

# St. John Parish

November 4-5, 2017

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**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](http://www.dcdiocese.org/vocations).

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — November 6 - 12

| Day    | Time      | Location | Celebration | Intention            |
|--------|-----------|----------|-------------|----------------------|
| Mon.   | 7:00 p.m. | Church   |             | No Mass              |
| Tues.  | 8:30 a.m. | Church   |             | No Mass              |
| Wed.   | 8:30 a.m. | PV       |             | No Mass              |
| Thurs. | 8:30 a.m. | PV       |             | No Mass              |
| Fri.   | 8:30 a.m. | PV       |             | No Mass              |
| Sat.   | 4:30 p.m. |          | Confessions |                      |
|        | 5:30 p.m. | Church   |             | Edward Arthur Durler |
| Sun.   | 9:30 a.m. | Church   |             | All Parishioners     |



## MINISTERS FOR November 11 - 12

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| <b>Servers:</b>     | (Sat.) Faith Ackerman, Austin Hornung<br>(Sun.) Alissa Heskamp, Clare and Elizabeth Kissling  | <b>Keyboard:</b>       | (Sat.) Dana Howerton<br>(Sun.) Dana Howerton                       |
| <b>Greeters:</b>    | (Sat.) Marcella Griffin<br>(Sun.) Lyle VanNahmen  | <b>Songleaders:</b>    | (Sat.) Jenny Schmidt<br>(Sun.) Charlie Kissling                    |
| <b>Lectors:</b>     | (Sat.) Ashley Hubbell<br>(Sun.) Craig Bowman  | <b>Ushers:</b>         | (Sat.) Mike Hubbell, Carl Hubbell<br>(Sun.) Scott Burke, Tom Burke |
| <b>Eucharistic:</b> | (Sat.) Lynnette Hessman, Sue Hampton, Shirley Moritz, Joyce Rogers, Ross Ackerman, Kali Ackerman<br>(Sun.) Mary Benjamin, Levi Benjamin, LynAnn Bowman, John Calvin, Lroi Burke, L'Jean Dixon | <b>Gifts:</b>          | (Sat.) Rich Gleason<br>(Sun.) Craig Bowman                         |
|                     |   | <b>Rosary:</b>         | (Sat.) Shirley Stein<br>(Sun.) LeRoy Mages                         |
|                     |   | <b>Collection:</b>     | John Gunkel  |
|                     |   | <b>Collect. Asst.:</b> | Lynnette Hessman   |
|                     |   | <b>Sacristan:</b>      | (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 [nettemae1984@yahoo.com](mailto: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.

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING:** Deanna Johnston, 620-225-4802, ext. 203 or [djohnston@dodgecitycatholic.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:elizabethfrasco@aol.com).

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES:** October 21 - 22: Collection Total — \$2,474.55; October 28 - 29: Collection Total — \$3,843.86.

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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. If you had your picture taken for the parish directory please pick up your copy in the back of church. If your copy is missing, let Chanda Schulte know and she will get you one.

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**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.

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**VOLUNTEER:** Meals for New Moms is in need of a volunteer to take over coordinating this ministry for our parish. If you would like to volunteer, contact Lyza Frasco or Judy Gleason.

**MOVIES WITH A MESSAGE:** On Tuesday November 14, the movie, The Queen of Katwe, will be showing at the Heartland Center for Spirituality for the fall series of "Movies with a Message." Living in the slum of Katwe in Kampala, Uganda, is a constant struggle for 10-year-old Phiona (Madina Nalwanga) and her family. Her world changes one day when she meets Robert Katende (David Oyelowo), a missionary who teaches children how to play chess. Phiona becomes fascinated with the game and soon becomes a top player under Katende's guidance. Her success in local competitions and tournaments opens the door to a bright future and a golden chance to escape from a life of poverty.

The movie begins at 6:15 in the Auditorium of the Motherhouse of the Dominican Sisters of Peace. The last movie in the fall series include: 90 Minutes in Heaven (Tuesday December 5). Our Winter/Spring series slate of movies will be announced shortly. A free will offering will be accepted to offset the cost of refreshments.

**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.

### November 6 - 12 Birthdays

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| Nov. 6  | Makenzie Preisner  |
| Nov. 7  | Carolyn Gleason, Andrew Bowman   |
| Nov. 9  | Shirley Moritz, Mark Howerton  |
| Nov. 10 | Mark Strecker, Nathan Heeke  |
| Nov. 11 | Margaret Klenke, Jim Sanko, Marty Konda  |
| Nov. 12 | LaVera Strecker, Chris Pianalto, Doris Donovan, Erica Heeke, Thomas Able, Cassie Sanko |

**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>

**GERMAN BUFFET:** You are invited to the Annual German Buffet which will be held Sunday, November 5, 2017 at the St. Joseph Parish Center in Ellinwood, KS. The Buffet will begin at 5:00 PM and run until 7:00 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the St. Joseph Catholic School. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children ages 6-12, and children 5 and under are FREE. Please join us for a delicious meal and a chance to win great prizes!

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**FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION:** The First Saturday devotion is a traditional devotion in the Church. With the 100th anniversary of the Fatima apparitions, we begin a regional effort to have the Five First Saturdays devotion -- starting November 4th at St. Stanislaus in Ingalls. Begins at 8:30 with confessions and rosary. 9:00 Mass with Bishop John as celebrant. Confessions, meditation, and refreshments after Mass. All are invited.

Mary's promise about the Five First Saturdays devotion: "I promise to assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all those who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, shall confess, receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary and keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me."

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**ST. MARY'S PHEASANT FEED LUNCHEON:** Chili, vegetable soup and homemade pies. Sponsored by St. Mary's Heritage, Saturday, November 11, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. Mary's Heritage Hall, eight miles north of Bellefont on 132 County Road.