



Parish Office:

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Sacraments:

Confession at 3 pm before Saturday Mass or call

for appointment
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Mr. Tony Locatelli, Music Director

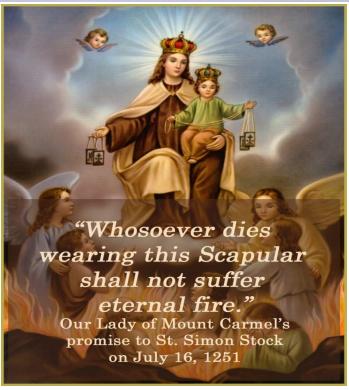
Mass Schedule: Saturday at 4 pm

(at Holy Family in July)

Sunday at 9 am Thursday at 8 am Parish Ministries:

Finance Council
Parish Council
Altar Society
St. John's Club
Richard Sambol
Don Taylor
Kelly Moutray
Ken Yarnevich

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Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two

and gave them authority over unclean spirits.

He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick—

no food, no sack, no money in their belts.

They were, however, to wear sandals

but not a second tunic.

He said to them,

"Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave.

Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you.

leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them."

So they went off and preached repentance.

The Twelve drove out many demons,

and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

-Mark 6: 7-13

## Keeping In Touch

Last Saturday I had the wonderful opportunity to attend the 60th anniversary of Religious Profession of two of the Servants of Mary, Ministers of the Sick. As you may recall I am the Coordinating Chaplain for the Servants of Mary so it was with great joy that we were able to celebrate these two wonderful women. I am grateful for their witness, support and ministry

This past week has been full. In addition to my regular work I have had the honor of having the foundress of a religious community from Canada visit with me. I have been associated with this community from its foundation and have assisted in canonical matters for them. This past week during the visit I have once again been assisting in canonical matters. It has been a good week and we have accomplished a lot for her community.

This coming week I will be attending the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, Indiana. Know as always that I carry you in my thoughts and prayers and I look forward to being able to

share with you next week the experience of the Eucharistic Congress.

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

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, July 14-

9am- Marica Black & Katherine Suljak

Katie & George Kucenic

John F. Mikesic

Mary & John G. Mikesic

Thursday, July 18-

8am- Jure Zeljeznjak & Draga Zeljeznjak

Saturday July 20-

4pm- Vigil Mass at Holy Family

St. John & Holy Family parishioners

Sunday, July 21-

9am- Anton & Lily Rendulic

All Family Jadranka Nikola Gojmerac

Frank, Ana, Ivan Brajkovic

Special Intention

#### LITURGICAL MINISTRY FOR JULY

July 14, 2024-

Lectors: M. Garcia, R. Sambol

**Eucharistic Ministers:** N. Gasparovic

**Servers:** A. Garcia

Sacristans: P. Mikesic, P. Hill

July 21, 2024-

Lectors: A. Morrow, V. Tomasic Eucharistic Ministers: M. Tomasic

Servers: A. Garcia

Sacristans: S. Sandelich, G. Garcia

#### WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	Sun. 7/7/24
Envelopes:	2971.00
Loose:	59.00
Building Fund:	360.00
Candles:	122.50
Poor Box:	20.00
Mass Intentions:	50.00
Donation(s):	50.00
Food Kitchen:	50.00



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#### Prayer Requests

Pope Francis I, Jaydon Dextre, Mary Ann Stimac, Millie Sambol, Sarah Skradski Coleman, James Lipovac, Dianna Stimac, Chris Braun, Ana Piskuric, George Fracul, Special Intention, In Thanksgiving, for all those who suffer from homelessness, addictions, cancer, mental health issues, for those who are serving time in prison, and anyone else in need of our prayers.

### Upcoming Events

Please join the Catholic Foundation of Northeast Kansas on July 24, 2024 for our Quarterly Investment Update Webinar. Chuck Maggiorotto, Chief Wealth Officer of Country Club Trust Company, and Bill Maloney, Executive Director of the Catholic Foundation of Northeast Kansas, will review the following: • Portfolio Review • Economic Outlook • Foundation Highlights Register by visiting: www.cfnek.org/events/quarterly-investment-update.

#### C.S. Lewis: The Problem of Pain Retreat

Christ's Peace House of Prayer 22131 Meager Rd., Easton Friday, August 16th at 5:30pm - Sunday, August 18th at 4:30pm "If God is good and allpowerful, why does he allow his creatures to suffer pain?" Join us alongside C.S. Lewis as he offers answers and shares his hope and wisdom to help heal a world hungering for a true understanding of human nature. Come be transformed by the message that God can use evil and pain to mold us and make us into who we each were made to be. This is God's love. And it is in this that we can start to give a response to "the problem of pain." There will be conferences, spiritual direction, Eucharistic Adoration. Mass, Confession and time for private prayer, reflection and walking. 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 or call 913.773.8255.

