

St. John Parish

VOCATION VIEWS: In order to hear a call from the Lord, our hearts must be opened to receive His Word. Lent begins with a call to repent so that all which clouds our ears might be stripped away to hear His voice clearly. (Mark 1:12-15). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620-227-1533 or vocations@dcdiocese.org.

February 17 & 18, 2018		LITURGICAL SCHEDULE —February 19 - 25			
Father John Forkuoh 385-2212 http://www.stjohnspearville.com	Day	Time	Location	Celebration	Intention
Coordinator of Ministries Judy Gleason, 385-2881	Mon.	7:00 p.m.	Church		Living & Deceased Members of D of I
	Tues.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Stanley Stramel
	Wed.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Edward Durler
	Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Tyler Graff
	Fri.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Marvin Gleason
	Sat.	4:30 p.m.		Confessions	
		5:30 p.m.	Church		Gerald Schmidt
	Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Church		All Parishioners



MINISTERS FOR February 24 & 25

Servers:	(Sat.) Austin Lampe and Jaron Lindsay (Sun.) Teaghen Elledge, Alissa Heskamp, Carson Rich	Keyboard:	(Sat.) Bryce Ackerman (Sun.) Bryce Ackerman
Greeters:	(Sat.) Rich Gleason (Sun.) Kraig Lindsay	Songleaders:	(Sat.) Rakel Halling (Sun.) Julie Knoeber
Lectors:	(Sat.) Tonya Hubbell (Sun.) LaWana VanNahmen	Ushers:	(Sat.) Rod Durler, Phil Gleason (Sun.) Scott Burke, Tom Burke
Eucharistic:	(Sat.) Jenifer Lindsay, Steve Hubbell, Mike Hubbell, Tonya Hubbell, Jill Heeke, Kenna Ackerman (Sun.) Lori Burke, L’Jean Dixon, Connie Heskamp, Kurt Kirmer, Trisha Sohm, Frank Mages	Gifts:	(Sat.) Mike Hubbell (Sun.) Tom Burke
		Rosary:	(Sat.) Shirley Stein (Sun.) George Heskamp
		Collection:	R.J. Meyer
		Collect. Asst.:	Kevin Stein
		Sacristan:	(Sat.) Phil Gleason (Sun.) Mary Benjamin



A WARM WELCOME to new parishioners! Please introduce yourself to the pastor after Mass. There are family information cards located in the back of church. Feel free to fill out and drop in the collection basket to register.

RENT THE PARISH CENTER: Call Rosann Tasset, 385-2487.

ST. JOHN’S PRAYER CHAIN: If you have someone you would like to have on our prayer chain, please call Lynnette Hessman, at 620-408-8582 or email her at nettemae1984@yahoo.com. You may also request to be added to the calling tree or email list.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Engaged couples, please contact the pastor at least four months in advance to allow sufficient time for necessary marriage preparation. A wedding is tentative until this is completed.

INFANT BAPTISMS: Parents should be registered in the parish. For baptismal preparation, please contact the pastor at 385-2212.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA: If you would like to know more about the D of I, or are interested in joining, please contact Jeanette Gunkel at jeanettegunkel63@gmail.com or 385-2799; or Berna Mae Stegman at 385-2810.

FACEBOOK YOUTH PAGE: Youth Commission would like to invite parishioners with a Facebook account to “like” the “Spearville St. John Youth” page. We are using this as a means of promoting activities and scheduling events in our parish and the Dodge City Diocese.

HOMEBOUND: Call the pastor if you would like to receive Holy Communion on Thursday mornings.

MEALS FOR NEW MOMS: If you have recently had a baby, or know a parishioner who has, and would like to receive meals celebrating this new addition, please contact Sandy Ackerman at 385-2857.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: February 10 & 11: Collection Total — † † †

ENCOUNTERING THE LORD IN THE SILENCE OF ADORATION: Eucharistic Adoration is the secret to knowing the love of Jesus Christ. We need to pray in order truly to know Christ, One cannot know the Lord without the habit of adoring, of adoring in silence. And I want to encourage everyone to visit – if possible, every day – especially amid life’s difficulties, the Blessed Sacrament of the infinite love of Christ and His mercy, preserved in our churches, and often abandoned, to speak filially with Him, to listen to Him in silence, and to peacefully entrust yourself to Him (Pope Francis). Sign-up for adoration every Wednesday or pay a visit to Jesus any day of your choice at church. May our adoration never cease!!!



KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- February Knight of the Month - John Gunkel
- February Family of the Month - Keith & Jonita Brack
- Knights to gather after each Monday evening Mass during Lent to discuss the Gospel as part of a men’s study group.
- Knights will also be leading the Stations of the Cross on Friday, February 23, at 7 p.m.
- March 23, Fish Fry 5 p.m., at the Parish Center
- Bi-Annual Poker Tournament tentatively scheduled for Sunday, April 8
- April 30, Deadline for scholarships. One given to a member. One to the son or daughter of a member. Contact the 381 district office or JT Horacek for application



THE SACRAMENT OF THE ANNOINTING OF THE SICK: The sacrament of the anointing of the sick will be celebrated on the weekend of February 24 and 25, 2018. Those who want to be part of the celebration should wait after Mass.



STEWARDSHIP: February 18, 2018- 1st Sunday of Lent

Do you ever think about how difficult it must have been for Jesus to come into Galilee, knowing that John had just been arrested for teaching the same message that Jesus was proclaiming. It must have taken great love and trust for Jesus to do what the Father had sent Him here on earth to do. In the same way, following a life of stewardship takes great love and trust from us. We must be willing to surrender completely to God, trusting that God will always give us all that we need to fulfill His plan for us.



FAITH FORMATION THIS SUNDAY: Faith Formation happens again on Sunday after Mass. Their video will start at 10:45 and the committee will provide a baked potato bar for lunch. Sides and desserts are welcomed but not required. We hope to see you there! We ask all attendees to come with topic/speaker/video/book ideas...what do you want to learn?



24-HOUR ADORATION: Sign-up sheets for 24-hour Adoration are in the body room. Sign up for an hour (or two!) Start your first full week of Lent off with a quiet and prayerful hour with God. Thank you!



CRS RICE BOWL: Join our faith community—and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family’s CRS Rice Bowl from the back of church. During the 40 days of Lent, as companions on the journey, we will encounter our neighbor.

In the first Week of Lent encounter Majd: In Iraq, we encounter Majd and his family, people forced to flee violence, searching for stability. How are we called to welcome the stranger in our midst? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? **Visit crsricebowl.org for more**



CHRISM MASS: Chrism Mass 2018 is scheduled for Thursday March 22, at 11 a.m., at Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Those who would like to attend should sign up at the body room. We will need eight people to represent our parish and attend the meal that follows in the parish social hall. However everyone can attend.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS SCHEDULE:

Feb. 16, Friday after Ash Wed. Fr. John

February 23 Knight of Columbus

March 2 Daughters of Isabella

March 9 Faith Formation

March 16 Parish Council and Committee Members

March 23 High School and their teachers



February 19 - 25 Birthdays	
Feb. 20	Dan Friess, Irene Helms, Patty Lampe, Gavin Schneweis
Feb. 21	Anne Schawe, Melissa Barnett, Ted Minnis, Bob Peintner, Emily Ahern
Feb. 22	Mason Hubbell
Feb. 23	Mary Anne Schmidt, Tony Trenkamp, Dawson Huston
Feb. 24	Caleb Rich, Greg Werner
Feb. 25	Alyson Stein