

**St. John the Baptist Parish & St. Mary of the Assumption Parish**

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**MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS**

March 15, 2026

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Saturday	March	14	5:30 p.m.	St. John, Clyde	+Charles D. Koch by Dean & Loretta Koch
Sunday	March	15	8:30 a.m.	St. Mary, Clifton	Tim Long by Jerry & Sue Long
			10:30 a.m.	St. John, Clyde	All Parishioners
Wednesday	March	18	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	<b>St. John, Clyde</b>	+Leroy Deaver by Mary, Don and Ruth Girard
Thursday	March	19	8:30 a.m.	St. Mary, Clifton	+Fr. John Burns by Jim & Therese Leiszler
Friday	March	20	7:00 a.m.	St. John, Clyde	+Ina Garrison by Irene Trembley
Saturday	March	21	5:30 p.m.	St. John, Clyde	+Madeleine Blackwood by Roxana Marcotte
Sunday	March	22	8:30 a.m.	St. Mary, Clifton	All Parishioners
			10:30 a.m.	St. John, Clyde	+Rose & A.J. Villano by Jerry & Laura Lee Stenberg

**St. Mary Liturgical Assignments:**

Date	Rosary	Greeters	Cross Bearer	Reader	EMHC	Servers	Gifts Bearers	Collection	Money Counters
March 15	Jerry Long	Daniel & Judy Deaver	Zachary Leiszler	David Leiszler	Monica Wurtz Stephen Kieffer S. Bev. Carlin	Warric Gelino Grady Wurtz	Rocky Fahey Family	Shawn Taddiken Travis Wurtz	Matt Schwab Travis Wurtz
March 22	Stephen Kieffer	Francis Cox Kayla Darden	Deanne Jackson	Jim Leiszler	April Fahey Sue Long Barb Lange	Charly Steinbrock Jeralee Casey	Wade Knoettgen family	Stan Marshall Travis Wurtz	Nicolette Taddiken Lindsey Leiszler

**St. John Liturgical Assignments:**

Date	Rosary	Greeters	Cross Bearer	Reader	EMHC	Servers	Gift Bearers	Money Counters
March 14	Eric Stenberg	Scott & Dawn Seifert	Steve Biery	Steve Rogers	Maryclara Joyce Bernard Debes	Cohen Girard Remy Girard	Travis LeClair family	
March 15	Choir	Rusty & Becky Sikes	Greg Askren	Jackie Koch	Jody Sipe Gary Sipe	Luke Nobert Zach Bulleigh	Douglas Koch family	John & Cindy Chavey
March 21	Karen Leiszler	Maryclara Joyce & Kathleen Sorell	Remy Girard	Cathy Koch	Dawn Seifert Scott Seifert	Cooper Girard Ryan LeClair	David Girard family	
March 22	Choir	Jeff & Lori Bulleigh	Ian Bergstrom	Gary Sipe	S. Beverly Carlin Jackie Koch	Cohen Girard Luke Nobert	Stan Bergstrom family	Derek & Dana Sandmann

**Finance totals:** St. John March 8 – Plate: \$217.00, Envelopes: \$5,375.00

St. Mary March 8 – Plate: \$174.00, Envelopes: \$1,095.00

**Homebound Ministry:** Jackie Koch

**Adoration at St. Mary:** Tuesday, March 17 at 4:00-6:00 p.m.

**Adoration at St. John:** Wednesday, March 18 at 9:00-11:00 a.m.

**Outreach Ministers for March:** Circle One- Linda Brown, Jennifer Koch & Joan Bechard

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** St. John-**6:00 p.m. Friday, March 20th**, 4:15-5:15 p.m. Saturday and 30 mins before daily Mass

St. Mary - 7:45-8:15 a.m. Sunday, and 30 mins before daily Mass

## Parish News

**Parish office will be closed Tuesday, March 17.**

**Easter Flowers:** Please bring flower contributions by Sunday, March 29th. St. John members please use the envelope included in your boxed envelopes. St. Mary members please put donations in an envelope marked Easter flowers and indicate who they are in memory of. Please turn these in to Sue Long, or Mary Jo Wurtz. Thank you for your generosity.

**St. John:** We are missing some large dustmop heads from the utility closet. Perhaps someone has taken them home to wash them! Please let us know if you are aware of where these might be. Thanks!

**Cleaning St. John's Church:** Please help us in cleaning and preparing our Church for the Triduum and Easter Celebration! Some have expressed that they are not available to assist with cleaning the Church in the mornings so we have added an evening! When many individuals are able to help, the work becomes lighter for everyone! These are the dates we will be cleaning: Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 pm and Tuesday, March 24 at 5:30 pm. Hope that you can join us!

**CYO Fish Fry; Friday, March 27th** Following the Stations of the Cross, please join us for fish, potatoes, coleslaw and cheesecake! This is a free will donation. There will be no Stations of the Cross at St. Mary's that evening.

## Diocesan News

**Catholic Relief Services Collection:** This week we take up this collection to reveal Christ's love to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection makes grants to six Catholic agencies that provide relief and support for struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters, both here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).

**Chrism Mass:** Have you ever been to a Chrism Mass? The Chrism Mass is one of the most significant liturgies for a diocese as it symbolizes the unity between the bishop, clergy, and the faithful. During the Mass, the bishop blesses the holy oils used for the sacraments throughout the year. Additionally, the priests renew their vows. Our Chrism Mass is scheduled for Thursday, March 26, 11:30 a.m. at the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Salina. Anyone can attend. I especially want to encourage our catechumens and candidates in the OCIA class to attend.

Hope to see you there – Bishop Gerald L. Vincke

**Bishop's Annual Appeal:** Thank you to all who have given so generously to the 2026 Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, there is still time to participate. You can return your pledge card by mailing it to Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 1696, Salina KS 67402 or give online at: [appeal.givecfds.org](http://appeal.givecfds.org).

## Eyesight to the Blind: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Fourth Sunday of Lent

God's ways of seeing are not our ways, we hear in today's First Reading. Jesus illustrates this in the Gospel as the blind man comes to see and the Pharisees are made blind.

The blind man stands for all humanity. "Born totally in sin," he is made a new creation by the saving power of Christ.

As God fashioned the first man from the clay of the earth (see Genesis 2:7), Jesus gives the blind man new life by anointing his eyes with clay (see John 9:11). As God breathed the spirit of life into the first man, the blind man is not healed until he washes in the waters of Siloam, a name that means "Sent."

Jesus is the One "sent" by the Father to do the Father's will (see John 9:4; 12:44). He is the new source of life-giving water: the Holy Spirit who rushes upon us in Baptism (see John 4:10; 7:38–39).

This is the Spirit that rushes upon God's chosen king David in today's First Reading. A shepherd like Moses before him (see Exodus 3:1; Psalm 78:70–71), David is also a sign pointing to the good shepherd and king to come—Jesus (see John 10:11).

The Lord is our shepherd, as we sing in today's Psalm. By His death and Resurrection He has made a path for us through the dark valley of sin and death, leading us to the verdant pastures of the kingdom of life, the Church.

In the restful waters of Baptism He has refreshed our souls. He has anointed our heads with the oil of Confirmation and spread the Eucharistic table before us, filling our cups to overflowing.

With the once-blind man we enter His house to give God the praise, to renew our vow: "I do believe, Lord."

"The Lord looks into the heart," we hear today. Let Him find us, as Paul advises in today's Epistle, living as "children of light," trying always to learn what is pleasing to our Father.

*Resource: <https://stpaulcenter.com/posts/eyesight-to-the-blind-scott-hahn-reflects-on-the-fourth-sunday-of-lent>*