



# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

## 6th Sunday of Easter~ Mother's Day

May 10, 2026

John 14:15-21

### 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

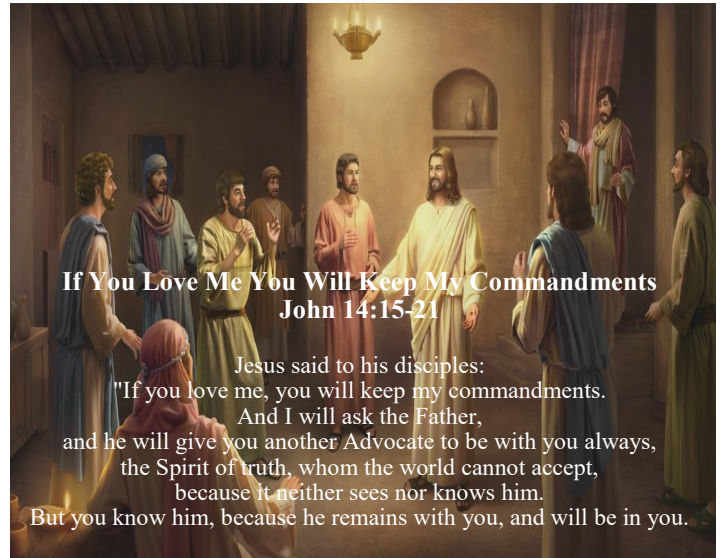
Altar Society

Kelly Moutray

St. John's Club

Ken Yarnevich

913-371-9690



### If You Love Me You Will Keep My Commandments John 14:15-21

Jesus said to his disciples:

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments.

And I will ask the Father,

and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him.

But you know him, because he remains with you, and will be in you.

### Keeping In Touch

I am very happy to report that the Canon Law Conference that I attended this week in Scotland was a great success. The presentations were timely and very informative. We looked at questions of Marriage validity and other issues that deal with marriage tribunals, the issue of assisted suicide and the Church's response, Conscience and faithful dissent, parish mergers and issues around penal trials. In addition to the learning there was an opportunity to reconnect with people who we know. As you may recall I studied Canon Law in Belgium and I was blessed to spend time with and reconnect with several who were in the faculty of Canon Law when I was there. The Dean of the Faculty during my time was also here. It was truly a blessed time. As I write this I am preparing to get ready to begin my trip home. I look forward to getting home and seeing you all again. Be assured that you are in my prayers and please say one for me that my journey home will be safe. See you soon!

Blessings in Christ and  
St. Augustine,

Fr. Joseph M. Arsenault, SSA,  
JV, VF, Pastor



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday, May 10- In Memory of All Mothers**

**9am-** Ana Piskuric  
Mike & Mary Suljak, Mary Livojevic  
Kate Yuratovich  
Cena Cavlovic, Ana Zeljznjak

**Thursday, May 14-**

**8am-** Steve Hayes & Melissa Hayes  
Anthony B. Pham  
Robert Earl Guttridge  
Mirko & Marija Vardijan

**Saturday, May 16-**

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

**Sunday, May 17- The Ascension Of The Lord**

**9am-** Frank Stimac & Franklin Stimac  
Mary Ann Mikesic  
Walter & Draga Gasparovic  
Family of Nikola & Jadranka Gojmerac

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY - MAY

**May 10, 2026-**

**Lectors:** S. Glenn, M. Viskovic  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** B. Horvat  
**Blessed Cup:** M. Tomasic, W. Christ  
**Servers:** A. Garcia, M. Garcia  
**Sacristans:** B. Horvat

**May 17, 2026-**

**Lectors:** M. Viskovic, R. Sambol  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** N. Gasparovic  
**Blessed Cup:** M. Tomasic, S. Morrow  
**Servers:** none  
**Sacristans:** K. Moutray, B. Horvat

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

*Sun.05/03/26*

<b>Envelopes:</b>	4486.00
<b>Loose:</b>	113.25
<b>Building Fund:</b>	550.00
<b>Candles:</b>	202.00
<b>Poor Box:</b>	11.00
<b>Mass Intentions:</b>	60.00
<b>Ascension:</b>	10.00
<b>Good Friday:</b>	20.00
<b>Mother's Day:</b>	85.00
<b>Donations:</b>	300.00
<b>In Memory Of:</b>	
(Vince Pemberton)	35.00
(Christine Braun)	165.00

Visit Our Sunday  
Visitor online giving at  
[https://osvhub.com/  
stjohnthebaptistks/  
giving/funds](https://osvhub.com/stjohnthebaptistks/giving/funds)



## Prayer Requests

Pope Leo XIV, World Peace, Lynda Thompson, Sarah Skradski-Coleman, John Christ Sr., Diane Boan, Milka Subasic, Dianna Stimac, Millie Sambol, James Lipovac, 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

### **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!

### **Food Kitchen**

Food Kitchen date is for **Monday May 11th**. 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 May 12th 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.

### **Monthly Senior Luncheon**

Senior meeting lunch will be served!. Bring a friend and come join us for fellowship, with bingo and prizes on **Wednesday May 13th** starting at 11 am in the church basement.

