



# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

## 4th Sunday of Easter ~ World Day Prayer for Vocations

April 26 2026

John 10:1-10

### Parish Office:

708 N. 4th Street, Kansas City, KS 66101

Office: (913) 371-0627

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

Web: [stjohnthebaptistcatholicchurch.com](http://stjohnthebaptistcatholicchurch.com)

Email: [ourcroatianparish@gmail.com](mailto: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 Holy Family in May)

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

## Keeping In Touch

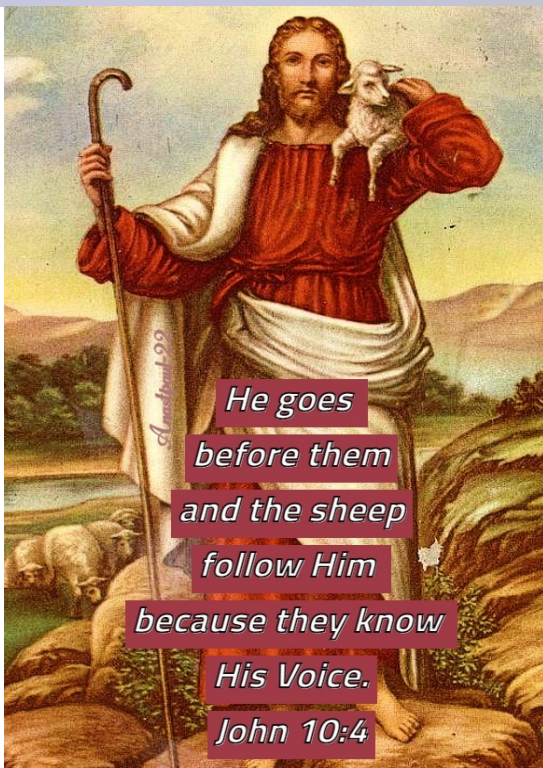
I know you will be shocked to hear that this past week was another busy week. This was my week for confessions, mass, and school visit at Resurrection Catholic School. This week I visited the 7th Grade. There were some really good questions that came forth from them so it made for a really good visit.

This week I also had a special Deanery meeting with the priests. There's lots going on in the Deanery and we needed this special meeting to discuss several matters. It was a great meeting and a lot was accomplished.

As you may have noticed in the bulletin or elsewhere, this past week there were listening sessions taking place in our Deanery. I was able to take part in one of them. It was a great opportunity to listen to one another in a prayerful way and I look forward to hearing about the things that arise from these sessions throughout the diocese.

Not only did I have a meeting with the priests of the Deanery, but I also had a meeting this week with the Archbishop and all the Deans of the Diocese. It is always great, as you heard me say before, to be with my brother priests and the Archbishop. It is also great to hear what's going on in the other Deaneries. The rest of the week was consumed with the normal office and parish duties. With this week done, I look forward to next week.

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



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday, April 26-**

**9am-** Fabina Family & Kralj Family  
Family of Nikola & Jadranka Gojmerac  
Anthony B. Pham  
Stjepan & Ljubica Katanica

**Thursday, April 30-**

**8am-** Anthony B. Pham  
Dragica & Nick Jambrosic  
Mike & Ana Skradski  
Franklin Paul Stimac

**Saturday, May 2-**

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

**Sunday, May 3-**

**9am-** George & Ainsley Brajkovic  
Janko Hlade & Family  
Janko, Marija Piskuric & Ivan, Veronica, Frank Sudac  
Anthony B. Pham

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY - APRIL- MAY

**April 25-26, 2026-**

**Lectors:** M. Grisnik, J. Alvey ;  
A. Dordevic, Kl. Dordevic

**Eucharistic Ministers:** B. Horvat ; I. Dordevic

**Blessed Cup:** none ; M. Garcia, M. Tomasic

**Servers:** none ; I. Dordevic

**Sacristans:** A. Nastav, R. Nastav ;  
M. Garcia, G. Garcia

**May 3, 2026-**

**Lectors:** A. Dordevic, Kl Dordevic

**Eucharistic Ministers:** M. Garcia

**Blessed Cup:** I. Dordevic, G. Garcia

**Servers:** I. Dordevic

**Sacristans:** H. Rebeck, W. Christ

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	<u>Sun.04/18/26</u>	<u>Sun.04/19/26</u>
<b>Envelopes:</b>	1274.00	1751.50
<b>Loose:</b>	483.00	45.00
<b>Building Fund:</b>	65.00	300.00
<b>Candles:</b>	114.50	101.00
<b>Poor Box:</b>		27.00
<b>Mother's Day:</b>		25.00
<b>Mass Intentions:</b>		120.00
<b>Donations:</b>		60.00
<b>In Memory Of:</b>		25.00
(Vince Pemberton)		

