

St. John Parish

March 3 & 4, 2018

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VOCATION VIEWS: Jesus cleaned out the temple of money changers. He was angry; He was zealous; He was authoritative. He was doing what He had to do, even though it involved risk, danger, insult and wonder. Such is a vocation. (John 2:13-25) If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620-227-1533 or vocations@dcdiocese.org.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE —March 5 - 11

Day	Time	Location	Celebration	Intention
Mon.	7:00 p.m.	Church		Alfred Heeke
Tues.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Richard Habiger
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Suzie Stramel
Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Lois Gleason
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Special Intentions for Ron & Janice Hornung
Sat.	4:30 p.m.		Confessions	
	5:30 p.m.	Church		Carl Strecker
Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Church		All Parishioners



MINISTERS FOR March 10 & 11

Servers:	(Sat.) J.J. Chapman, Austin Lampe (Sun.) Anna, Kolby and Levi Stein	Keyboard:	(Sat.) Kiley Myers (Sun.) Kiley Myers
Greeters:	(Sat.) D’Nelle Greenstreet (Sun.) Rex Aistrup	Songleaders:	(Sat.) Rakel Halling (Sun.) Janel Calvin
Lectors:	(Sat.) Larry Friess (Sun.) Richard Broz	Ushers:	(Sat.) Bernie Stegman, Kelly Stein (Sun.) Jeff Hubbell, Kevin Mages
Eucharistic:	(Sat.) Mark Strecker, Jolene Tasset, Larry Tasset, Jill Vierthaler, Jennifer Lindsay, Steve Hubbell (Sun.) LaWana VanNahmen, Mary Schartz, Toni Aistrup, Mary Benjamin, Levi Benjamin, LynAnn Bowman	Gifts:	(Sat.) Steve Ackerman (Sun.) Dan Gleason
		Rosary:	(Sat.) Virginia Ryan (Sun.) Craig Bowman
		Collection:	John Gunkel
		Collect. Asst.:	Frank Mages
		Sacristan:	(Sat.) Dwaine Lampe



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 24 & 25: Collection Total — \$3,994.45



SCHEDULE FOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

March 9..... Faith Formation
March 16..... Parish Council and Committee Members
March 23..... High School and their teachers



EASTER EGG HUNT: The St. John’s Easter Egg Hunt will take place this year on Saturday, March 31st at 2 p.m., in the Park. There will be 4 age groups for the kids: 0-2 years old, 3-4 years old, 5-7 years old and 8-12 years old. The Easter Bunny will also be on hand to take pictures with the children. Please come out and enjoy the fun sponsored by St. John’s Youth Commission. There will be plenty of eggs for everyone!



CRS RICE BOWL: THIRD WEEK OF LENT: 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.



ENCOUNTER SAFIATA: In Burkina Faso, we encounter Safiata, a mother, grandmother and farmer who relies on the money she makes from her crops to put her children through school. How can our purchases this Lent support farmers and artisans? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit crsricebowl.org for more



VIBRANT MINISTRIES APPEAL: As of March 1, 2018, 59% of our parish families have helped us reach \$268,707.86 or 82% of our parish’s \$325,850.00 Vibrant Ministries Appeal goal. With everyone’s help, we can easily reach our goal. It is time for all of us to say “yes” to Jesus’ call to faith and ensure St. John the Baptist reaches its goal! Let’s make it to the finish line.



STEWARDSHIP: March 4, 2018 (3rd Sunday of Lent) “You shall not covet” is perhaps a difficult commandment to keep in our consumer society. But as Christian stewards, we know that we are the recipients and caretakers of God’s many gifts. May this understanding that all is gift help us be less resentful of the gifts of others.

Or (if the readings from Cycle A are used) When Jesus asked the Samaritan woman for a drink of water, He opened the door for a life-changing relationship with Him. Scripture says her testimony drew others to Him as well. We, too, must be ready to respond whenever and wherever the Lord speaks to us and be prepared for it to change our lives!



CATHOLIC CHARITIES WINE TASTING: The 2018 Wine Tasting Event will be at the Great Bend Event Center on Friday, April 20th. Mark your calendars now and plan on coming for a good time and a good cause!



KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS ANNOUNCEMENTS:

March 23rd - Fish Fry 5 p.m. at the Parish Center
Biannual Poker Tournament tentatively scheduled for Sunday, April 8th
April 30th - Deadline for scholarships. One given to a member. One to the son or daughter of a member. Contact USD 381 office or JT Horacek for application



LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Spearville..... Wednesday March 7, 2018
at 7:00 p.m. (for PSR)

Offerle..... Sunday, March 18, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.
Spearville..... Sunday, March 18, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.
Kinsley Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
Wright..... Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.



POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH:
Evangelization: Formation in Spiritual Discernment That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.



HUMAN TRAFFICKING: Human Trafficking is one of the great human rights challenges of this century. Millions of men, women, and children are enslaved and treated as commodities – bought, sold, shared, abused and discarded. Ending SLAVERY is EVERYONE’S WORK. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. sistersagainstrafficking.org.



MASS SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK

Holy Thursday, March 29 7:00 p.m.
Holy Friday, March 30 3:00 p.m.
Holy Saturday, March 31 9: 00 p.m.
Easter Sunday, April 1 9:00 a.m.



EASTER VIGIL CHOIR: Please come share your musical talents and join us for the Easter Vigil choir. Practice times will be Sunday, March 25, at 7 p.m., and Friday, March 30, at 7 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Gayla Kirmer at 385-0467.

March 5 - 11 Birthdays	
March 5	Vicky Scheve, Korbin Wheaton
March 6	Scott Wadley
March 8	Toni Aistrup, Patti Israel, Glen Keller, Chaten Tasset, Kali Stein
March 9	Elizabeth Stein, Joan Temaast
March 10	Peggy Schulte, LynAnn Bowman
March 11	Cindy Wadley, Brittany Palmberg