

St. John Parish

VOCATIONAL VIEWS: Love never fails. “Trust the love of God and follow your heart. (1 Corinthians 13:4-13). If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdiocese.org/vocations.

JANUARY 23 & 24, 2016

Father John Forkuoh, 385-2212
<http://www.stjohnspearville.com>

Coordinator of Ministries
Judy Gleason, 385-2881

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — January 25 - 31			
Day	Time	Celebration	Intention
Mon.	No Mass		
Tues.	8:30 a.m. PV		Norman Lee Giles
Wed.	8:30 a.m. PV		Sydney Tann
Thurs.	8:30 a.m. PV		Carol Hernandez
Fri.	8:30 a.m. PV		Bob & Jean Pauly
Sat.	4:30 p.m.	Confessions	
	5:30 p.m.		Leo & Alice Sanko
Sun.	9:30 a.m.		Parishioners

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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.

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MINISTERS FOR — JANUARY 30 & 31

Servers: (Sat.) Logan Hubbell, Kate Steimel
(Sun.) Levi & Clinton Stein
Greeters: (Sat.) Joyce Schulte
(Sun.) Lester & Peggy Schulte
Lectors: (Sat.) Audrey Ackerman
(Sun.) R. J. Meyer
Eucharistic: (Sat.) Jill Vierthaler, Larry B. & Kenna Ackerman, Shirley Moritz, Joyce Rogers, Steve Hubbell
(Sun.) Paula Schneweis, Norbert Strecker, LaWana VanNahmen, Toni Aistrup, Mary Benjamin, Tony Frasco

Keyboard: (Sat.) Kiley Myers
(Sun.) Gayla Kirmer
Songleaders: (Sat.) Jenny Schmidt
(Sun.) Julie Knoeber
Ushers: (Sat.) Melvin Strecker, Dennis Werner
(Sun.) Kevin Mages, LeRoy Mages
Gifts: (Sat.) John & Berna Mae Stegman
(Sun.) Kevin Stein Family
Rosary: (Sat.) Shirley Stein
(Sun.) Charlie Kissling
Collection: Bryce Ackerman
Collect. Asst.: Anne Schawe
Sacristan: Jenette Schuette

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: January 16 & 17:
Collection Total — \$7,891.00.

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LANCER TEENS: We have been asked to help with the Sausage Breakfast on Feb. 7, from 8 a.m. to cleanup. We will work in shifts, so don’t forget to sign up for a time slot. Let Karla or Dana know if you would be willing to help!

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ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST: will be Sunday, Feb. 7, from 8:30 - 11:30 a.m., at the Parish Center. All are welcome to attend!

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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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JOY RETREAT: was scheduled for February 6 – 7. However there were several activities in the week prior to JOY that involves the adult leaders for the weekend. Because of these activities we the adult leaders felt that we could not adequately prepare for the weekend and provide an encounter with Christ that would benefit the young men and women participating in JOY. Thus, I have made the decision to cancel the weekend.

I would invite and encourage you, if you had kids wanting to attend and they are sophomores, to encourage them to sign up for the TEC weekend, March 19 – 21. Truly TEC provides a much deeper spiritual experience for all the participants. So please, invite and encourage not only your sophomores, but your juniors and seniors as well to be part of the TEC weekend in March. And finally, using this JOY weekend as an example, there is always a need for adult help with any of our diocesan events. Primarily, JOY, TEC and our summer camps. So if you are feeling called to help in any way, do not hesitate to contact me. Thanks for all you continue to do. Peace and Guidance be yours. — Steven

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RALLY FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM: Feb. 17: Noon - 1 p.m., hosted by the Catholic Bishops of Kansas and others concerned about the future of religious freedom, inside the Kansas State Capitol Building, under the dome. A large turnout is needed to demonstrate to Kansas lawmakers that support for religious freedom in Kansas is strong. Let’s make this as successful as the rally in 2012, which garnered national attention and was broadcast live on EWTN. We will have outstanding speakers including Ryan Anderson of the Heritage Foundation.

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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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QUEST 2016: for Catholic Boy & Girl Scouts in the D C Diocese, will be held Feb. 12-14, DCCC Campus, Dodge City. Thru a mix of fun, fellowship & faith sharing scouts will work on the various religious emblems. For a retreat brochure and registration form contact Dave Geist, Catholic Comm. on Scouting at (620) 430-2123 or dave.geist@starrtech.net. This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it

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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 mbenjamin@dc3.edu).

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WRIGHT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: are having their annual Pitch Tournament, on Sunday, Jan. 31, at the Parish Center. Registration begins at 1:30 p.m. and play begins at 2 p.m.

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MARDI GRAS FUN: St. John parishioners and their guests are invited to attend a Mardi Gras fundraising dance to benefit Sacred Heart Cathedral School, Dodge City, on Saturday, Feb. 20. This adult only evening features live music from “Freddy Fox and the Hotrods” playing classic rock and roll at the K of C, Dodge City. This semi-formal event will have a cash bar and a photographer. Table reservations for parties of 8 are \$400; individual tickets are \$50. Please call Sacred Heart School for reservations or more information, 227-6532.

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NESS CITY MARDI GRAS: celebration will be held at the Ness City Sacred Heart Parish Sunday, Feb. 7. The event will begin with dinner: roast beef, chicken and noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, jello salad and homemade pies. \$10.00, Adults; \$5.00, 4 to 11; free, 3 and under. Serving will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Games will be held throughout the afternoon and will conclude with a drawing for prizes at 2:30 p.m. For information call Sacred Heart School at 785-798-3530 or Karen Depperschmidt at 785-798-0816. Drawing tickets are available from any Altar Society member.

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January 25 - 31 Birthdays

Jan. 25	Wendy Heiland - Jakob Benjamin
Jan. 26	Ehlaina Hartman
Jan. 27	Nicholas Donovan
Jan. 28	Virginia Ryan - Clyde Schmidt
Jan. 29	Denny Schawe
Jan. 30	Ryan Seachris - Rita Stein
Jan. 31	Spencer Eberle