

St. John Parish

VOCATION VIEWS: If you are willing to offer your life for Jesus' sake, you will find it. By walking the path we come to know Jesus' promise is real. Pray for courage and the willingness to "let go and let God." (Matthew 16:21-27). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620-227-1533 or ocations@dcdiocese.org

September 2 & 3, 2017

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — September 4 - 10

	Day	Time	Location	Celebration	Intention
Father John Forkuoh 385-2212 http://www.stjohnspearville.com Coordinator of Ministries Judy Gleason, 385-2881	Mon.	7:00 p.m.	Church		Victims of Hurricane Harvey
	Tues.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Eleanora Linnebur
	Wed.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Alfred Heeke
	Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Melvin Droste
	Fri.	8:30 a.m.	PV		David Bachelor
	Sat.	4:30 p.m.			Confessions
	Sun.	9:30 a.m.		Church	
			Church		David Bachelor



MINISTERS FOR September 9 & 10

Servers: (Sat.) Kolten Bennett, J.J. Chapman (Sun.) Logan and Michaela Hubbell, Autumn Wadley	Keyboard: (Sat.) Gayla Kirmer (Sun.) Gayla Kirmer
Greeters: (Sat.) Kreg Fagen (Sun.) John Calvin	Songleaders: (Sat.) Julie Knoeber (Sun.) Charlie Kissling
Lectors: (Sat.) Larry Friess (Sun.) Kelly Tasset	Ushers: (Sat.) Steve Ackerman, Cory Ackerman (Sun.) Shawn Rich, Dennis Schawe
Eucharistic: (Sat.) Ross Ackerman, Kali Ackerman, John Stegman, Jolene Tasset, Larry Tasset, Jill Vierthaler (Sun.) Trisha Sohm, Steve Hubbell, Frank Mages, Jeff Hubbell, Paula Schneweis, Charlie Kissling	Gifts: (Sat.) Rich Gleason (Sun.) Chris Sohm Rosary: (Sat.) Marvin Gleason (Sun.) George Heskamp
	Collection: Jeff Hubbell Collect. Asst.: Kevin Rabe Sacristan: (Sat.) Charlie Kissling



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 netemae1984@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.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING: Deanna Johnston, 620-225-4802, ext. 203 or djohnston@dodgecitycatholic.com.

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

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.

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 Lyza Frasco at 316-371-5678 or elizabethfrasco@aol.com.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: August 26 & 27: Collection Total — \$2,506.31.

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UPDATE: Catholic Charity Agencies in south Texas have been preparing since last Friday for Hurricane Harvey's arrival. San Antonio has been coordinating with Catholic Charities Corpus Christi to identify and deliver commodities requested by the agency there. They have a stocked a tractor trailer rig with these supplies which will make their way to Catholic Charities Corpus Christi on Friday. Catholic Charities in San Antonio, Austin, Fort Worth, Dallas and Oklahoma City are also creating additional shelter options for displaced individual and families. Catholic Charities agencies in affected areas are coordinating with local emergency and VOAD agencies to assess impact and identify needs.

Catholic Charities USA is coordinating the mobilization of staff of its member agencies around the country who are prepared to travel to south Texas and Louisiana to supplement the services of the affected agencies with additional counselling, case management and emergency response services. As soon as it is possible to travel into the flood zone these volunteer Catholic Charities employees will deploy to the Arch/Diocese of Galveston/Houston, Victoria, Corpus Christi, Beaumont, Lake Charles and other areas as needed. Donate here: <http://bit.ly/2wgn3MP>

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K OF C GROCERY DRIVE: The annual K of C grocery drive for the Manna House starts this weekend and runs through the month of September. Grocery bags with a list of needed groceries will be handed out after Mass. If you would rather give money, put check or cash in a white envelope marked food drive and put in the collection basket. Make checks to K of C food drive.

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RELIGION CLASSES: Religion Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 6, with Mass at the church. If you have not registered your child, you may do so in the church basement following Mass. Fees are \$10 per child. The Youth Commission will have treats following Mass on the Rectory lawn.

