



**Rev. Mike Austin, Pastor
Deacon Bill Vrazel**

**Mass Schedule: Summer Months, Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Winter Months, Saturday: 4:00 p.m.**

Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.

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March 8, 2026

Third Sunday
in Lent



3rd Sunday
OF LENT

"A woman of Samaria came to draw water.
Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink.'
Jn 4:7-8

Are You In A Sowing Phase Or A Reaping Phase?

Recently I received a note from a teenager I met years ago. He wrote, "Dear Father Muir, you probably do not remember me, but I wanted to thank you for your inspiring and humorous homilies at the parish. They helped me appreciate the beauty of Catholicism, which I have now embraced in a personal way." That small note moved me more than he probably imagined. I had no idea my words had taken root in him. I was simply sowing seeds — week by week, Mass by Mass. Someone else — his parents, a youth minister, or God Himself — was doing the deeper work. Now this young man is joyfully reaping a harvest of faith.

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers living water to a Samaritan woman whose life had been full of searching and disappointment. By the end of their encounter, she becomes a bold and joyful evangelist. Then Jesus turns to his disciples and says something easily overlooked: "**One sows and another reaps**" (John 4:37). He is helping them — and us — understand how evangelization works. Often, the one who sows the seeds of faith is not the one who sees the fruit.

This Lent, ask yourself: Are you in a sowing phase or a reaping phase? If you are sowing — raising children, praying for someone, mentoring — be patient. Your work matters. If you are reaping — seeing someone come alive in faith — be grateful. You are standing on sacred ground, tilled and watered by others. **Lenten challenge:** Thank someone who once sowed faith into your life. And keep sowing, even when the harvest is unseen. — *Father John Muir*

Today's
Mass
Readings



Daily Mass
Bible
Readings

First Reading: "Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it for the people to drink." (Ex 17:6)

Psalm: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)

Second Reading: And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. (Rom 5:5)

Gospel: "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." (Jn 4:13-14)

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 42:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday, March 9 —	- 7:25 am Rosary - Church - 8:00 am MASS - Church - 10:00 am - Parish Prayer Group - Chapel - 12:00 pm MASS - Chapel - 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm RECONCILIATION - Church	- 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm Adoration - Church - 5:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal - Chapel - 6:30 pm 2026 Lenten Spiritual Journey - Conference Center
Tuesday, March 10 —	- 12:00 pm MASS - Chapel - 6:00 pm KOC Ladies Auxiliary Mtg - Parish Hall	- 6:30 pm Novena To Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Chapel - 7:00 pm MASS - Chapel
Wednesday, March 11 —	- 6:30 am Java and Jesus Men's Group - Parish Hall - 7:25 am Rosary - Church - 8:00 am MASS (with Moms) - Church - 9:00 am Bible Study - Parish Office Conf. Room	- 12:00 pm MASS - Chapel - 6:30 pm Confirmation Class (High School) - Church Multipurpose Room - 6:30 pm OCIA Class - Conference Center
Thursday, March 12 —	- 7:25 am Rosary - Chapel - 8:00 am MASS - Chapel - 9:00 am Adoration until Benediction at 5:00 pm - Chapel	- 12:00 MASS - Chapel - 6:30 pm 2026 Lenten Spiritual Journey, When You Pray - Conference Center
Friday, March 13 —	- 8:30 am MASS (Children's Mass during school year) - Church - 9:30 - 11:30 am Society of St. Vincent De Paul - Parish Hall - 12:00 pm MASS - Chapel	- 5:00 pm Stations of the Cross - Church - 5:00 pm Vietnamese Stations of the Cross - Chapel - 5:00 pm - 7:00 KOC Lenten Fish Fry - Conf. Ctr.
Saturday, March 14 —	- 1:00 pm Youth Ministry Setup - Parish Hall - 5:00 pm (NOTE TIME CHANGE) Vigil MASS (RECONCILIATION offered 3:30 pm) - Church	





REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

Corbin Altese, Louise Altier, Adam Amort, Jerri Anderson, Leota Ayuso, Lee Ayuso, Tammy Bates, Jeff Beaver, Kim Beech, James Bell, Jan Berry, Tracy Biggs, Sandra Bishop, Rusty Bohn, Asher Bonura, Dian Bradley, Jim Bradley, Richard Brasard, Mike Brown, John Bull, Josephine C., Martha Burdette, Fr. Ronnie Calkins, Jamie Ann

