

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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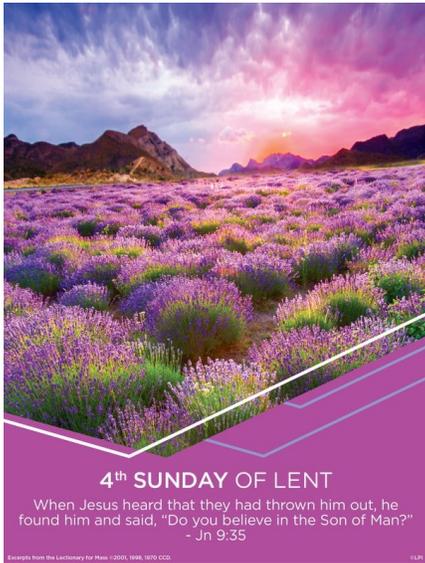
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March 15, 2026

Fourth Sunday of Lent



4th SUNDAY OF LENT

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" - Jn 9:35

Today's readings for this Fourth Sunday of Lent are filled with powerful contrasts — God's vision versus human vision, the light of Christ versus the darkness of sin, and spiritual blindness versus spiritual sight. Embracing a stewardship way of life frees us from spiritual blindness, helps us see as God sees, and allows us to reflect Christ's light in our daily lives.

In our Second Reading from Ephesians, St. Paul reminds us, "... You were once in darkness but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light." Through Baptism, the very life and light of the Blessed Trinity dwell within us. Yet amid the busyness and challenges of daily life, it is easy to forget this truth. We may even

struggle to recognize whether our actions truly reflect Christ's light.

A stewardship way of life — with its intentional and grateful use of our time, talent, and treasure — provides a daily guide to help us live as children of the light. It encourages us to make choices that reflect Christ in the way we serve, give, and love others.

In today's Gospel from John, Jesus restores sight to a man born blind, and the man simply testifies that Christ "opened my eyes." During these Lenten days, we too can ask Jesus to open our eyes — to help us see areas where spiritual blindness may still linger, especially in how we use the gifts entrusted to us.

As we continue our Lenten journey, let us renew our efforts wherever our vision has grown dim, so that by Easter we may truly live as children of the light.

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Office Manager/Secretary Patti Graff

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Rel. Ed Office Hours: M,T,TH 10a-6p Wed. 10a-7p
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

Eva 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

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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 - April 9, 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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February 28/March 1, 2026

Mass Attendance 777

Regular Collection \$6,638.00

Children's Offering 80.00

St. Vincent de Paul 2,200.00

Thank you!

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<https://www.givecentral.org/pew-card/941>

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Upcoming Second Collections

TODAY! March 15, 2026 - Catholic Relief Services

Good Friday, April 3, 2026 - Holy Land



Mass Intentions

March 16-22, 2026

Monday - March 16 - No Mass

Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday - March 17 - 8am - Chapel

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

- 1) † Barry Gear by Delwin & Darlene Wiemers

Wednesday - March 18 - 8am - Chapel

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

- 1) † Patsy Huebner by Theresa Gilliam Family

Wednesday - March 18 - 6pm(Spanish) - Chapel

Is 49, 8-15/Sal 144, 8-9, 13-14, 17-18/Jn 5, 17-30

- 1) St. John's Parish

Thursday - March 19 - 8am - Chapel

2 Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a,16/Ps 89:2-3,4-5,27 &29/Rom4:13,16-18,22/Mt1:16,18-21, 24a

- 1) † Mr. & Mrs. Victor Rios by Family
2) † Millie Gonzales by Alma G. Santos

Friday - March 20 - 8am - Chapel

Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

- 1) † Alfonso Treviño by Family

Saturday - March 14 - 6pm - Church

Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

- 1) Living & Deceased Members of Altar Society
2) St. John's Parish

Sunday - March 15 - 7:45am(Spanish)- Church

Ez37,12-14/Sal 129,1-2, 3-4,5-6,7-8/Rom8, 8-11/Jn11,1-45o11, 3-7,17,20-27,33-45

- 1) † Lupe Hernandez by Family

Sunday - March 15 - 10am - Church

Ez37:12-14/Ps130:1-2,3-4,5-6,7-8/Rom 8:8-11/Jn11:1-45 or11:3-7,17,20-27,33b-45

- 1) † Jose Rios by Lita Garcia Family
2) † Nicholas Garcia Family by Lita Garcia Family
3) † Jose & Esther Ontiveros by Family

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 15:

Teen ACTS Homecoming
2pm - Baptism Prep Class - RE Bldg

Monday, March 16:

*7pm - BINGO! - Parish Hall
*6pm - Adult Confirmation Class - RE Bldg

Tuesday, March 17:

*10am-noon - St. Vincent de Paul Assistance
*5pm - Guadalupana Meeting - Parish Hall Mtg Rm

Wednesday, March 18:

*4pm - Bible Study - Parish Hall Meeting Rm
*6pm - Spanish Lenten Reflection w/ Fr. Paul Melgarejo
*6pm - Faith Formation - RE Bldg

Thursday, March 19:

*10:45am - St. Vincent de Paul Mtg. - RE Bldg

Friday, March 20:

*6pm - Stations of the Cross - Chapel

Saturday, March 21:

*5pm - Confessions Church

Sunday, March 22:

8:45am - Faith Formation - RE Bldg



At St. John's recently

Baptisms ~ Aria Jae Rivera

Elaina Carolina Cepeda, Gabriella Marie Cepeda

At rest ~ Rebekah Shannon,

Simon R. Sanchez, Sr., Sophia B. Dominguez

May they rest in peace.

