

# Holy Family Church GEMS

## Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### August 17, 2025



**J**esus said to his disciples: “I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished!

Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three; a father will be divided against his son and a son against his father, a mother against her daughter and a daughter against her mother, a mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and a daughter against her mother-in-law.”

- Luke 12:49-53



## KEEPING IN TOUCH

Well, life is back in full swing! My first full week back has certainly been a full one. In addition to all the regular things, I had to meet with the new priests of the diocese during their orientation session to speak about the Tribunal. I also had the WYCO Deanery meeting. During the month of June and July, we did not have our regular meeting and so it was good to be back together again as we look forward to the coming months in our deanery.

The final thing that took place this past week was that the Archdiocese at the chancery is assessing the various ways in which we operate. This involved some extra meetings and interviews with me. It was a very pleasant experience and I look forward to the recommendations of how we can better operate at the chancery and be of service to God and his people.

With this week completed, I look forward to next week.

Blessings!

Fr. Joseph M. Arsenault, SSA  
Pastor



### HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

274 Orchard St., Kansas City, Kansas 66101

**Pastor:** Fr. Joseph Arsenault, SSA  
**Burmese Community/Sacramental Assistant:**  
Fr. Michael Lian

**Parish Office Address:** 515 Ohio Ave., KCK 66101

**Office Phone:** 913-413-0022

**Hours:** Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Web:** holyfamilychurchkck.org

**Find us on Facebook!**

**Email:** holyfamilychurch1925@gmail.com

**Resurrection Catholic School:** 425 N. 15<sup>th</sup> St., KCK 66102

**Phone:** 913-371-8101

### MASS SCHEDULE:

**Friday:** 8:00 a.m.

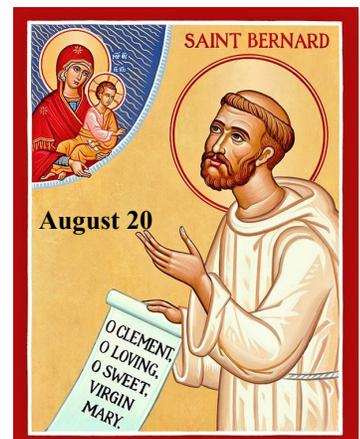
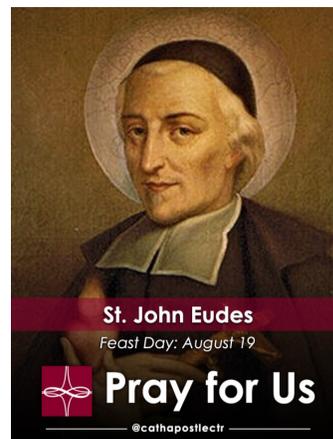
**Saturday:** 4:00 p.m. (Odd months at Holy Family)  
(Confessions at 3:00 p.m. before Mass)

**Sunday:** 10:30 a.m. & 12:15 p.m. (Burmese)

### THE HOLY ROSARY

Recited every Saturday at 6:00 p.m. (Burmese)

Recited every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. before 10:30 a.m. Mass



## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, August 17

*Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

10:30 a.m. Frank J. Zager†

### Friday, August 22

*The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:00 a.m. William & Elizabeth Rezin††



### Sunday, August 24

*Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time*

10:30 a.m.

### Friday, August 29

*The Passion of St. John the Baptist*

8:00 a.m. Charles McBee†

### Sunday, August 31

*Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

10:30 a.m. Marianne Daugherty Sieg†

## WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

### Weekly Collection 8/10/25, 10:30 a.m.:

Weekly Envelopes:	\$ 1,099.00
Plate:	86.00
Candle:	27.00
Pew Rent:	20.00
Mission Co-Op:	40.00
<b>TOTAL STEWARDSHIP:</b>	<b>\$ 1,272.00</b>

### Weekly Collection 8/10/25, 12:15 p.m.:

Weekly Envelopes:	\$ 690.00
Plate:	186.00
Fuel:	5.00
Mission Co-Op:	5.00
School Support:	5.00
Assumption:	10.00
<b>TOTAL STEWARDSHIP:</b>	<b>\$ 901.00</b>

### Other Deposit 8-12-25:

Weekly Envelopes:	\$ 40.00
Mega Raffle:	300.00
Sponsorship-Slovenefest:	50.00
Mass Intention:	10.00
<b>Total Deposit 8-13-25:</b>	<b>\$ 400.00</b>

The Lord heard my cry.  
He drew me out of the pit of destruction, out of the mud of the swamp; he set my feet upon a crag; he made firm my steps.

