

St. John Parish

VOCATIONAL VIEWS: Holiness is a gift of God. Open yourself to the gift. When God calls, be ready to respond: “Here I am, send me!” (Isaiah 6:1-2, 3-8). If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdiocese.org/vocations.

JANUARY 30 & 31, 2016

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — February 1 - 7			
Day	Time	Celebration	Intention
Mon.	No Mass		
Tues.	8:30 a.m. PV		Willard Brack
Wed.	8:30 a.m. PV		Bill Scheve
Thurs.	8:30 a.m. PV		Sr. Evarista Durler
Fri.	8:30 a.m. PV		Carol Hernandez
Sat.	4:30 p.m.	Confessions	
	5:30 p.m.		Parishioners
Sun.	9:30 a.m.		Donna Laudick



MINISTERS FOR — FEBRUARY 6 & 7

Servers: (Sat.) Katie Gleason, Tess Ackerman
(Sun.) Jakob & Evan Benjamin
Greeters: (Sat.) John & Berna Mae Stegman
(Sun.) Kevin Stein Family
Lectors: (Sat.) Connie Burkhart
(Sun.) Kelly Tasset
Eucharistic: (Sat.) Jenette Schuette, John & Berna Mae Stegman, Mark Strecker, Larry & Jolene Tasset
(Sun.) Kurt Kirmer, Trisha Sohm, Louise Lampe, Frank Mages, LynAnn Bowman, Lori Burke
Keyboard: (Sat.) Kiley Myers
(Sun.) Julie Knoeber
Songleaders: (Sat.) Rakel Halling
(Sun.) Janel Calvin
Ushers: (Sat.) Steve Ackerman, Erv Burkhart
(Sun.) Ron Stein, Val Stein
Gifts: (Sat.) Mel Stein Family
(Sun.) Norbert & Sonja Strecker
Rosary: (Sat.) Edith Mae Giessel
(Sun.) Glenn & Pat Torline
Collection: Greg Werner
Collect. Asst.: Greg Vierthaler
Sacristan: Kevin Stein

MINISTERS FOR — FEBRUARY 10, 7 p.m.

Ash Wednesday
Servers: Haley, Hannah & Jenna Gleason
Greeters: Carl & Jane Hubbell
Lector: Larry Friess
Eucharistic: Phil Gleason, Lynnette Hessman, Anne Schawe, L’Jean Dixon, John & Jeanette Gunkel
Keyboard: Gayla Kirmer
Songleader: Julie Knoeber
Ushers: Shawn Rich, Dennis Schawe
Gifts: Larry B. & Kenna Ackerman
Collection: Jackie Strecker
Collect. Asst.: Nadine Lampe
Sacristan: Charlie Kissling



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: January 23 & 24:
Collection Total — \$3,378.95.

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PARISH COUNCIL: Members are reminded of our meeting on Thursday, Feb. 4, at 8 p.m., in the oak room. The various commissions are also reminded to meet before or at 7 p.m. on the same day. Thanks!

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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!
— D. Rich

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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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K OF C: Feb. 1, Rosary at 7:40 p.m.; meeting at 8 p.m.
SUPER BOWL PARTY: Sunday, Feb. 7, 5 p.m., K of C Room. Open to all members and a guest. Bring your favorite snack and enjoy some football!

FISH FRY: Mark your calendars. Lent is just around the corner. The annual K of C Fish Fry will be on Friday, Feb. 26, 5 - 7:30 p.m., at the Parish Center.

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THE SEASON OF LENT: begins with **Ash Wednesday, Friday, Feb. 10**, and the Mass is scheduled at **7 p.m.** All of us are encouraged to attend Mass on this day to mark the beginning on the Lent season. The Church emphasizes the penitential nature of Ash Wednesday by calling us to fast and abstain from meat.

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST BUILDING PROJECTS: St. John the Baptist Parish is about to start a pair of repair and update projects. The first project is to replace the sound system in the Church. Our old system has been patched together for many years and needs to be updated. The second project is to service and update the 3 bells in our steeple and upgrade the obsolete controls. Operating them as is could cause severe damage or could possibly crack the bells. The total cost for both projects is about \$90,000. Donations for these necessary and expensive undertakings can be placed in an envelope marked “Building Projects” and dropped in the collection plate. They can also be mailed to St. John the Baptist Parish. Thank you for your continued support. For more information, please contact Greg Werner at 385-2272.

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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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CREATE A SPACE FOR GOD IN YOUR LIFE: The two-year Spiritual Formation Program at Heartland Center for

Spirituality will help you to discover a new attentiveness to the meaning of Grace, allowing you to live intentionally in spirit Centered ways. On the journey, you will be introduced to Christian Spirituality, explore contemporary issues and learn tools for your own inner exploration. You will also encounter Christian Tradition, explore different ways of Spiritual Development and learn tools to help you discern and implement Spirituality in your everyday life.

Our spiritual Director Training program is designed to nurture the Spiritual heart of those called to the ministry of “Holy Listening.” You will learn skills needed to companion with others on their Spiritual Journey, helping them to recognize their spiritual gifts and fulfill their desire for personal spiritual deepening.

For more information, visit www.heartlandspirituality.org/ spirit life. To register, email office@heartlandspiritulaity.org or call Ann Axman at 620-792-1232.

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WRIGHT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: annual Pitch Tournament, is Sunday, Jan. 31, at the Parish Center. Registration begins at 1:30 p.m.; 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 fund-raising 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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February 1 - 7 Birthdays

Feb. 1	Shirley Stein
Feb. 2	Debbis Schmidt - Alan Halling Cory Ackerman
Feb. 3	Janice Hornung - Ben Stegman Lucas Baker - Justin Schulte
Feb. 4	Ron Hornung - Kraig Lindsay Kenny Schulte - Cammack Dvorak
Feb. 5	Gil Ackerman - Peter Kissling Charles Peter Kissling
Feb. 6	Edna Schuette - L’Jean Dixon
Feb. 7	Theresa Barnett - LaWana VanNahmen