



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

JULY 6, 2025

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

100 S. Main St. - PO Box 187 - Spearville, KS 67876 - www.stjohnspearville.com

Pastor

Fr. John Forkuoh, 385-2212

Parish Secretary/DRE

Jenny Schmidt, 385-2202

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Parish Council-1st Thursdays @ 8PM

President: Stephanie Hornung

Parish Center Office Hours

Hours listed are approximate and change often.

Fr. John - frjohn47@yahoo.com:

T/W/F : 10 am-12 pm

(by appointment for sacramental needs)

Jenny - jschmidt@stjohnspearville.com:

M-F: 12 pm-3:30 pm (during the school year)

MASS SCHEDULE: JULY 7TH - 13TH

DAY	TIME	LOCATION	MASS INTENTION
Mon. 7/7	No Mass on Mondays - Fr. John's Day Off		
Tues. 7/8	8:30 AM	Parkview	Chaten Tasset
"	9:30 AM	Southwind	Susan Hernandez
Wed. 7/9	8:30 AM	Parkview	Daughters of Isabella
Thurs. 7/10	8:30 AM	Parkview	Fr. Ben Konda
Fri. 7/11	8:30 AM	Parkview	Kevin Hines
Sat. 7/12	6:30 PM	Church	All Parishioners
Sun. 7/13	8:00 AM	Church	George Heskamp

Confessions: Saturdays at 5:45 PM or by appointment.

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Join the Email Prayer Chain

To join the list or to send a prayer request, email Ginny Werner (ginny_werner@yahoo.com) or Lynnette Hessman (nettemae1984@yahoo.com).



1. Visit formed.org/signup
2. Enter our zip code and select our parish.
3. Enter your name & email.

MASS MINISTERS - JULY 12TH & 13TH

Collection: Kaden Stein & Ross Ackerman

MASS	SATURDAY - 6:30 PM	SUNDAY - 8:00 AM
Sacristans	Tonya Hubbell	Jenny Schmidt
Servers	Bellanie Friess Jaelin Friess Hudson Schmidt	Avery Hubbell Jace Langlois
Lectors	Tonya Hubbell	Rich Gleason
Eucharistic Ministers	Ross Ackerman Becky Downey Larry Schmidt	Drew Hubbell Jeff Hubbell Laura Stein
Music	Recorded	Recorded
Cantor	Jenny Schmidt	Jenny Schmidt
Ushers	T.J. Ackerman Kevin Rabe	Blake Connelly Jeff Hubbell
Gifts	T.J. Ackerman Family	Jeff Hubbell Family



K&C Meetings

1st Mondays
7:45 PM Rosary
Meeting Follows



D&I Meetings

2nd Mondays
7:00 PM
Oak Room

BIRTHDAYS: 7/7-7/13

7.10	Xavier Calvin
7.11	Jo Peintner, Sarah Stegman
7.12	Amanda Bittel
7.13	Mike Hubbell, Mia Benjamin



Parish Announcements, News, and Events

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION:

"The harvest is rich," Jesus tells the seventy-two in today's Gospel, "but the workers are few." The situation is the same today. How can I help with God's harvest? Am I called into the field? Am I one who could provide food or shelter or wages to those who toil in the fields of the Lord?

TITHING REPORT for JUNE 28th/29th:

Box: \$ 2,115.75

Online: \$ 315.00

UPCOMING:

JULY 11TH/12TH: C.O.W. FEST - See how to support our parish groups on the next page!

JULY 20TH-25TH: TOTUS TUUS

Find more info in the next column.

JULY 23RD: Father's 25th Anniversary

This date marks Fr. John's actual ordination anniversary of 25 years a priest! We can't wait to celebrate in September.

AUG. 1ST-3RD: Midwest Catholic Family Conf.

For more information about this fantastic conference in Wichita, please grab a brochure with registration information, located above the bulletins in the church entry!

AUG. 9TH/10TH: Eucharistic Conference

The Salina Diocese will hold a Eucharistic Conference again this year in Hays at FHSU. For more information and registration, go to <https://salinadiocese.org/office/eucharistic-conference-2025/>

VOCATION REFLECTION:

Much like our stewardship reflection this weekend, people discerning their vocations can ask the same question: "How might I help in the harvest of the Lord? What labor am I called to produce?"

We are all called to pray for vocations and depend on God's providence. Please pray for the young men and women of our parish and diocese and for their future vocations.

*If you're discerning the priesthood,
contact our Diocesan Director of Vocations:*

**Fr. John Stang @ 620-227-1500 or
vocationpromotion@dcdiocese.org**

TOTUS TUUS



TOTUS TUUS "Totally Yours"

JULY 20TH-25TH

1ST-12TH GRADES

7th-12thth Grades:

Sunday-Thursday, 6:30-8:45pm

Supper provided by parent volunteers Sun.-Tues.
Parish Potluck on Wed. Pizza Party provided on Thurs.

1st-6thth Grades:

Monday-Friday, 9am-3pm

Students need to pack a lunch Mon.-Thurs. and
bring a labeled water bottle every day.

*Use grade levels for next school year.

PARENTS: Please visit the church website - www.stjohnspearville.com or the Facebook page "Spearville St. John Youth" to find registration forms and the volunteer sign-up sheet. The week of Totus Tuus takes a lot of help from everyone.

ELEMENTARY: Please plan on bringing a snack item or two for every elementary student you sign up. These needs are listed on the sign-up sheet. Or, sign up to provide a lunch for the ministry team and helpers on Mon.- Thurs.

MS/HS: We need volunteers to bring supper for the kids and ministry team on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday evenings. Team up with others to make this easier and so no one is providing the full meal alone.

