

# Mass Intentions

**Saturday** February 28, 2026  
 5:00 PM † Joyce Daff by Tom & Patty Karpus  
 6:30 PM Spanish Mass

**Sunday** March 1, 2026  
 9:00 AM † Deceased Knights by KC Council 7232  
 11:30 AM 🕯️ Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

**Tuesday** March 3, 2026  
 9:30 AM 🕯️ Shelly Hatcher by Logan Jenkins

**Wednesday** March 4, 2026  
 9:30 AM † Charles Allen by Ceil Tuders

**Thursday** March 5, 2026  
 9:30 AM † Charlie Tuders by Ceil Tuders  
 6:00 PM **Lenten Penance Service**

**Friday** March 6, 2026  
 9:30 AM † Bill Lenz by Geri Gainey

**Saturday** March 7, 2026  
 5:00 PM † Mande Bull Vogt by Wayne & Lorraine Bull  
 6:30 PM Spanish Mass

**Sunday** March 8, 2026  
 9:00 AM † Dr. Broderick Bello by Mary Ann & Roger May  
 11:30 AM 🕯️ Parishioners of St. John the Baptist

To schedule Mass intentions, please contact the office.

**Next week: March 8, 2026**

**1 Envelope: Regular Offertory**

## COLLECTION REPORT

Operational Budget Needs for 2025-2026	\$226,765.00
Weekly Budgeted Need	\$4,361.00
Weekly Offering—February 22	\$2,817.00
Offering Fiscal Year to Date	\$153,427.79

## 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

## 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

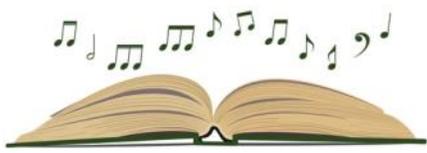
Fridays 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.  
 in the parish hall

**\$10**

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



If you are interested in being a part of the parish choir for Holy Week and Easter, please contact Katie at [252-308-8771](tel:252-308-8771).



## 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



# SJBYM

St. John's Youth Ministry Public  
WhatsApp group



Next youth meeting:

**This Sunday, March 1, 1:00-3:00 p.m.**

in the parish hall

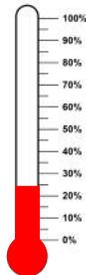
Our youth group provides a place for the teens of our parish to gather with other Catholic youth, have fun, pray together, learn about our faith, do service projects, and more!

All youth grades 8-12 are welcome. Please contact Father John at [fr.john.deguzman@raldioc.org](mailto:fr.john.deguzman@raldioc.org) with questions or to join.

The **Bishop's Annual Appeal** is underway! Please pray for the success of the BAA, and please contribute generously if you are able. Giving may be done online, or by check (made out to the BAA) and sent with a pledge card and envelope.

*The BAA provides funds for Catholic education, priest formation, Catholic Charities, and much more.*

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**We have already reached \$6,267,  
which represents 23%  
of our goal of \$27,061.**

**Thank you for your generous donations!**

## In Need of Prayer...

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	Marie Baricko
Ella Garris	Mary Beth Baricko	Earnest Thomas
Jeanette Butler	Madison Warner	Shelly Hatcher
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](mailto:Fr.John.DeGuzman@raldioc.org).

Altar flower dedications will resume after Easter. Please contact the office to arrange altar flower contributions, Mass intentions, or sanctuary lamp dedications.

The sanctuary lamp will shine in memory of

**Charles Allen**

March 1 to 7.

Requested by  
Ceil Tuders