- Psalm 40:2, 3, 4, 18

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Beatrice Arce, Paul Anselmo, Jim Blair, Steve Blaschke, Robert Bartkoski, Linda Bartkoski, Brisimitzakis Family, Steven Bocker, Christine Muelmaster Bruns, Bill Bushue, Sam Cattey, Frank Chavez, Larry & Jeannie Cornish, Elizabeth Curtin, Ann Crump, Savannah Crawford, Gary Dercher, Joe Dragosh, Janet Easter, Vincent Eskina, Gary Esposito, Jane Ferbezar, Matthew Fuqua, Ron Gabrielson, Don Gergick, Nick Gianfrancesco, Greg Golder, Teresa Grado, Gary Grindel, Joe Grindel, Mary Ann Hamm, John Hart, Jr., Diane Holton, Linda Holton, Mary Lou Holton, Mary Ann Stimac-Huber, Roger Jackson, Lupe Jaramillo, Madeleine Glenn-Klein, Beth Ann Palcher Kornegay, Janice Labesky, James Lipovac, Tim Lukavsky, Hrvoje Ljubicic family, Brett McCord, Linda Macek, Walter Marnett, Charles Martynowicz, Ed Melnick, Julie Miller, Mike Mootz, Betty Mulich, Frank Muelmaster, Mary-Elizabeth Anna Neitzke, Joe Paduch, Joseph Punswick, Cameron Rezin, R.J. Samuels, Stacy Taylor Scheelk, Richard Schutte, Roger Schutte, Marco Serra, Donna Severance, Anthony Smarekar, Sr. Gloria Solomon, John Soptick, Jacob Strathman, Matt & Chrissy Stewart, Joe Sutton, Don Swanson, Daniel Thurman, Brad Torelli, Germaine Van Hoet, Joe Waliczek, Richard Whitaker, Carol Sue Williamson, Martha Wolf-Holland, Marcia Wolf, Louis Villegas, Angie Yadrich, Weslie Mae Zych, & for all those who suffer from alcoholism, cancer, mental health issues and anyone else in need of our prayers.

### IN MEMORIAM

### Loretta Cornish Hentzen

10/23/1938 - 8/8/2025

Loretta passed away on August 8, 2025. Her funeral will be held at Cure of Ars on August 18 at 11:00 a.m. Rosary at the church at 9:30 a.m. Burial in Resurrection Catholic Cemetery.

Loretta is the sister of parishioners, Don and Jim Cornish. Our parish family extends their heartfelt condolences to the Cornish and Hentzen families.

*“Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her.  
May she rest in peace. Amen.”*



# Slovenefest 2025

**Saturday, September 27**

## **HOLY FAMILY CHURCH**

274 Orchard Street, Kansas City, KS 66101

*Celebrating the 100th anniversary of our current church building!*

**4:00 p.m. - Holy Mass**

*274 Orchard Street*

**5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Festivities**

*Msgr. Mejak Hall, Gym & School grounds  
515 Ohio Avenue*

**Traditional Slovenian Dinner,  
Food Court, Adult & Children Games, Raf-  
fles, Mega Money Raffle,  
Cultural Booth & Souvenirs,  
Mini Silent Auction**

**Music & Dancing featuring:**

**THE BRIAN MCCARTY BAND**



For more information visit our website at  
[www.holyfamilychurchkck.org](http://www.holyfamilychurchkck.org),  
like & share the event on Facebook,  
or contact the church office at  
913-413-0022.



**All proceeds to benefit Holy Family Church**

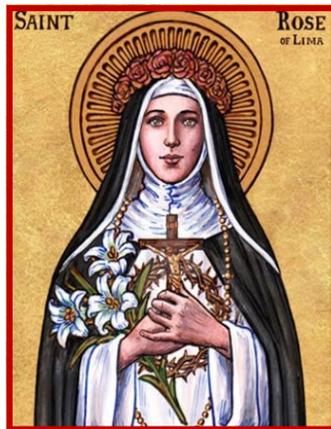


## **The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary - August 22**

**Hail, Holy Queen**, Mother of Mercy,  
our life, our sweetness and our hope.

To thee do we cry,  
poor banished children of Eve.  
To thee do we send up our sighs,  
mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.  
Turn then, most gracious advocate,  
thine eyes of mercy toward us,  
and after this our exile  
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb,  
Jesus.

