

Sunday Connection

A Gospel Reflection by Loyola Press

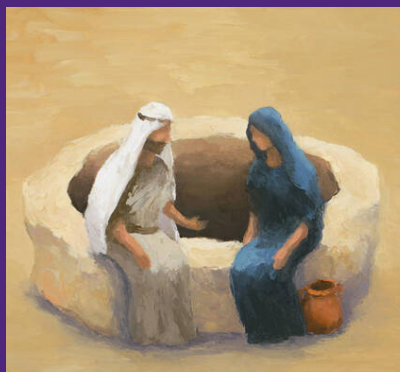
Sunday, March 8, 2026

Third Sunday of Lent (A)

Gospel Reading

John 4:5-42

Jesus reveals himself to the Samaritan woman at the well.



Family Connection

Lent is a season for repentance. It is a season during which we are called to reflect upon and to live deeply the promises of Baptism. The well and the conversation about water immediately recall for us the Sacrament of Baptism. As the Samaritan woman was converted and sent on a mission because of the conversation about water, we too are converted and sent by our Baptism to preach the good news of Jesus to others.

Take this opportunity to reflect upon the importance of Baptism with your family. If you have photos or other mementos of your family's Baptisms, bring them out and take some time to recall the day of Baptism and its importance to you and your family. Create a prayer table that includes these mementos and a bowl of holy water. After you have spent some time talking about Baptism, invite everyone to listen carefully and prayerfully to today's Gospel. Read John 4:5-42 together. Ask how Jesus' meeting with the woman at the well is like Baptism. (Jesus knows the woman's sin and forgives her. The woman comes to know Jesus as the Messiah. The woman invites others to meet Jesus.) Pray a prayer of blessing for each member of the family that God will help each one live the promises of his or her Baptism. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

For more background information on the Gospel for the weekend, visit www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

MARCH 8, 2026

Third Sunday of Lent (A)

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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Tena Gleason, 385-0615

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: MARCH 9TH - 15TH

DAY	TIME	LOCATION	MASS INTENTION
M - 3.9	No Mass on Mondays - Father's Day Off		
T - 3.10	8:30am	Parkview	Chaten Tasset
"	9:30am	Southwind	Ron Hornung
W - 3.11	8:30am	Parkview	Mark Downey
Th - 3.12	8:30am	Parkview	Steve Ackerman
F - 3.13	8:30am	Parkview	Frankie Hogan-Welsh
Sat - 3.14	6:30pm	Church	Kevin Hines
Sun - 3.15	8:00am	Church	All Parishioners of St. John

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

MASS MINISTERS - MARCH 14TH & 15TH

Collection: Lynnette Hessman & Phil Gleason

MASS	SATURDAY - 6:30 PM	SUNDAY - 8:00 AM
Sacristan	Teresa Konrade	Karla Gleason
Servers	Jaxson Dodd Blake Hornung	Austin Ruiz Aubree Ruiz Kelton Konrade
Lector	Jamie Dodd	Rich Gleason
EMHC	Katie Gleason Lynnette Hessman Tonya Hubbell	Phil Gleason Laura Stein LaWana VanNahmen
Music	Ross Ackerman	No Music - Lenten Quiet Mass
Ushers	Rod Durler Kevin Rabe	Kevin Mages Vern Stein
Gifts	Larry & Linda Friess	Vern & Lorie Stein

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

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).



St. Leonard's Council #1539

K of C Meetings

1st Mondays
7:45 PM Rosary
Meeting Follows



The Daughters of Isabella
St. Vincent de Paul #211

D of I Meetings

2nd Mondays
7:00 PM
Oak Room

BIRTHDAYS: 3/9-3/15

3.10	Peggy Schulte LynAnn Bowman
3.11	Cindy Thomas
3.14	Lorne Benish Kim Durler Mark Sanko
3.15	Jackie Naasz



Parish Announcements, News, and Events

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION: When Jesus asked the Samaritan woman for a drink of water, He opened the door for a lifechanging relationship with Him. Scripture says her testimony drew many others to Him as well. We, too, must be ready to respond whenever and wherever the Lord speaks to us and be prepared for it to change our lives!

