

## Highlights from St. John the Baptist Parish Council Meeting April 29, 2025

### Facilities:

- Painting of the church basement is completed; however more work needs to take place regarding the floors and the bathrooms. Installation of a kitchenette was suggested.
- Auditorium handicap/access ramp has been installed by Denny Tokic. We are waiting for the railing to be installed by KC Forged.
- Certificate of Insurance was received from Kevin Bergerhofer who will be painting the auditorium. The dates blocked off for the painting project are June 21 – July 21.
- The contract with Open & Shut Window Replacement Company for the replacement of the rectory's windows has been approved and signed.
- Contract for power washing, tuck pointing and sealing of the church is in progress.
- Omega Door & Hardware submitted a proposal to install new double doors at the exterior alley.

**World Cup Soccer Grant:** Our application has been submitted and we are hoping to receive funding for facility improvements related to the World Cup festivities.

### 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event:

- Event set to be held on Saturday, October 25 beginning with 4:00 p.m. Mass.
- Printing of the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary book was discussed.
- The band Sinovi will be performing at the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party.
- Loving Hands Catering LLC will cater the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event. They will provide a large buffet menu, set up, delivery, and serving staff.

**Christmas Ornament:** It was suggested that 125 numbered and boxed limited run Christmas ornaments be produced and sold to commemorate SJB 125<sup>th</sup> year anniversary.

**Fr. Joseph's 25-year Ordination Event:** Friday, October 3, 2025 has been set as the date for the celebration of Fr. Joseph's 25<sup>th</sup> year of his ordination. The event will include a 6:00 p.m. Mass on Friday October 3 at St. John the Baptist church followed by a reception/dinner in the auditorium.

**Statue Touchup:** Touch-up painting of the statue of the Blessed Mother at the main altar is completed. Work on the statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be next.

**Organ Update:** Tony Locatelli, Music Director, is installing pipes for our new organ.

### St. John's Club: Events include:

- Bingo Night Saturday May 3, 2025 in the auditorium.
- Croatian Golf Tournament Friday, May 16, 2025 at Sunflower Golf Course with lunch afterward at Wyandotte County Park
- Croatian Soccer Watch Party – Friday June 6 at 1:45 p.m.
- Croatian Day Picnic Saturday June 7 after 4:00 p.m. Mass.
- The Charles "Jake" Sutulovich grade school/high school/college student scholarships in progress. Deadline May 11. \$2000 given out in each category.
- The two shrimp dinners during Lent were a success.

**Choir:** Rehearsals are going well. Compliments to the choir members and to Tony Locatelli.