

# Holy Family Church GEMS

## First Sunday of Advent

### November 30, 2025



### St. Andrew Christmas Novena

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Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born Of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother. Amen

*It is piously believed that whoever recites the St. Andrew Christmas novena prayer FIFTEEN times each day from the feast of St. Andrew (November 30th) until Christmas Eve will obtain the favor requested.*



### KEEPING IN TOUCH

This week, as we know, we celebrated Thanksgiving. It is always a wonderful celebration where we pause and give thanks. Fr Peter and I had a priest visiting us for Thanksgiving and we also had the Augustinian Sisters from Topeka with us for Thanksgiving dinner. We have so much to be thankful for in our lives. I hope and pray that you all had a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving. As we conclude our Thanksgiving celebrations, we turn our attention to the fact that we start a new liturgical year this Sunday. Here we are at the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent. This is always a busy time of year but it is important that we take time to slow down a bit and prepare our hearts and minds to welcome the coming of the Savior. This time of preparation can be and should be a graced time. Let us prepare well so that we are ready to welcome the coming of the Lord with love, peace and joy.

Blessings!

Fr. Joseph M. Arsenault, SSA  
Pastor



### HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

274 Orchard St., Kansas City, Kansas 66101

**Pastor:** Fr. Joseph Arsenault, SSA

**Burmese - 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.

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**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)

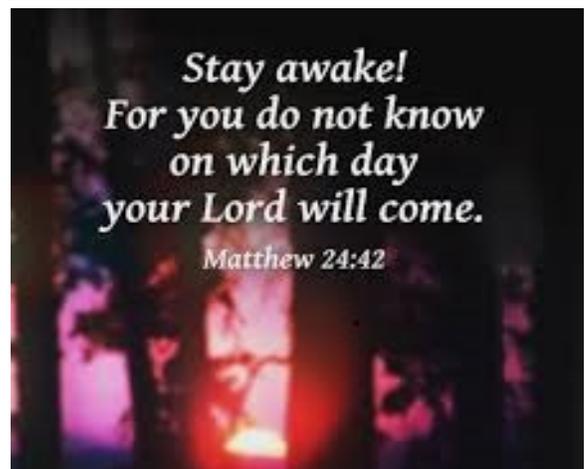
### THE HOLY ROSARY

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

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

*Stay awake!  
For you do not know  
on which day  
your Lord will come.*

*Matthew 24:42*





**Help feed the hungry!** Donate non-perishable food items such as tuna, canned chicken, peanut butter, soups, vegetables, beans, canned fruit, crackers, rice, cereal, etc.

Also, personal hygiene items such as toilet paper, feminine hygiene products, soap, and toothpaste. **Expired items and opened packages will not be accepted.** All the items you donate will be taken to Catholic Charities Food Pantry.



**FEED THE HUNGRY**

## **BABY SHOWER DONATION DRIVE**

*In Honor of the Christ Child*

The Holy Family Altar Society is sponsoring their annual Baby Shower Donation Drive from November 15 through January 4, 2026.

Suggested items to donate:

- Diapers
- Wet Wipes
- Baby Shampoo
- Baby Wash
- Baby Lotion
- Pacifiers / Baby Bottles
- Onesies / Sleepers
- Diaper Rash Ointment

Bring your donations to the church when you attend mass or bring to the parish office at 515 Ohio Ave.

**All the items donated will be given to Kansas City Pregnancy Clinic, 636 Tauromee Ave., Kansas City, Kansas.**



## **APPLE STRUDELS & POTICA**

Buy an apple strudel for the Christmas holidays!

There are a limited number of apple strudels left from Slovenefest for sale. The cost per roll is \$15. Limit 2 rolls per person.

Call the parish office at 913-413-0022 to purchase.

There are also a few potica's left for sale. Call Sandy Cannon at 913-396-1564 to purchase.

SAVE THE DATE

# Christmas PARTY

**DEC 13, 2025 @ 5:00 PM**

MSGR. MEJAK HALL

513 OHIO AVE.

KANSAS CITY, KS. 66101

**TACO BAR DINNER**

**PLEASE BRING A HOLIDAY DESSERT TO SHARE**

**CHRISTMAS MUSIC**

**VISIT BY SANTA**

PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING A SMALL GIFT FOR SANTA TO PRESENT TO YOUR OWN CHILD

**DONATIONS ACCEPTED FOR KSKJ LIFE SUPPORTING SOLDIERS NATIONAL INITIATIVE**

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RSVP JULIE SCHNELLER VIA TEXT @ (816) 797-8623



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ST. MARY & ST. ANTHONY CHURCH  
615 N. 7TH ST. KANSAS CITY, KS 66101

# ST. NICHOLAS SPAGHETTI DINNER & BINGO NIGHT

DINNER LIMITED TO 125 TICKETS!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2025

DINNER: 5:15P.M. - 6:30P.M.

BINGO: 6:45P.M. - 8:30P.M.

CASH PRIZES FOR BINGO!

