

## ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST & HOLY ROSARY

**Rev. David Baetzold, Pastor**

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

**March 26, 2023 Fifth Sunday of Lent**

### St. John the Baptist Church

Located at 509 E. 26<sup>th</sup> 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 Holy Rosary

#### **SUNDAY MORNING MASS**

**8:00 AM** at St. John the Baptist

**10:30 AM** at Holy Rosary

#### **WEEKDAYS**

**8:00 AM** Tues & Thurs - chapel at Holy Rosary

**8:00 AM** Wed & Fri - chapel at St. John's Parish House

**CONFESSIONS: 2:30-3:30 PM** Saturday at Holy Rosary or  
by appointment

\*Confessions and the Saturday 4 pm Mass return to St.  
John's April 1 through September 30.

#### **PARTNERED PARISH OFFICE**

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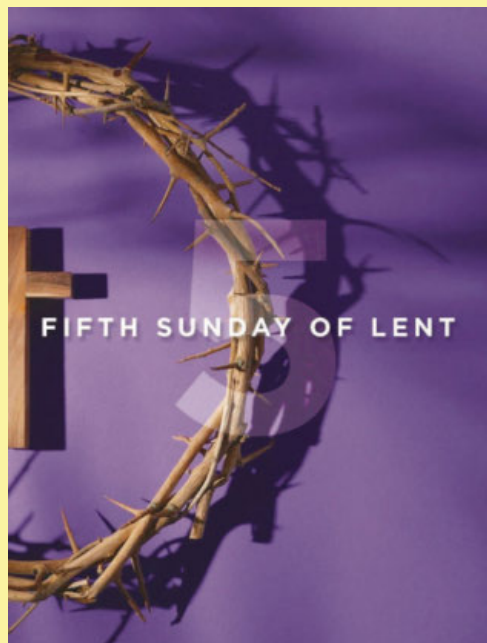
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**OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - THURSDAY 8 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.**  
Office **CLOSED** Fridays

**FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY:**  
Faith Formation @ St. Luke: 814-825-6920

**PARTNERED PARISH WEBSITE:** [stjohn-holyrosary-erie.org/](http://stjohn-holyrosary-erie.org/)

**All are welcome! / ¡ Todos son bienvenidos aquí!**



***A Beautiful Day!***

We had a blessed day on Saturday, March 18 at our Spanish Women's Retreat with our friends from St. Stephens and the Spanish Community. More than 50 women gathered at St. John's Pastor's Hall. Muchas gracias to all who came and all who helped. A day full of talks, group sharing, song, prayer and healing. A special thanks to Odet, Jennifer, Nanci and Basia from Corazon Puro from New York City who helped put on the retreat for us.

We were blessed to have these beautiful women with us as they found love and healing in their lives and in their families as well. Please continue to pray that the Lord will guide our friendship with each other as we share in God's great gifts together.

Contributors & Photos: Lori Follett & Julie Sins



***Bilingual Healing Mass***

It was a beautiful evening of healing on Friday, March 10 with our friends from St. Stephens and others from around the Diocese - Stations, Confessions, Mass, blessings with Relics, Anointing of the sick, blessings with special waters of Lourdes, Epiphany and Our Lady of Guadalupe and being wrapped in lovely prayer shawls. Muchas gracias to all who came to pray with each other and for each other. May God grant you and your loved ones continued healing of mind, body, and heart. "Confess your sins to one another that you may be healed / Confesaos vuestros pecados unos a otros para que seáis sanados." - James 5:14

Here is the link to the Healing Mass Livestream > <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Peq7GvrCctI&t=919s>

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[Mass Intentions for the Week](#)**Tuesday, March 28, 2023**

8:00 am HR Jeffery Kujawinski (Mom &amp; Debbie)

**Wednesday, March 29, 2023**

8:00 am SJB Irene Forish (Estate)

**Thursday, March 30, 2023**

7:00 am HR Holy Hour for Priests

8:00 am HR Evelyn Gostomski (Paul Gostomski)

**Friday, March 31, 2023**

8:00 am SJB Theodore &amp; Veronica Archacki (Children)

**Saturday, April 1, 2023 (at St. John the Baptist)**

4:00 pm SJB Tom Santi (Mom &amp; Dad)

**Sunday, April 2, 2023—Palm Sunday**

8:00 am JB Douglas Preston (Mom)

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

\*Confessions and the Saturday 4 p.m. Mass return to St. John's on Saturday, April 1, 2023.

