm Sunday

9am- George Yuratovich
Mike, Barbara & Anna Kralj
Anthony B. Pham
Stjepan & Ana Jagodic & Frank & Ana Piskuric

LITURGICAL MINISTRY - MARCH

March 22, 2026-

Lectors: Kl. Dordevic, A. Dordevic
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Tomasic
Servers: A. Garcia, M. Garcia
Sacristans: H. Rebeck, W. Christ

March 29, 2026- Palm Sunday

Master of Ceremonies: C. Schneider
1st Reading: S. Glenn
2nd Reading: W. Christ
Passion Narrator: S. Glenn
Passion Speaker: W. Christ
Eucharistic Ministers: N. Gasparovic
Servers: A. Garcia
Sacristans: S. Sandelich, M. Alvey

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Sun.03/15/26

Envelopes:	3252.00
Loose:	95.00
Building Fund:	190.00
Candles:	182.25
Poor Box:	11.00
Easter Flowers:	205.00
Catholic Relief:	65.00
Priest Retirement:	299.00
Mass Intentions:	20.00
Food Kitchen:	20.00
Donations:	100.00

Visit Our Sunday Visitor online giving at

[https://osvhub.com/
stjohnthebaptistks/
giving/funds](https://osvhub.com/stjohnthebaptistks/giving/funds)



Prayer Requests

Pope Leo XIV, Lynda Thompson, Sarah Skradski-Coleman, John Christ Sr., Diane Boan, Milka Subasic, Dianna Stimac, 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.

(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

Palm Sunday Bake Sale The Altar Society will host the annual Palm Sunday Bake Sale on the week end of **March 28th and 29th**. Bake goods can be dropped off in the church basement after 2pm on Saturday, March 28th or before Mass on Sunday, March 29th. Delicious baked items will be available for purchase on **Saturday from 2-5** and on **Sunday after Mass**. Apple Strudels will be for sale for \$15 per strudel with a limit of 3 per person (no pre orders). There will be donuts and coffee after Mass on Sunday, March 29th. Please support the Altar Society by participating in this event.



Coffee and Donut Sunday

There will be no Coffee and Donuts the first Sunday in April, Easter Sunday. Please come the week before, Palm Sunday, for Coffee and Donuts at the Altar Society's Bake Sale.

Just a few sides Notes....

Altar Servers Needed

Would any of the children, who have made their First Communion, be interested in serving as Altar Servers for either Saturday or Sunday masses or both? Scheduling for each child will be once per month or at your request and since we only have Saturday masses every other month, there are only 6 Saturdays in the year in which they would be scheduled. Sunday scheduling can be up to 12 times for the year. If you are interested, please contact Michelle Garcia at mygarciaw@wycokck.org or 913-645-6726. Training will be provided.



125th Anniversary Books

We're excited to share that the books are finally here! If you have not already, **Please** come by the office to pick up your book(s) during office hours Monday - Friday. If you paid for shipping then your books have been shipped! Thank you!!

Best Choice labels

Best Choice labels continue to be collected. A box is in the vestibule for you to drop off. Thank you in advance!!!



Trash Bags for Sale

We have trash bags for sale in the rectory. 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. Please stop by the church office during business hours of 8:30am-5pm to get yours! All proceeds will support our Parish. Thank You.



Charitable Gift Annuities (CGAs)

Charitable Giving:

Receive income and support your parish: If you are age 55 or older and would like fixed lifetime income, a charitable income tax deduction, and the opportunity to support your parish endowment fund, consider a charitable gift annuity (CGA). Your fixed payout rate is based on your age at the time of the gift. For a personalized illustration, contact the Catholic Foundation of Northeast Kansas at 913-647-3062 or cfnek@archkck.org.

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

LIFE-GIVING WOUNDS

HEALING RETREAT FOR ADULT CHILDREN

of divorced, separated or never-married parents

HEALING SPACE
INSIGHT FREEDOM

This peer-led weekend includes insightful talks, optional small group and one-on-one discussion, Eucharistic adoration, Mass and the opportunity for Reconciliation.

Life-draining wounds can become a **LIFE-GIVING MISSION.**

APRIL 24-26, 2026
KANSAS CITY, KS

SPACE IS LIMITED.
REGISTER TODAY!

The Culture Project
Candlelit Lenten and Theology of the Body Adoration

Lenten and TOB reflection, music, confessions, prayer teams, social hour following adoration
March 26th, 7 pm - 9 pm
St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
708 Nth 4th St, Kansas City, KS 66101

Join The Culture Project for a candlelit evening of adoration with a Lenten and Theology of the Reflection. Confessions and prayer teams will be available. Following adoration, stay for a social hour of fellowship and community. All are welcome!

