

St. John Parish

November 11 - 12, 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.dcdioocese.org/vocations.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — November 13 - 19

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 18 - 19

Servers: (Sat.) Logan and Michaela Hubbell (Sun.) Carson Rich, Colby and Levi Stein	Keyboard: (Sat.) Julie Knoeber (Sun.) Julie Knoeber
Greeters: (Sat.) Larry B. Ackerman (Sun.) R.J. Meyer	Songleaders: (Sat.) Gayla Kirmer (Sun.) Janel Calvin
Lectors: (Sat.) Cindy Hubbell (Sun.) Richard Broz	Ushers: (Sat.) Cory Ackerman, Rod Durler (Sun.) Glenn Helfrich, Jeff Heskamp
Eucharistic: (Sat.) John Stegman, Mark Strecker, Jolene Tasset, Larry Tasset, Jill Vierthaler, Jennifer Lindsay (Sun.) L'Jean Dixon, Connie Heskamp, Kurt Kirmer, Trisha Sohm, Frank Magaes, Larry Schmidt	Gifts: (Sat.) Lynnette Hessman (Sun.) Tom Burke Rosary: (Sat.) Virginia Ryan (Sun.) Craig Bowman Collection: Ross Ackerman Collect. Asst.: Vicky Scheve Sacristan: (Sat.) Phil Gleason (Sun.) Mary Benjamin



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.

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 Sandy Ackerman at 385-2857.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: November 4 - 5: Collection Total — \$2,899.32.

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CHRISTMAS EVE CHOIR: 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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THANK YOU: Thank you to Sandy Ackerman for volunteering to take over the Meals for New Moms ministry for our parish!

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DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA: The November D of I meeting will be on November 13 at 7:30 p.m.

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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 (Maddie 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.

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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 10. Registration forms are available at <http://greatbendcatholic.com>

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RETROUVAILLE: Improving a marriage takes time and a conscious effort to learn about your spouse. Growing closer in a marriage does not happen automatically. Retrouvaille is a marriage program dedicated to helping couples grow closer and develop a stronger bond. You give your heart and soul to everything you do, between your work and your family. Are you giving your heart and soul to your marriage? Sometimes the distance between a husband and a wife can seem so wide that it cannot be repaired. Retrouvaille is a marriage program designed to bring couples closer together. For more information about the December 8, Retrouvaille Program for couples, contact Dacia & Kieran (800) 470-2230 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.com

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JOB OFFERING: The Kansas Catholic Conference (KCC) is the public policy arm of the Catholic Church in Kansas and serves the state's four Catholic bishops from an office located in Topeka. They currently have a job opening for a Legislative Assistant. The position involves significant clerical and administrative office support responsibilities. For more information: <http://www.kscathconf.org/2017/10/11/open-position-legislative-assistant>.

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COUNSELING SERVICES: No one needs to go through life's most difficult challenges alone. Catholic Charities of Southwest Kansas is offering free professional counseling services in Dodge City, Garden City and Great Bend for adults, children, couples, families and seniors, regardless of race, religion or socioeconomic status. Contact Amy Falcon at 620-227-1590 or afalcon@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org for more information and/or to schedule an appointment.

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

November 13 - 19 Birthdays

Nov. 13	Linda Friess, Jody Hatstrup
Nov. 14	Ethel Schlereth, Brady Preisner
Nov. 18	Larry Friess, Jane Hubbell, Greg Scheve
Nov. 19	Bree Herrmann