

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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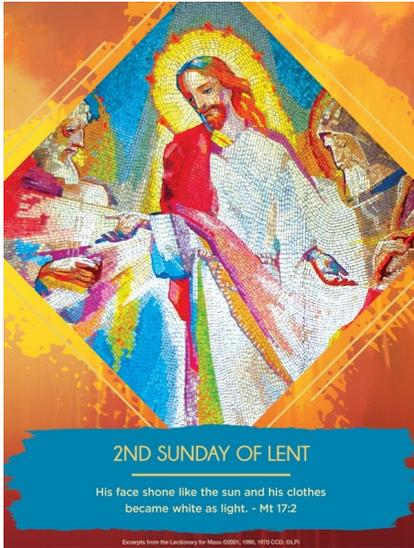
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March 1, 2026

Second Sunday of Lent



Our readings for this second Sunday of Lent offer us, as Christian stewards, the motivation to continue our 40-day journey toward deeper holiness. The first reading from the book of Genesis describes God's call to Abram (who would later be called Abraham). God instructs Abram to leave his home and set out to a land that God had chosen for him. Abram's response is an ancient example of good stewardship. Instead of clinging to his comfortable home and way of life, he recognizes that all he has is a gift from God, puts his trust in God, and obeys. And God rewards him, saying, "I will make your name great, so that you will be a blessing."

To "be a blessing" is the true aim of a stewardship way of life. It is also an excellent way to live out the season of Lent. The sacrifices we take on, the spir-

itual disciplines we practice, and the extra acts of service we perform during this season — all give glory to God and transform our lives into a blessing for others.

Lest we grow weary on this path, our Gospel passage today, from Matthew, offers us a powerful image of the great God we serve. It is the story of the Transfiguration of Jesus, when our Lord reveals Himself in His true glory and the Father says, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." The apostles who witnessed this were awestruck. But our loving Savior reassured them saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid." As we continue our Lenten journey, let us take these two verses, "Listen to him," "Rise, and do not be afraid" to heart. Let us rely on God's strength to aid us in our spiritual disciplines as we move through Lent. We will arrive at Easter with deeper holiness, as a blessing to God and others — and as better stewards of all God's gifts to us.

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Parish Office Open M-Th 9am-4pm

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Religious Ed Office Hours:

M,T,TH 10am-6pm Wed.10am-7pm

Closed Daily 12pm-1pm

RE Coord: Julie Urby ~ Clerk:Kris Cardenaz

OCIA(RCIA) Director Mary Jo Peters

Masses

Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday (Spanish Mass) 7:45 am

Sunday 10:00 am

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 am

Wed. (Spanish Mass) 6:00 pm

Rosary is prayed 1/2 hr. before each Mass.

Confession

Saturday at 5:00 pm or by appointment

After morning Mass on Thursday

PRE-BAPTISM Classes:

3rd Sunday of the Month

2 pm Religious Education Building

Must pre-register for class

Contact Parish Office to schedule Baptism.

MARRIAGES:

Contact Pastor six months in advance.

QUINCEAÑERAS:

Student must be enrolled and attending

RE classes and meet with Pastor.

FUNERALS:

Contact Parish Office.

In our Thoughts & Prayers

Patrick Adamietz Frankie Alvarez Ida Arcos

Steven Avila Genaro Avila

Rosa Barragan Ramon Barragon Ruby Cantu

Amador Carillo, Jr. Rosie Carranza

James Carmona Riley Cole

Alfredo Camacho Thomas Cuellar

Trine Cuellar Grace De Leon

Tommy Delgado Gloria Espinosa

Marissa Ibarra Vincent Garza

Tereso O. Hernandez Lucy Herrera

Ignacia Hernandez Alleen Koch

John Henry Martinez Tony Mendoza

Terry Mendoza Edda Tschirhart

Jerry Neal Milo Quintanilla Lorenzo Ortiz

Gloria Saucedo

Melissa Puentes Anna Reyes

Jerry Robles Lupe Sanchez

Mary Rose Sanchez Debbie Slover

A.J. Vallez Joe Ventura, Jr.

Darlene Wiemers Daniel Wilman

Call 741-2236 to add or remove someone from the list. Names will be kept on the list at least 3 weeks.

Pastoral Council

Rhonda Camacho Genevieve Flores

Dave Hubalik, Sr. Rose Mary Mares

Jonathan Velasquez David Hubalik, Jr.

