

Mass Intentions

Saturday February 14, 2026
 5:00 PM † Marianne Van Scoyoc
 by Barry Van Scoyoc & Family
 6:00 PM † Felix Roman, Jr. by Camen & Hiram Rivera

Sunday February 15, 2026
 9:00 AM † Cliff & Christina Cooper
 by Armon & Sue Pfeifer
 11:30 AM 🕊️ Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

Tuesday February 17, 2026
 9:30 AM † Charles Allen by Patty & Lynn Little

Wednesday February 18, 2026—Ash Wednesday
 7:00 AM *Liturgy with Ashes*
 12:00 Noon *Liturgy with Ashes*
 6:00 PM † Evaristo Ciupan by the Iyoda-Nones Family

Thursday February 19, 2026
 9:30 AM † Carol Warfel by John & Elice Schaech

Friday February 20, 2026
 9:30 AM 🕊️ Edna & Masashi Iyoda by the Iyoda-Nones Family

Saturday February 21, 2026
 5:00 PM † Bill Lenz by Nancy Lenz
 Spanish Mass
 6:30 PM

Sunday February 22, 2026
 9:00 AM † Deceased Knights by KC Council 7232
 11:30 AM 🕊️ Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

To schedule Mass intentions, please contact the office.

Next week: February 22, 2026

**2 Envelope: Regular Offertory +
 Black & Indian Mission**

COLLECTION REPORT

Operational Budget Needs for 2025-2026	\$226,765.00
Weekly Budgeted Need	\$4,361.00
Weekly Offering—February 8	\$7,322.00
Offering Fiscal Year to Date	\$147,087.79

Lenten Obligations

- ◆ The days of both *fast* and *abstinence* are Ash Wednesday (February 18) and Good Friday (April 3).
- ◆ The other Fridays during Lent (February 20 & 27, March 6, 13, 20, & 27) are days of *abstinence*.
- ◆ *Fasting* in the Roman Catholic tradition means to limit oneself to one full meal with two smaller meals which together do not equal the size of your full meal. The obligation of fasting applies only to those Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59.
- ◆ *Abstinence* in the Roman Catholic tradition means to abstain from eating meat (beef, chicken, pork, turkey, etc.). The obligation of abstinence applies to all Catholics who have reached the age of 14.

THE LENTEN SEASON AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 18

7:00 a.m. Liturgy with Ashes
 12:00 noon Liturgy with Ashes
 6:00 p.m. Mass with Ashes



CONFESSION TIMES

Saturdays 3:30-4:30 p.m.
 Sundays 10:15-11:00 a.m.
 First Fridays 10:00-10:30 a.m.
(after daily Mass)



PENANCE SERVICES IN THE TAR RIVER DEANERY

Wednesday, March 4
 St. Peter - Greenville
 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 5
 St. John the Baptist - Roanoke Rapids
 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 10
 St. Gabriel - Greenville
 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 11
 Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Rocky Mount
 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 12
 St. Therese - Wilson
 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 17
 St. Elizabeth of Hungary - Farmville
 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 24
 St. Catherine - Tarboro
 6:30 p.m.

During Lent, we are invited to the Sacrament of Reconciliation to open our hearts to Christ's mercy and compassion. All are welcome to return to the Lord this holy season and receive His grace and peace.

Reconciliation will be available
 in English and Spanish at all services.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays at 6:30 p.m.
 in the church



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY DINNERS

Fridays 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.
 in the parish hall

\$10

for 2 fish fillets, coleslaw,
 side dishes, roll, & drink



OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed on Ash Wednesday, February 18.

Everyone is invited to a **drop-in reception** to officially welcome Father John to the parish, as well as to recognize those officially received as full members of the Catholic Church by their Confirmation.

After the 11:30 a.m. Mass in the parish hall

ONLINE *giving*

Click “Online Giving” on our parish website, or follow the QR code shown below, using a smartphone camera.

Gifts may be set up as one-time payments or recurring donations.



Donate online to St. John the Baptist



Women's Lenten Bible Study

We are excited to announce that we will be starting a **Women's Lenten Bible Study** on Ash Wednesday after the 6:00 p.m. Mass. This is a wonderful opportunity to grow closer to God during this holy season and to get to know your fellow parishioners.

Walking with Purpose/Living in the Father's Love
6-week Bible Study from February 18 to March 25
7:00 p.m. every Wednesday in the parish hall (7:15 p.m. on 2/18)

Purchase your book at walkingwithpurpose.com for \$25.00 plus shipping
Light refreshments will be provided

Spanish Mass
Time Change to 6:30 p.m.

Beginning **Saturday, February 21**, the Spanish Mass will change from 6:00 to **6:30 p.m.** each Saturday.

This will allow the 5:00 English Mass to fully incorporate musical responses, as well as giving more transition time between Masses.

In Need of Prayer...

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| Caitlin Edge | Jennifer Brantley | Kathy Butler |
| Phyllis Doban | Tom Mason | Ellen Boyd |
| Tommy Wrenn | Stephanie Murch | Elsie Boone |
| Marlene Gray | Leah Everette | Lynn Wray |
| Mary Boulineau | Deborah Scott | Jesse Whitby |
| Geri Gainey | Mary Noble | Linda Perry |
| Mattea Fraenza | Jacob Brantley | Reesie Moore |
| Barbara Hemm | Kathy Radford | Jerris Peavey |
| Phuong Nguyen | Jerry Schill | Paula Peavey |
| Stachowski Family | Bonnie Zilhaver | Wilbur Katt |
| Kathy Mitchell | Deborah Elkins | Joyce Moore |
| Jennifer Brainerd | Patricia Cassidy | Ellen Kyser |
| Sylvia Labriola | Robert Portwood | |
| Ella Garris | Mary Beth Baricko | |
| Jeanette Butler | Madison Warner | |
| Kathy Rickett | Jacqueline Jares | |
| Mercedes De Jesus Aviles | Marseille Elzey | |
| Kileigh Cusimano | Stan & Geraldine Ferguson | |

Ushers and Lectors Needed!

Have you ever thought about helping at Mass? Serving as an usher or lector is a wonderful way to support our liturgical celebrations and welcome others to St. John's. If you feel called to help our parish pray and gather more fully, please email Fr. John at Fr.John.DeGuzman@raldioc.org.

The beautiful altar flowers have been donated in memory of



Dallas Thomas

by Ann & Earnest Thomas.

The sanctuary lamp will shine in memory of

Carl D. Chase

February 15 to 21.

Requested by Ann & Earnest Thomas