



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Sunday of Divine Mercy

April 12, 2026

John 20:19-31

Parish Office:

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Office: (913) 371-0627

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

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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! A very and happy and blessed Easter to you on this Easter day! Yes, I know Easter Sunday was last week, but we find ourselves in the octave of Easter. For eight days following Easter Sunday, we observe them as Easter Sunday. So today is an Easter day. I hope and pray that you all had a wonderful celebration of Easter. It was for me a great celebration, but even though we are in the octave work resumes and this Easter week has been busy, but a little on the calmer side.

On Easter Tuesday we had the Deanery meeting of the priests which went very well and then on Friday I had a meeting with the other judges of the Tribunal to adjudicate cases. The rest of the week was filled with normal work.

As we come to the celebration of the Second Sunday of Easter or the Sunday of Divine Mercy, let us recall with great joy how our Lord is alive and active in our midst extending to us love and mercy.

Happy Easter!

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



Divine Mercy Sunday

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

O Blood and Water that gushed forth from the heart of Jesus, as a fount of mercy for us, **I trust in You.**

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 12-

9am- Mirica Black & Kathy Suljak
Family Livojevic
Ana & Nick Kucenic
Steve & Cena Cavlovic

Thursday, April 16-

8am- Anthony B. Pham
Hudson Family
Zvonko Krstulic, Zdenka & Franje Cavlovic
Miko & Marica Bert

Saturday, April 18-

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

Sunday, April 19-

9am- George & Katie Kucenic
Katica Spudic
Joe, Veronika, Lojze Sudac
John F. Novak

LITURGICAL MINISTRY - APRIL

April 11-12, 2026-

Lectors: G. Garcia, M. Garcia ; S. Glenn, M. Viskovic
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Garcia ; N. Gasparovic
Blessed Cup: none ; R. Sambol, W. Christ
Servers: A. Garcia, M. Garcia ; none
Sacristans: M. Foster, J. Foster ;
K. Moutray, B. Horvat

April 18-19 2026-

Lectors: G. Garcia, M. Garcia ; S. Glenn, M. Viskovic
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Garcia ; N. Gasparovic
Blessed Cup: none ; R. Sambol, W. Christ
Servers: A. Garcia, M. Garcia
Sacristans: B. Horvat, C. Kolich ; P. Mikesic, P. Hill

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	<u>Sun.04/04/26</u>	<u>Sun.04/05/26</u>
Envelopes:	820.00	3838.50
Loose:	398.00	165.50
Building Fund:	700.00	565.00
Candles:	10.97	209.50
Poor Box:		10.15
Easter Flowers:		55.00
Priest Retirement:		25.00
Good Friday:	449.00	250.00
Tomb:	237.00	
Food Blessing:	57.00	
Holy Saturday:	390.00	300.00
Adoration of the Cross:	237.00	
Easter Sunday:	95.00	1,455.00
CRS Rice Bowl:	8.50	
Donations:		3950.00
In Memory Of:		1500.00
(Otto Kaifes)		

Visit Our Sunday Visitor online giving at

<https://osvhub.com/stjohnthebaptistks/giving/funds>

Prayer Requests

Pope Leo XIV, World Peace, 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.

Upcoming Events

Food Kitchen

Food Kitchen date is for **Monday April 13th**. 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 14th 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.

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 10. 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!

Rosary Rally

Please join us to Honor Our Blessed Mother and Our Lady of Fatima which will be held on **Sunday April 19th** from 3:00 pm to 4:15 pm at **Saint Mary's Saint Anthony's** at 615 N 7th St. Kansas City KS. 66101. We will pray the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries of the Holy Rosary followed by Benediction and the opportunity for attendees to enroll in the Brown Scapular. For driving instructions or future dates for the Kansas City monthly Holy Rosary rallies, please visit www.rosaryrallieskc.org

There are frozen apple strudels still available for sale for \$15each. Please call Wendy at the rectory, 913-371-0627, if you would like to purchase some.

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

Please join us!