Marie Zeal

Next meeting - May 21, 2026



Finance Council

Diane Cheney

Rey Bernal Kim Schoellman

Robert Knight Stephen Long

Next meeting - March 17, 2026

ADORATION with the BLESSED SACRAMENT

Each Thursday - Chapel - 8:30am

Divine Mercy Chaplet 10:00am

Followed by Benediction

On the last Thursday of the month, **anointing of the sick** will follow the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

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Ash Wednesday Feb.18, 2026

Mass Attendance 766

Catholic Charities \$3,123.75

Feb. 21/22, 2026

Mass Attendance 614

Regular Collection \$6,360.00

Children's Offering 146.25

Missions among

Black & Native Americans 638.00

Upcoming Second Collections

March 8, 2026 - St. Vincent de Paul Black Bag Collection

March 15, 2026 - Catholic Relief Services



Mass Intentions

March 2 - 8, 2026

Monday - March 2 - No Mass

Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday - March 3 - 8am - Chapel

Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

- 1) † Alfonso Treviño by Family

Wednesday - March 4 - 8am - Chapel

Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

- 1) † Millie Gonzales by Theresa Gilliam

Wednesday - March 4 - 6pm(Spanish) - Chapel

Jr 18, 18-20/Sal 30, 5-6. 14. 15-16/Mt 20, 17-28

- 1) St. John's Parish

Thursday - March 5 - 8am - Chapel

Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

- 1) In Thanksgiving by Randy & Patti Graff

Friday - March 6 - 8am - Chapel

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

- 1) † John Benavides by Parents

Saturday - March 7 - 6pm - Church

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

- 1) † Tina Finger by Steve & Molly Turner
 2) † Gerald Adamietz by Anise Adamietz
 3) † Ofilia Colunga by Fred & Ellen Schueling
 4) † Cindy Kriewald & Joe Tschirhart by Aurline Tschirhart

Sunday - March 8 - 7:45am(Spanish)- Church

Ex 17, 3-7/Sal 94,1,2. 6-7. 8-9/Rom 5,1,2. 5-8/Jn 4, 5-42 o 4, 5-15. 19-26.39.40-42

- 1) † Lupe Hernandez by Family
 2) † Emilio & Hopie Quintanilla
 & Vanessa Robles by Estella Mireles

Sunday - March 8 - 10am - Church

Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

- 1) † Laura Curtis by Family
 2) St. John's Parish

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

All parishioners are invited to spend some time with our Lord Jesus in Blessed Sacrament every Thursday after the 8:00am Mass in the Chapel.
 The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed at 10am followed by the benediction at 10:30am.
 Anointing of the sick Last Thursday after Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Send bulletin items to:
parishsecretary@stjohnevangelist.org
 Deadline is noon Monday to be printed that weekend.

St. John's Calendar of Events

Sunday, March 1:

- *8:45am - Faith Formation - RE Building
 *10am Mass - Men's ACTS Retreat Homecoming

Monday, March 2:

- *7pm - BINGO! - Parish Hall

Tuesday, March 3:

- *10am-noon - St. Vincent de Paul Assistance
 *6pm - ACTS Core - RE Building

Wednesday, March 4:

- *4pm - Bible Study - Parish Hall Meeting Rm
 *6pm - Faith Formation - RE Building

Thursday, March 5:

Friday, March 6:

- *6pm - Stations of the Cross - Chapel

Saturday, March 7:

- *5pm - Confessions Church

Sunday, March 8:

- *8:45am - Faith Formation - RE Building
 *10am Mass - Children's Liturgy - Chapel

Adult Confirmation

St. John's will offer an Adult Confirmation class to prepare for Confirmation in May. The class is an intense 8-week study program that will begin **Monday, March 16 at 6 p.m in the Religious Education Building**. You can sign up at the first meeting. The class is for any Catholic adult who has been Baptized and received First Eucharist but still needs the third sacrament of Initiation – Confirmation.

For more information, please contact
 Mary Jo Peters 830-426-1181 or the parish office.

