

VOCATION VIEWS: You are invited to a rich feast. Don't ignore the invitation. Perhaps you are called to service through ordained ministry or the consecrated life. Trust that you will receive the grace you need. (Matthew 22:1-14). If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdiocese.org/vocations.

| October 21 & 22, 2017 | LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — October 23 - 29 | | | | |
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| | Day | Time | Location | Celebration | Intention |
| Father John Forkuoh 385-2212 http://www.stjohn spearville.com | Mon. | 7:00 p.m. | Church | | No Mass |
| | Tues. | 8:30 a.m. | PV | | No Mass |
| | Wed. | 8:30 a.m. | PV | | No Mass |
| | Thurs. | 8:30 a.m. | PV | | No Mass |
| Coordinator of Ministries | Fri. | 8:30 a.m. | PV | | No Mass |
| Judy Gleason, 385-2881 | Sat. | 4:30 p.m. | | Confessions | |
| | | 5:30 p.m. | Church | | Anna Stein |
| | Sun. | 9:30 a.m. | Church | | Parishioners |

MINISTERS FOR October 28 & 29

Servers: (Sat.) Haley, Hannah & Jenna Gleason

(Sun.) Jakob, Evan and Mia Benjamin

Greeters: (Sat.) John Stegman

(Sun.) Kevin Stein

Lectors: (Sat.) J.T. Horacek

(Sun.) R.J. Meyer

Eucharistic: (Sat.) Ross Ackerman, Kali Ackerman,

John Stegman, Jolene Tasset, Larry

Tasset, Jill Vierthaler

(Sun.) John Gunkel, Jeannette Gunkel,

Mike Hubbell, Tonya Hubbell, Kurt Kir-

mer. Trisha Sohm

Keyboard:

(Sat.) Bryce Ackerman

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Songleaders: (Sat.) Melanie Bryan

(Sun.) Charlie Kissling

Ushers: (Sat.) Kevin Rabe, Bernie Stegman

(Sun.) Dennis Schawe, Ron Temaat

Gifts: (Sat.) Rod Durler

(Sun.) Rex Aistrup

Rosary: (Sat.) Virginia Ryan (Sun.) Craig Bowman

Collection: R.J. Meyer

Collect. Asst.: Kevin Stein

Sacristan: (Sat.) Bonnie Laudick (Sun.) Lynann Bowman

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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,

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.

385-2487.

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@dodgecitycathedral.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: October 14 & 15: Collection Total — \$2,342.11.

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MEN'S TAILGATE SUPPER: Hospice of the Prairie is hosting a "Men's Tailgate Supper" October 24, at 7:00 p.m., for men who have experienced the death of someone close to them. Grief specialist Jerry Hodges will present information on the unique components of men's grief and offer ways to "tackle" the challenges of life after the loss of a loved one. A hearty supper will be served. Call 620-227-7209 for more information and to reserve a place.

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ANNUAL SOUP SUPPER: Join us for the Annual Soup Supper Sunday evening from 5 p.m.-7 p.m.! Chicken noodle soup, chili, sandwiches, pies, games, raffles and door prizes. Free will donations are gladly accepted. For soup deliveries please call Chanda Schulte at 620-338-7506.

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PARISH DIRECTORIES ARE IN: You can pick up your copy in the back of church. Your copy will have your name on the back.

CHRISTMAS CHOIR: It is time to start practicing for the Christmas Eve choir. Please consider lending your vocal talents and join us beginning November 5, at 7 p.m., at the church. Tentative practice schedule will be November 5, 12, 19, December 3, 10, 17 & 20. Practice CDs will be available. For more information, please call Gayla Kirmer at 385-2506.

October 23 - 29 Birthdays

| Oct. 23 | Danny Gleason, Maryann Nau, Nathan |
|---------|------------------------------------|
| | Stein |
| Oct. 27 | Lawrence Vierthaler |
| Oct. 28 | Pamela Strecker |
| Oct. 29 | Melvin L. Stein, Cora Tasset, Evan |
| | Benjamin, Janice Castillo, Emma |
| | Ackerman |

K OF C ANNOUNCEMENT: We have the religious education fund raffle going on for the month of October. Tickets are available back of church for a \$100 donation. There are 32 cash prizes given out for the drawing. Obviously it goes to help our CCD classes purchase books,

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HEARTLAND CENTER FOR SPIRITUALITY: On Friday October 29, the first movie, Winged Migration, will be showing at the Heartland Center for Spirituality

for the fall series of "Movies with a Message."

The movie begins at 6:15 p.m., in the Auditorium of the Motherhouse of the Dominican Sisters of Peace. Other movies in the series include: The Queen of Katwe (Tuesday November 14), and 90 Minutes in Heaven (Tuesday December 5). A free will offering will be accepted to offset the cost of refreshments.

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ENCOUNTER WITH GOD'S CALL: Nov. 11-13, at Conception Seminary College, is a discernment weekend for men - high school juniors, seniors, and college age - who would like to learn more about the call to priesthood. This visit is free and transportation is provided by the Diocese of Dodge City. Register online by November 3, at http://www.dcdiocese.org/vocations or call Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620.227.1533. Come and See what seminary life is like and hear seminarians share their stories of responding to God's call.

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HEARTLAND CENTER RETREAT: ACTS, a three day/three-night Catholic lay retreat will be held at the Heartland Center for Spirituality, 3600 Broadway, Great Bend. The men's retreat will be November 16-19, 2017. Talks and activities during the retreat focus on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service, from which the ACTS acronym is derived. Cost is \$175 per person, which includes all meals and accommodations for the three-day weekend. Deadline for registration and payment for the retreat is November 10th. Registration forms are available at http://greatbendcatholic.com

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BAPTISM: Baptism was celebrated for Keldan Riley Kuck, the son of Kolby Russell Kuck and Taylor Brynne Snyder, on October 14, 2017. We are grateful to his parents and godparents (Angus & Lori Snyder) for the gift of Keldan. We welcome Keldan into our church community.