

Daily Readings for the Week of March 8, 2026

Mar 8: Exodus 17:3-7/ Psalms 95:1-2, 6-9/ Romans 5:1-2, 5-8/
John 4:5-42

Mar 9: 2 Kings 5:1-15/ Psalms 42:2-3; 43:3-4/ Luke 4:24-30

Mar 10: Daniel 3:25, 34-43/Psalms 25:4-9/ Matthew 18:21-35

Mar 11: Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9/ Psalms 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/
Matthew 5:17-19

Mar 12: Jeremiah 7:23-28/ Psalms 95:1-2, 6-9/ Luke 11:14-23

Mar 13: Hosea 14:2-10/ Psalms 81:6-11, 14, 17/ Mark 12:28-34

Mar 14: Hosea 6:1-6/ Psalms 51:3-4, 18-21/ Luke 18:9-14

Liturgical Ministries

Schedule for March 8 2026

Lector: Steve

Greeters/Gifts: Sauer Family

Servers: Grady/Kevin

Money Counters: Mary AK/Mary AM

Extraordinary Ministers

of the Eucharist: Margo/Jon

Schedule for March 15 2026

Lector: Oliver

Greeters/Gifts: J. Ahrendsen Family

Servers: Kevin

Money Counters: Sharon/Mary

Extraordinary Ministers

of the Eucharist: Rick/Margo

Today's Mass Intention

Mark Lasack

Mass Intention March 15, 2026

Deceased Members of
Koppes and Schewe Families

Priest Visit to the Homebound

If you are sick or homebound or know someone who is, and would like Fr. Andrew to visit and pray, contact the main office at 319-320-5003 or email Fr. Andrew at DBQ137@dbqarch.org.

**PRAYER
CORNER**



Betty Anderson, Karen Kleineck, Bill Ihns,
Mary Hansen, Marilyn Stevenson, Julie Ahrendsen,
Carrie Leeper, Margaret Fowler, Larry Marek,
Marsha Lasack, Phyllis Ludwig, Marvin Ludwig,
Paul Rowan, Wendy Larive, Fr. Andrew

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Mass Schedule: 10:30am Sunday

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Mon., Wed., Fri.

10:00am-11:00am

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Tues.: 8:00am-5:00pm, Fri.: 7:00am-3:30pm

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3rd Sunday of Lent

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PASTOR SPEAKS

Dear Parishioners and friends,

Happy third Sunday of Lent. Before I left for Ghana to attend the funeral of my mother, I shared a brief biography about her. Last weekend at Holy Mass, I expressed my gratitude to you for your prayers, support, and condolences.

This weekend, I wish to bring you some glimpses of what the funeral celebration was with a few pictures so you have an idea of how funerals are celebrated in Ghana, and that you can continue to offer prayers for my family and the response of my mother's soul.

News

Refreshments will be served today, following Mass. The serving committee is: Glenda L, Amber F., and Pat V. Thank you ladies!!

The Spring Kolache bake day will be March 20th and 21st, 2026. Please help out with your time and/or donations to help support this fundraising effort. Donations can be put in the Ladies Guild Box in the hallway, as well as the sign up sheets to help out. Orders must be in by March 13th.

Your Gift Changes Lives Through Catholic Charities: Our generous supporters directly impacted the lives of over 26,000 people last year alone! Did you know that a gift of \$50 helps put a client on the path to stable employment? Or that a gift of \$150 helps someone take their first step to improve their mental health? Or that a gift of \$300 prevents eviction and keeps a family in their home. Join our community of hope today at <https://catholiccharitiesdubuque.org/donate>



Mass Counts: The Archdiocese of Dubuque continues its Journey in Faith - a process of renewal and planning to strengthen Catholic life across Northeast Iowa. Rooted in love for the people and parishes of the Archdiocese, this initiative responds to real challenges: fewer priests, declining Mass attendance, shifting populations, and a changing culture. Yet it is grounded in hope, seeking to move from maintenance to mission and to deepen our relationship with Christ in the Eucharist. The final pastorate plan will be announced later this spring. The announcement will include which parishes will be working together as a pastorate, which priests will serve in that pastorate, where weekend Masses will be located, and how many weekend Masses will be celebrated at each church. An interim Mass schedule will be created by the outgoing and incoming pastors and will be used from July 15, 2026 through January 15, 2027. Beginning this month, all parishes will be doing Mass Counts. Mass counts will be used to evaluate how the interim Mass schedule is working, and to assist in making changes to the Mass schedule, to evaluate in making changes to the Mass schedule after January 15, 2027, if needed. The Mass counts will not impact the final pastorate plan and will continue to be performed weekly after the final Mass schedules are implemented in 2027.



My priest classmates carrying the casket out



Siblings at the funeral Mass



Nieces and Nephews



Tribute to Mom by siblings



Funeral Luncheon

WEEKLY OFFERING

Collection for March 1, 2026	
Envelope	\$ 255.00
Offertory	35.00
Candles	12.00
Total	\$ 302.00

Baptism Information

If you wish to have your child baptized, please contact Wendy Swan at (319) 320-5003 or e-mail dbq155sec@dbqarch.org to get the process started.

Please have all bulletin submissions to Wendy Swan by Wednesday PM