Canton, Patty Caranna, Sarah Carboni, Phylis Carlton, Jerry Casey, Jim Cooke, Mae Mae Cooley, Tyler Corban, David Corollo, Donna Dantin, Lynn Dantin, Danny Davis, Sr., Jim Dean, Megan Delgado, Marvel Desroche, Kim Desrosier, Dawn Domecq, Brenda Dubuisson, Jan Dubuisson, Jeannie and John Dubuisson, Anne Erickson, Peter Fenn, Kim Fitzgerald, Janet Galen, Roy and Betty Gamez, Gerry Gough, Marian Governor, Donnie Haley, Jr., John Hayden, Alan Hoda, Pat Hoda, Olivia Hood, Daniel Huck, Betty Hughes, Paul Hughes, David H. James, Janet Jefferson, Sierra Jefferson, Faye Johnson, Phillip Jones, Marcus Kaszabowski, Natalie Koenenn, Thomas Koenem, Barbara Ladner, Jill Ladner, Missy Ladner, Pam Ladner, Griffiths Lamar, Anita Lambert, Vickie Landrum, Dustin Leochner, Mary Schepens Levens, Charlotte Logan, John Logan, Mark Logan, Marlene Logan, Michelle Logan, Lynda Lumpkin, Evelyn Lumpkin, Rod Malburg, Stephanie Marvel, Emily McGinnity, Laura Creel Meadows, Jack and Lorraine Miller, Lori Miller, Carl Molesworth, Pat Morley, Dennis Mottola, Kevin Niolet, Rita Norman, Kyle Patridge, Joshua Parker, Mattie Starita Pavolini, Larry Peterman, Konner Peterson, Michelle Pisciotta, Jane Prescott, The Pruett Family, Emily Reaves, Bill Redo, Bryce Riordan, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Bev Rogers, Tammy Graham Rome, June Rutland, Kevin Ryan, Clyde Schepens, William "Scooter Leah Scott, Beth Sealy, James Senac, Joe Shaw, Liz Shaw, Rachel Singleton, Fred Spence, Melissa Starita, Barbara Swilley, Father Truong Q Trinh, Jim and Michael Trott, Morgan Ulrich, Brittany Varney, Anastasia Virvilis, Bragg Williams, Nadia Williams, Billy Wood, Becky Wooley, Wayne Wooley, Paul Yaegar, Angie Parker Yonkin

In Memoriam ~ Debra Diane Bradford, Patricia Ann Vial, Sander Ian Findlay, Mary Helen Allen, Mary Ann Pagano Scarborough, John Warren "Jake" Erwin

For additions and deletions ~ 228-452-4686.



WEEKLY REPORT

March 2, 2026

Weekly Operating Credits

Offertory/Collection:

\$19,835

Building Fund: \$168

Youth: \$110

Masses: \$240

Memorials: \$5

Cemetery: \$65

Second Collection: \$1,316

Pickle Jar: \$223

TOTAL: \$21,962

Additional:

Lent Books: \$55

Eggplant: \$250

Easter Flowers: \$167

Weekly Fixed Expenses

Payroll and Benefits: \$4,800

Building Insurance: \$1,800

Repairs/Maintenance: \$1,600

Other Overhead: \$2,300

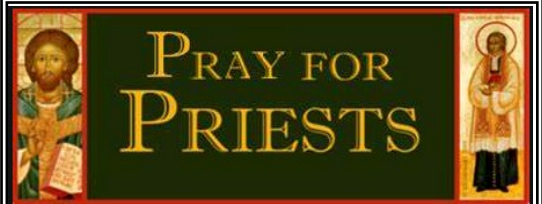
Debt Service: \$1,000

Youth/Other Ministries: \$1,600

Tuition Assistance/School Support: \$3,000

Diocesan Support: \$1,500

TOTAL: \$17,600



"O Holy Mother of God, pray for our priests your Son has chosen to serve the Church. Help them, by your intercession, to be holy, zealous, and chaste. Make them models of virtue in the service of God's people. Help them be pious in meditations, efficacious in preaching and zealous in the daily offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Help them administer the Sacraments with love and joy. Amen"

Sun., March 8: For Father Anthony Arguelles (Retired)

Mon., March 9: For Father Charles Arthur and Philip J. Audet

Tues., March 10: For Fathers David Milton and Maria Augustin HGN

Wed., March 11: For Father Mike Austin

Thur., March 12: For Fathers Sergio Balderas and Greg Barras (Retired)

Fri., March 13: For Father Hyginus Boboh

Sat., March 14: For Father Tommy Conway



March 14 & March 15, 2026

4:00 pm - Saturday Vigil, 3/14/26

LECTORS

Gayle Parker

EEMs

Daren Freeman, Don Frilot and Ursula Frilot

ALTAR SERVERS

Cooper Ferrill, Gage Garriga and Kaleb Garriga

8:30 am - Sunday, 3/15/26

Clark Brennan

Ken Braud, Phylis Carlton, Tony Diaz Del Valle, Barry Neyrey and Tracy Patridge

Dave Bernadas, Amelia Guillot and Saint Nguyen

11:00 am - Sunday 3/15/26

Carl Mayeaux

Chad Burge, Andrew Koslosky, Gretchen Mayeaux, Michael Mayeaux and Sid Petagna

Charlotte Payment, Archer Kraft and Emily Payment

5:00 pm - Sunday, 3/15/26

Asa Jones

Rusty Bohn, Michelle Hoskins and Linden Williams

Sadie Colbert, Evelyn Giles and Carleigh Russo



Mondays OR Thursdays in Lent - 6:30pm - **LENTEN SPIRITUAL JOURNEY, When You Pray** - *Conference Center*

