

# Welcome to St. John the Evangelist Parish

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b>		Mar. 14th
5:00 p.m.	Gil Toy, Waynette Pankey, Jason Bradley, Barb Lorey	
<b>Sunday</b>		Mar. 15th
8:00 a.m.	Melanie Burch	
10:00 a.m.	Patrick Arvin	
<b>12(Noon)</b>	<b>Way of the Cross</b>	
4:00 p.m.	Vonda Elliott, Carolyn Buxton, Michael Andrew Zinkan, Carolyn Jean Bell	
<b>Monday</b>		Mar. 16th
12(Noon)	Marilyn J. Witcher (at St. Mary)	
<b>Tuesday</b>		Mar. 17th
6:00 p.m.	For The People	
<b>Wednesday</b>		Mar. 18th
9:00 a.m.	Donald Nolan	
<b>Thursday</b>		Mar. 19th
9:00 a.m.	Randy Strange	
1:30 p.m.	<b>Nursing Home Mass</b> – Gil Toy	
<b>Friday</b>		Mar. 20th
9:00 a.m.	Juanita Taylor	
<b>12(Noon)</b>	<b>Way of the Cross</b>	
<b>6 p.m. – 9 p.m.</b>	<b>The Lights Are On</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Anointing of the Sick</b>	Mar. 21st
5:00 p.m.	Rick Hagerty, Gil Toy, Waynette Pankey, James Smith	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Anointing of the Sick</b>	Mar. 22nd
8:00 a.m.	Harry Ellis	
10:00 a.m.	Kay Petroff, Donald Nolan, Patrick Delaney, Paul K. Hart	
<b>3:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Way of the Cross</b>	
4:00 p.m.	Michael Elliott, Jr.	

## Ministers for SACRISTANS Mar. 14th/Mar. 15th, 2026

5:00 p.m.	Mike Luzwick
8:00 a.m.	Volunteer
10:00 a.m.	Noel Harty
<b>SERVERS:</b>	
5:00 p.m.	Natalie Willoughby, Reid Johnson
8:00 a.m.	Curtis Merkley, Alex Merkley
10:00 a.m.	Kamila Wilson, Karmen Wilson, Kendall Wilson, Kamden Wilson
4:00 p.m.	Elena Lyon, Remington Bell
<b>GREETERS:</b>	
5:00 p.m.	FD: Elsie Horsting SD: Volunteers
8:00 a.m.	FD: Annette Taylor SD: Greg/Dottie Potts
10:00 a.m.	FD: Jeff/Micky Crew SD: Dan/Barbara Gregory
<b>READERS:</b>	
5:00 p.m.	Matthew Findlay
8:00 a.m.	Betty Huelsman
10:00 a.m.	Lynn Bateman
4:00 p.m.	Volunteer
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:</b>	
Two Ministers needed - 1 assigned / 1 Volunteer if Deacon is not present	
5:00 p.m.	Elaine Wade
8:00 a.m.	Betty Huelsman, Elizabeth Park
10:00 a.m.	Greg Bateman

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR THIS WEEK

**Monday: 11am – 12(Noon)** Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary  
**Thursday: 9am – 6pm** Eucharistic Adoration at St. John

## From My dear friends in Christ, Our Pastor

Today is Rose Sunday – the fourth Sunday of Lent, traditionally known as *Laetare* “Rejoice” Sunday. We give thanks for this special day as the priest wears rose-colored vestments to remind us that Easter is approaching. It is good at this time to review and renew our Lenten resolutions to prepare us for the celebration of our Lord’s Resurrection.

Also, Irish Family Fun Day will follow the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the lower level of the Center. All are welcome to eat the good food, especially the Irish Coddle soup made by Evan and Ann Marie Hand, play games, and fellowship. Even St. Patrick will be in attendance!

Next weekend, we will have the Anointing of the Sick after the Vigil Mass on Saturday and each Mass on Sunday.