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RECYCLING: The parish center is in need of your empty gallon sized (or approximate) plastic ice cream containers! Eat more ice cream! Place the empty, cleaned containers in the body room of church and we will take them over to the center. Thanks!

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Members of Parish Council and various Commissions are reminded of our monthly meetings. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 7, 2017, at the parish center. The commission members will meet at 7:00 p.m., followed by Parish council member at 8:00 p.m. All new members are to attend and commission chairs are to remind new members to attend. Thanks

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OPENING RELIGION MASS:

Servers:	Austin Lampe, Kate Steimel
Greeters:	Cora Tasset
Lectors:	Haley Gleason
Eucharistic:	Jill Heeke, Mary Benjamin, LynAnn Bowman, Tonya Hubbell, Tony Frasco, Charlie Kissling
Keyboard:	Dana Howerton
Songleaders:	Ethan Halling
Gifts:	Nathan Heeke, Levi Stein
Rosary:	Senior Class
Sacristan:	Kevin Stein

ST. JOHN CEMETERY NOTICE: Since Denny Werner has retired and moved, R.J. Meyer & Jeff Hubbell have graciously agreed to take over the sale of cemetery plots. We truly appreciate them stepping up to volunteer. You may contact either of them at the following numbers: R.J. Meyer 620-546-6071 or Jeff Hubbell at 620-255-0230.

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THEO 4881 (1 HOUR COURSE): 2017 is the 500th anniversary of "the" Reformation. We often think the Reformation was a single, movement. Actually there were many reformations. This course uncovers multiple reformations before and after Luther and the Council of Trent, discovering not only religious movements, but also the political, social, economic, and cultural contexts of centuries that changed the world. Fr. Bob facilitates 500th Anniversary of the Reformation with DVD series created by Now You Know Media featuring presenter Christopher M. Bellitto.

Class Times: Oct. 18, 25, Nov. 8, 15; Wednesday Evenings- 6:00-9:00 p.m. **Location:** Interactive Television Sites throughout Dodge City and Salina Dioceses **Cost:** 1 hr. course for college credit- \$50.00; 1hr. Course for personal enrichment- \$25.00 Price quotes do not include books
Fr. Robert Schremmer, Coordinating Instructor, Vicar General of the Diocese of Dodge City, Pastor of St. Andrew, Wright and Sacramental Minister of St. Joseph, Greensburg, holds a Master of Arts Degree and Master of Theology Degree from St. Thomas Seminary, Denver, CO. Christopher M. Bellitto, Presenter via DVD, is Chair and Associate professor OF History of Kean University. He is a frequent public speaker and media commentator on Church history and contemporary Catholicism. He received an M.A and Ph.D. in History from Fordham University. His B.A is from New York University.

TRAFFICKING: Trafficking is not just an issue that happens to people in other countries. The United States is a source and transit country and is also considered one of the top destination points for victims of child trafficking and exploitation. ARE YOU AWARE OF ANY TRAFFICKED CHILDREN in your area and services available for them? U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking (sisters-againsttrafficking.org)

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POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER: Parishes: That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

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JOB OPENING FOR DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR- FULL TIME:

The diocese of Dodge City is seeking a full-time Database Administrator. This position will provide oversight and administration of the Diocesan database (Donor Perfect) as well as support for the office of Development. The right candidate will be proficient in MS Excel and Word, detail orientated with strong organizational skills. Prefer BS in bus/admin, accounting, PR or marketing and 2-3 years experience in related field with record keeping, computer databases and spreadsheets experience required. Excellent verbal and written communication skills (bilingual Spanish) preferred. For additional information and to apply: Email cover letter and resume to tlampe@dcdiocese.org or mail to Diocese of Dodge City, Attn: Human Resources, 910 Central, Dodge City, KS 67801. (620) 227-1534.

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STEWARDSHIP: September 3, 2017 (22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time). In today's second reading, St. Paul exhorts the Romans to total stewardship. Brothers and sisters, he urges, "...offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God."

September 4 - 10 Birthdays

Sept. 5	Riley Sherraden
Sept. 6	Kerry Ackerman, Stephanie Hornung
Sept. 10	Trisha Herrmann