

Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church Iglesia Católica San Juan el Evangelista

MARCH 26, 2017 — FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
26 DE MARZO DE 2017 — CUARTO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.
Daily Masses: ..Thursday 8:30 a.m.
 ..Wednesday and Friday 12 noon
CONFESSIONS (Saturday)..... 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

HORARIO LITURGICO

Domingo 12:15 p.m (Español)
Misa Diaria: ..Jueves 8:30 a.m (Ingles)
 ..Miércoles y Viernes 12:00 del medio día
CONFESIONES (Sábado)..... 4:30 p.m. o por cita

HORARIO DE OFICINAS

LUNES—JUEVES: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
VIERNES: 9:00 a.m. - 12 del medio día

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m.—12 NOON

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St John Parish Calendar

SATURDAY MARCH 25, 2017
 4:30 PM Reconciliation
 5:30 PM Mass all military personnel

SUNDAY MARCH 26, 2017
 9:00 AM Mass soul of Marie Carlson
 10:00 AM Rosary
 12:15 PM Misa por el alma de Manuel Juarez Ortega

WEDNESDAY MARCH 29, 2017
 8:30 AM Mass
 12:00 Noon Lenten Service Broken Bread Ministries

THURSDAY MARCH 30, 2017
 8:30 AM Mass soul of Angela Perrier

FRIDAY MARCH 31, 2017
 12:00 Noon Mass soul of Carmen Roca
 5-7 PM Lenten Fish Dinner

SATURDAY APRIL 1, 2017
 4:30 PM Reconciliation
 5:30 PM Mass for soul of Helen Bryant

SUNDAY APRIL 2, 2017
 9:00 AM Mass for all sick in the parish
 10:00 AM Rosary
 12:15 PM Misa

**DURING LENT ST JOHN'S WEDNESDAY MASS
 WILL BE AT 8:30 AM
 ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON**



They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees. Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a sabbath. So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see." - Jn 9:13-15

Readings for the Week of March 26, 2017

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
 Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b/Jn 4:43-54
 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16
 Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-15, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30
 Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-23/Jn 5:31-47
 Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-21, 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
 Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12/Jn 7:40-53
 Next Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-8/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Stations of the Cross and Confession: Please join us as we pray the stations of the cross every Friday during the season of Lent. Stations will start at 6:30 pm. There is a sign up sheet in the commons for those who want to lead the stations. Fr. Frank will lead the stations on the First and the Last Friday of Lent. There will be confession every Friday during Lent at 6:30.



**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/
 RECUERDE EN SUS ORACIONES:**
Pray for

Keith Pinney, Doug and Edna Stanley, Rudy Calo'oy, John Kolakoski, Ron Price, Jr., Red and Nancy Goodman,

Pat & Jerry Nolte, Richard Painter, Martha Livingston, Deborah Shorter, Elena Chavez, Virginia Saunders, Maxine DiMarino, Isaias Fuentes, Melanie Patterson, Lillan Arthur, Carole Trent, Shirley Griffey, Mary Helen Sohaski, Shirley Hughes, Thomas Whithead and Leslie Gray.

Prayers for members of the Armed Forces; Daniel Gaudette, David Licciardello, Josh Drumheller, Lee Balderson, and Daniel Johnson.

March 18 & 19, 2017

Weekly	
Actual	\$4,725.00
Budgeted	<u>\$5,170.00</u>
Difference	(\$445.00)
Year to Date	
Actual	\$173,258.29
Budgeted	<u>\$196,460.00</u>
Difference	(\$23,201.71)
Monthly Debt Expense	\$1,860.00
Monthly Debt Collection	<u>\$2,659.00</u>
Difference	\$799.00

Remaining Debt Balance \$61,664.88

MASS ATTENDANCE

5:30	9:00	12:15
101	137	210

The item being collected for **FISH** for **March jelly and pancake syrup**
 En el mes de **marzo**
Mermelada y miel para panqueque

Hello everyone!

I hope your Lent continues to be filled with many graces. Mine has been filled with many graces which is good, because I need the strength to do the work!

I want to ask you a question today in regards to the first reading. Is it better to be Samuel or David? The first reading is about the prophet of God, Samuel, whom the Lord chose to be the one who would find David. David, as we heard in the first reading, was selected amongst his brothers as the one chosen by God for the great role of being the king of Israel. Remember what it said today, there were a bunch of brothers, all of which looked stronger and bigger and older, but Samuel listened to God and chose the one God wanted, David.

And don't underestimate how important (the eventual) King David was. He was the king of Israel and is in fact in the great, great, great, great, great, great (and many more) ...grandfather of Jesus Christ! The lineage is right there at the beginning of the book of Matthew.

But when I say, which one is 'better', I really mean which one is more important? Samuel or David? David was king and ancestor of Jesus. But David would not have become king without Samuel. All the great things God worked through David would have been negated had somebody come and chosen one of those other brothers...but Samuel was a chosen one of God as well, and was able to make God's choice and pick David. So which one is more important?

I would say both. I don't think we can say one is more important than the other. For God to ultimately bring about His overall plan, it required faithfulness from both the initially called and the later called, from those whose roles are more hidden and those whose roles are more prominent, from both Samuel and David.

And this is my point for today: we never know in our lives how our acts of faithfulness will play out in the many generations to come. We may never even see the full extent of the great and powerful work God is going to accomplish 14 generations from now that very much hinged on our small act of fidelity that we committed today!

This is a great encouragement to us to be faithful is small as well as big matters today, because who knows what God has planned for the future. One small thing we do now, might be a critical item in the creation of God's next Saint John Paul II, or in the formation of God's next Saint Francis of Assisi. We just don't know.

But we do know, that if we are faithful, first and foremost, in even the smallest aspects of our lives...if we do not hold back an area from God but give ourselves fully and even in the ways we are not used to, then we will not be a hindrance but rather a perfect aid to God accomplishing His plan for humanity. We may even be the subject of a gospel one day!
Fr Rossi

The Busy Bee Spring Craft and Bake Sale will be the weekends of April 1 & 2 and 8 & 9 after Mass. Purchase beautiful crafts and buy delicious homemade baked goods. All proceeds go back to the church.

SJP winners for March are Omer Pugh Jr., Jannette Kelejian, Carolyn Nicholas, Peter & Ginny Grainers, Dave Kusnerik, Pat Hinton, Mr. & Mrs. Weston Clark,, and Georgina Gerhardt. The next drawing is April 20.

St John Lenten Dinners

The Lenten dinners are doing awesome thanks to you. Thank you so much to all who came and helped, and we still have **three** more Fridays for all to join in. We still need You. **We especially need volunteers after the dinners to help clean up.** Come and give us a hand, bring your favorite dessert, promote our Lenten dinners, tell your family and friends. We hope to see you here.

The Religions Ed Program will hold its traditional Easter Egg Hunt open to all children on Sunday April 9th at 10:30 AM. For that reason we are asking for donations of individually wrapped candy to fill up the plastic eggs. There will be a box on the counter in the commons. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

The Knights of Columbus gives you a chance to win tickets to the Nascar Cup race on 4.30.17 at the Richmond International Raceway. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. All proceeds to benefit the good works and projects in our community of the K of C Father James Scanlon Council of St. John and St. Patrick parishes. Drawing to be held on 4.23.17. Tickets are available after mass each Sunday in the commons area

The Knights of Columbus are organizing a Charity Concert at the Byrd Theater, April 28th 6-10 pm. All proceeds go to Feed the Hungry or Heal the Sick. For more information, or to purchase tickets, go to: FeedTheHungry.TicketLeap.com

Join parishioners of St. Patrick's Church at the 32nd Annual Irish Festival on March 25 and 26, North 25th and East Broad Streets, historic Church Hill. Bagpipes, Irish dancing, live bands, Celtic vendors; Irish beverages, food, family area. Since 1980s, assisted St. Patrick's in its mission, donated \$500,000+ to charitable, educational, religious programs. *'twill be a sin to miss it!*

THANK YOU NOTE. I'd like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards and phone calls since my hip surgery. I didn't realize how important those "breaths of fresh air" are when you are recuperating. Your thoughts were so greatly appreciated. Shirley Griffey

Spirit Day at Mexico Restaurant on Sunday, March 26th. **EASTER HENRICO FISH** will receive 10% from meals for lunch and dinner (11:30am - 10:00pm). Thank you for your support!

DINE AT

MEXICO RESTAURANT

5213 Williamsburg Rd, Sandston,

Sunday March 26, 2017

11:30am - 10:00pm

To Benefit Eastern Henrico FISH

Please present this coupon at time of payment. FISH will receive a portion of your bill as a donation.