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Back by Popular Demand

Lenten Shrimp Dinners



Friday March 27, 5:30 pm

Dinner includes:

Jumbo Shrimp Corn on the Cob-
Hushpuppies-Potatoes-Salad and Bread-
Pop and Water Included
\$20.00 Donation

RSVP by calling:

Upstairs, In the GYM, or Carry Out
Hosted by:

St. John's Catholic Club

414 Barnett Kansas City, KS 66101

CHILDREN WELCOME w/ Special Pricing



St. John's Catholic Men's Club is proud to announce we are now accepting applications for the 2026-2027 Charles "Jake" Sutulovich scholarships. There are three scholarships available at the Elementary/Middle School, High School, and Higher Education levels. Each scholarship will be \$2,000.00. The scholarships are open to all with a connection to St. John Club, St. John the Baptist Parish and/or the scholarship applicant's Croatian heritage. For applications and questions please email **Andy Mikesic** at andymikesic@gmail.com.

Croatian Open Golf Tournament is **May 15, 2026**. Our field is unofficially full. However, if you golfed last year please submit your team entry fee of \$400 by **April 15** 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 equipment and lane maintenance. Sponsorships forms are available in the back of the Church or at the Club. Any questions please email me. Sachenjoe@gmail.com

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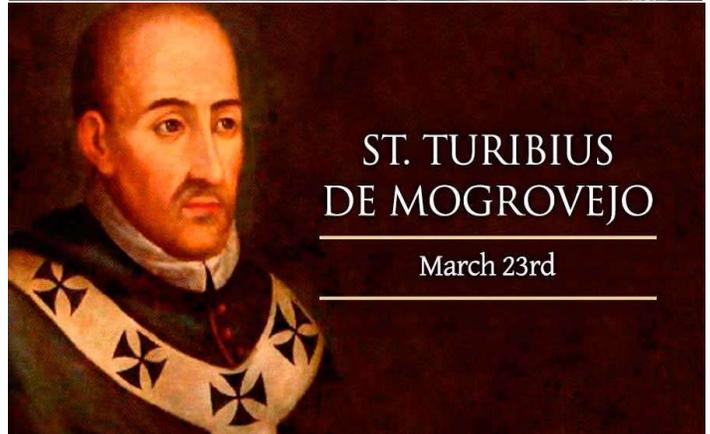
SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

March 25th



ST. TURIBIUS DE MOGROVEJO

March 23rd



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH ALTAR SOCIETY



2026 RUMMAGE SALE!



Mejak Hall, 513 Ohio Ave., Kansas City, KS

Thursday, April 9 - 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Friday, April 10 - 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 11 - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 12 - 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

First day customers get the best choices!

WE NEED YOUR USED, CLEAN ITEMS & TREASURES!

YES, we want...

- Furniture
- Appliances
- Electronics
- Household Décor (i.e. picture frames, knick-knacks, new & used candles)
- Ceiling Fans
- Lamps
- Flat Screen TV's (working)
- Seasonal Decorations (Valentines, Easter, Christmas)
- Gently Used Toys
- Books
- Sporting Equipment
- Cell Phones, Music CD's, & DVD's
- Linens, Bedding, Quilts, Sheets
- Antiques
- Chiefs, Royals, KU & K-State Clothing (No Other Clothing)
- Purses



NO we don't want...

- Computer monitors
- Non-working televisions & Old Box TV's
- Car seats, baby beds
- Chemicals
- Paint
- Mattresses
- Large entertainment centers
- Furniture that is broken & unclean
- Stained, odorous, or any items with mold.
- NO CLOTHES OR SHOES!!!**



Accepting donations beginning March 7. Please deliver to the back door of the gymnasium and to be able to drop-off inside the gymnasium, as we do not have people to carry the items into the gym.

Delivery of items can be arranged by contacting Patty Westfall at 913-342-6817 or Sandy Cannon at 913-492-2612 or 913-396-1564 to schedule a time for drop-off.

2025 Holy Week Schedule

Holy Family Church + St. John the Baptist

HOLY THURSDAY - April 2

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

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES - April 3

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

HOLY SATURDAY - April 4

Blessing of Food

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

Easter Vigil - St. John the Baptist - 8:30 p.m.

For both parish communities

Easter Vigil - Holy Family Church (Burmese) - 8:30 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY - April 5

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