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 RE 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 21, 2026 6pm
(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Altar Society
Ministers of Hospitality: Marcy Zerr,
Charlie Arcos, Gizmo Freeman

Commentator: Rose Scholtz
Lector: Tennille Lessing
Sacristan: Russ Renaud
Extraordinary Ministers: Ellen Schueling
Veronica Valenzuela,, Rose Mary Mares
Altar Servers: Victoria Fuentez,
Adalynn Fuentez, Julia Fuentez

Sunday, March 22, 2026 7:45am
(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Norma
Gutierrez Ministers of Hospitality: Ray Ybarra,
Raul Carrillo, Augustine De Leon
Commentator: Ruben Medina
Lector: Yolanda Requena
Sacristan: Diane Ybarra
Extraordinary Ministers: Diane Ybarra,
Nora Escamilla, Dora Ojeda
Altar Servers: Lilliana Cahue,
Kaylianna Martinez, Biankka Gonzales

Sunday, March 22, 2026 10am
(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Roberto Sanchez
Ministers of Hospitality: Kyle Roberts,
Edgar Camacho, Keith Howard
Commentator: Kelly Howard
Lector & Responsorial Psalm: Aurora Crooks
Sacristan: Nancy Beck
Extraordinary Ministers: Michele Rothe,
Blake Halbardier, Denise Oefinger, Elaine Melton
Altar Servers: Liana Rios, Bryson Howard,
Brynlee Howard

Thank You to our Volunteers

March Altar Care:

Becky Garcia, Martha Tellez, Angie Gurrusquieta
 Small Linens: Connie Muniz, Dolores Carrillo
 Bingo: Marcelyn Bottello, Michele Rothe
 Hospital Visitation: Rose Scholtz, Michele Mechler

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 today's Gospel, as Jesus gives sight to the blind man. Through grace we are also transformed from not seeing to seeing and then Jesus sends us to help others see and to believe.

Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brings joy, peace, forgiveness, mercy and kindness to the hurting hearts of the poor.

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
- Wednesday, March 18 Youth Night - Grades 6-12
- Sunday, March 22 Youth Mass
- Sunday, March 22 Youth Mass
- Wednesday, March 25 Adoration - High School
- Wednesday, March 25 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
- Sunday, March 25 Youth Mass

All youth are welcome!
 Come grow in faith, fellowship, and fun together.

Happy Birthday!

- 3/16 Kendan Garcia, Kristian Hubalik, Caleb Laughlin, Marissa Trinidad
- 3/17 Carlos Arcos, Xavier Estrada
- 3/18 Zachary Palomo, Amilee Santos
- 3/19 Diego Gonzales, Angela Ramirez
- 3/20 Marinda Knight, Saturnino Nira, Kendyll Velasquez
- 3/21 Mark De Leon, Marianna Gonzalez, Eden Jimenez, Corissa Luna, Fernando Palomo
- 3/22 Russell Renaud, Julieth Torres-Herrera

Reflexion de Cuaresma
 Marzo 18th en la Capilla
 a las
 6 de la tarde.
 "Confía en Dios... aun
 cuando no entiendas"

El Padre Paul Melgarajo fue ordenado sacerdote el 15 de mayo de 2021. Sirvió en la Iglesia Católica St. Matthew en San Antonio por tres años bajo el liderazgo del Padre Eric Ritter. Proviene de una familia de tres hermanos; su hermana vive en Laredo y uno de sus hermanos en San Antonio. Su padre falleció hace tres años debido al COVID, y su mamá, Rosa, vive en San Antonio, a quien visita regularmente en su día libre.

Al Padre Paul le gusta correr cuatro millas tres veces por semana, hacer ejercicio y apoyar a los San Antonio Spurs. Sus devociones personales incluyen rezar el Santo Rosario—especialmente en latín a las 5:00 a.m.—y hacer novenas al Espíritu Santo. Su santo favorito es San Charbel, cuya vida de oración y soledad continúa inspirándolo a poner a Dios en el centro de la vida diaria.

LENTEEN REFLECTION

Wednesday, March 18th, at

St. John the Evangelist Chapel at 6 pm

"Trust in God... even when you don't understand"

All are invited to a retreat
 Sponsored by the Guadalupe Society
 March 26th 6-9pm in the Parish Hall
 featuring Fr. Alberto Colín



EASTER LILIES!

St. John's Guadalupe Society is taking orders for Easter Lilies to decorate our altars for the celebration of Easter. Order from any Guadalupe Society member for \$15.



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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