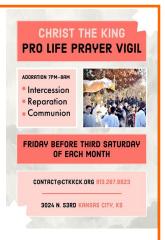
# The July edition of the "Building a Civilization of Love"

family newsletter is now available! We hope that it will provide resources and offer encouragement along your journey! Use the QR code below to read now!



# Christ the King Church in Kansas City, KS,

located at 53rd and Leavenworth Road, is hosting a monthly all-night adoration, Mass, and procession to beg for the protection of the unborn and the conversion of those seeking and providing abortions. The next Vigil and Mass will take place starting Friday, July 19th from 7 p.m. till Saturday morning the 18th, concluding with a bilingual Mass at 8 a.m. Then,



we'll walk down Leavenworth Road to the Planned Parenthood clinic where we will pray until 10am. Please join us for part or all of this work of mercy. We are looking for adorers throughout the night, particularly able-bodied men to anchor the safety of the night hours. Please contact the **Christ the King** office to sign up for a slot, or for any questions: 913.287.8823 (call or text) contact@ctkkck.org

#### **National Make a Will Month**

August is National Make a Will Month. As we're all stewards of Christ, now is a great time to review or begin your will to honor God with the many blessings He's given us. Visit our Wills

Planner https://

catholicplannedgiving.com/?

pageID=99&destPageID=wills if you would like to create a plan for your future, or need to make updates to an existing plan.



#### **Encounter Summer Intensive Quigley Center**

- Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Lenexa, Kansas July 22-25th, 6-9pm nightly Eager to encounter the transforming power of Jesus alive and active today? Join us for the Encounter Summer Intensive as we teach, equip, and activate you to more fully participate in the supernatural lifestyle of Jesus Christ and further bring about the Kingdom of God here on earth! The summer intensive is a four-evening experience that provides a taste of the supernatural lifestyle Jesus has available for every Christian disciple. The topics of each night reflect the teachings offered in the first four quarters of the Encounter School of Ministry: Identity & Transformation (Q1), Hearing God & The Prophetic Gifts (Q2), Power & Physical Healing (Q3), and Inner Healing & Freedom (Q4). The Encounter School of Ministry seeks to teach, equip, and activate disciples in the full supernatural lifestyle of Jesus, to walk with God in intimacy and demonstrate his love through the power of the Holy Spirit in their spheres of influence. More information Encounterschool.org/kansas-city

# SAVE THE DATE - OCT 7th, 2024 Strawberry Hill Altar Societies Golf Tournament 4 person scramble Sunflower Hills Golf Course

1:00 shotgun start. \$100 fee includes green fees, golf cart, prizes, dinner, snacks and beverages. Contact Altar Society Presidents:

Carol Shomin, 913.897.4833,

Kelly Moutray, 816.863.4414, or

Sandy Cannon, 913.396.1564.

Sips for Scholarships
RESURRECTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Raising Funds for Need-Based Scholarships

July 27, 2024 | 5-8 PM Children's Mercy Park One Sporting Way, Kansas City, KS 66111

**\$60** each ticket, available at rcskck.org or by mailing payment to the school.

97% of students rely on scholarships to attend RCS.

This fall the Deacon Office will be hosting information sessions for men who are interested in learning more about the permanent diaconate ("inquirers"). The sessions are identical, so inquirers only need to attend whichever session works best with their schedule (no RSVP required). All of the sessions will take place at the Savior Pastoral Center on the following dates:

Wednesday, September 18 (7:00-9:00pm)

Thursday, September 26 (7:00-9:00pm) Monday, September 30 (7:00-9:00pm) Saturday, October 19 (9:00-11:00am) In addition, inquirers are strongly encouraged to complete our online inquiry form at

https://archkck.org/diaconate/discernment/inquire-about-the-diaconateprogram/

For more specific inquiries, they may reach out to Deacon Curtis Keddy, the director of formation, at ckeddy@archkck.org or 913-647-0326.



# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

# 2024 Croatian Festival



July 10, 2024

#### Festival only weeks away!

Time flies - and your festival committee is working to host a great Croatian party. We hope that weather is kinder this year and you will all join us for fun, food and music!

Our community is always generous with resources and we ask once again for your help with sponsorships, prize donations, volunteer work and attending the festival. Please take a look at our wish list!

#### Kids' Area

Our festival has always been a fun place for the little ones - and we have a kids' area to keep them happy.

Games continue to be 50 cents and our kiddos can go fishing, play for prizes or try to win at the soda toss. There will also be face painting, plus jewelry and flower head pieces.

Please help us with the following:

- Small toys (new) for the fishing booth
- 2-liter bottles of pop ring toss
- New toys and games prize wheel
- Food items (Pretzels, chips, granola bars)

An Amazon wish list is available for easy contribution from the couch or to find ideas. It is available on our church website.