## ARCHDIOCESAN CALL TO SHARE

As of **May 1st**, our parish is with **59** gifts totaling at **\$15,210.00**. 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/](https://archkck.org/call-to-share/about-acts/).



**Loving God,**  
we thank you for the love  
of the mothers you have  
given us, whose love is so  
precious that it can never  
be measured, whose patience  
seems to have no end.

We pray for those mothers  
who fear they will run out  
of love or time, or patience.  
We ask you to bless them  
with your own special love.

**Amen.**

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## **Your Mother Is Always With You**



She's the whisper of the leaves as you walk down the street.  
She's the smell of certain foods you remember, flowers you pick, the  
fragrance of life itself.

She's the cool hand on your brow when you're not feeling well.

She's your breath in the air on a cold winters' day.

She is the sound of the rain that lulls you to sleep, the colours of a rainbow.

She is Christmas morning.

Your mother lives inside your laughter.

She's the place you come from, your first home.

She's the map you follow with every step you take.

She's your first love, your first friend, even your first enemy.

But nothing on Earth can separate you.

Not time.

Not space.

Not even death.

*Deborah R Culver*

## 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](mailto:mygarciaw@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-5pm to get yours! All proceeds will support our Parish. Thank You.



## RESURRECTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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913-428-0888  
913-371-8101

[www.rcskck.org](http://www.rcskck.org)



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

Have questions? I'm here to help you!  
Mary Arcos  
[marcos@rcskck.org](mailto:marcos@rcskck.org)  
913-428-0888  
Enrollment

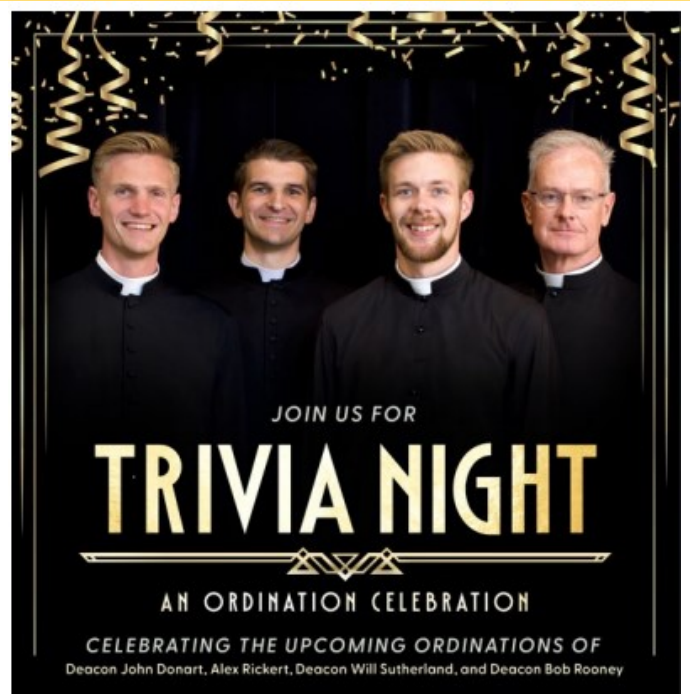
## Baby Bottle Boomerang

Support women & families facing an unplanned pregnancy by filling a bottle with coins OR scan to donate!

MOTHERS DAY TO FATHERS DAY



Learn more at [lifeandhopeteam.org](http://lifeandhopeteam.org)



Join us on **Wednesday, May 20th from 6:30 to 9:00 pm** at St. James Academy in Lenexa, as the Vocation Office hosts its annual Trivia Night to honor and celebrate the men who will be ordained to Holy Orders! Gather a group of up to 8 players (\$300 per team) and prepare to challenge other teams for prizes. All proceeds directly benefit our seminarians and the ongoing mission of the Vocation Office. Please visit our website for details and registration: <https://archkck.org/vocations-trivia-night/>



## 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.

## SLOVENIA VS. CROATIA

*Sunday, June 7, 2026 - Noon*

**St. John's Men's Club** is extending an invitation to our sister parish, Holy Family, to a soccer watch party pitting **Slovenia v. Croatia** at St. John's Club, 414 Barnett Ave., KCK on Sunday, June 7th. The doors open at noon.

Cevapi, potato salad and slaw are available for purchase, along with various beverages. Come and enjoy a spirited and fun time watching our countries' respective national teams compete on the pitch and enjoy fellowship between the parishes.



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)

## 89TH ANNUAL CROATIAN DAY PICNIC

SATURDAY, JUNE 6

5:00PM - 9:00PM

(AFTER 4PM MASS)



MUSIC AND DANCING PROVIDED BY

**HRVATSKI OBIČAJ**

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PICNIC LOCATED IN COURTYARD OF STRAWBERRY HILL MUSEUM

### St. Bernadette's Circle 2026 Spring Raffle St. John the Baptist Catholic Church - KCK

**First prize:** Little girl's basket with 8 outfits, 3 shirts, pajamas and accessories for baby/toddler. Value: \$350-plus.

**Second prize:** Comfy quilt with Croatian Festival logos. Value: \$200

*Proceeds go toward purchase of a defibrillator for church basement.*

**Tickets: \$3 each or 5 for \$10; Donations also welcome!**