

March 2, 2025  
8th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

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"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." - Lk 6:43, 45

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<b>St. Anthony</b>	<b>2/23/25</b>
Adults.....	\$235.00
Loose.....	\$31.00
Mirror.....	\$12.00
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*Welcome! We're so glad you've come to worship with us this weekend. If you are not currently registered with either St. John Church or St. Anthony Church and would like to do so, please pick up a registration form in the vestibule of either parish, fill it out, and drop it in the collection basket. We would love to have you as a part of our parish family!*

# Liturgical Roles

## Ash Wednesday

### Wednesday, March 5, 7:15 AM (SJ)

Servers: PSR  
Lector: Cindy (Lindy) Jansen  
Ashes: Nick Elfrink  
Extraordinary Min. \*Dennis James  
Ushers: Butch Bueter, Joe Bohnsack  
Offertory: *none*  
Sacristan: Cindy (Lindy) Jansen  
Rosary Leader: weekday volunteer

### Wednesday, March 5, 6 PM (SA)

Servers: Shandy & Blair Elfrink  
Lector: Jennifer Rosanna  
Ashes: Mike Bueter  
Extraordinary Min. \*Kenny Horrell  
Ushers: Glen & Sam Horrell  
Offertory: *none*  
Sacristan: volunteer  
Rosary Leader: volunteer

## March 8 - 9, 2025 1st Sunday of Lent

### Saturday, March 8, 5 PM (SA)

*Praise and Worship Mass*  
*(contact Kyla or Pam Horrell if you would like to participate)*  
Extraordinary Min. \*Kyla Langston  
Sacristan: Pam Horrell  
Rosary: Pam Horrell

### Sunday, March 9, 8 AM (SJ)

Servers: Addison Arnzen, Ashtyn Van de Ven  
Lector: Annette Wiseman  
Extraordinary Min.: \*Stacy Halter, Aimee Hampton, Chelsey Van de Ven  
Choir Min.: Kristi Jansen  
Ushers: Derek & Brady Halter  
Offertory: Family of Joyce Landewee  
Sacristan: Patty Bohnsack  
Rosary: Nick Elfrink

### Sunday, March 9, 10 AM (SJ)

Servers: Blaine Hoesli, Theodore Smith  
Lector: Annabel Engelen  
Extraordinary Min.: \*Kim Bunger, Leeann Jansen, Polly Mungle  
Choir Min.: Holly Hoesli  
Ushers: Chuck Forrester, Cameron Forrester  
Offertory: Sheila Irvin, Leeann Jansen  
Sacristan: Eva Dunn  
Rosary: Lori Graham

### StoneBridge & Homebound Extraordinary Minister for March 9: Pam Wesbecher

# Sacrament Schedule and Weekly Schedule

SJ= St. John | SA= St. Anthony

## Monday, March 3

6:45-7:15 AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)  
**7:20 AM MASS** - L/D Members Ed & Agatha DeBrock Family (SJ)  
8:00 AM - 7:00 AM - EUCHARISTIC ADORATION (SJ)  
6:30 PM - St. John Parish Council (St. Anne's room)

## Tuesday, March 4

5:10-5:40 PM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)  
**5:45 PM MASS** - Bryan Deck † (SJ)

## Wednesday, March 5: ASH WEDNESDAY

6:30-7:00 AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)  
**7:10 AM MASS** - Tony Beussink † (SJ)  
3:15 PM - After School Rosary Club (Church Basement)  
5:30 - 5:55 PM - CONFESSIONS (SA)  
**6:00 PM MASS** - Leo & Ann Horrell † (SA)

## Thursday, March 6

8:05-8:25AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)  
**8:30 AM MASS** - Glen, Ethel & Bob Thiele † (SJ)  
12:00 - 10:00 PM - KC ADORATION (SJ)

## Friday, March 7

6:45-7:15 AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)  
**7:20 AM MASS** - John Lovell † (SJ)  
5:00-7:00 PM - KC Fish Fry (KC Hall)  
7:00 PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS (SJ)

## Saturday, March 8

**6:30 AM** - Men's Group (KC Hall)  
4:15-4:45 PM - CONFESSIONS (SA)  
**5:00 PM MASS** - Elmer & Ida Koenig † (SA)

## Sunday, March 9

7:20-7:50 AM -and - 9:30-9:50 AM CONFESSIONS (SJ)  
**8:00 AM MASS** - Joyce Landewee † ((SJ)  
**10:00 AM MASS** - Families of St. John & St. Anthony Parishes (SJ)  
11:00 AM - Confirmation Class (school cafeteria)



## Leopold K of C Lenten Fish Fries

Every Friday in Lent: March 7, 14, 21, 28 April 4, 11  
Serving 5 - 7 PM



## STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Every Friday starting on March 7 at 7:00 PM  
at St. Johns

Every Wednesday starting on March 12 at 6:30 PM  
at St. Anthony

## Notes from Fr. Vincent:

### **8th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

In the late 1800s a boy was working in a London store. He had to rise at five o'clock each morning, sweep the store, and then work fourteen hours. He stood it for two years and then told his mother that he would kill himself if he had to continue. Following his talk with his mother, the boy wrote a pathetic letter to a teacher he had in his earlier years. He explained how he was heartbroken and no longer wanted to live. The teacher praised him as a person and assured him that he was greatly gifted. To make a long story short, that letter of encouragement changed boy's entire life. He went on to become one of England's most successful writers, authoring nearly eighty books. His name is H. G. Wells.

Today's Gospel invites us to take look at our general attitude. Are we persons who are adding to the joy in our world by affirming and encouraging other people? Or are we persons who are adding to the sorrow in our world by constantly nagging and criticizing others. If we are this second kind of person, we need to take to heart the words of Jesus in today's Gospel and realize that by our negative attitude we are destroying not only ourselves but also those around us.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. It is a time to examine our lives, practice self-discipline, and deepen our faith. It's a time to remember God's love for us through Jesus Christ. Lent is a time to strengthen our relationship with God through prayer, fast and almsgiving." The Lenten period is "the favorable time" for returning to what is essential and true, and to be reconciled with God and each other" (Pope Francis)

Let us ask ourselves how we can make this season of Lent meaningful and appealing to God and our neighbors.

**Prayer: Lord, enable me to experience your love, compassion and mercy during this season of Lent I begin.**

**St. John the Evangelist and St. Anthony, pray for us and protect us.**

*Fr. Vincent Joseph VC*

## **Adult Education Notes**

Wednesday is the beginning of Lent-Ash Wednesday. Have you decided more so what you are going to DO for sacrifice rather than give up or DON'T DO. Let's look at prayer and perseverance in doing it.

There are graces the Lord longs to bestow on those who pray, but He will only grant them when a soul perseveres in its devotional commitments. A deep inner strength, a certain resoluteness in the face of adversity, and the ability to hang on beyond one's own strength are great gifts of the Holy Spirit. Greater than all of these are the gifts of wisdom and understanding. A soul that finds the truth to stand on has found all it needs for a meaningful life even when everything would seem meaningless around it. Souls with these gifts are a source of courage, strength and peace for others.

Notice that each of these gifts is never given to souls that do not struggle or suffer hardship. They are gifts that are granted in the midst of terrible trials and insurmountable challenges. Yet, it is not the hardship or circumstance itself that is the source of the grace. The hardship provides only the environment and atmosphere that disposes a prayerful soul to the gift. The more powerless and hopeless a soul feels, the greater the gift the Lord intends to give. Yet to receive, one must choose to believe in such moments, and this even when faith seems impossible. This impossible place, when filled with faith, becomes the inexhaustible wellspring of divine possibilities.

The more powerless and hopeless a soul feels, the greater the gift the Lord intends to give.. Perhaps this is why the Lord sometimes permits us to be abandoned by those we most count on. Perhaps it is why we sometimes suffer denial and betrayal by those we thought would be most loyal. Perhaps the embarrassments and humiliations, even those self-inflicted injuries, are the threshold into the shadow of the Cross – that still point that unveils the truth of humanity before the truth of God, the power of God within human frailty, and the wisdom of God in the foolishness of men.

