

St. John Parish

VOCATION VIEWS: When we are ‘born again’ in baptism, we really become a new creation, fired with a new love, and aimed in a new direction - heaven. Let Jesus talk with you. Let Jesus challenge you. (John 3:14-21) Pray for vocations.

March 10 & 11, 2018		LITURGICAL SCHEDULE —March 12 - 18				
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		Mike Schawe	
	Tues.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Bill Konrade	
	Wed.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Austin & Katie Kropp	
	Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Eleanora Linnebur	
	Fri.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Anna Stein	
	Sat.	4:30 p.m.		Confessions		
	Sun.	5:30 p.m.	Church		Parishioners	
		9:30 a.m.	Church		Edward Durler	

		MINISTERS FOR March 17 & 18	
Servers:	(Sat.) Candace and Erika Fry (Sun.) Chaten Tasset, Paige Broz, Xavier Calvin	Keyboard:	(Sat.) Bryce Ackerman (Sun.) Bryce Ackerman
Greeters:	(Sat.) Drew Hubbell (Sun.) Levi Benjamin	Songleaders:	(Sat.) Jenny Schmidt (Sun.) Gayla Kirmer
Lectors:	(Sat.) Rich Gleason (Sun.) Vicki Broz	Ushers:	(Sat.) Melvin Strecker, Mike Hubbell (Sun.) Leroy Mages, Shawn Rich
Eucharistic:	(Sat.) Tonya Hubbell, Mike Hubbell, Jill Heeke, Kenna Ackerman, Phil Gleason, Sue Hampton (Sun.) Lori Burke, L’Jean Dixon, Connie Heskamp, Kurt Kirmer, Trisha Sohm, Frank Mages	Gifts:	(Sat.) Cory Ackerman (Sun.) Melvin Habiger
		Rosary:	(Sat.) Carolyn Gleason (Sun.) George Heskamp
		Collection:	Ross Ackerman
		Collect. Asst.:	Anne Schawe
		Sacristan:	(Sat.) Kevin Stein



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: March 3 & 4: Collection Total — \$2,942.50

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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.

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SCHEDULE FOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS

March 16.....Parish Council and Committee Members

March 23.....High School and their teachers

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ENCOUNTER WITH GOD’S CALL: The Encounter week-end is April 14-16. Young men-high school juniors, seniors, and those of college age – are invited to join Fr. Wesley for a road trip to Conception Seminary College. The weekend is a time to hear talks and spend time with seminarians while enjoying time with other young men who are seeking God’s will in their life. There is no charge for the weekend and transportation is provided. Register online at <http://dcdiocese.org/vocations/discernment-events> or contact Ana Gaytan at 620.227.1500 or agaytan@dcdiocese.org

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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. This week we encounter Andrise, a teacher in Haiti who knows the importance of forming young people who will give back to the community and their country. Reflect on the role teachers have played in bring you closer to God and your community. How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit crsricebowl.org for more

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LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

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.

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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.

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EASTER EGG HUNT: The St. John’s Easter Egg Hunt will take place this year on Saturday, March 31, at 2 p.m., in the Park. There will be four 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! Dana Rich

LOVE GIVES LIFE CONFERENCE: Teen and adults are invited to the “Love Gives Life” Conference on Saturday, April 7, from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at Our Lady of Guadalupe in Dodge City. The conference will be hosted by Kansans for Life and the Knights of Columbus Council #2955 and will feature Terry Beatley, who will share the personal testimony of Dr. Bernard Nathanson about the deception used to convince Americans to accept legalized abortion. Several educational workshops will also be offered, in both English and Spanish. Come for just an hour, or come for the entire program. The cost is only \$5 for adults, and teen tickets are free! Lunch is included but you must RSVP by April 4 if you will be eating lunch. Register by April 4 at kansansforlife.salsalabs.org/04718dodgecity or call 1-800-928-5433. See www.kfl.org for a complete schedule.

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STEWARDSHIP: March 11, 2018 (4th Sunday of Lent) All that we have and all that we are comes from the Lord. “We are truly his handiwork,” says St. Paul in the second reading, “created in Christ Jesus to lead the life of good deeds which God prepared for us in advance.”

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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.

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SACRED RELICS OF THE SAINTS: Treasures Of The Church: The Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe presents a teaching and exposition of Sacred Relics on Sunday March 18, at 3:00 p.m. Father Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross will be here with his very special ministry to teach about these holy objects. He will bring with him over 150 relics, some as old as 2000 years. Among the treasures will be relics of St. Maria Goretti, St. Therese of Lisieux (the “Little Flower”), St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Faustina Kowalska. In addition, there will also be present a portion of the veil of Our Lady, as well as one of the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world. Those in attendance will be able to examine and venerate each relic. In the Church’s history many miracles and healings have been worked in the presence of relics, and many have been healed through this ministry. Please do not miss this opportunity. You are encouraged to bring your articles of devotion (such as rosaries, holy cards, etc.) and pictures of ill friends/family members which you will be able to touch to the reliquaries as a means of intercession.

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DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA: Next meeting will be March 12, at 7:30 p.m.

March 12 - 18 Birthdays	
March 13	Erma Vierthaler
March 14	Lorne Benish, Kim Durler, Verl Shean, Mark Sanko
March 15	Jackie Naasz
March 16	Carson Konrade, Karen Minnis, Jackie Strecker, Dave Tasset, Destiny Barnett, Logan Durler
March 17	Amy Indiek, Gari-Ann Stein
March 18	Nadine Baker