O clement, O loving,  
O sweet Virgin Mary.



**JOIN THE SISTERS  
FOR THEIR  
END OF SUMMER  
SOCIAL**

SISTERS, SERVANTS OF  
MARY BACKYARD PATIO

**SATURDAY  
SEPTEMBER 6TH  
11:30-2PM**

800 N. 18TH STREET  
KANSAS CITY, KS 66102

**FREE WILL DONATION**

## **SPONSORSHIP FORM**

**Holy Family Church, 274 Orchard Street, Kansas City, KS 66101**

We are proud to announce the 17th Annual Slovenefest on Saturday, September 27, 2025. The event begins with 4:00 p.m. Mass with festivities followed afterwards at the school grounds and Mejak Hall. Music provided by the Brian McCarty Band. This year marks 117 years of Slovenians gathering to celebrate their faith in our community. The first Holy Family Church sat on three lots of 511, 513, and 515 Ohio Ave. with two frame cottages, acquired for \$3,000. One house was converted into a small church, the other became the rectory. On the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, August 15, 1908, the first Holy Family Church was blessed and mass was offered by the Rev. Joseph Kompare.

A bell for the church was deemed a necessity. Cast by the Stuckstede Bros. foundry in St. Louis in 1908, it carries the message (translated from Slovenian): "*St. Joseph, pray for us. Slovenci, use your time well.*" It sounded the Angelus three times each day, called the faithful to mass and other services, tolled at funerals, and rang with gladness on joyous occasions.

In celebration of our Slovenian roots we symbolically ring the bell and call home our former parishioners, their descendants, sons and daughters of the parish, former students of Holy Family School, acquaintances and friends of Holy Family Church back to celebrate our 117 years as a parish community at Slovenefest. If you are unable to attend this year, please come and visit us anytime by attending the 8:00 a.m. Friday morning mass, 4:00 p.m. Saturday evening mass (odd months), the 10:30 a.m. Sunday mass or just stop by the parish office at 515 Ohio Ave.

This year in particular, we celebrate the 100th anniversary of our current church building! There is always ongoing maintenance in a building so old—plumbing, HVAC systems, sound system, organ, etc. While our Slovenefest is our big fundraiser for the year, we hope to do other fundraisers throughout the year as we have done in the past. Stay tuned as we journey through the year together. We look forward to seeing you at Slovenefest 2025!

**YES! I want to help preserve Holy Family Catholic Church and our Slovenian legacy.**

### **Circle One**

\$50 - Sponsorship	\$1,000 - Sponsorship
\$100 - Sponsorship	\$ 2,500 - Sponsorship
\$250 - Sponsorship	\$ 5,000 - Sponsorship
\$500 - Sponsorship	_____ - Other Amount

### **Donation in Memory of:**

\_\_\_\_\_

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**You may drop this form in our weekly Mass collection with your check or mail to:**

**Holy Family Church, 515 Ohio Ave., Kansas City, KS 66101.  
If you have any questions, please call our parish office at 913-413-0022.**



## **HOLY FAMILY CHURCH MEGA MONEY RAFFLE!**

Dear Parishioners & Friends:

Our 17th annual parish Slovenefest will be held on Saturday, September 27, 2025. The event will begin with Holy Mass at 4pm at the church with festivities from 5pm-9pm at Monsignor Mejak Hall, Gym, & School Grounds, 513 Ohio Ave., Kansas City, Kansas. This annual event is an important part of the financial stability of Holy Family parish. In the past, a large portion of the proceeds came from the Mega Raffle.

It is our goal to sell 300 mega raffle tickets at \$100 each with nine (9) \$1,000.00 winners! Winning tickets will be drawn at Slovenefest. You need not be present to win. All proceeds from the raffle will benefit Holy Family Church.



**COUNT ME IN: Enclosed is my donation per ticket.**

**Name/Address/Phone #:**

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**\_\_\_\_\_ White Mega Raffle Ticket - \$100 each**

**Please complete and mail this form  
with your check made payable to:**

Holy Family Church, 515 Ohio Ave., Kansas City,  
KS 66101 or drop this form in the collection basket  
at any of our weekend masses.

### **MEGA RAFFLE TICKET UPDATE**

We have 158 Mega Raffle tickets in the parish office to sell. Share a ticket or two with a friend or family member!

Our goal is to sell 300 tickets in honor of our 100 year anniversary of the church building. If you would like to purchase a ticket, please call the church office at 913-413-0022.