

St. John Parish

VOCATION VIEWS: God's glory continues to shine in our world. Where do you need to carry the light of Christ? Consider being a light for the world as a Church minister. (Is. 60:1-6) If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdiocese.org/vocations.

January 6 & 7, 2018

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE —January 8 - 14

	Day	Time	Location	Celebration	Intention
Father John Forkuoh 385-2212 http://www.stjohnspearville.com	Mon.	7:00 p.m.	Church	Feast of Mary	Keith Hammeke
	Tues.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Gerald Schmidt
	Wed.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Stanley Stramel
	Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Austin & Katie Kropp
Coordinator of Ministries Judy Gleason, 385-2881	Fri.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Tyler Graff
	Sat.	4:30 p.m.		Confessions	
	Sun.	5:30 p.m.	Church		All Parishioners
		9:30 a.m.	Church		Marvin Gleason



MINISTERS FOR January 13 - 14

Servers: (Sat.) Jaron Lindsay, Kate Steimel (Sun.) Gavin and Brooklyn Schneweis	Keyboard: (Sat.) Julie Knoeber (Sun.) Julie Knoeber
Greeters: (Sat.) John Stegman (Sun.) Deb Rodda	Songleaders: (Sat.) Rakel Halling (Sun.) Gayla Kirmer
Lectors: (Sat.) Larry Friess (Sun.) Kelly Tasset	Ushers: (Sat.) Cory Ackerman, Rod Durler (Sun.) R.J. Meyer, Keith Brock
Eucharistic: (Sat.) Jill Vierthaler, Jennifer Lindsay, Steve Hubbell, Tonya Hubbell, Mike Hubbell, Jill Heeke (Sun.) Charlie Kissling, John Stegman, Lori Burke, L'Jean Dixon, Connie Heskamp, Kurt Kirmer	Gifts: (Sat.) Rod Durler (Sun.) Shawn Tasset
	Rosary: (Sat.) Virginia Ryan (Sun.) Charlie Kissling
	Collection: R.J. Meyer
	Collect. Asst.: Kevin Rabe
	Sacristan: (Sat.) Bonnie Laudick (Sun.) LynAnn Bowman



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: December 30 & 31: Collection Total — \$3,642.71.

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KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS UPCOMING EVENTS:

January 13 is the Annual Stag.

February 11 is the Major Degree at the Parish Center for any high school seniors (age 18) wanting to join the K of C. Thank you! JT Horacek

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POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY, 2018: Evangelization: Religious Minorities in Asia That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.

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THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): Our parish begins RCIA soon for those who want to join the church this coming Easter. Please if you have a friend, or a relative who may need a church home you may contact Fr. John at 620-385-2212.

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STEWARDSHIP: January 7, 2018 (Epiphany of the Lord) The three wise men who came from the East to pay homage to the infant Jesus brought Him rich gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh as part of their worship. What gifts have I brought to this celebration to offer to the newborn Savior?

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CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF SOUTHWEST KANSAS: Catholic Charities provides pregnancy support services at no cost for girls and women who are experiencing an unintended pregnancy. Our pregnancy support services include individual sessions as well as services for extended family members when needed. Pregnancy support services are being provided in order for the client to be educated about her options as well as to help her connect with any resources that may be available to her and her family. When possible the baby's father is also encouraged to participate in the services which are non coercive and nondirective. We encourage the client to make her own decisions. My role is to be a support to the client.

Clients do not have to be Catholic to receive services. There is no charge for pregnancy support services and I will travel to the client's community. I am available to meet with clients in a school setting or at any of the local churches. I would also be happy to visit with you and/or provide a presentation to your staff about our services. If you have questions or would like to make a referral, please contact me at 620-227-1590 or afalcon@catholiccharitiesswks.org. You can also find more information on our website at www.catholiccharitiesswks.org

Amy Falcon: A social worker at Catholic Charities of Southwest Kansas

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RELIGION CLASS CHANGE: Due to the Parish Center being unavailable, Religion Class for grades 6-10, will meet this Wednesday, January 10, at the following locations:
6th grade at Riley and Jenny Schmidt's home
7th grade at Parkview
8th grade at the Rectory
9th & 10th grades at Church

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WINTER WEATHER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The property committee is looking for volunteers to be on call for snow and ice removal this winter. If you are physically capable and can easily get to the church during inclement weather, please put your name and cell phone number on the sign-up sheet in the body room or contact Blake Connelly. Thank you!

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WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE: World Day for Consecrated Life will be held on Saturday, February 10, 2018, at St. Andrew Parish in Wright (11798 Jewell Road). The liturgy will begin at 10:30 am and will be followed by social provided by the Knights of Columbus and a special dinner provided by the St. Andrew Altar Society. Please RSVP yourself and any guests by contacting Gayla Kirmer, gkirmer@dcdiocese.org, or 620-227-1525 by Wednesday, January 17, 2018.

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A WORD OF APPRECIATION: Dear Parishioners, The longer I am around you, the more I realize that you are a genuinely generous and caring people. Thank you so very much for your gifts in different forms during this season of Christmas. May God richly bless you all.

As someone said "I consider you a gift from God, so I guess I should send Him a thank you card. I know His address, but could you tell me how much postage I'll need?" Lol. I love you all.—Fr John

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DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA: Meeting Jan. 8, 7:30 p.m.

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January 8 - 14 Birthdays

Jan. 9	Scheon Elledge, Isabel Bowman
Jan. 10	Madison Tasset, Roberta Kiehl, Bill Hornung
Jan. 11	Nancy Ackerman, Reg Stegman, Clayton Stein
Jan. 12	Rosann Tasset
Jan. 13	Elmer Schuette
Jan. 14	Judy Gleason, Dwaine Lampe, Jaron Lindsay