In addition, the Winter Banquet is going to be next Saturday, March 21st, in the lower level of the Center. Volunteers will need to be there at 6:00p.m. If you wish to volunteer, you may call/text Paula Ringwald at 812-709-0264.

Once again, we will be covering all the statues and crucifixes that we can reach. The covering of the statues with purple cloth during the last two weeks of Lent, formerly known as Passiontide, is a visual reminder of the solemnity and penitential nature of the season. The veils are hard to miss, and they serve as a reminder to “get ready!” The veiling of statues and images reminds us that we are approaching the most solemn part of the liturgical year, focusing on our Lord’s suffering and death. The veiling helps to create a sense of heightened awareness to prepare for the events of Holy Week, including the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus. The crucifix will be unveiled at the Celebration of the Lord’s Passion on Good Friday. The remaining statues will be unveiled for the beginning of the Easter Vigil, Saturday evening, symbolizing the joy and triumph of Christ’s Resurrection.

Friday is the Church’s day of penance in memory of Jesus’ passion. Some form of penance is encouraged along with not eating meat on the Fridays of Lent.

When we pray the Stations of the Cross, we are reminded of the tremendous love our Lord Jesus has for us which is reflected in the Holy Eucharist. The Way of the Cross only takes 30 minutes. I look forward to seeing you!

## Way of the Cross

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Mar. 15th – 12(Noon)	Mar. 20th - 12 (Noon)
Mar. 22nd - 3:00 p.m.	Mar. 27th - 3:00 p.m.
Mar. 29th – 3:00 p.m.	Apr. 3rd - 3:00 p.m.

## The Lights Are On

**Friday, Mar. 20th - 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.**  
or until the last confession is heard.

May our Lord bless and keep you,  
**Father Walker**

**Ministers for SACRISTANS** Mar. 21st/Mar. 22nd, 2026

5:00 p.m. Susan Ackerman  
8:00 a.m. Dax Lee  
10:00 a.m. Angie Zins

**SERVERS:**  
5:00 p.m. Keaton Smith, Volunteers  
8:00 a.m. Dax Lee, Brendan Green  
10:00 a.m. Josie Mathies, Mason Mathies, Elin Wade  
4:00 p.m. Grayson Kluesner, Liam Kluesner, Hattie Kluesner

**GREETERS:**  
5:00 p.m. FD: Anne Marie Crays  
SD: Volunteers  
8:00 a.m. FD: Rita Poirier  
SD: Joseph/Elizabeth Park  
10:00 a.m. FD: Brenda Mathias  
SD: Faye Holland, Volunteer

**READERS:**  
5:00 p.m. Francis Doyle  
8:00 a.m. Greg Potts  
10:00 a.m. Andy Ringwald  
4:00 p.m. Volunteer

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**  
5:00 p.m. James Hager  
8:00 a.m. Rita Divine, Bernie Smith  
10:00 a.m. Brenda Mathias

**Sunday Collection** Mar. 7th/Mar. 8th, 2026  
St. John 172 Envelopes \$8,475.00  
Vigil Light Money \$44.00

**Save the Date**

**Irish Family Fun Day** – Mar. 15<sup>th</sup>, after 10:00 a.m. Mass  
**K of C 3rd Degree Meeting** – Mar. 16<sup>th</sup>, 7pm  
**Lent Women’s Group** – Mar. 16<sup>th</sup>, 7pm  
**Instructions** – Mar. 17<sup>th</sup>, 7pm  
**Confirmation Retreat at St. Martin** - Mar. 18<sup>th</sup>, 5pm – 8:45pm  
**Men’s WELCOME Meeting** – Mar. 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m.  
**K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting** - Mar. 18<sup>th</sup>, 7pm  
**Pastoral Council Meeting** - Mar. 19<sup>th</sup>, 6pm  
**The Lights Are On #1** – Mar. 20<sup>th</sup>, 6pm – 9pm  
**Women’s WELCOME Meeting (St. John)** – Mar. 21<sup>st</sup>, 9am - 11am  
**Winter Banquet** – Mar. 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:30pm  
**K of C 4th Degree Meeting** – Mar. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7pm  
**Hope & Healing Meeting** – Mar. 24<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm  
**The Lights Are On #2** – Mar. 25<sup>th</sup>, 6pm – 9pm  
**St. John Fish Fry** – Mar. 27<sup>th</sup>, 11am – 1pm, 4pm – 6:30pm  
**The Lights Are On #3** – Mar. 30<sup>th</sup>, 6pm – 9pm  
**Chrism Mass**– Mar. 31<sup>st</sup>, 5:30pm (CDT)  
**Altar Society Meeting** – Apr. 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm  
**Savio at St. Martin Hall** – Apr. 19<sup>th</sup>, 6pm



