

St. John Parish

VOCATIONAL VIEWS: Through the power of the Spirit, Jesus proclaimed his mission. How are you carrying on that mission today? Ponder the possibility of being a priest, brother or sister. (Luke 1:1, 4:4-21). If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdiocese.org/vocations.

JANUARY 16 & 17, 2016

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<http://www.stjohnspearville.com>

Coordinator of Ministries
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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — January 18 - 24				
Day	Time	Celebration	Intention	
Mon.	No Mass			
Tues.	8:30 a.m. PV			
Wed.	8:30 a.m. PV		Vince Stegman Living & Deceased Members of Carl & Lyla Strecker Family	
Thurs.	8:30 a.m. PV		Sr. Evarista Durler	
Fri.	8:30 a.m. PV		Donna Laudick	
Sat.	4:30 p.m.	Confessions		
	5:30 p.m.		Parishioners	
Sun.	9:30 a.m.		Sydney Tann	



A WARM WELCOME to new parishioners! Please introduce yourself to the pastor after Mass. There are family information cards located in the back of church. Feel free to fill out and drop in the collection basket to register.
RENT THE PARISH CENTER: Call Rosann Tasset, 385-2487.
ST. JOHN'S PRAYER CHAIN: If you have someone you would like to have on our prayer chain, please call Lynnette Hessman, at 620-408-8582 or email her at nettemae1984@yahoo.com. You may also request to be added to the calling tree or email list.
MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Engaged couples, please contact the pastor at least four months in advance to allow sufficient time for necessary marriage preparation. A wedding is tentative until this is completed.
INFANT BAPTISMS: Parents should be registered in the parish. For baptismal preparation, please contact the pastor at 385-2212.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING: Claire Albert, 620-561-1339.
HOMEBOUND: Call the pastor if you would like to receive Holy Communion on Thursday mornings.
DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA: If ou would like to know more about the D of I, or are interested in joining, please contact Jeanette Gunkel at jeanettgunkel63@gmail.com or 385-2799; or Berna Mae Stegman at 385-2810.
FACEBOOK YOUTH PAGE: Youth Commission would like to invite parishioners with a Facebook account to “like” the “Spearville St. John Youth” page. We are using this as a means of promoting activities and scheduling events in our parish and the Dodge City Diocese.
MEALS FOR NEW MOMS: If you have recently had a baby, or know a parishioner who has, and would like to receive meals celebrating this new addition, please contact Lyza Frasco at 316-371-5678 or elizabethfrasco@aol.com.



MINISTERS FOR — JANUARY 23 & 24

Servers: (Sat.) Wyatt Hessman & Kolton Bennet (Sun.) Nathan & Catherine Bowman	Keyboard: (Sat.) Bryce Ackerman (Sun.) Julie Knoeber
Greeters: (Sat.) Elmer & Bobbi Schuette (Sun.) Deb Rodda Family	Songleaders: (Sat.) Melanie Bryan (Sun.) Lorne Benish
Lectors: (Sat.) Tonya Hubbell (Sun.) Tony Frasco	Ushers: (Sat.) Bernie Stegman, Kelly Stein (Sun.) Glenn Helfrich, Jeff Heskamp
Eucharistic: (Sat.) Jenette Schuette, John & Berna Mae Stegman, Mark Strecker, Larry & Jolene Tasset (Sun.) Kurt Kirmer, Trisha Sohm, Louise Lampe, Frank Mages, Larry Schmidt, Riley Schmidt	Gifts: (Sat.) Steve & Cindy Hubbell (Sun.) Lester & Peggy Schulte
	Rosary: (Sat.) Tony & Joan Indiek (Sun.) George & MaryIda Heskamp
	Collection: Mike Hubbell
	Collect. Asst.: Frank Mages
	Sacristan: Dwaine Lampe

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: January 9 & 10: Collection Total — \$4,248.51.

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FROM MUSIC MINISTRY: There are two books missing from our Glory and Praise set. Please check your music at home to see if you may have taken it by mistake. It has been missing for several weeks. We are also missing our second copy of the Praise and Acclaim book for the year which has also been missing for several weeks as well. Thank you.

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FAMILY FORMATION: will be on Sunday, Jan. 17, at 5:30 p.m., with a covered dish. We will watch the movie, “40”. Twenty-four hour adoration to begin at 8 p.m. Come join us!

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K OF C FREE THROW CONTEST: will be Sunday, Jan. 17, at 2 p.m., in the old High School Gym. Boys and Girls age 9 - 14 are eligible to participate.

