

Sunday Connection

A Gospel Reflection by Loyola Press

Sunday, May 31, 2026

The Most Holy Trinity (A)

Gospel Reading

John 3:16-18

God sent his Son into the world to save it.



FAMILY CONNECTION

In the context of today's focus on the mystery of the Holy Trinity, the reading calls our attention to the action of God, who reveals himself in three persons: God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit. God the Father, out of love for the world, sent his Son into the world in order to save it. Through the death and resurrection of the Son, we have been given the gift of the Holy Spirit. As three persons, God acts always as a God of love; he does not condemn the world but acts to save it.

The Gospel also calls attention to the response that is required of us. God's love for us calls us to respond in faith by professing our belief in God's son, Jesus, and the salvation that he has won for us. This profession of faith is a sign of the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Because of God's great love for us, he sent his Son, Jesus, to save the world. Jesus, in turn, sent the Holy Spirit so that our faith in God and his love would be strengthened. The nurturing experiences of family life also help us to understand and have faith in God's love.

Talk with your family, discussing all the ways you may experience God's great love. Explain how you have seen God at work in your family life and history. Then read together today's Gospel, John 3:16-18. Pray together, thanking God for his gift of love. Conclude by praying the *Glory Be to the Father* or today's Psalm.

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 31, 2026

The Most Holy Trinity (A)

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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: JUNE 1ST - 7TH

DAY	TIME	LOCATION	MASS INTENTION
M-6.1	No Mass on Mondays - Father's Day Off		
T-6.2	8:30am	Parkview	Mary Ann Schmidt
"	9:30am	Southwind	Berna Mae Stegman
W-6.3	8:30am	Parkview	Pat Torline
Th-6.4	8:30am	Parkview	Ron Hornung
F-6.5	8:30am	Parkview	Leland Stein
Sat-6.6	6:30pm	Church	Claude Rogers
Sun-6.7	8:00am	Church	All Parishioners of St. John

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

MASS MINISTERS - JUNE 6TH & 7TH

Collection: Kaden Stein & Kevin Mages

MASS	SATURDAY - 6:30 PM	SUNDAY - 8:00 AM
Sacristan	Dana Howerton	LynAnn Bowman
Servers	Jaxson Dodd Reece Schulte	Clare Bowman Elizabeth Bowman
Lector	Jamie Dodd	Craig Bowman
EMHC	Ross Ackerman Jolene Tasset Larry Tasset	LynAnn Bowman Drew Hubbell Jeff Hubbell
Music	Howertons	Howertons
Ushers	Rod Durler Kevin Rabe	Jeff Hubbell Kevin Mages
Gifts	Justin Schulte Fam.	Jeff Hubbell Family

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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).



K&C Meetings
1st Mondays
7:45 PM Rosary
Meeting Follows

D of I Meetings
2nd Mondays
7:00 PM
Oak Room

The Daughters of Isabella
St. Vincent de Paul #211

BIRTHDAYS: 6/1 - 6/7

6.1	Chuck Konrade Erika Fry Kaley Konrade
6.2	Julie Hines Patty Sanko Emalye Stegman
6.3	Jerome Indiek Lindsey Konrade
6.5	Kenny Nau Charlie Schulte
6.6	Jeff Heskamp Ron Temaot
6.7	Bryson Strother



Parish Announcements, News, and Events

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION: *The Gospel today is sometimes called "the Gospel in miniature" because it so concisely sums up the Gospel message. In an even more condensed form, "God loved . . . God gave . . .," is the paradigm for stewardship – we give because we love.*

TITHING REPORT for MAY 23RD/24TH:

Box: \$ 2,460.00
Online: \$ 5,020.00

ROSARY CHALLENGE:

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

June Intention: *Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, & dialogue among cultures & nations, & that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, & personal growth.*



5/31-6/7: Kenna Ackerman

YOUTH SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES:

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!

If any youth are attending Catholic summer camps, visit the church website to find the scholarship application for registered parishioners. You could get your registration fees completely reimbursed!

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



*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. **Elementary kids** will need to bring a sack lunch Monday-Thursday. **Middle/High School** parents, please consider providing a meal one of the evenings. Thank you!*

VOCATION REFLECTION:

*"God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son." (John 3:16)
God's love is powerful and all-consuming; responding to this Love leads to a life-changing encounter!*

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

JUNE PARISH COUNCIL:

Thank you to all who have prayerfully considered joining a Parish Council Committee. If you have not been contacted, but would like to get involved, please contact one of the committee chairpersons listed below, or email Jenny at jschmidt@stjohnspearville.com.

Church & Community

Affairs.....Stephanie Hornung

Faith Formation.....Nancy Ackerman

Finance.....Kaden Stein

Liturgy.....Tonya Hubbell

Property.....Frank Mages

Youth.....Jess Halling

All old and new members will meet on June 4th for the start of the new terms. New Chairs and Co-Chairs should be determined for each committee and elections for new officers will be held at the 8 PM meeting in the Oak Room.

NEW PARISH DIRECTORY:

We will be updating our Parish pictorial directory this year. The last one was done in 2017! Mark your calendars for Friday & Saturday, August 28th & 29th for possible photography sessions. Letters with more details will be in the mail soon. We'll cap off the effort with a special feast day celebration on August 29th for the Passion of St. John the Baptist! Details to come!

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!



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

MASS MINISTERS NEEDED:

We always welcome new Mass ministers. If you're willing to be a Eucharistic Minister or a Lector especially, please contact Jenny in the Parish Office.