**Saturday Confessions**

Mar. 21st: 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
or by appointment

**Catholic Ministries Appeal Goal:** \$153,181.00  
**Pledges and Raffle Profit:** \$149,320.00  
**Our remaining portion of the Appeal:** \$3,861.00

**IRISH FAMILY FUN DAY**

Date: Sunday, March 15th  
Time: 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
Place: St. John Center, Lower Level  
Activities: Games, Crafts, Irish Music Parade  
Guest: St. Patrick



The Fellowship Committee will be providing lunch, and Evan and Ann Marie Hand will make their famous Irish Coddle soup!

**EASTER MASS INTENTIONS & FLOWERS**

There is not a limit for the Mass intentions which are allowed for Easter. Therefore, we may have multiple intentions listed for each of the Easter Masses. If you would like a Mass or Easter flowers offered for your deceased loved one, you may call Adam to set one or both up at 812-295-2225.

**ST. MARY BARR CEMETERY SPRING CLEANUP**

In preparation for the mowing season, spring cleanup of St. Mary Barr Township Catholic Cemetery will take place on Saturday, March 21, 2026. Any ground or outdated decorations remaining will be removed by the cleanup crew. Thank you!

**ST. MARTIN CEMETERY**

Mowing season will soon begin at St. Martin Cemetery. Flowers and other memorial items on the ground must be removed. Christmas decorations should be removed. Glass items are not permitted. Please check the burial sites of your loved ones to ensure that flowers or other memorial items are properly positioned on the monument or its base and attached such that they are not easily dislocated by the wind.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & YOUTH NEWS**

Thank you to Connie and Charlie Padgett for providing the meal for our students on Wednesday. We really appreciate it! If anyone is interested in providing a meal, the available dates are April 1st, April 15th, April 22nd, and May 6th. Please reach out to sign up.

Irish Family Fun Day will be after the 10am Mass on Sunday. Come join the celebration! Thank you to Brenda Mathias, Liinda Wickman, and Donna Ader for planning the event, all of those who prepared the food, and our special guest, St. Patrick (Brendan Green)!

Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, our Confirmation students will have a retreat. Please keep these students in your prayers as they use this time to prepare for this special sacrament.

(akahle@evdio.org or 812-639-3923)

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANNUAL FISH FRY**

We will have our annual fish fry on Friday, Mar. 27<sup>th</sup>, from 11am-1pm and 4pm-6:30pm in the lower level of the Center. You can get a fish sandwich, 1 or 2 sides (Potato Salad, Slaw, Baked Beans), a drink, and a dessert for \$12 or a fish sandwich for \$8. Please call 812-295-3654 for carry-out orders.

**JOIN THE DIOCESAN CHOIR 2026 CHRISM MASS**

Please join the Diocesan Choir for the Chrism Mass on Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, at 5:30pm (CDT) at St. Benedict Cathedral. The choir is open to singers, who typically are in 8th grade and older, from all the parishes of the diocese. Practices, recommended, but not required, are held in the Cathedral Church (please enter on the East side of the Cathedral). The practice schedule (in CDT) is: **3/22, 2 to 4pm**  
Please contact **Jeremy Korba** with questions at **3/24, 6 to 7:30pm**  
812-589-3886 or via email at jkorba@evdio.org. **3/29, 2 to 4pm**

**PRAYER OF SAINT GERTRUDE**

Saint Gertrude the Great is invoked for Souls in Purgatory and for living sinners. Our Lord told Saint Gertrude that the following prayer would release 1,000 souls from Purgatory each time it is said. The prayer was extended to include sinners as well.