Schedule of Mass Ministry

Saturday, March 7, 2026 6pm

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Randy Graff
 Ministers of Hospitality: Gizmo Freeman
 Fred Schueling, Luis Ramos

Commentator: Tennille Lessing

Lector: Diane Mann

Sacristan: Patti Graff

Extraordinary Ministers: Yvonne Stein
 Rose Mary Mares, Paul Tschirhart

Altar Servers: A.J. Knight, R.J. Knight,
 Kieran Hubalik

Sunday, March 8, 2026 7:45am

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Genoveva Medina
 Ministers of Hospitality: Gabriel Rodriguez,
 Augustine De Leon, Jerry Lopez

Commentator: Genoveva Medina

Lector: Ruben Medina

Sacristan: Nora Escamilla

Extraordinary Ministers: Nora Escamilla
 Dora Ojeda, Eva Cortez

Altar Servers: CharEllez Maxie
 Marco Gonzales, Andre Guerrero

Sunday, March 8, 2026 10am

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Michele Rothe
 Ministers of Hospitality: Clarence McNiel
 Brett Hutto, Pat Stein

Commentator: Michele Mechler

Lector: Rose Aelvoet Cantor: Choir

Sacristan: Judy Williams

Extraordinary Ministers: Michelle Hutto, Aurora Crooks
 Edgar Camacho, Rhonda Camacho

Altar Servers: Sky Naputi, Jagger Garza
 Olivia Aleman

Thank You to our Volunteers

March Altar Care:

Becky Garcia, Martha Tellez, Angie Gurrusquieta
 Small Linens: Connie Muniz, Dolores Carrillo
 Bingo: Lisa Lillie, Selestina Bustos
 Hospital Visitation: Karen Moos, Paulette Eades

St. Vincent de Paul



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will see clients "in person" only (no phone calls) at their office in the Religious Ed Building on Tuesdays 10am—12 noon.

In the Gospel Jesus is transfigured and a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased: Listen to him."
Do we listen to Jesus when he asks us to take care of our brothers and sisters who are suffering? Your gift to St. Vincent de Paul will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Easter.
 Thank you for your continued support!

Lenten & Easter Services

Stations of the Cross

each Friday of Lent at 6pm in the Chapel

Lenten Reflections

March 10th During 7pm Mass - Chapel

March 18th During 6pm Mass in Spanish - Chapel

Lenten Reconciliation Service

March 24, 2026 6:30pm

Palm Sunday Weekend

Holy Mass & Blessing of Palms

Saturday March 28th 6pm

Sunday March 29th 7:45am (Spanish)

Sunday March 29th 10:00am

Paschal Triduum

April 2nd Holy Thursday

7:00pm Holy Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11:30pm in the chapel

April 3rd Good Friday

1:45pm Way of the Cross led by Youth

3:00 pm Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord

April 4th Holy Saturday

8:00pm Easter Vigil with Reception of the Elect

April 5th

Holy Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord

7:45am (Spanish)

10:00am

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

March Youth Schedule

St. John's Catholic Church | 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

- Wednesday, March 4 Junior High Youth Night
- Wednesday, March 11 No Class - Spring Break
- Sunday, March 15 Return Mass for Teens

Happy Birthday!

- 3/2 Charlotte Hubalik, Reily Moreno, Matteo Nolasco, Angelina Reyes, Derek Rivera, Alice Santos, Derix Wilcox
- 3/3 Michelle Crispin, Lei'La Garcia, Isabella Rodriguez, Amber Van Damme
- 3/4 Alma Garcia, Adolfo Garza, Angela Ibarra, Keelin Oswald, Jeremy Torres
- 3/5 Brittany De Leon, Melissa Lutz, Jackie Mendoza, Marie Ramirez, Nicolas Villarreal, Samantha Ytuarte
- 3/6 Christopher Campbell, Jonathan Campbell, Skyler Fitzpatrick, Ysidro Mares
- 3/7 Melissa Cahue, Larry Carroll, Nathan Fernandez, McKenzie Gutierrez, Myrna Kosub, Allan Lopez, Lauren Moncada, Faith Pamatain, Justine Rodriguez, Yvette Tapia
- 3/8 Elizabeth Connell, Marissa Garcia, Andrea Hinojosa, Kailey Ledesma, Alma Santos

St. John's Altar Society presents

A Lenten Retreat

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

Featuring David Rittiman

Topic: Photos and stories of Holy Sites around the world.



7:30am Rosary in the Chapel

8am Mass in the Chapel

followed by registration & continental breakfast in the Parish Hall.

9am Guest Speaker - David Rittiman

EVERYONE is invited!



Knights of Columbus Council 7163 Lenten Fish Fry

March 27, 2026 5:30pm - 6:30pm
 \$10/plate St. John's Parish Hall

Pre-sale tickets available after Masses & in the Parish Office

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Return to the Lord: Let Him Heal your heart.

Joel 2:23

A Lenten Mass with Reflection from Fr. Babychan

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

7pm