[Readings Next Weekend](#)**Palm Sunday**

1st Reading: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7

2nd Reading: Phil 2:6-11

Gospel: Mathew 26:14—27:66

[Lector Schedule](#)

Apr 1 4:00 p.m. Tom DiVecchio  
Ordinary Minister: Deacon Denis Coan

Apr 2 8:00 a.m. Lori Follett  
Ordinary Minister: Deacon Denis Coan

Apr 2 10:30 a.m. Cindy DeCoursey  
Ordinary Minister: Deacon Matt Ochalek



**"The Light is On for You":** St. John's & Holy Rosary is participating in "The Light is On for You" this Wednesday-March 29 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at St. John's. The doors will be open for all who wish to go to Confession.

**Stations of the Cross:** During Lent, Stations of the Cross will be held Fridays at 6:30 p.m. at St. John's Church.

[Holy Week](#)

**April 3 / Chrism Mass 1 p.m.** at St. Peter Cathedral

**April 6 / Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper** at 7 p.m. at Holy Rosary / Vigil until 10 p.m. in the Holy Rosary Chapel.

**April 7 / Good Friday: Stations of the Cross** at 12 noon at St. John the Baptist. **Liturgy** at 3 p.m. at Holy Rosary—Passion, Veneration of the Cross, & Holy Communion.

**April 8 / Holy Saturday:** Blessing of Food at 2:00 p.m. at St. John the Baptist and Holy Rosary. **Easter Vigil: 8:30 p.m. at Holy Rosary.**

**April 9 / Easter Sunday: There is ONE Mass on Easter - Sunday, April 9 at St. John the Baptist at 9:30 a.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

[Our Neighbor's Place 2023](#)

The second session of Our Neighbors' Place Season 11 began March 22 and continues to April 4 at St. John's Pastors' Hall. Coordinators Mary Hoffman & Mary Ellen Lieb report the volunteer schedule is full as well as the meal schedule for every night. However, there is an ongoing need for donations. Contact Mary at [mymary14@gmail.com](mailto:mymary14@gmail.com) or Mary Ellen at [melieb4@gmail.com](mailto:melieb4@gmail.com) to see what is needed. Thank you to everyone who made this beautiful ministry possible. Continued prayers are always welcome!

[Faith Journey](#)

Please pray for the two ladies that will complete their faith journeys and come into full communion with the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. We will welcome catechumen Isabella Estrada and candidate Christal Ross. May God bless them richly as they bless our parishes as new members!

[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 **April 13 & 27 from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.** the conference room at St. John's Rectory.

[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 **April 13 & 27 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** in the upstairs sitting room at St. John's Rectory. All are welcome!

[To request prayer or to join the people praying](#)

**HR:** Jean Zimmer at 814-746-9396 or Bob Zimmer at [robertzimmer379@gmail.com](mailto:robertzimmer379@gmail.com)

**SJB:** Allene Kraus at 814-450-8640

[Office Reminders](#)

**Easter Flowers:** If you are sponsoring **Easter Flowers** this year, please submit your requests no later than **March 29**.

**Church Office Closed:** The church office will be closed **Holy Thursday—April 6 through Easter Monday, April 10**. Please conduct any business you have with the church office before Holy Week begins.

[2023 Catholic Services Appeal](#)

Over the last few weeks, our parish faith community has been actively raising funds to support the 2023 Catholic Services Appeal, the annual fundraising campaign of the Diocese of Erie. The CSA assists the diocese in its mission to evangelize, educate, serve, and give hope to people in need.

**If you have not had an opportunity to participate yet this year, please know that your gift is needed.** Funding from the annual CSA is strictly designated for supporting the ministries and services coordinated through diocesan offices.

If you haven't already made a pledge, please consider doing so. Pledge envelopes are available at St. John's & Holy Rosary or contact the church office.

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