Listening with the Heart

Synodal Listening Sessions

The Catholic Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas is discerning what the Holy Spirit is calling us to be. We will pray, listen to one another, and hear from **Archbishop Shawn McKnight**.

All are welcome

To learn more and find the nearest Listening with the Heart session, visit archkck.org/renewal-heartland.

Join Us!



SYNODAL LISTENING SESSIONS -

The sessions begins on *Thursday, April 16, 7pm* at the **Cathedral of St. Peter** and on *Tuesday, April 21, 7pm* at **St. Patrick Church** in Kansas City, Kansas. Bilingual sessions in English and Spanish.

Who is it for? Anyone open to discerning what the Holy Spirit is calling our communities to be here in the Heartland.

Listening with the Heart is a safe place to share your experience of the church. Invite your neighbor, coworker, a loved one, someone who has drifted away and maybe you! See the QR code for more information.

What is Listening with the Heart?



Saint Augustine teaches: "If you fear death, love the resurrection!" (Sermon 124, 4). Let us too love the resurrection, which reminds us that evil is not the last word, because it has been defeated by the Risen One. [Cf, Pope Leo]



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What happens at a Listening with the Heart Session?

In a session, 90 minutes in total, participants in groups of 10 or less will reflect on two prompts:

- Share a story about your experience with the Church that has shaped you.
- What is the Holy Spirit asking of us?

The responses will be gathered anonymously to be used in the archdiocesan Renewal from the Heartland pastoral planning process.

Who might you invite to a Listening with the Heart Session?

- Your neighbor or coworker
- A loved one
- Someone who has drifted away
- Maybe you!

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 mygarcia@wycokck.org or 913-645-6726. Training will be provided.



125th Anniversary Books

We're excited to share that the books are 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.



ARCHDIOCESAN CALL TO SHARE

As of **March 31st**, our parish is getting off to a slow, but steady start with **55** gifts totaling **\$13,985.00**. Our parish goal is **\$20,000.00**, however, **100%** participation is our objective, As of right now we only have **32%** 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/>.

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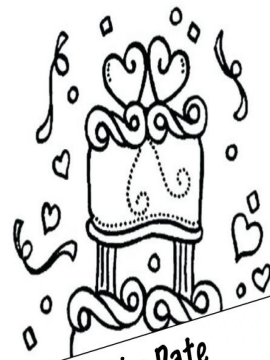
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Experience a taste of our two-year Encounter School of Ministry in this transformative 4-day event. You will learn basic, foundational teaching in Kingdom identity, healing, the prophetic gifts, and inner healing - all from the first 4 quarters of ESM.

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Catholic Church**
Father Quigley Faith
Formation Center
Lenexa, KS

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Save the Date

June 19-21, 2026 in Kansas City, KS
Sept 18-20, 2026 in Carthage, MO
Oct. 23-25, 2026 in Kansas City, KS

Rekindle the love and joy, the hopes and dreams that you and your spouse cherished on your wedding day by attending the next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience**.

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Visit www.WWME.org, scan the QR code or email greaterkc.wwme@gmail.com for registration & information!



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 GOLF TOURNAMENT
SUNFLOWER HILLS GOLF COURSE,
FRIDAY, MAY 15TH, 2026

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

SILENT AUCTION

The Croatian Golf committee is sponsoring a Silent Auction Item to be awarded at the golf tournament **Friday, May 15th**. Complete Water Heater Installation Donated by Adam Golubski, Owner, Delta T Heating & Cooling, LLC and Joe Faulk, Equipment Representative, with KC Winnelson. If your water heater is leaking or showing signs of aging, you're in luck! This package is valued at \$2,500.00. 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 15th, 2:00pm** which is the end of the golf tournament. As always, we appreciate your generosity and support. Thank you.

CROATIA
 REPUBLIKA HRVATSKA



SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH
BINGO NIGHT



TICKETS \$20
ONE BINGO CARD, WALKING TACO DINNER,
DESSERT AND POP INCLUDED

DOORS OPEN AT 5 PM, AFTER 4PM MASS

BINGO STARTS AT 6PM

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