



ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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March 15, 2026
Fourth Sunday of Lent
Ordinary Time

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Organization Presidents

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| Home & School | 573-468-4423 |
| Liturgy, Joan Koebbe, Contact | 573-468-8671 |
| St. Vincent de Paul Society | 1-877-238-3228 #3365 |
| Parish Center Rental | 573-468-6101 |
| Knights of Columbus Hall | 573-860-2458 |
| Grand Knight, Dean Grus | 573-578-5756 |

Counseling or Help with an unwanted Pregnancy

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| BirthRight | 1-800-550-4900 |
| LifeLine | 573-885-3040 |
| Pregnancy Assistance Center | 636-239-1840 |

CHILD ABUSE Hotline 1-800-392-3738
Adult Abuse & Neglect 1-800-392-0210



**Looking for a co-leader
for the religious article
room who would help
organize and order items for the room.**

**Call Cathy if you are interested @
314-580-4710.**

Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening 4:00 p.m.
Sunday Morning 11:00 a.m.-(Children's Liturgy)
Weekdays Thursday & Friday 8:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturdays-3:00 PM – 3:45 PM
Thursdays & Friday after Mass at 8:30 AM
Confessions at Holy Martyrs at 6:00 PM on Thursday's

Sacramental Preparation for Marriage

Please contact the rectory at least 6 months prior to your marriage. Attending "Preparing for Christian Marriage" lectures or an alternate approved program is required. No Weddings will be performed after 1:00p.m. on Saturdays.

Sacrament of Baptism

Arrangements are to be made to attend Baptismal Classes for Parents prior to the baptism. Contact the rectory office to make arrangements, at 573-468-6101.

Stations of The Cross Every Friday After Mass.

Looking Ahead: Easter Vigil 8:00 PM
Easter Sunday Mass 11AM

**No services on Holy Thursday or
Good Friday at St. Anthony's.**

Sullivan Knights of Columbus Fish Frys Friday's

The price is the same as the last 5 years!
Dine In Adults: \$15. Carry out: \$13.
Children: \$6. All You Can Eat, dine in only



Come enjoy a delicious meal with your family
and friends. We can't wait to see you there!

Serving 4 PM-7 PM

WELCOME

A warm welcome to all of you who have come to worship with us. If you are visiting, we are honored by your presence. If you are interested in becoming a member, please call the rectory at 573-468-6101.

Parish Website: www.stanthonyssullivan.com



Pastor's Pen



As we did last week, we are reading today from the Gospel of John. In today's Gospel, the healing of the man born blind invites us to focus on the physical and spiritual aspects of sight and light. In the first part of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus' response to a prevalent belief of his time: that misfortune and disability were the result of sin. That belief is why Jesus is asked the question of whose sin caused the man's blindness—his own or his parents'. Jesus does not answer directly, but instead gives the question an entirely different dimension—through this man's disability, God's power will be made manifest. Jesus then heals the man.

The healing is controversial because Jesus heals on the Sabbath. The Pharisees, the religious authorities of Jesus' time, understood that the law of Moses forbade work (including healing) on the Sabbath. They also have trouble believing that Jesus performed a miracle. To determine whether the man was really born blind, the Pharisees question him and his parents. The man challenges the leaders of the synagogue about their assessment of the good that Jesus has done. In turn, they expel the man for questioning their judgment.

The final revelation and moment of enlightenment comes when the man born blind encounters Jesus again. Having heard the news of his expulsion, Jesus seeks out the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man. In this moment, the man born blind shows himself to be a man of faith and worships Jesus. Jesus replies by identifying the irony of the experience of many who encounter Jesus: Those who are blind will now see, and those who think they now see will be found to be blind.

As in last week's Gospel about Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman, today's reading has many allusions to Baptism. The washing of the man in the pool of Siloam is a prototype for Christian Baptism. Through the man's encounter with Jesus, the man born blind is healed, his sight is restored, and his conversion to discipleship begins. The man born blind gradually comes to a greater understanding about who Jesus is and what it means to be his disciple, while the Pharisees (those who should see) are the ones who remain blind.



"The decisive factor in obtaining God's Mercy is trust. Trust is the expectation of someone's help. It does not constitute a separate virtue, but is an essential condition of the virtue of hope, and an integral part of the virtues of fortitude and generosity. Because trust springs from faith, it strengthens hope and love, and is, moreover, linked up, in one way or another, with the moral virtues. It may, therefore, be called the basis on which the theological virtues unite with the moral. The moral virtues, originally natural, become supernatural if we practice them with trust in God's help."
— Father Michal Sopočko



FILLED EGGS NEEDED

We are needing Plastic Easter eggs that are pre-filled with candy or other goodies.

There will be a box in the vestibule to drop the eggs in.

The Easter Egg hunt will be on Sunday, March 29th after the 11:00 AM Mass.

Thank you for your support!

Mass Intentions

Monday, Mar 16
8:00 a.m. **NO MASS**

Tuesday, Mar 17
8:00 a.m. Communion Service
Perpetual Help Devotions

Wednesday, Mar 18
8:00 a.m. **NO MASS**

Thursday, Mar 19
8:00 a.m. Priest Purgatorial Society

Friday, Mar 20
8:00 a.m. Deceased Member of The
Thomeczek Family

Saturday Mar 21
4:00 p.m. Paul & Helen carey

Sunday Mar 22
11:00 a.m. For Our Parish Family

Lector and Minister Schedule

Saturday, Mar 21
4:00 p.m. R Abel
Ministers K Braun, J Chlipala

Sunday, Mar 22
11:00 a.m. A Branson
Ministers B Stegeman, J Childress

Servers

Saturday, Mar 22
4:00 p.m. JoAnn Klinger

Sunday, Mar 23
11:00 a.m. Blake McCulloch & Briley Dunne

Gift Bearers- Ushers



This weekend is our St. Vincent de Paul collection. If you have noticed gas prices are going up and according to the statics all meat products are up by around 8%.

Families are struggling to make ends meet. Sometimes they have to choose which utilities, medications or bills they will be able to pay.

If you have been blessed, please remember those who are in need of our financial support.

As always, we thank you for your support!

Altar Flowers & Altar Candles

There will be no Altar flowers during Lent.

You may still do Altar Candles for \$10.00. Call the rectory to schedule.



SICK LIST *May God grant them healing of soul and body*

If you have someone that you would like to add, please call the rectory. If they are well, please let us know.

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| Jason Blankenship | Steve Lambing | Mary Ann Bates |
| Avis & Kay Watson | Warren Kaemmerlen | Deanya Breeden |
| Don Butler | Bernadine Allen | Emily Keene |
| Ron Harman | Aoife Smith | Madison Garry |
| Gene Pippin | Dave Moore | Gary Wyatt |
| Patti Day | Joan Marie Klinger | Evalyn Day |
| Mary Bernsen | | |

If you want to add someone to the list, please call the rectory.

If someone has recovered, please let us know.

Thank you.

Pray for our Service Personnel

If you wish to add someone to the list please call the rectory.

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| Alec McCormick/Air Force | Chris Carter/Air Force |
| Jonathan Cox/Army Reserves | Cooper Sellars/Marines |
| Jacob Cargill/Air Force | Cory Garrus/Marines |
| Mark Johnson/Marines | Bradley Rigdon/ Marines |
| Ray Schoonveld/Marines | Wyatt Seaton/Marines |
| Mary Kate Wetzel/Marine | Jordan Bodi, Army |
| Kim Hurt/Air Force Reserves | |
| Jaison Ronsick/National Guard | |
| Ethan Kackley/Marines | Timmy Kloos/ Air Force |
| Luke D. Ryan/Marines | Oliva Price/Navy |

If someone is no longer in the Military, please let us know. If you would like to add someone to list please call the rectory office. Thank you.

Our Thanks Offering

This is the offertory for March 7th & Mar 8th, 2026

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| Adult Envelopes | \$ 2,780.00 |
| Envelopes: () | |
| Electronic..... | \$ 660.00 |
| Loose..... | \$ 353.25 |
| General Fund Offertory | 3,793.25 |
| St. Vincent de Paul..... | \$ 110.00 |
| School Support..... | \$ 260.00 |
| Electronic Special Collections..... | \$ 17.00 |
| | 387.00 |