



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 18, 2026

Matthew 22:15-21

Parish Office:

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

Office: (913) 371-0627

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

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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

Ms. Wendy Stimac, Administrative Assistant

Mr. Tony Locatelli, Music Director

Mass Schedule:

Saturday at 4 pm

(at St. John the Baptist In October)

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

As you all know I tend to lead a bush life. Well, the past several weeks have been extremely busy. There was the Beatification of Fulton Sheen, the priest's convocation, and the Canon Law Society Convention. As I write this I have just finished the Canon Law Convention and am getting ready to head home. The convention has been very good. There have been some great presentations and connecting with people who I have not seen in a while has been great. At the convention, I am chair of our liturgy committee and I am grateful that all of our liturgies went very well. It is not always an easy thing to take a hotel conference room and make it into a prayerful chapel to serve close to 400 people. As I prepare to head home I am looking forward to being home and hopefully slowing down a bit. Know that you all have been in my thoughts and prayers and I look forward to seeing you all soon.



Blessings in Christ and
St. Augustine,

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

SUNDAY'S Gospel

Matthew 22:15-21

The Gospel reminds us that while we live in the world, our hearts belong to God. When Jesus says, "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God," He challenges us to look beyond what we give with our hands and ask what we are giving with our lives.

Made in God's image, we are His. May we offer Him not just our time or prayers, but our whole hearts.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, October 18-

9am- Nikola & Magda Sestric
Ainsley Brajkovic
Pete & Barbara Veselic
Vince Pemberton

Thursday, October 22- St. John Paul II, Pope

8am- Anthony B. Pham
Lola Mae Wade-Stimac

Saturday, October 24-

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

Sunday, October 25-

9am- Miho & Ana Cavlovic
Family of Nikola & Jadranka Gojmerac
Mike Skrljac
Frank & Ana Piskuric

LITURGICAL MINISTRY - OCTOBER

October 17-18, 2026-

Lectors: G. Garcia ; S. Glenn, M. Viskovic
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Garcia ; C. Schneider
Blessed Cup: none ; W. Stimac, M. Tomasic
Servers: A. Garcia, M. Garcia ; none
Sacristans: M. Foster, J. Foster ;
S. Sandelich, M. Alvey

October 24-25, 2026-

Lectors: M. Garcia ; A. Dordevic, W. Stimac
Eucharistic Ministers: T. Jaksetic ; B. Horvat
Blessed Cup: none ; G. Garcia, I. Dordevic
Servers: A. Garcia ; M. Garcia
Sacristans: T. Jaksetic, C. Delich ;
M. Garcia, G. Garcia

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	<u>Sat. 10/10/26</u>	<u>Sun. 10/11/26</u>
Envelopes:	630.00	1641.00
Loose:	200.00	156.00
Building Fund:	250.00	60.00
Candles:	78.00	56.00
Poor Box:		14.00
World Mission:		10.00
Assumption of Mary:	10.00	
Mass Intentions:	10.00	70.00
Donations:		100.00
In Memory Of:		970.00
(Frank Jaksa :Building Fund)		



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



Prayer Requests

Pope Leo XIV, Ann Allen, John Christ Sr., Phyllis Hampton, Sarah Skradski-Coleman, James Lipovac, Millie Sambol, Dianna Stimac, Milka Subasic, Lynda Thompson, Special Intention, In Thanksgiving, for World Peace, 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

Facilitate your charitable giving, receive a tax deduction, and avoid capital gains. You can use appreciated stock to create a donor advised fund and give to what you care about, including your parish offertory, capital campaigns, and the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. Learn more at cfnek.giftlegacy.com or contact the Catholic Foundation at 913-647-3062 or cfnek@archkck.org.



Join us on November 7, 2026
for an evening of Mass, dinner,
live music, and community!

4PM Vigil Mass at the Cathedral of St. Peter
416 N. 14th Street, Kansas City, Kansas

5-9PM Gala Dinner & Program at the Bishop Hogan Center
416 W 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri

DETAILS, TICKETS & SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AT
KANSASCITYONAHILL.ORG/CITY-LIGHTS-GALA-2026

Your support for City on a Hill serves our local Catholic young adults as they bring Christ into their lives, home, families, and parishes all across the city. Join us in celebrating the lives that have been changed and the joy we look forward to sharing with others as future leaders of the Church!

Please submit any bulletin news and events by
5:00pm Wednesday to the Parish office email to :
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 or 913-645-6726. Training will be provided.



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.



Appeal for Sacristans for 2027

If anyone is interested in serving as a Sacristan in 2027, please contact the church office.

The time commitment for Saturdays is generally one Mass Per month for the six months in the year that St. John's has a Saturday Mass. The commitment is the same for our Sunday Mass except it is for all twelve months of the year. Time spent as a Sacristan Is one hour before Mass preparing the church and altar for Mass and about 20 minutes after Mass. Training and written instructions will be provided.



Resurrection Catholic School (RCS) is Hiring!

Part-Time Kitchen Position
Hours: 25 hours per week
Duties: Food preparation, serving meals, kitchen cleaning, and washing dishes.
For more information, please contact:
Garold Baker
Email: gbaker@rcskck.org
Phone: (913) 371-8101



Prayer for Our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV

PRAYER FOR POPE LEO XIV

O great St. Peregrine, you have been called "The Mighty," "The Wonder-Worker," because of the numerous miracles which you have obtained from God for those who have had recourse to you.

For so many years you bore in your own flesh this cancerous disease that destroys the very fiber of our being, and who had recourse to the source of all grace when the power of man could do no more. You were favored with the vision of Jesus coming down from His Cross to heal your affliction.

Ask of God and Our Lady, the cure of the sick whom we entrust to you. O St Peregrine, pray for our Holy Father, Pope Leo.

Aided in this way by your powerful intercession, we shall sing to God, now and for all eternity, a song of gratitude for His great goodness and mercy.

Holy Mary, Health of the Sick, gather our Holy Father under your mantle. Stay close to him in his suffering and comfort him as you comforted your Son. Bring our prayers to the Lord, that He may grant him healing and give him strength to keep shepherding the Church and serving the world. Amen.

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Feast Day Oct 22nd

"Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song."

On this Memorial of Saint John Paul II, we remember a shepherd who led the Church through times of challenge with unwavering faith and hope in the Risen Christ.

May we face each day with the same confidence that God's love is stronger than fear, suffering, and even death.

St. John Paul II, pray for us!



The Altar Society's Fall Apple Strudel Sale has begun!

Cost is \$15/strudel
Limit 5 strudels per person
Contact: Joanne Lally to place order
staragena@kc.rr.com or
913-281-4448

Pick up:
November 21st 3:00-5:30 pm
November 22nd following Mass.



Pumpkin patches,
crisp fall days, and a
whole lot of gratitude!

SEEDS OF FAITH

Every harvest begins
with a seed. The same
is true of our faith.
When we plant seeds
of prayer, kindness,
generosity, and love,
God can use them to
bring about some-
thing beautiful.

May this season remind us to be **grateful** for the
blessings God has planted in our lives.



Bingo is BACK at PAL KCK!



Join us for Fall Bingo Night at PAL KCK for dinner,
drinks, lots of laughs, friendly competition and
plenty of chances to yell
BINGO!



Saturday, November 14



PAL KCK: 800 N. 5th Street, KCKS



Doors open at 5 PM



Bingo starts at 6 PM

Best of all, proceeds from the evening will help us
make the holiday season extra special for our PAL
KCK kids and families.



Grab your friends, bring your lucky charm and come
have some fun with us!



Tickets are on sale now— online or at the
door! \$50 per tickets includes all BINGO supplies,
dinner and drinks!