

Sunday Connection

A Gospel Reflection by Loyola Press

Sunday, May 24, 2026

Pentecost (A)

Gospel Reading

John 20:19-23

Jesus appears to his disciples and gives them the gift of the Holy Spirit.



FAMILY CONNECTION

Pentecost is sometimes called the birthday of the Church. The Gospel for Pentecost reminds us that the Church begins with the command to forgive. Within the family, the domestic Church, we learn how to forgive and how to accept forgiveness. The gift of the Holy Spirit enables us to do both. Today is a fitting time to share a family celebration of reconciliation.

As you gather together as a family, sit quietly for a few minutes, inviting everyone to reflect upon their need to forgive and to receive forgiveness. If there is a situation or an issue within the family that needs attention, spend some time reflecting on how your family might address it. Read together today's Gospel, John 20:19-23. Talk together about how Jesus gave us the gift of the Holy Spirit to help us in the work of forgiveness and to bring us peace. Pray together today's Psalm or the Prayer to the Holy Spirit, asking that the Holy Spirit help your family. Share with one another a Sign of Peace.

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

MAY 24, 2026

Pentecost (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

Bookkeeper

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: MAY 25TH - 31ST

DAY	TIME	LOCATION	MASS INTENTION
M - 5.25	No Mass on Mondays - Father's Day Off		
T - 5.26	8:30am	Parkview	Dean & Joyce Weis
"	9:30am	Southwind	Lyle & Serena Tenbrink
W - 5.27	8:30am	Parkview	Fr. Ben Konda
Th - 5.28	8:30am	Parkview	Chaten Tasset
F - 5.29	8:30am	Parkview	Jim Sanko
Sat - 5.30	6:30pm	Church	Mike Torline
Sun - 5.31	8:00am	Church	All Parishioners of St. John

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

MASS MINISTERS - MAY 30TH & 31ST

Collection: Nathan Stein & Lori Burke

MASS	SATURDAY - 6:30 PM	SUNDAY - 8:00 AM
Sacristan	Karla Gleason	Bonnie Laudick
Servers	Jaxon Ackerman Hailey Burke Scott Burke, Jr.	Cammack Dvorak Jarran Dvorak
Lector	Rich Gleason	Lorie Stein
EMHC	Lori Burke Becky Downey Tonya Hubbell	Levi Benjamin Mary Benjamin Laura Stein
Music	Dawn Burke	Dawn Burke
Ushers	TJ Ackerman Scott Burke	Nathan Stein Vern Stein
Gifts	TJ Ackerman Family	Eric Dvorak Family

New Parish Council terms begin on June 4th. Please consider serving on a commission.

Get Connected



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: 5/25 - 5/31

5.25	Erv Burkhart
5.28	Aubrey Huston
5.30	Jolene Tasset



Parish Announcements, News, and Events

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION: In the second reading today, St. Paul reminds the Corinthians, "There are different gifts, but the same Spirit; there are different ministries but the same Lord." How am I using my gifts "for the common good"?

TITHING REPORT for MAY 16th/17th:

Box: \$ 1,982.00

Online: \$ 460.00

YOUTH SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES:

TOTUS TUUS: JUNE 7TH-12TH

1st-12th grades in Spearville

PRAYER & ACTION

High School Service-Based Camp

Location: Garden City

Week 1: June 7th - 12th

Week 2: June 14th - 19th



CAMP CRISTO REY

Middle-School Church Camp

One-Day-Camp: June 28th in Spearville!

Overnight Camp: June 29th-July 2nd

Location: Camp Aldrich (Claflin)

FATHER/SON FISHING EVENT

Friday, June 26th: 6:00-8:30pm

Exact location near Dodge shared upon registration.

MOTHER/DAUGHTER CRAFT & TEA

Saturday, June 27th: 10 am - Spearville

Go to dcdiocese.org/youth or visit Jenny in the Parish Office to learn more and inquire about summer camp scholarships from our parish!

CEMETERY MOWING:

The next mowing of the cemetery will be up to the May/June & July/August guilds on **Wednesday, June 3rd**. Guild leaders, please start contacting your people to help. Families, please have items cleared off of gravesites by Monday, June 1st. Thank you!

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.

May Intention: Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.



May 17-24: Kirk & Morgan Konrade Family

There is no registration fee for **Totus Tuus**; however, we ask that parents help in the form of snack donations, providing meals, or filling an adult supervision role during the day.

Please find a link to the sign-up sheet to help on the "Spearville St. John Youth" Facebook page, or the church website. Thank you!

VOCATION REFLECTION:

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you." The coming of the Spirit gives us the power and vitality to be a witness to Christ, no matter the cost. (John 20:21)

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

MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND THE PRIESTLY ORDINATIONS!

Saturday, May 30th
10 o'clock AM

Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Please continue praying for Deacons Esteban Hernandez, Eric Frieb, and Carson Haupt as they prepare to be ordained to the priesthood. This is a **MOMENTOUS** occasion for our diocese to be ordaining 3 priests on the same day. We hope many parishioners plan to attend in support of and to witness this incredible blessing.



Left to Right: Deacons Esteban Hernandez, Eric Frieb, and Carson Haupt

CELEBRATE the ORDINANDI:

We are asked to offer our prayers for Deacons Eric Frieb, Carson Haupt, and Esteban Hernandez on their ordinations, and send those prayers in the form of a spiritual bouquet.

Offer a rosary or chaplet, a Mass, a holy hour, etc. and **scan the QR code** below to fill out a form with your offering. From the form, a card will be sent to the seminarians letting them know of your prayers!

Physical cards can be mailed to:

Catholic Diocese of Dodge City
attn: (seminarian name)
PO Box 137
Dodge City, KS 67801



PARISH CENTER CLEANING

There is a job opening for the cleaning of the parish center.

Preference will be given to parishioners, but consideration will be given to any interested individuals in the community.

This job is a great fit for someone with a flexible schedule & the ability to get in & out between rentals & church functions!



Please inquire by calling the parish office at (620)385-2202 or emailing Jenny at jschmidt@stjohnspearville.com

TOTUS TUUS

PARISH SUMMER CATECHETICAL PROGRAM

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
JUNE 7TH-12TH

Join us for a fun and faith-filled week! Learn about the 10 Commandments and the Luminous Mysteries of the rosary while growing in your relationship with the Lord. See you there!

DAY PROGRAM

- Monday-Friday
- 9am-3pm
- Grades 1st-6th

NIGHT PROGRAM

- Sunday-Thursday
- 6:30-8:45pm
- Grades 7th-12th