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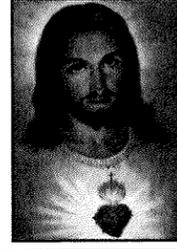
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Striking the Rock: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Third Sunday of Lent

The Israelites' hearts were hardened by their hardships in the desert. Though they saw His mighty deeds, in their thirst they grumbled and put God to the test in today's First Reading—a crisis point recalled also in today's Psalm.

Jesus is thirsty, too, in today's Gospel. He thirsts for souls. He longs to give the Samaritan woman the living waters that well up to eternal life.

These waters couldn't be drawn from the well of Jacob, father of the Israelites and the Samaritans. But Jesus was something greater than Jacob.

The Samaritans were Israelites who escaped exile when Assyria conquered the Northern Kingdom eight centuries before Christ. They were despised for intermarrying with non-Israelites and worshipping at Mount Gerizim, not Jerusalem.

But Jesus tells the woman that the "hour" of true worship is coming, when all will worship God in Spirit and truth.

Jesus' "hour" is the "appointed time" that Paul speaks of in today's Epistle. It is the hour when the Rock of our salvation was struck on the Cross. Struck by the soldier's lance, living waters flowed out from our Rock. These waters are the Holy Spirit, the gift of God.

By the living waters the ancient enmities of Samaritans and Jews have been washed away, and the dividing wall between Israel and the nations is broken down. Since His hour, all may drink of the Spirit in Baptism.

In the Eucharist, the Lord now is in our midst—as He was at the Rock of Horeb and at the well of Jacob. In the "today" of our Liturgy, He calls us to believe: "I am He," come to pour out the love of God into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. How can we continue to worship as if we don't understand? How can our hearts remain hardened?

<https://stpaulcenter.com/posts/striking-the-rock-scott-hahn-reflects-on-the-third-sunday-of-lent>



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	March 7	5:00 pm (Minto)	+ Eugene & Arlene Mach by Francis & Paula Kilichowski.	
Sunday	March 8	8:30 am (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw.	Third Sunday of Lent
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Merlyn Collette by Dale & Brenda Collette.	Daylight Saving Time begins on March 8.
Monday	March 9	6:30 pm (Minto)	+ Aloys & Gertrude Lutovsky by Ray Lutovsky.	<i>St. Frances of Rome, Religious</i>
Tuesday	March 10	7:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Isidore & Elizabeth Paschke by Dorothy Plutowski and family.	
Wednesday	March 11	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Marge Praska by John Kennedy family.	
Thursday	March 12	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Mary Swatowski by Ray & Kathy Korynta.	
Friday	March 13	8:00 am (Minto)	+ LaVerne Mahar Costello by John & Gloria Mozinski.	Abstinence—All the Fridays of Lent
		5:15 pm (Warsaw)	—Stations of the Cross—	
		7:00 pm (Minto)	—Stations of the Cross—	
Saturday	March 14	8:00 am (Minto)	Joseph Vandal by Wendy Daninger.	
		5:00 pm (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw.	
Sunday	March 15	8:30 am (Minto)	Jared & Jessica Gowan on their anniversary by Brian & Kelly Schanilec.	Fourth Sunday of Lent
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Frieda Walski by Jared & Robbyne Sands and family.	
Monday	March 16	6:30 pm (Minto)	+ Pedro Contreras, Jr., by John & Gloria Mozinski.	

CONFESSIONS Sat. 3:45-4:55 pm (Minto), 1/2 hour before weekday Mass, & anytime... just call.
Also Confession Time: 1/2 hour before Sunday Masses.

WEEKLY OFFERING March 1, 2026: **Minto** = \$2,253. **Warsaw** = \$2,419.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MINTO: Saturday, March 14: Altar Servers: Jacob Hefta, Kole Kittelson, Jack Lane. **Lector:** Lynn Lane

Sunday, March 15: Altar Servers: Isaac & Liam Hefta. **Lector:** Irene Evenson.

WARSAW: Sun., March 8: Altar Servers: Krystian Gudajtes, Julian Risky, Edmund Sweeney, Joseph Sands. **Lector:** Greg Feltman.

