

# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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## Fourth Week of Lent: The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Throughout the first three weeks of Lent, we have carefully examined our preparation for Mass and the Introductory Rites; the Liturgy of the Word; and the Offertory and the Preparation of the Altar. As we remember, there are two principle "parts" of the Mass: The Liturgy of the Word and The Liturgy of the Eucharist. We now come to the Liturgy of the Eucharist. There are several aspects of the Liturgy of the Eucharist that we must try to grasp and hold on to throughout this time of worship and prayer:

1. The Liturgy of the Eucharist is the work of the MOST HOLY TRINITY.
2. Our prayers of praise, thanksgiving, and petition are directed to the FATHER.
3. Our offering - our prayers, our gifts on the altar, our lives - are joined to CHRIST, THE SON.
4. The HOLY SPIRIT is acting through the Church and her sacred minister (the priest) to bring about the great exchange between heaven and earth:
  - The transformation of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ
  - The transformation of the assembly into the Body of Christ
5. The Priest stands in the person of Christ, *in persona Christi*, who offers the perfect sacrifice to the FATHER.
6. The Liturgy of the Eucharist brings us to the Upper Room and LAST SUPPER to share in the sacrifice and table fellowship of JESUS.
7. The Liturgy of the Eucharist brings us to the foot of the CROSS to share in the one and eternal sacrifice of JESUS.
8. The Liturgy of the Eucharist brings us to that first Easter morning: "He is Risen!"
  - "Christ has die, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!"
9. In the Liturgy of the Eucharist, the Church on earth is joined together with the Church in heaven, all the saints and angels, praising God: "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Power and Might!"

*"Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"*

### Readings

#### Sunday \* March 22

*Fourth Sunday of Lent*

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23

Eph 2:4-10

Jn 3:14-21

#### Monday \* March 23

Is 65:17-21

Jn 4:43-54

#### Tuesday \* March 24

Ez 47:1-9, 12

Jn 5:1-16

#### Wednesday \* March 25

*Annunciation of the Lord*

Is 7:10-14; 8:10

Heb 10:4-10

Lk 1:26-38

#### Thursday \* March 26

Ex 32:7-14

Jn 5:31-47

#### Friday \* March 27

Wis 2:1a, 12-22

Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

#### Saturday \* March 28

Jer 11:18-20

Jn 7:40-53

#### Sunday \* March 29

*Fifth Sunday of Lent*

Jer 31:31-34

Heb 5:7-9

Jn 12:20-33

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**Parish  
Team**

*Fourth Sunday  
in  
Lent*

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*March 22nd,*

*2009*

### ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

#### WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday - 5:30 PM

Sunday - 7:30 & 9:30 AM

#### DAILY MASS (see weekly schedule)

7:00 AM Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

5:30 PM Tuesday

8:00 AM Saturday

Confessions: 1/2 hour before Mass

### SS. PETER AND PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

#### Weekend Masses

Saturday - 5:00 PM

Sunday - 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 7:00 PM

Sunday - 11:45 AM Mary House Chapel

## St. John's Weekly Schedule

### Tuesday, March 24th

7:00 PM Finance Council

### Wednesday, March 25th

5:45 PM Lifeteen/Edge

Catholic Kids and DAWG Pound

### Thursday, March 26th

7:00 PM RCIA

### Friday, March 27th

6:00 PM Parish Soup Supper

6:30 PM Lenten reflection with Susan Safford

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

**\*\*\*NEEDED: Two ladies to make soup for Good Friday.  
Please sign up at church entrance or  
call the church office.**

**\*\*\*MASS TIME CHANGE FOR  
SATURDAY, APRIL 4TH ONLY**

**MASS WILL BE AT 5:00 PM INSTEAD OF 5:30 PM  
SO PEOPLE CAN GET TO THE MATT MAHER  
CONCERT. GET YOUR TICKET SOON!!!  
CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE 223-2176.**

### Knights of Columbus Altar Server Training:

Sunday, April 26th 10:45 AM - Noon

Training for Knights of Columbus  
who want to serve at Mass.