We also need adult helpers during the daytime hours Monday-Friday. MS/HS students are encouraged and welcome to come help during the day as well. All those opportunities are also on the sign-up sheet!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT (7/23) POTLUCK: **ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED**

As a part of the Totus Tuus Week, we invite all parishioners and families to enjoy a potluck supper on Wednesday, July 23rd at 6:00 PM.

This is also a great time for us to recognize Fr. John for his actual ordination anniversary!

Bring your favorite main dish, side, or dessert and enjoy some fellowship.

*This will be the meal provided for the MS/HS students attending the evening sessions.

THANK YOU FOR MOWING:

We are mid-summer and so appreciative for the continued help in mowing the cemetery. To those who continually show up and help out, thank you! Guild leaders, thank you for notifying members when it's time to help.

PROJECTED CEMETERY MOWING DATES:

JULY 16TH: SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER GUILDS

JULY 30TH: JANUARY-APRIL GUILDS

AUGUST 13TH: MAY-AUGUST GUILDS

AUGUST 27TH: SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER GUILDS

SEPTEMBER 10TH: JANUARY-APRIL GUILDS

SEPTEMBER 24TH: MAY-AUGUST GUILDS

OCTOBER 8TH: SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER GUILDS

OCTOBER 22ND (if needed): JANUARY-APRIL GUILDS

DON'T FORGET TO RSVP:

There's still plenty of time, but don't forget to RSVP for Father John's Ordination Anniversary Celebration! You can find the RSVP form on the homepage of the website, or email Jenny - jschmidt@stjohnspearville.com with your response. The submission of the form has been tricky for some!



Please join us for a
25th Anniversary of Ordination
celebration for

Rev. John Forkuch

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated
on Saturday, the 20th of September, 2025
at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

St. John the Baptist Church
100 S. Main Street
Spearville, KS 67876

A dinner and reception will follow at
St. John the Baptist Parish Center
204 N. Main Street
Spearville, KS 67876

Kindly RSVP at
www.stjohnspearville.com
by September 1st.

C.O.W. FEST - JULY 11TH & 12TH

Check out the ways our parish groups are involved and how you can support them!

**Knights of
Columbus**

BEER GARDEN



SERVING IN THE PARK
FRIDAY @ 5:00 PM
SATURDAY @ 11:00 AM

Daughters of Isabella

Snow Cones for Sale



**SERVING
IN THE PARK
ON SATURDAY
11 AM - 3 PM**

Youth Cornhole Tournament benefits our NCYC students!

C.O.W. Fest

YOUTH CORNHOLE

Tournament

Proceeds Benefit: St. John's NCYC
Age Groups: 12-14, 9-11, 8 and under
15 minute game-time or first to 21

2 Player Teams | 2 Game Guarantee

\$20 PER TEAM
PRIZES AWARDED
TO TOP 3 TEAMS
PER AGE GROUP

**JULY 12TH
STARTS AT
11:15 AM**
GREENSTREET PARK

SPONSORED BY: MR. C'S FISH ON FISHING GUIDE SERVICE,
ATLAC MORGAN KONRAD AND FIRST DENTAL.
Questions? Contact KC Preisner at 620.804.9043. Pay
your entry fee day of or Venmo @Kenneth-Preisner.
Must be registered by 11am on the 12th.
Register via the google form link.

**Knights of
Columbus**

**Spearville's
St. Leonard Council #1539**

Find more
information about
registering a team
on "Spearville
Knights of
Columbus #1539"
Facebook Page.

Cornhole Tournament



Greenstreet Park
Saturday, July 12th @ 2:00 PM
\$30 per team

Sunday Connection

A Gospel Reflection by Loyola Press

Sunday, July 7, 2025

The 14th Sunday in
Ordinary Time (C)

Gospel Reading

Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

Jesus sends out 72
people to announce the
coming kingdom.

THE HARVEST IS PLENTIFUL,
but the laborers are few.



Today's Gospel begins immediately after the final verse in last Sunday's Gospel. After strong language about the difficulties of discipleship, Jesus immediately appoints 72 people to go ahead of him to every town and place he plans to visit, proclaiming that the Kingdom of God is at hand. He sends them in pairs. In the Law of Moses two witnesses were needed for a testimony to be credible. It was probably also a safer way to travel.

Jesus admits it will be difficult, that he is sending them out like lambs among wolves. Yet they are to bring nothing with them, not even a money bag or sandals. They are to greet no one on the way so as not to be distracted from their mission. When they enter a house, their message is simply "peace." The response they will receive may be positive or negative. Either way, they are to know that the Kingdom of God is at hand. They are not to demand special treatment but eat and drink whatever is given them. They are to stay in one house and are not to look around for one that provides better accommodations. They are to heal the sick as a sign that the Kingdom of God is at hand for them. Like Jesus' miracles, healing is a sign of the coming of the kingdom. If the town will not receive them, they are to shake the dust from their feet and move on. Even in the case of such rejection they should know that the Kingdom of God is at hand.

When they return from their journeys, they are rejoicing because their mission has been successful. Demons were under their power because of Jesus' name. Jesus may have sent them out as lambs among wolves, but at the conclusion of this passage he assures them that they have been given power over the enemy and nothing will harm them, not even serpents and scorpions.

A key theme of today's Gospel and last Sunday's Gospel is discipleship—its challenges, its difficulties, and its rewards. Sharing in the mission of Jesus is difficult, but everyone is called to do it, not just some professionals trained for ministry. Even for us today, the harvest is plentiful. We should pray to the master of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest.