

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST & HOLY ROSARY

Rev. David Baetzold, Pastor

*Deacon Assistant Denis Coan, Deacon Assistant Matthew Ochalek
& Deacon Francis Lombardo*

March 5, 2023 Second Sunday of Lent

St. John the Baptist Church

Located at 509 E. 26th Street, Erie PA 16504

Holy Rosary Church

Located at East 28th & East Avenue, Erie, PA 16504

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY EVENING MASS 4:00 PM AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST (Holy Rosary)

SUNDAY MORNING MASS

8:00 AM at St. John the Baptist

10:30 AM at St. John the Baptist (Holy Rosary)

WEEKDAYS

8:00 AM Tues & Thurs in the chapel at Holy Rosary

8:00 AM Wed & Fri in the chapel at St. John's Rectory

CONFESSIONS: 2:30-3:30 PM Saturday at St. John the Baptist or by appointment

*Weekend Masses return to Holy Rosary on March 11-12. The 4 pm Saturday Mass returns to St. John's April—September.



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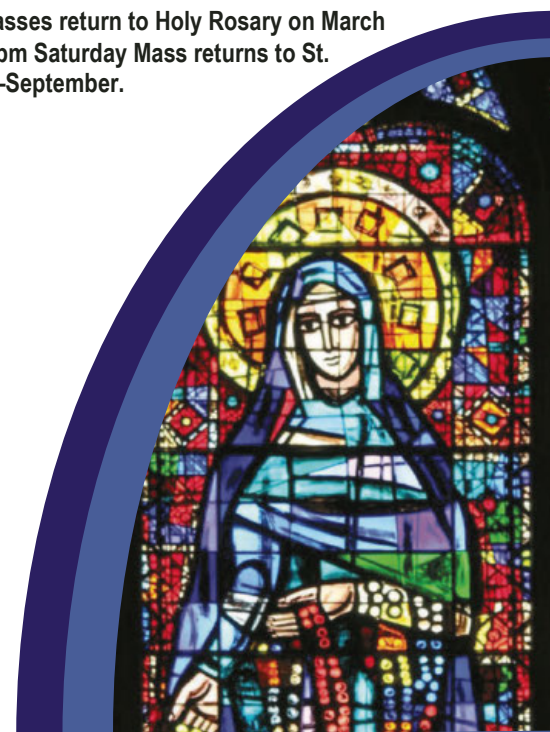
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FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY:

Faith Formation @ St. Luke: 814-825-6920

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All are welcome! / ¡ Todos son bienvenidos aquí!



Ash Wednesday - Lent Begins

***“Remember that you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.”***

The journey of Lent is underway at St. John the Baptist & Holy Rosary Partnered Parishes. On Ash Wednesday, two Masses were held at St. John’s where Fr. David Baetzold, Deacon Denis Coan and Fr. Ray Hahn offered blessings and the distribution of ashes.



Ash Wednesday Prayer

God of goodness and mercy,

Hear my prayer as I begin this Lenten journey with you. Let me be honest with myself as I look into my heart and soul, noticing the times I turn away from you. Guide me as I humbly seek to repent and return to your love. May humility guide my efforts to be reconciled with you and live forever in your abundant grace. Transform me this Lent, heavenly Father. Give me the strength to commit myself to grow closer to you each day.

Amen.

(Source: Dynamic Catholic)

Thursday Holy Hour for Priests

Thursday mornings in Lent from 7:00 - 8:00 a.m. in the Holy Rosary Chapel is the Holy Hour for Priests. Join us in silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament for priests and priestly vocations, followed by Mass at 8 a.m.



“Good for the Soul”

SOUP AND SOUL will take place two evenings during Lent. The first is **Tuesday, March 7** with Vespers at 5:30 p.m. in the Holy Rosary Chapel followed by soup and salad at 6:00 p.m. in the Mercy Anchor Community Center (MACC) (former HR School). Deacon Tony Alleruzzo will lead Vespers and give a talk following the meal at 6:45 p.m. The next Soup and Soul will take place on Tuesday, March 14 with Fr. David celebrating Mass at 5:30 p.m. in the Holy Rosary Chapel followed by soup and salad at 6:00 p.m. in the MACC. Our speaker will be Fr. Chris Singer and the title of his talk is *“Free Refills.”* Look for sign-up sheets at the doors of both churches. If you are able, we would like donations of two soups, Italian bread, and two desserts. Salad will be provided. Donations accepted to benefit Mercy Center for Women. For questions or if you need to make a reservation to get to church, call or text Dee Byrne at 8-14-392-3268.

St. John’s /Holy Rosary 31 Club

Each member chooses one day of the month to pray for an increase of vocations for the Church. You can attend a Mass, say a rosary, and offer special prayers on that date. There is a great need for more vocations! If you would like to become a member of the St. John’s/Holy Rosary 31 Club, or have questions, please call Joanne Deiner at 814-899-1968 or email joannedonohue50@gmail.com.

Upcoming Mass and prayer commitments:

- Mar 5 Denny Deiner
- Mar 6 Mimi Weiss & Janet Frazer
- Mar 7 Joanne Deiner
- Mar 8 Julio Berarducci and Jim & Vinni Bartone
- Mar 9 Jean Zimmer
- Mar 10 Mary Ellen Lieb
- Mar 11 Mary Tighe

Special Thank you

A special thank you to all who organized and contributed to the Open House Breakfast on Sunday, February 19 after the 8 a.m. Mass at the St. John’s Parish House! The turnout was great with more than 40 people stopping by. Julie Sins gave tours of the chapel and the rooms upstairs. All enjoyed a 'mighty fine' breakfast of egg casseroles, sausages, fruits, donuts, pastries, salsa, juice and coffee.



The new chapel in the St. John’s Rectory is now the Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel at the St. John’s Parish House.



Mass Intentions for the Week**Tuesday, March 7, 2023**

8:00 am HR Jean McGill (Julie McLaughlin)

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

8:00 am SJB Rita Kowalik (Lorri Tafoya)

Thursday, March 9, 2023

7:00 am HR Holy Hour for Priests

8:00 am HR Marcus Mendolia (Amy Mendolia)

Friday, March 10, 2023

8:00 am SJB Dick Miller (Marge Filipowski)

Saturday, March 11, 2023 (at Holy Rosary)

4:00 pm at HR Josephine Yezzi (Marge Balter)

Sunday, March 12, 2023

8:00 am at SJB Debbie Sciamanda (Donohue Family)

10:30 a.m. at HR For all Living & Deceased Parishioners

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The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week in memory of Frank J. Smith, Jr. (Donna Smith).

The Bread and Wine are donated today in memory of Frank J. Smith, Jr. (Donna Smith).

Readings Next Weekend**3rd Sunday of Lent**

1st Reading: Ex 17:3-7

2nd Reading: Rom 5:1-2, 5-8

Gospel: John 4:5-42

**A Family Perspective**

Transfiguration is a common occurrence in families. When we commit to another, such as a spouse in marriage or a child in parenting, we are not committing to them only as they are today, but to the person they are becoming.

Lector Schedule

Mar 11 4:00 p.m. Emily Artello
Extraordinary Minister: Jim Cavicchio

Mar 12 8:00 a.m. Lori Follett
Ordinary Minister: Deacon Denis Coan

Mar 12 10:30 a.m. Kay Kitch & Donna Mann
Extraordinary Minister: Richard Marshall



Bilingual Healing Mass: Friday, March 10 at 7 p.m. at St. John's / Bilingual 'Stations of the Cross with Confession at 6:00 p.m.

Soup & Soul: Tuesday, March 7 with Vespers at 5:30 p.m. in the Holy Rosary Chapel followed by soup and salad at 6:00 p.m. in the Mercy Anchor Community Center (former HR School). Deacon Tony Alleruzzo begins his talk at 6:45 p.m.

Faith Formation at St. Luke

K-5 Grade at St. Luke: Jessica Anaya 814-825-6920
6-8 Grade & Youth Ministry at Our Lady of Mount Carmel: Rebecca Wiest 814-825-7313

Mustard Seeds Meetings

The St. John's/Holy Rosary Mustard Seed group reads and discusses the scripture readings for the upcoming week. This group meets on **March 9 & 23 from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.** the conference room at St. John's Rectory. All are welcome! Call Mary Margaret Skladanowski at 814-520-8903.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meetings

The Prayer Shawl Ministry of Holy Rosary and St. John's encourage you to join this group if you like to knit or crochet. This group meets on **March 9 & 23 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** in the upstairs sitting room at St. John's Rectory. All are welcome! For more information or to receive a shawl, call Mary Margaret Skladanowski at 814-520-8903 or Debbie Totzke at 814-825-4493.

Vocation Chalice Program

Be part of helping vocations grow. All parishioners from St. John's and Holy Rosary are invited to take a turn bringing the traveling chalice and book of prayers into their homes and pray for more young women and men to answer God's call. To get on the schedule please contact Allene Kraus at 814-825-3501 or Julie Sins at 814-384-1412 or juliesins@aol.com

Holy Rosary Knights of Columbus Fundraiser

The Holy Rosary Knights of Columbus Annual Fundraiser is underway. The Knights are offering coupons for freshly baked goods from Erie's Oldest Grocery Store - Serafin's Food Market. Items: 6" Combo Sub—\$5.00 / Ham & Cheese Pretzel—\$6.00 /Pepperoni Bread—\$10.00. To purchase coupons, contact Chuck Santi at 814-825-9101. Every year the Holy Rosary Knights of Columbus raise funds to support direct outreach ministries in our community. For 2023, The Knights are supporting Our Neighbor's Place at St. John's Pastor's Hall, Easter donations to the Mercy Center for Women, and flowers for the gardens at St. John's & Holy Rosary.

Daylight Savings Time begins

Just a reminder to move your clocks forward one hour before retiring on **Saturday, March 12**. Daylight Savings time begins at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 13, 2023.

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

Pledge to Heal: The Diocese of Erie remains committed to helping survivors of clergy sexual abuse heal and recover. The diocese will provide counseling assistance for those who have been abused by a member of the clergy. For more information, please contact Dr. Gerard Tobin, our Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 814-451-1521. The diocese encourages anyone who has experienced abuse or misconduct by a member of the clergy or any employee or volunteer of the church to contact their local law enforcement. To report abuse to the independent investigators retained by the diocese, email ErieRCD@KLGates.com. Victims/survivors or concerned individuals can report abuse directly to the diocese by calling 814-451-1543.

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