Visit Our Sunday Visitor online giving at

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

**There are 16 frozen apple strudels still available for sale for \$15 each.** Please call Wendy at the rectory, 913-371-0627, if you would like to purchase some.

### **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!

### **Coffee and Donut Sunday**

The event will be hosted by the **Altar Society** on **Sunday May 3rd**, Please come and join the parish for fellowship and updates from other parishioners.

### **Food Kitchen**

Food Kitchen date is for **Monday May 9th**. 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.

The **Good Shepherd Collection** taken on Good Shepherd Sunday supports the Vocations Office of the Archdiocese.

Your gifts to this collection supports Seminarians, Deacons, Priests, both active and retired. As well as supporting the vocations office as they walk with young men discerning the priesthood.

If your parish does not have an online giving option for this collection, parishioners can give through the archdiocese at [www.archkck.org/gsc](http://www.archkck.org/gsc).

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

## 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](mailto:mygarcia@wycokck.org) or 913-645-6726. Training will be provided.



### 125th Anniversary Books

If you have not already, Please come by the office to pick up your book(s)! 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-



## ARCHDIOCESAN CALL TO SHARE

As of **April 24th**, our parish is getting off to a slow, but steady start with **59** gifts totaling **15,160.00**. Our parish goal is **\$20,000.00**, however, **100%** participation is our objective, As of right now we only have **34%** 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/>.



**ACTS**  
ARCHDIOCESAN  
CALL TO SHARE

**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 scholarships applicant's Croatian heritage. For applications and questions please email **Andy Mikesic** at [andymikesic@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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



## RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES

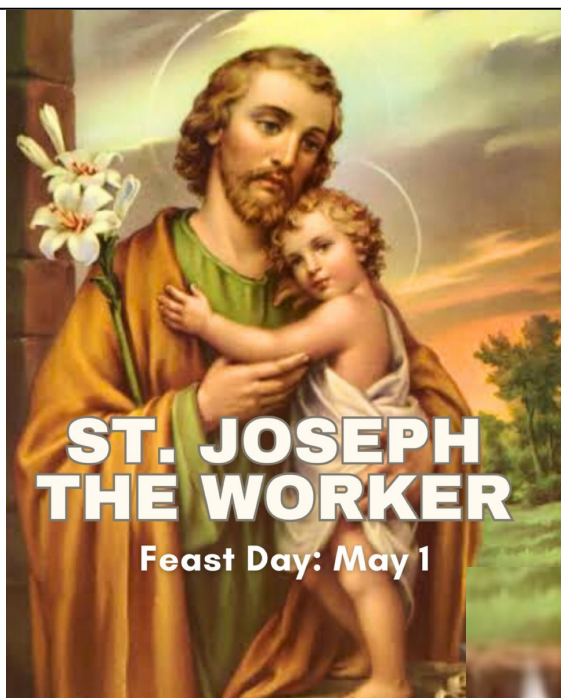
Christ's Peace House of Prayer  
22131 Meagher Road  
Easton, KS 66020

**St. Isidore Feast Day: Mass and Blessing of Seeds and Soil** - Christ's Peace House of Prayer  
22131 Meagher Road - Easton, KS 66020  
**Friday, May 15th at 10:00am**

Join us as we honor St. Isidore the Farmer on his feast day. We will begin with Holy Mass, followed by a rosary procession to the St. Isidore Shrine, entrusting land, labor, and harvest to the Lord through the intercession of this humble saint. Participants are invited to bring seeds and soil in a small, decorated basket to place at the altar for a special blessing. The celebration will conclude with lunch and a time of fellowship. A free will offering will be gratefully accepted to support the mission of the center. To attend, click here to sign-up, or send an email to: [info@christspeace.com](mailto:info@christspeace.com) or call 913.773.8255 to let us know how many people will be attending.

**Drawn into the Mystery: Praying with the Trinity Silent Retreat** Christ's Peace House of Prayer  
22131 Meagher Road Easton, KS 66020  
**Friday, May 29th at 5:30pm Sunday, May 31st at 4:30pm**

Rest in the Church's central mystery: one God in three divine Persons. Guided by the theology of the Trinity and the spirituality of St. Elizabeth of the Trinity, this silent retreat invites you to dwell interiorly with the God who makes His home within you  
Cabins/Courtyard Rooms: \$180 Single/\$270 Couple or Single Guest Rooms: \$110 (Meals Included). To attend, fill out the Individual Retreat Form at [ChristsPeace.com](http://ChristsPeace.com) or call 913.773.8255.



## Camp Tekakwitha Family Camp 2026

Please join us for Family Camp at Prairie Star Ranch on June 26-28, 2026. Grow closer and strengthen your family's connection to God and each other. Formation is offered separately in English and Spanish. It's a blast! Cost: \$180 per camper ages 2 and up. Register at: <https://archkck.org/camp-tekakwitha/family-camps/>



## WORKERS FOR THE HARVEST

God our Father,  
You made each of us to use our gifts  
In the Body of Christ.  
We ask that You inspire young people whom  
you call to priesthood and consecrated life  
to courageously follow Your will.  
Send workers into Your great harvest  
so that the Gospel is preached,  
the poor are served with love,  
the suffering are comforted,  
and Your people are strengthened  
by the sacraments.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen







  
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Financial aid  
available



Scan the QR Code and complete the form to receive information from Resurrection Catholic School.

## THE ENDERLE-BOGENRIFE SCHOLARSHIP:

The Enderle-Bogenrife Scholarship provides financial assistance to a high school senior attending a high school in the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas area who plans to attend a trade school or technical school. The scholarship will be applied toward the student's school tuition. The scholarship award is for tuition up to \$5,000.00. To apply, visit [cfnek.org/new-scholarships](http://cfnek.org/new-scholarships), scroll to "The Enderle-Bogenrife Scholarship" and click "Apply for this Scholarship" or contact Dave Hernandez at [landofoz1239@sunflower.com](mailto:landofoz1239@sunflower.com) or 913-221-3969. **The scholarship application deadline is May 1, 2026.**

## Rosary Rally

Please join us to Honor Our Blessed Mother and Our Lady of Fatima which will be held on **Sunday May 10th from 3:00 pm to 4:15 pm** at **Holy Spirit Catholic Parish** at 1300 W 103rd St. Overland Park, KS. 66214. 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](http://www.rosaryrallieskc.org)

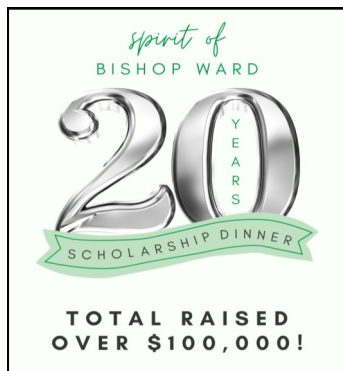
Greetings Ward Country!

Welcome to a special edition of 'Fundraising Updates from the Bullpen'! We wanted to send an update about our event this past Saturday, the 20th Anniversary of the Spirit of Bishop Ward Scholarship Dinner from us here in the Advancement Office at Bishop Ward.

From all of us at Bishop Ward, thank you for being part of the Spirit of Bishop Ward Scholarship Dinner this past Saturday! 🙏

Because of your support, we raised over \$100,000 – surpassing our goal!

That impact is real. It's students like Zavion—who many of you heard speak that night—who will directly benefit from this support. Your gift helps make a Catholic education possible for students across Wyandotte County.



Of Course You Need a Date!  
... We'll Help Get You Started!



You are invited...

Date Night is School of Love's beloved recurring event for married (& engaged) couples of all ages.

**Fri. May 1st  
6:00pm  
Izzy's Field**

11300 W. 103rd St. Overland Park, KS 66214  
Just West of Holy Spirit Parish

We start your date w/ food truck (BRGR), drinks (BYO), & a short talk on faith, marriage, family ...

You finish your date at home, on the town ... or at the post-event concert (Mikey Needleman Band)!

more info at

[www.schoolofloveusa.com/date-night](http://www.schoolofloveusa.com/date-night)