### Homebound Ministry Training:

Wednesday, May 13th at 7:00 PM

Training for those who feel called to pray with  
and to bring Holy Communion to our  
parishioners who are Homebound.

**PARISHONERS:** If you've had a address or phone number  
change please contact the parish office or fill out the form on next  
page and put in collection or mail it in. Also we would like to  
start a parish email - submit your email address by calling, using  
the form or emailing your address to  
sherri.stjohns@midconetwork.com . Your email address will not  
be given out and will be used to inform you of parish events or

**Ladies:** Please pick up your bowls and pans from the kitchen  
so we have counter room for our Spring Dinner.

**Please kneel down after Mass and pray Three Hail Mary's for the next person who dies from our parish.**



From Father  
Christensen

Based on the songs of heaven, recounted in the Book of the Prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 6:1-3) and in the Book of Revelation (Rev 4:8), we sing: "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of power and might." At the very start of the Eucharistic prayer, we sing the praises of God, extolling His holiness, power, and supreme dominion throughout the universe. We praise His glory which shines forth in all creatures as we sing: "Heaven and earth are full of your glory." Finally, we praise Jesus Christ: "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord." We long to receive Him into our souls as He was once received by the Blessed Virgin Mary at the Annunciation. We praise Him by saying: "Hosanna in the highest!" It is an acclamation which recognizes the Lord's saving power. Hosanna means *saving God* or *saving Lord*. Yes, this is the Lord God of power and might whom whose arrival upon the altar we anticipate with such enthusiasm and anticipation. Praise be Jesus Christ! Now and forever!



**What is the Liturgy of the Eucharist?** The Eucharistic Prayer is the summit and climax of the Mass. There is a great exchange of love as God offers Himself to us and we offer ourselves to God. Through the Liturgy of the Eucharist, the Church offers herself to God the Father, united to the Son, through the power of the Holy Spirit. In exchange, God offers Himself to us through the Body and Blood of His Son Jesus Christ.

### **Our Lenten Prayers and Sacrifices:**

Please pray for the people that will receive our help and assistance through our weekly sacrifices and offerings of gifts.

Week 1: "Undie Sunday" for Missouri Shores

Week 2: School Kits for Iraqi School Children

This Week 3: "Diaper Sunday" for Birthright

**Week 4: Food Items for Backpack Program**

Week 5: Easter Baskets for Homebound

Week 6: Toiletries for Women's Prison

### **This Week 4: March 22nd "Backpack Program"**

Please bring Cereal, breakfast bars, pasta mixes, pop-top  
canned soups, packages of tuna, applesauce cups, canned fruit,  
pudding and fruit juice.

### **Next week 5: Nursing Home Easter Baskets**

Take home a basket and return it filled with lotion,  
non-slip socks, toothpaste, toothbrush, comb, prayer  
cards, Kleenex, scented sachets, notepad, pen..

### **Last Week 3: Diaper Sunday**

Over 70 + packages of diapers - What a great  
response and thank you for your generosity!



**Sunday, March 22nd**

7:30 AM Intentions of the Parish

9:30 AM SI Children of Robert and Marjorie Gregg

**Monday, March 23rd**

7:00 AM No Mass

**Tuesday, March 24th**

5:30 PM + Tom, Irene and Kathy Fennell  
By: Ray and Maureen Shepherd

**Wednesday, March 25th**

7:00 AM + Bob and Liam Shepherd  
By: Ray and Maureen Shepherd

**Thursday, March 26th**

7:00 AM SI Daniel Weber  
By: Carol and Mark Weber

**Friday, March 27th**

7:00 AM No Mass  
By: Susan Safford

**Saturday, March 28th**

8:00 AM No Mass  
5:30 PM + Dick Harris  
By: Jess, Ali, John Burchill

**Sunday, March 29th**

7:30 AM SI Ashly Suedkamp  
By: Jim and Pat Suedkamp  
9:30 AM Intentions of the Parish

Sacrament of Reconciliation

1/2 hour before Masses

Fridays during Lent after Stations of the Cross

or by appointment

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

Regular Envelopes \$ 2,020.00  
Student Envelopes \$ 7.00  
Plate \$ 759.00  
Total \$ 2,786.00

"Give and it shall be given to you.  
For the measure you measure with will  
be measured back to you." Luke 6:38



**Please** Help us by using your Envelopes. It is much faster and easier for all working with the collection and ensures proper credit to your contribution statement sent out at the end of the year. Thank-you!

**BATHROOMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE DOWNSTAIRS.**

If you are able - During Mass - please use the bathrooms under the church. Thank-you!



Sun.22 Hailey Norman

Mon.23 Brad Dietz, Keaton Durkin, Kristy Hepper

Tue.24 Jordan Mayer, Suzanne Wetz

Wed.25 Bailee Mathews, Velda Pitlick, Mary Ann Wiskur

Thu.26 Tyler Nold

Fri.27 Debbie Lancaster, Cheyna Lodge, Jace Nickolas

Sat.28 Kaeley Malm, Brent Thorpe, Scott Vandenheim

Sun.29 Wynn Bergeson, Julie Gray, Sam Slocum

03/28/09 5:30 PM	Lou Ann Dunn	Kelly Madsen Lori Roberts Glenda Marks	Josh Slocum Ben Hughes Conner Ryan
03/29/09 7:30 AM	Mary Giddings	Diane Smith Christine Olson Judy Ackley	Matt Booth Monte Scott
03/29/09 9:30 AM	Patty Lihs	Linda White Mary Collins Irma LeFaive	Anne Hanson Carlie Hanson McKenzie Stulken

**For all the sick and suffering,** Brenda Maxon, Phyllis Jones, Sue Pospisil, Eric Buchmann, Grady Jacobson, Judy Hobbs, David Terpstra, Nancy Holub, Sarah Huston, Maddox Rowland, Gerry Jund, Kelsey Spurlin, Carl Rathbun, Dennis Carlson, Marie Gibson, Mary Gibson, Eileen Hofer, Pat Carda, Barb Brown, Theresa Kirby, Gene Stueven, Doris Ogan, Francis Bies, Jennifer Cink, Kay Kucsera, Dorothy Brown, Robert Gregg, Doreen Pospisil, Cindy Foreman, Tracy Petersen, Lois Zimmer, Martha Rankin, Ray Doerr, Jace Nickolas, Roland & Mary Hostler, Don Ehlers, Loren Pospisil, and all who have asked for our special prayers.

If you have a prayer request for the prayer chain call Sue Pospisil -223-2863.



**Our Seminarian: Frank Sack Jr.  
St Paul Seminary School of Divinity  
Box 155  
St Paul MN 55105-1094**

**For those in the Military:** this loving hands, protect them as they protect us and heal those who have returned to us physically or emotionally wounded. We especially pray for the safety and well-being of Angela Beck, Patrick Hall, Melissa Gross & Gordon Larsen.

Please take time to drop a note to our soldiers and thank them for their sacrifice and dedication.

**SPGT HALL, PATRICK D**  
ACO TF BASE 1-35 AR  
JSS 4 CORNERS  
APO AE 09322



**SP4 MELISSA MCINTYRE**  
21ST MP CO (ABN) UNIT 031  
CAMP BASRAH  
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**St. John's**

A PARISH FAMILY GROWING IN CHRIST

**GENERAL INTEREST AND UPDATE INFORMATION**

Please fill this panel out and drop it in the offering plate or mail it to the address on the bulletin if you would

- \* like to become a member,
- \* would like more information,
- \* you're a current member & have a change of contact information
- \* would like a visit from the pastor.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ VISITOR

\_\_\_\_ AM INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP

\_\_\_\_ I HAVE NO CHURCH AFFILIATION

\_\_\_\_ I'D APPRECIATE A VISIT FROM THE PASTOR

\_\_\_\_ CHANGE OF ADDRESS

