

2023 - SEPTEMBER 30TH & OCTOBER 1ST

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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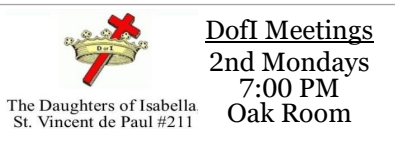
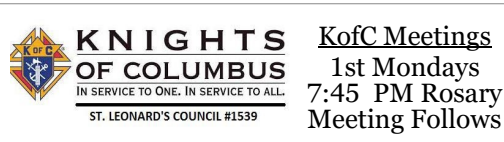
**Pastor**  
Fr. John Forkuoh, 385-2212  
**Parish Secretary/DRE**  
Jenny Schmidt, 385-2202  
**Bookkeeper**  
Tena Gleason, 385-0615  
**Parish Council President**  
Mike Hubbell  
Meetings: 1st Thursdays @ 8PM

Parish Center Office Hours

**Fr. John:**  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and  
Fridays : 10 am—12 pm

**Jenny:**  
Mondays—Fridays: 12:30—4 pm  
*Hours will remain flexible and  
subject to change.*  
Call: 620-385-2202  
Email: jschmidt@stjohnspearville.com

| MASS SCHEDULE: OCTOBER 2ND - 8TH                     |                       |           |                                 |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| DAY                                                  | TIME                  | LOCATION  | INTENTION                       |
| Mon. 10/2                                            | - NO MASS on MONDAYS- |           |                                 |
| Tues. 10/3                                           | 8:30 AM               | Parkview  | NO MASS - FATHER GONE           |
| “                                                    | 9:30 AM               | Southwind | NO MASS - FATHER GONE           |
| Wed. 10/4                                            | 8:30 AM               | Parkview  | NO MASS - FATHER GONE           |
| Thurs. 10/5                                          | 8:30 AM               | Parkview  | NO MASS - FATHER GONE           |
| Fri. 10/6                                            | 8:30 AM               | Parkview  | Virginia & Ray Ryan Anniversary |
| Sat. 10/7                                            | 6:30 PM               | Church    | Helen MacBride                  |
| Sun. 10/8                                            | 8:00 AM               | Church    | All Parishioners                |
| Confessions: Saturdays at 5:45 PM or by appointment. |                       |           |                                 |



If you'd like to be added to the email prayer chain ministry, or have a prayer request to send out, please contact :  
Ginny Werner: ginny\_werner@yahoo.com OR  
Lynnette Hessman: nettemae1984@yahoo.com

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| MASS MINISTERS FOR OCTOBER 7TH & 8TH |                                              |                                          |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Collection: Nathan Stein             |                                              | Collection Asst: Frank Mages             |
|                                      | SATURDAY - 6:30 PM                           | SUNDAY - 8:00 AM - YOUTH MASS            |
| Sacristans                           | Jenny Schmidt                                | Jenny Schmidt                            |
| Servers                              | AJ Herrmann, Caleb Herrmann, Cooper Thompson | YOUTH - Kinder/1st & 6th/7th Grades      |
| Lectors                              | Larry Friess                                 | YOUTH                                    |
| EM                                   | Ross Ackerman, Joyce Rogers, Larry Schmidt   | Jeff Hubbell, Frank Mages, Riley Schmidt |
| Musician                             | Gayla Kirmer                                 | Gayla Kirmer                             |
| Cantor                               | Jenny Schmidt                                | Jenny Schmidt                            |
| Ushers                               | Scott Burke, Greg Thompson                   | YOUTH                                    |
| Gifts                                | Greg Thompson Family                         | YOUTH                                    |

If you are willing to be involved in Mass Ministry, please contact the parish office. We are all called to partake in the liturgy. A big thank you to all who have served and continue to serve. You are appreciated.

**Vocation Views:** “Your ways, O Lord, make known to me; teach me your paths.” The paths of the Lord lead to eternal life, if we but have the courage to walk where He leads. (Psalm 25:4)

-- If you're discerning the priesthood, contact **Fr. Wesley Schawe** at [vocations@dcdiocese.org](mailto:vocations@dcdiocese.org) or **620-227-1533**--

Parish News & Events

FATHER GONE FOR CONVOCATION:

Father John, as well as the other priests of the Diocese of Dodge City, will be attending the fall convocation in Wichita from Tuesday, October 3rd to Thursday, October 5th. Because of his absence, there will be no daily mass Tuesday-Thursday this coming week. Please contact the parish office for any emergent needs during his absence.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION:

The first son in today's Gospel said he would do his father's bidding, but did not. The second son balked at first, but then repented and did as he was asked. What service is God calling me to do? Which son am I more like?

TITHING REPORT FOR SEP. 23RD & 24TH:

Collections: \$2,818.00  
Online Giving: \$660.00

UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS:

**EVERY WEDNESDAY:** Adoration from 9AM- 8PM

**Sun. 10/1:** “The Chosen: Watch & Study”—3:30 PM  
-Weekly Study Program—Details Below-

**Mon. 10/2:** KofC Meeting - 7:45 PM

**Thurs. 10/5:** Parish Council

**Sun. 10/8:** Youth Mass - K/1st & 6th/7th grades

**Mon. 10/9:** Dofl Meeting - 7 PM

**Sun. 10/29:** Parish Soup Supper

**Tues. 11/7-Thurs.11/9:** Parish Mission w/Fr. Reggie



DOOR PRIZES NEEDED:

We are looking for door prizes to be donated for the Annual Parish Soup Supper! If you, as an individual or a business owner, would like to donate a door prize, please contact Jill Vierthaler or any member of the Church & Community Affairs Committee.

PARISH COUNCIL THIS THURSDAY:

Parish Council will meet this Thursday, October 5th at 8 pm in the Oak Room. Committees are encouraged to meet at the Parish Center starting at 7 pm, or at their own convenience prior to the council meeting at 8.



PARISH ROSARY CHALLENGE:

When you receive the statue, pray the rosary daily for a week for your own intentions and those of the month - October: For parents and couples who have experienced miscarriage, stillbirth, infant loss, or infertility issues.

POPE FRANCIS'S OCTOBER PRAYER

INTENTION: THE SYNOD OF SYNODALITY

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

Elected delegates including religious leaders, and many lay people from all over the world will meet in Rome for the entire month of October and discuss many of the thoughts and concerns brought forward during the synod outreach. These conversations will begin a working document that will hopefully result in a final statement from the Vatican by 2025. We pray these conversations are guided by the Holy Spirit to connect the universal Catholic Church and those who have ever felt like they are peripheral members of our faith.

PARISHIONER RENEWAL:

“For as in one body we have many parts, and all the parts do not have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ and individually parts of one another.” -Romans 12:4-5

This succinctly tells us the importance of belonging to a community of believers. We appreciate our parishioners and the individual gifts each shares with our church. In order to better function as a parish family, we desperately need to update contact information, parishioner files, and ministry duties. ALL current parishioners, new parishioners, or unregistered patrons should find a comprehensive form on the church website. Anyone who has this form finished before the Soup Supper will be entered into a prize drawing! Technical help or paper copies will be available at the Soup Supper. Go to <https://stjohnspearville.com/home/parishioner-registration> to fill out yours!

| Birthdays October 2nd - 8th |                                                |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| October 3rd                 | Linda Fry                                      |
| October 4th                 | Hunter Indiek                                  |
| October 5th                 | Larry Hornung                                  |
| October 6th                 | Faith Ackerman, Cindy Schmidt, Greg Vierthaler |
| October 7th                 | Sandy Ackerman, Calder Ackerman                |
| October 8th                 | Jim Hogan                                      |