Sunday, March 15: Altar Servers: Blake, Brayden, & Bennett Lizakowski and John Paul Kerian. **Lector:** Greg Feltman.

ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

STATIONS OF THE CROSS the Fridays of Lent at each parish. 5:15pm at St. Stanislaus, Warsaw, and 7:00pm at Sacred Heart, Minto.

MONDAY EVENING MASSES DURING LENT 6:30pm at Sacred Heart Church, Minto.

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE will be on **Sunday, March 29, 4:00pm at St. Stanislaus Church, Warsaw**, for both parishes together. Other area Reconciliation Services are Sun., March 8, 11:00am at St. Mary's, Park River. Sun., March 15, 12 noon at St. John Nepomucene, Pisek. Sun., March 15, 4:00pm at St. John's, Grafton.

SOLEMNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH CELEBRATION Thursday, March 19, 2026, at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church, Warsaw. St. Joseph Table – simple meal served 5:15-6:15pm in the church basement (free will offering for the Franciscans of Mary Immaculate). 6:30-7:30pm Holy Hour in the church with a homily and special prayers to St. Joseph. All are welcome!

GOD'S GIFT APPEAL: God's Gift Appeal materials have been mailed to registered households. The goal in Minto is \$31,436 and the goal in Warsaw is \$25,674. You may mail your God's Gift envelope directly to the Diocese of Fargo or put it in the collection basket in the next few weeks.

EASTER FLOWERS: Envelopes for Easter flowers were attached to last weekend's bulletins. Please return the envelope by putting it in the collection basket or mailing it to the parish office, PO Box 316, Minto ND 58261. You may also use your own envelope clearly marked "Easter Flowers" with your name on it if you so wish and the name of your loved one if your donation is a memorial. Please indicate which parish your donation is for. Thank you for helping our churches look beautiful for Easter!

OPERATION RICE BOWL: Join our faith community—and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a transformative Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. CRS Rice Bowls have been set out in back of our churches. Please take a Rice Bowl and help our sisters and brothers impacted by the injustice of global hunger by filling it with your spare change (or cash or a check) during the 40 days of Lent. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more. For both parishes please make checks payable to Sacred Heart Church.

2026 MASSES: Please limit Mass requests for the second half of 2026 to one or two Masses per family. Masses above the limit will be forwarded to the Diocese of Fargo to be offered by diocesan priests who are in need of Masses.

THE WORD AMONG US BOOKLETS FOR LENT have been set out in our parishes. Please take a copy.

THE CATHOLIC YEARBOOK is now available in our parishes. Please pick up a copy. **THANK YOU** to the following sponsors: Altendorf Trucking & Express, Minto; Walsh County Mutual Insurance Company, Minto; Sobolik Excavation LLC, Ardoch; Grafton Drug, Grafton; Kilmer Excavating, Grafton; Brandt Contracting Inc., Pisek.; Toews Building, Pisek; The Legacy Place, Valley City; Simons Homes, Dickinson.

HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES will be on Wed., **March 11**. The girls meet with Mary Pat Jahner at her house in Warsaw from 6:45-8:00pm. The boys meet with Fr. Moen at the rectory in Warsaw from 7:00-8:15pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES for grades K-2 & 4-8 on Wed., **March 18, 6:30-7:45pm** in Minto. We will start classes in the church with Stations of the Cross **promptly** at 6:30pm. Parents are encouraged to attend Stations of the Cross with their children. **Grade 3** will have Confirmation practice at St. John's in Grafton at 7:00pm on Wed., **March 18**.

REGIONAL CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION for grade 3 students will be held on **Friday, March 20**, 7:00pm, at St. John the Evangelist Church, Grafton. Parish celebrations will be held at each parish at the Sunday Mass on **March 22**.

BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE: Please return your baby bottle to the church as soon as possible. Thank you for your commitment to life.

OLIVE WOOD SELLERS will be at the Masses at Sacred Heart Parish, Minto, on **March 21 & 22** and at St. Stanislaus Parish, Warsaw, on **March 22**. They also will be at the Confirmation Mass at St. John's in Grafton on **March 20**.