Sunday, March 1 - Tuesday, March 3 - **HALLOW LENTEN MISSION** - *Church*

Monday - Friday During Lent - February 18 - March 27 - **NOON MASS** - *Chapel*

Fridays During Lent - **Stations of the Cross** - 5pm - *Church*

Fridays During Lent - **Vietnamese Stations of the Cross** - 5pm - *Chapel*

March is the **Annual Drive for Morning Star Pregnancy Center** - *Bring baby items to Church or the Parish Office*

Wednesdays - 6:30pm - **OCIA CLASSES** - *Conference Center*

Wednesdays - 6:30pm - **CONFIRMATION CLASSES** - *Church Multipurpose Room*

THURSDAYS - **YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE** - 3pm - 3:45pm - *Church*

MONDAYS - **ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE** - 5:30pm - *Chapel*

Friday, March 2 - 3pm - **Divine Mercy Chaplet** - *Chapel*

Wednesday, March 4 - **Altar Society Mtg** - 10am - *Church Multipurpose Room*

Saturday, March 8 - **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME RETURNS** - MOVE YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD 1 HOUR

Saturday, March 14 - **VIGIL MASS RETURNS TO 5PM**

Wednesday, March 18 - **DIVINE MERCY SERVICE WITH ANOINTING OF THE SICK** - 6:30pm - *Church*

Beginning January 5th, **NEW HOURS FOR MONDAY ADORATION** 5:00pm - 10:00 pm at Church

There will be no March Healing Face of Jesus Healing Ministries Service in March. See information above and Lent schedule flyer for Divine Mercy Penance Service with Anointing of the Sick on March 18th.

2025 Contribution Statements

If you would like a copy of your **Holy Family 2025 Contribution Statement**, please call the Parish Office at 228-452-4686. **THANK YOU.**



Upcoming 2026 Second & Special Collections

March 14 - 15: Catholic Relief Service
April 3: Holy Land
April 4 - 5: St. Paul Cemetery
April 25 - 26: Catholic Home Missions Appeal
May 16 - 17: Catholic Communications
June 20 - 21: Special Father's Day for Diocesan Priest Supplemental
June 27 - 28: Peter's Pence



Mass Intentions For The Week



Saturday, March 7, 2026	4:00 pm	† Wayne James † Jesse Parker † Kenneth O'Brien, Sr. Healing for David D'Aquila
Sunday, March 8	8:30 am	† John Keefe Hecker † Edward Trott Special Intentions for Prissy and Josh Banashak and Family
	11:00 am	† Keefe Hecker † Wayne and Sally James Healing for Brandi Burge Special Intentions for Linda Williams
	5:00 pm	† Mike Burke † Henry Stiller
Monday, March 9	8:00 am	† Jeremy Putnam Healing for David D'Aquila Healing for Martin Tighe Healing for Kenneth Benitez
Tuesday, March 10	7:00 pm	† Wayne and Sally James Healing for Jerri Derouen Healing for Janice Logan
Wednesday, March 11	8:00 am	Healing for Marlene Logan Healing for Martin Tighe Healing for Donna Schmidt
Thursday, March 12 (Chapel)	8:00 am	Healing for Laura Currie Healing for Janice Logan
Friday, March 13	8:30 am * † <i>The Repose of the Soul</i>	Healing for Janice Logan Healing for Marlene Logan



**A reminder to
move your clocks
1 hour ahead this
weekend,
March 8, 2025!**

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**Saturday Vigil Mass
returns to 5:00 pm
March 14, 2026**



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Please join the
Knights of Columbus
as they lead our Parish in
the
*Fifth Sunday
Rosary*
Sunday, March 29th
After 8:30 am Mass
at Holy Family
*Promoting devotion to the
Rosary.*

**5th Sunday
Rosary
Program**



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THE PARISH TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS AND THE LADIES AUXILIARY.

Upcoming **MARCH** Events:

• **KOC LENTEN FISH FRY: 5pm – 7pm - Fridays,
February 20, 27, March 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2026**

• **KOC Monthly Meetings: 5pm – 8pm - First Tuesday
of the month in the Parish Hall – March 3, 2026**

• **KOC Sponsored Blood Mobile Blood Drive:
Thursday 9am - 2 pm Menge Avenue
Parking Lot – March 5, 2026**

• **KOC Monthly Corporate Communion: Sunday 8:30 am
Mass following the first Tuesday of the month –
March 8, 2026**

• **KOC Parish Fellowship, Coffee and Donuts:
Sunday following the first Tuesday of each
month after 8:30 am Mass – Conference Center –
March 8, 2026**

• **Ladies Auxiliary Monthly Meetings: 6:00 pm - Second
Tuesday of the month in the Parish Hall –
March 10, 2026**

• **KOC Fifth Sunday Rosary: After 8:30 am Mass -
March 29, 2026**

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