When it's hard to pray or it's inconvenient to pray is when you receive the most graces. So as you pray or better yet do extra prayers, persevere in them and pay attention to your prayer. Pray them more devoutly and with a true love of who you are to and why you are praying. This will in the long run lead you to a better prayer life even after Lent is over. Pray Well!

# Ministry Notes & Updates

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 5898:

The first of the six Lenten fish fry is this Friday, March 7 from 5-7 with the weekly shooting match also that evening.

History - 2001: A four-wheeler dance generated a profit of \$10,000. A consignment sale was held during the summer and a monthly cash raffle fund raiser was started. A benefit for the city of New York was held following the 9/11 tragedy.

## K of C LADIES AUXILIARY:

The Leopold K of C Ladies Auxiliary is offering a one-time \$500 scholarship to a graduating senior from Leopold High School. Applications can be picked up from Mrs. Whitney at the school. Application deadline is April 7, 2025.

## VOCATION MINISTRY:

**Ash Wednesday - March 5, 2025** *"Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own?" (Luke 6:41)* Jesus calls us to self-awareness and humility, reminding us to look inward before we judge others. This same humility is essential when discerning how God is calling us to serve. Are you being called to dedicate your life to God's service as a priest or religious brother or sister? Talk to Fr. Vincent at 238-3300 ext. 2. **Vocation Crucifix for March: Gerard Macke** *For our parish, that we may be a community that nurtures and supports vocations, encouraging others to follow Christ's example of self-giving love. Let us pray to the Lord.*

## PSR:

**Mass Servers Training:** Tuesday March 4th there will be a mass servers training from 3:30-4:30pm. Whoever is in 4th grade or above that would like to serve and have not been trained yet are welcome to attend. If your child attends Leopold school they need to walk up to church from school where they will meet Ms Holly. A quick snack will be provided and training starts at 3:30.

March 4th-mass servers training 3:30-4:30pm  
March 4th-8th grade PSR confession  
March 5th-Ash Wednesday Mass 7:10 am  
March 6th-9th grade PSR confession

## Ministry Notes & Updates

### St. Anthony PCCW:

St. Anthony PCCW will be having a meeting on Saturday, March 1 after Mass. All are welcome to attend.

### High School Youth Group:

Our next meeting will be on Saturday, March 22 at 6 pm at Glennon Hall. Special guests will be Sister Amanada and the Franciscan Sisters, TOR. Open to youth currently in grades 8 - 12!

## Diocese & Area Events

### Principal Opening: Immaculate Conception

School in Jackson has an opening for a principal for the 2025-2026 school year. Please contact Fr. Randy at [pastor@icjacksonmo.com](mailto:pastor@icjacksonmo.com) or 573-243-3182. Deadline to apply is March 15.

**Bunco Bash:** Jackson KC Ladies Auxiliary is hosting a Bunco Bash on Sunday, March 16. Doors open at 12:30. Entry fee is \$10. Snacks provided, cash bar available. Call 573-243-5464 or email [jacksonkcaux@gmail.com](mailto:jacksonkcaux@gmail.com)

**Advance KC Fish Fry:** Fridays in Lent (March 7, 14, 21, 28 & April 4, 11) All you can eat fish/chicken dinner with sides. Serving 5-7 PM. \$12 adults, all kids 15 & under eat FREE with paid adult plate. Dine-in or Carry-out

**Catholic Man Night:** Monday, March 10. 6:30 - 9:30 PM. St. Augustine, Kelso. Adoration, Confession, meal and discussion. Please RSVP to [SEMOCatholicManNight@gmail.com](mailto:SEMOCatholicManNight@gmail.com) or text 573-275-5214.

## MASS TIME CHANGES:

Starting on Tuesday, March 11 all Masses on Tuesdays will be at 7:20 AM instead of 5:45 PM at St. Johns

Starting on Wednesday, March 12 all Masses on Wednesdays will be at 6 PM at St. Anthony (*no longer switching every other week and no Masses at St. John on Wednesdays*)

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