*“Eternal Father, I offer Thee  
The Most Precious Blood of Thy  
Divine Son, Jesus, in union  
with the Masses said throughout  
the world today, for all the  
Holy Souls in Purgatory,  
for sinners everywhere, for  
sinners in the universal Church,  
those in my own home and  
within my family. Amen.”*

**March 1:**

Nick Bechtel  
Beth Mathies  
Joe Matthews

**March 2:**

Jonathon Cropp  
Matthew Findlay  
Michael Geiersvach  
Shirley Jeffers  
Atlye Wilz

**March 3:**

Whitney Eller  
Mary Ritchey  
Travis Summer

**March 4:**

Sharon Geiersvach  
JD Graves  
Hudson Letterman  
Breck Letterman  
Donald Ritchey  
Briggs Templin  
Melinda Walker

**March 5:**

Steven Crays

**March 6:**

Nicholas Arvin  
Mark Fields  
Alexander Guinn  
Katie Sims  
Andrea Vaupel

**March 7:**

Kalea Letherman  
Joshua Kush

**March 8:**

Jamie Browder  
Carol Crays  
Jessica Downey  
Evan Hager  
Jeremy Holland  
Nancy Jones  
Isaiah Winger

**March 9:**

Mark Bauer  
Jennifer Morris

**March 10:**

Gary Burris  
Jonathon Hager  
Leah Lottes  
James Tompkins  
Megan Shake  
Keaton Smith

**March 11:**

Stephen Bradley  
Luc Burch  
James Salmon

**March 12:**

Ben Blackwell  
Josh Hager  
Tammy Ritchey  
Angie Salmon  
Anna Sward

**March 13:**

Hailey Heshelman  
John Lythgoe  
Donna Van Winkle

**March 14:**

Matthew Green  
Darin Holder  
Cash Inman  
Sarah Todd  
Charles Toy

**March 15:**

Won Niemeyer  
Brittany Walker

**March 16:**

Gabriel Shinn  
Clayton Thomas

**March 17:**

Patrick Arvin  
Allison Graber  
Barbara Holder  
Patrick Holland  
Curtis Johnson  
Aaron Lents  
Rick Taylor

**March 18:**

Madison Esch  
Wilcher Hayes

## ***March Birthdays of St. John the Evangelist Parish***

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### **March 19:**

Karla Eckerle  
Allen Henninger  
Eva Ringwald  
Daniell Summers  
Amy Todd  
Emmaline Toy

### **March 20:**

David Sutton  
Donald Traylor

### **March 21:**

Jamison Hennette  
Tara Lengacher

### **March 22:**

William Arvin  
Austin Bradley  
Jennifer Inman  
Margaret Krzesniak

### **March 23:**

Max Blackwell  
Pamela Clark  
Cami Crays  
Julia Sutton

### **March 24:**

Adalyn Arvin  
Ashlee Arvin  
Allison Braun  
Rita Elliot  
Will Lyon  
April Sutton

### **March 25:**

Terry Bradley  
Mary Bowling  
Chrislynn Holland  
Shelly Ringwald  
DeeDee Street

### **March 26:**

Norman Bratton  
Tyra Fuhs  
Mary Jane Hovis  
Lucas O'Connor

### **March 27:**

John Arvin  
Rose Bradley  
Jacquelin Esch  
Gabriel Nolley

### **March 28:**

Gene Colvin  
Waynessa Franklin  
Coinnie Norris  
John Strange

### **March 29:**

Kensleigh Carrico  
Rowyn Ritchey

### **March 30:**

Elliane Anderson  
Mary J. Bradley  
Deidre Bechtel  
Kolbi Jeffers  
Robert Woods

### **March 31:**

Lisa Taylor  
Harper Tinkle