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INTERESTED IN ATTENDING NCYC?: High school students in 9th - 12th grade, (if you are currently a 7th grader, you will be able to go and if you are currently a sophomore, you will be able to go) who would like to attend the National Catholic Youth Conference in November 2017, need to start planning, so your fees can be paid before going. This is a wonderful spiritual journey you will be glad you embarked on. To sign up or if you and your parents have questions, please contact Amanda Bittel at 620-385-0021 or text or email at a_bittel@yahoo.com. The first meeting will be soon!

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TOTUS TUUS: Camp registration open for Totus Tuus. Search Catholic Diocese of Wichita website under Totus Tuus. Camps are for students entering 5-12 grades. Questions? Call Chrissy Kissling 316-258-6795.

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THE MASS EXPLAINED: High School Religion students will be attending a Mass and dinner **today (Jan. 17)**, at Kinsley. This is a special session for the students at Kinsley, St. John and Spearville. The Mass will be explained as we celebrate it. All High School Religion students are to attend and class on Wednesday, Jan. 20, for these students will be canceled. Parents are welcome to attend. This will fulfill the weekend Mass obligation. We will **leave from the Parish Center, at 3 p.m.**, and return about 6:45 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Gleason at 385-0092.

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SPEARVILLE TOTUS TUUS: (Vacation Bible School on Catholic steroids!) is returning to Spearville! **SAVE THE DATE** for the week of July 23-29. More information pending regarding theme and schedule of events for each age group. We will be looking for overnight host families and food host families. Contact for questions/comments: Mary Benjamin (385-0219 or mberjamin@dc3.edu).

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TOPEKA PILGRIMAGE: Register now for the Diocese of Dodge City pro-life pilgrimage to Topeka, on Friday, Jan. 22. Open to High School and College-age youth and sponsors. Bus will depart from Dodge City at 5:30 a.m. and stop in Great Bend, at St. Patrick Catholic Church. The day's activities will include a tour of the Capitol, Mass with Fr. Wesley Schawe, lunch, a march and a rally on the steps of the Capitol building. Leave Topeka around 4 p.m., to return back to the

Diocese, with return stops in Salina, Great Bend and Dodge City. Cost is \$35 for youth and youth leaders (includes lunch, transportation, rally); Donations are welcome to cover additional costs. Participants will need \$\$ for supper in Salina on the way home. Registrations with payment will be accepted until the bus is full, and should be directed to Gayla Kirmer, Diocese of Dodge City, P.O. Box 137, Dodge City KS 67801, 620-227-1525 or gkirmer@dcdiocese.org.

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RETREATS FOR THE YOUNG: JOY is schedule for Feb. 6 – 7 and TEC is set for March 19 – 21. Both retreats are held at St. Dominic parish, in Garden City. As always I need your assistance in speaking with the young people, inviting and encouraging them to attend. JOY is a short 25 hour experience, but even here there is an encounter with Christ that is only guided by the Spirit. TEC is for sophomores – seniors, young adults and yes, even adults, if you are called to this encounter. The depth of TEC goes much deeper than JOY as TEC provides an encounter with our risen Lord that is life changing. On-line registration forms can be found at www.dcdiocese.org/youth. — Steven

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HIGH SCHOOL ANDREW DINNER: High School age men are cordially invited to dinner with Bishop John B. Brungardt at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1216 M Road, Larned, on Jan. 24, from 6-8 p.m. Attending this dinner are Vocations Director and Parish Priests. Please if you would want to meet the bishop, the vocations director and other high school age guys from other parishes in our diocese, call me on 620-385-2212 to register. There will be Social, Evening Prayer and Dinner. Dress code: Dress shirt and slacks preferred. — Fr. John

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AWARENESS MONTH: for National and Human Trafficking is January. Women, men and children in the U.S. and around the world are subjected to forced labor, domestic servitude and the sex trade at the hands of human traffickers. U.S. Catholic Sisters are working together to end this crime. Learn more about it at sistersagainsttrafficking.org. Ending Slavery is everyone's work.

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SEMINAR FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY SUICIDE: Hospice of the Prairie and Prairie Home Health will offer “Grief & Mourning after Suicide” on Monday, January 25, 7-8:30 p.m. This is a seminar for anyone who has experienced the death of a loved one by suicide. Our speaker, Jerry Hodges, Grief Counselor, will increase your understanding of grief after suicide and offer ways to cope with this unique loss. “Grief & Mourning after suicide” is offered at no cost and will be held at Hospice of the Prairie, 200 Fourth Circle, Dodge City. Please call 227-72309 or 1-800-466-7209 for more information.

January 18 - 24 Birthdays

Jan. 18	Kurt Israel - Rita Naab
Jan. 19	
Jan. 20	
Jan. 21	
Jan. 22	Darlene Gleason - Scott Burke, Jr.
Jan. 23	
Jan. 24	Scott Ackerman