TITHING REPORT for

FEB. 28th/MAR. 1st:

Box: \$ 4,018.50

Online: \$ 535.00



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

EVERY morning of Lent.

6:00 - 7:00 AM

Wednesday Weekly Adoration

9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

ROSARY CHALLENGE:

As always, when you receive the statue, pray for increased vocations in our diocese, your own personal intentions, and the special intentions listed for the month below.

March Intention: We pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

March 8th-15th:

Jim & Joan Hogan



STATIONS OF THE CROSS LEADER SCHEDULE

Fridays at 7 PM.

3/13 - D of I

3/20 - Faith Formation

3/27 - K of C

*4/3 - Fr. John

*5:00 PM before

Good Friday Service*



THE CHOSEN - SEASON FIVE:

Join Faith Formation to watch and discuss the latest season of *The Chosen*, **Sundays @ 3:30 pm** at the Parish Center.

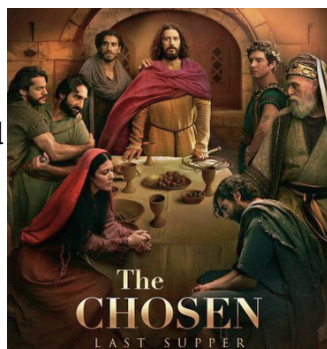
Snacks, childcare, & guided discussion are provided for each episode.

Episode 6

THIS

Sunday:

March 8th



Episode 7: March 22nd

Episode 8: March 29th

OPEN INVITATION FOR CHRISM MASS REPRESENTATIVES:

Attend a beautiful Mass of blessing for the sacred oils for our Diocese and enjoy a wonderful luncheon afterwards at the Cathedral in Dodge City.

Thursday, March 26th at 11 AM

Sign up on the entryway table or reach out to Jenny in the Parish Office if you'd like to attend.



**Luncheon spots are limited to 8; however, anyone can attend the Mass. Names will be turned in on March 11th.*

VOCATION REFLECTION:

Jesus gives Living Water to those who come to Him in their need. Bring your weakness to Him, that His strength may help with your continued conversion of life. (John 4:14)

If you're discerning the priesthood, contact our Diocesan Director of Vocations: **Fr. John Stang @ 620-227-1500 or vocationpromotion@dcdiocese.org**

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA TO HOST SENIOR BINGO:

All senior citizens are welcome to play Bingo at Parkview on Sunday, March 15th at 1:00 pm.

*DofI members are asked to bring items for prizes.



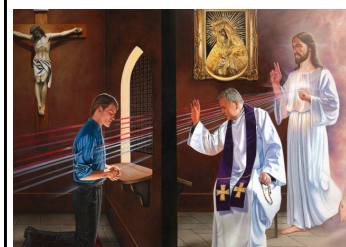
PENANCE SERVICE:

There will be a communal penance service for Lent. All the faithful are encouraged to go to confession before Easter!

Sunday, March 15th

4:00 PM - Spearville

7:00 PM - Wright



UPCOMING FISH FRY DATES:

Wright KofC Fish Fry:

March 13th: 5:30-7:30 pm

St. Andrew Parish Center



St. Anthony-Hanston Parish Fish Fry:

Friday, March 13th: 5:30-7:00 PM

St. Anthony Parish Center - Hanston



SPEARVILLE FISH FRY

KofC Council #1539:



FRIDAY, MARCH 20TH @ 5:00 PM

St. John the Baptist Parish Center

Free-Will Donation

(Proceeds to benefit Pro-Life Causes)

THIS IS THE HOUR: *Living the Catholic Faith with Courage, Clarity, and Conviction*

Mark your calendars for a one-night parish mission (in Spearville!) with renowned Catholic speakers, Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers and Dr. Marcus Peter.

Tuesday - April 21, 2026

6:30-8:30 PM in the Parish Center

Seen on EWTN and heard on Ave Maria Radio, Dcn. Harold and Dr. Peter will present on living out the Gospel and evangelizing as disciples of Christ.