MARCH DAY OF REFLECTION: You are invited to join us on Sat., **March 21**, for a Day of Reflection (in-person or online). This month's theme, as we continue our Franciscan Spiritual Pilgrimage, will be "Lent." The event lasts from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Register online at <https://forms.office.com/r/qvVtezHnt9> or contact Sr. Mary Ruth with questions at srmmaryruth@sfcrtreats.org / 701-242-7195.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY 2026 on Friday, March 13 & 27 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm, St. John's Parish Center, Grafton. \$15.00—ALL YOU CAN EAT. Free to ages 5 and under. Hosted by Knights of Columbus, Council 3918. Everyone is welcome!

MINTO

THANK YOU for the following donations: **Easter Flowers:** In memory of **Sonny & Janice Wysocki** by Len, Brian, Shelly, Sharlene and families. **Sacred Heart Building Fund:** In memory of **Deb Slominski** and **Jim Costello** by Kurt & Jennifer Kelley. **Sacred Heart Cemetery:** In memory of **Michael D. Lunski** and **Joanne P. Babinski** by Brian & Mary Schuster. **St. Patrick's Cemetery:** In memory of **James M. Costello** by Brian & Mary Schuster.

SACRED HEART PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Mon., **March 16**, 7:00pm, Sacred Heart Church basement, Minto. Review of year-end financial reports.

THE PARISH CELEBRATION for the First Holy Communion/Confirmation students will be held at Sacred Heart Church, Minto, at the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sun., **March 22**, with a **PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BREAKFAST RECEPTION for everyone** to be held after Mass in the church basement in honor of the First Holy Communion students. This is a free event sponsored by the Sacred Heart Altar Society. All are welcome!

LENTEN FOOD PANTRY DRIVE from Ash Wednesday until Palm Sunday at Sacred Heart, Minto, for the Walsh County Food Pantry for all kinds of non-perishable food items and non-food items (paper products, soaps—hand, dish, laundry; toothpaste, shampoo, diapers sizes 5,6,7). Most needed food items: Canned vegetables, beans, soup — Rice, pasta, cereal — Peanut butter — Kids' after-school snacks. No open packages or outdated items please. Please put items in the area where the Giving Tree is set up at Christmastime or in the green grassy area at the bottom of the ramp as you enter the church using the west side door.

ANNUAL SACRED HEART CHURCH GENERAL CLEANING: Thank you to everyone who has helped with the annual church cleaning. The cleaning list is by the church kitchen and will be available for several weeks. Initial and date when you have completed a task on the cleaning list. Youth, if you clean for 30 minutes or more, you may enter your name in a drawing for a chance to win one of two \$20 gift cards to Northdale's. Drawing will take place on **Wed., May 6**, at the Sacred Heart Altar Society meeting. Need not be present to win. Everyone's help is greatly appreciated!

MARCH CHURCH CLEANING: Lead: Jennifer Lindenberger. Kurt & Jennifer Kelley, Scott & Jennifer Lindenberger, Tim & Shari Mondry, Tyler & Janesa Narloch, Molly Pengilly, Vern Schreiner.

WARSAW

THANK YOU for the following donations: **St. Stanislaus Cemetery:** In memory of **Iretta Marynik** by Brian & Mary Schuster. In memory of **Evelyn Slominski** by Gary Babinski, by Duane Paschke, by Roger & Sandy Schuster, by Dennis & Linda Slominski, by Gary & Beverly Slominski, by Kenneth Slominski, and by Art & Joane Wosick. **St. Stanislaus Church:** In memory of **Evelyn Slominski** by Lee & Sheila Czapiewski, by Shane & Deborah Kolling, by Paul & Linda Paschke, by Carlo & Kim Samson, by Lawrence & Cheryl Stovern, and by family & friends.

THE PARISH CELEBRATION for the First Holy Communion/Confirmation students will be held at St. Stanislaus Church, Warsaw, at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, **March 22**. There will be no reception after Mass this year.

MARCH CHURCH CLEANING: Lead: Joseph Kazmierczak, Sr. Jacob Kazmierczak, Johnathon & Marissa Kazmierczak, Joseph & Sarah Kazmierczak, Josh Kazmierczak.