#### <u>Jewelry and Makeup</u>

- Costume jewelry broken items make new earrings and bracelets while other pieces make new owners happy!
- Makeup and perfume samples. Help us fill makeup bags with with your unused fragrance or makeup that comes with a department store purchase.

#### Strawberry Basket

The basket is already loaded with strawberry goodies - we expect it to be as full as last year's basket which was worth \$1,100!

Please consider contributing items related to St. John the Baptist, Croatia, strawberries and Strawberry Hill:

- Gift certificates for Strawberry Hill businesses
  - Strawberry food and beverages
  - Strawberry crafts and decorative items
  - Wine

2024 Croatian Festival
Saturday, Aug. 17, after 4 p.m. Mass

Thank you to Hrvatski Obicaj who will kick off our festival with Croatian music.

Congratulations to the group for a wonderful performance at the Croatian Fraternal Union Tamburitza Festival in Zagreb, Croatia.

Web: stjohnthebaptistcatholicchurch.com Information: (913) 371-0627 or KCKCroatianFestival@gmail.com



New 2024 T-shirts!

Our 2024 T-shirts are now available. Order by form or online, or stop by the rectory to make your purchase.

A big thank you to Matt A. Thomas for the design - and joining the festival team!

T-shirts will also be available on festival night at the Strawberry Boutique. Cost is \$25 for adults and \$20 for children.

#### 50/50 Raffle

On July 10, we had 133 entries for the 50/50 raffles - a total of \$6,650 in prize money and another \$6,650 for the church. You still have plenty of time to enter - and we will be accepting entries on festival night with online payment.

There are 51 people participating in the mini raffle, with a prize of up to \$2,500. In the maxi raffle category, 82 people have sent entries - the prize is up to \$5,000.

#### Support St. John's Sponsorships

Our generous sponsors have contributed \$16,550 as of July 10. We appreciate your donations to our church. Please take a look at our sponsor sheet on the following page.

To be included on the banner, please have your sponsorship submitted by Aug. 1.

Last year, the sponsors gave a total of \$45,560 to support St. John's.

#### The Festival takes a village of people

To make our Croatian Festival a great success, we rely on volunteers who work in the kitchen, at the booths, set-up and clean-up, strudel and povitica making - plus all the prayers!

If you would like to join our festival fun as a volunteer, please let us know at KCKCroatianFestival@gmail.com, or by calling the rectory at (913) 371-0627.

#### Planning

The committee started planning in January. Once again, we thank our team leader, Chris Schneider, who has had the job for more than three decades.

Other members include John and Beckie Mikesic; Sarah Mikesic; Karolyn Tomasic; Mia Tomasic; Ella Tomasic; Don and Cherri Taylor; Cathy Burroughs, Goran Dordevic; Kenny Yarnevich; Jaime Clark; Theresa Jaksetic; Patrice Dorian; Max Grisnik; Rich Sambol and Helen Skradski; Rick Braun; Vince and Georgette Pemberton; Joanne Lally; Annie Kucenic; Bernadette Tomasic; Teresa Kovac; Matt A. Thomas; Branko Ugarcina; Kathy Lally Bareiss; and Greg and Sarah Soptic.



#### Croatian Dinners - Something old! Something New!

Our sarma and sausage dinners will continue to the great Croatian food and sides you have come to expect! Prices remain at \$20 for a sarma dinner and \$15 for the sausage sandwich dinner.

What's new - Reserve your Croatian Dinners in advance and go directly to the auditorium where your name with be on a list. Order online or send the form.

YES! Tickets will be available on festival night, but not in the auditorium. To purchase with cash or credit card, come to the Ticket Booth, located by the beer truck on the upper level of the church grounds.



# Thank you 2024 Sponsors



Received by July 10, 2024

# Chocolate-Dipped Strawberries The Worner Family

# **Strawberry Patch**

In Memory of Mary, Frank & Al Novak
Marty Yadrick
Barbara Zurga & The St. Denis Family
Jerry Cindric

# Strawberry Plant

The Tomasic Family
The Dordevic Family
Tom Podrebarac
Kathy Dumovich Kovac
St. John the Baptist Altar Society
In Memory of Pete, Dorothy & Pat Novosel
John & Veronica Gasparovich
The Lally Family

Continued...

# **Strawberry Shortcake**

The Kovac & Krupich Families
Anita Gasparovic
Christine Allen
In Loving Memory of Sam Stice
Anonymous

# Strawberry Preserves

In Memory of Kate and Ike Modrcin

## **Strawberry Seed**

Bernadette Acinger West Richard & Adrienne Nastav The George & Florence Juresic Family

# Strawberry Pie

Theresa Jaksetic

Thank you, 2024 Support St. John the Baptist Sponsors!

For questions or corrections, contact us at KCKCroatianFestival@gmail.com, or call (913) 371-0627