50/50 POT RAFFLE

DINNER MENU:

SPAGHETTI WITH MEAT SAUCE,  
SALAD, BREAD, & DESSERT

TICKETS IN ADVANCE

Adult - \$15

dinner, dessert, 2 drink tickets, 2 bingo cards

Child (10 & Under) - \$8

dinner, dessert, 1 drink ticket, 1 bingo card

TICKETS AT THE DOOR

Adult - \$20, Child (12 & under) - \$12

ADDITIONAL DRINKS, SNACKS, AND BINGO CARDS  
AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE.

TO-GO ORDERS AVAILABLE!

50/50 POT TICKETS:

1 ticket for \$5, 3 tickets for \$10, 7 tickets for \$20, 15 tickets for \$40.

CASH, CHECK, OR VENMO ACCEPTED.  
WOULD YOU LIKE TO VOLUNTEER?

CONTACT ANGIE GREGORY AT [ANGIEGREGORY26@GMAIL.COM](mailto:ANGIEGREGORY26@GMAIL.COM).



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Christmas at The Strawberry Hill  
Museum, 720 N. 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
Kansas City, Kansas 66101

Now Open for Guided Tours

Tickets available online: <https://strawberryhillmuseum.org>

SLICE OF  
HEAVEN:

Worship &  
Pizza night

Who: SINGLE YOUNG  
ADULT WOMEN

What: HOLY HOUR, PIZZA, AND  
TIME WITH THE SISTERS

When: 1ST SATURDAYS  
5:30-8pm

Where: Servants of Mary,  
Ministers to the Sick  
800 N. 18<sup>th</sup> St.  
Kansas City, KS 66102

Questions/more information contact  
Sister Elizabeth 913-278-5986



## Taste of KCK

Tomorrow's Legacy Begins Today



RAISING FUNDS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS  
ACADEMIC PROGRAMS  
CLASSROOM SUPPORTS

January 24, 2026

RESURRECTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
425 NORTH 15TH STREET  
KANSAS CITY, KS 66102



Social Hour  
6:00 PM

Drinks & Appetizers  
School Tours  
Student Projects



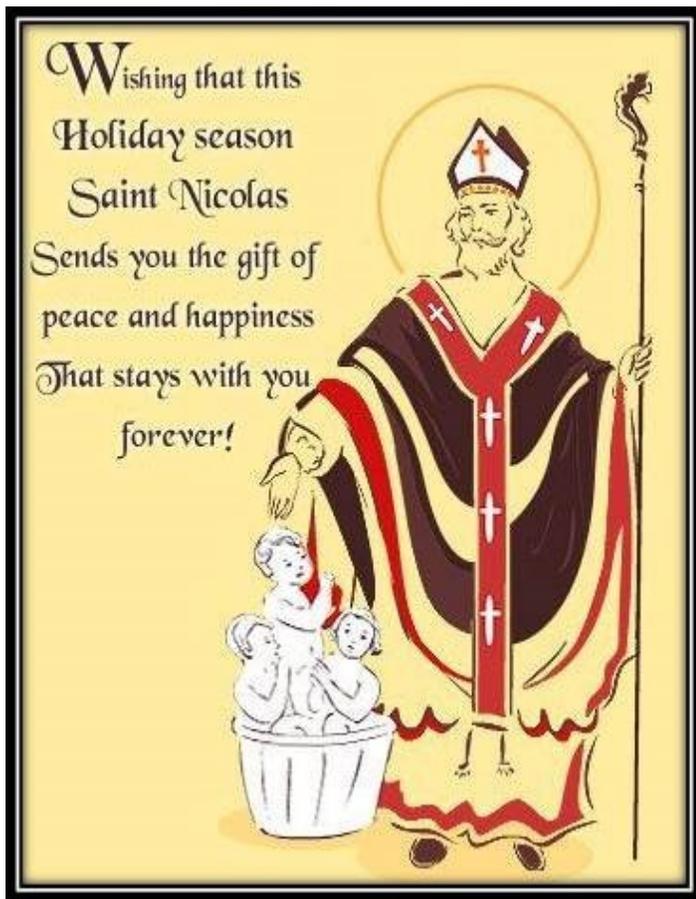
Ethnic Dinner  
7:00 PM

KCK diversity  
on a plate.



Program  
8:00 PM

Honoree  
Student Speaker  
Performances



Wishing that this  
 Holiday season  
 Saint Nicolas  
 Sends you the gift of  
 peace and happiness  
 That stays with you  
 forever!

**Saint Nicholas/Miklavž — December 6**

## PRAYER TO SAINT NICHOLAS *Feast Day, December 6*

**O** good Saint Nicholas, you who are the joy of the children put in my heart the spirit of childhood, of which the Gospel speaks, and teach me to seed happiness around me. You, whose feast prepares us for Christmas, open my faith to the mystery of God made man. You, good bishop and shepherd, help me to find my place in the Church and inspire the Church to be faithful to the gospel.

**O** good Saint Nicholas, patron of children, sailors, and the helpless, watch over those who pray to Jesus, you Lord and theirs, as well as over those who humble themselves before you. Bring us all in reverence to the Holy child of Bethlehem, where true joy and peace are found.

**Amen.**

