

St. John Parish

VOCATIONAL VIEWS: Moses heard God’s call from a burning bush. What is your passion, your burning bush? Take time to know what God is sending you to do and be (Exodus 3:1-8). If you think God is calling you to the Priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdiocese.org/vocations.

FEBRUARY 27 & 28, 2016

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

Coordinator of Ministries
Judy Gleason, 385-2881

Day	Time	Celebration	Intention
Mon.	No Mass		
Tues.	8:30 a.m. PV		Willard Brack
Wed.	8:30 a.m. PV		Norman Lee Giles
Thurs.	8:30 a.m. PV		Leo and Alice Sanko
Fri.	8:30 a.m. PV		Bill Scheve
Sat.	4:30 p.m.	Confessions	
	5:30 p.m.		Parishioners
Sun.	9:30 a.m.		Parishioners



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 you 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 — MARCH 5 & 6

Servers:	(Sat.) Logan Hubbell & Tess Ackerman (Sun.) Alissa & Luke Heskamp	Gifts:	(Sat.) Larry B. & Kenna Ackerman (Sun.) Levi & Mary Benjamin
Greeters:	(Sat.) Steve & Kerry Ackerman (Sun.) Rex & Toni Aistrup	Rosary:	(Sat.) Shirley Stein (Sun.) Charles Kissling
Lectors:	(Sat.) John Stegman (Sun.) Richard Broz	Collection:	Jackie Strecker
Eucharistic:	(Sat.) Jenette Schuette, Lynnette Hessman, Steve Hubbell, Shirley Moritz, Joyce Rogers, Anne Schawe (Sun.) Trisha Sohm, Louise Lampe, Frank Mages, Larry Schmidt, Riley Schmidt, L’Jean Dixon	Collect. Asst.:	Kevin Mages
Keyboard:	(Sat.) Dana Howerton (Sun.) Dana Howerton	Sacristan:	Jenette Schuette
Songleaders:	(Sat.) Rakel Halling (Sun.) Jenny Schmidt		
Ushers:	(Sat.) Mike Hubbell, Kevin Rabe (Sun.) Jeff Heskamp, Kevin Mages		

February 22 - 28 Birthdays

Feb. 29	Shawn Stein
March 1	Carl Hubbell - Miriam Komarek Michael Benish - Jacob Wheaton
March 2	Lyle VanNahmen - Jennifer Lindsay
March 3	Tyler Schlereth
March 4	Kirk Konrade - Chanda Schulte
March 5	Vicky Scheve - Korbin Wheaton
March 6	Scott Wadley

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: February 20 & 21: Collection Total — \$4,927.85; Building Projects Fund: \$12,565.00.



K OF C FISH FRY: The Spearville Knights of Columbus will be having their Annual Fish Fry Supper, at St. John the Baptist Parish Center, Friday evening February 26, from 5:00 - 7:30.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: are a way to pray and meditate on Christ’s sacrifice for us. There are 14 stations from the time Christ was condemned to his burial. This devotion has long been encouraged by the church and is especially useful during Lent and Good Friday. Come and let us pray and meditate together every Friday at 6 p.m., in St. John the Baptist Church, during this great season of lent. We are also encouraged to do it by yourself at any day and time of your choice. The books for the stations are available at the entryway to church.



HUNGERING FOR THE JOURNEY: Join our parish community and nearly 14,000 Catholic Communities across the United States, in a life-changing Lenten Journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family’s rice bowl from the entryway to church and don’t forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl App. Remember what you give up for lent changes lives.



NOTICE TO D OF I MEMBERS: A bake sale and raffle will be held along with the benefit breakfast for Sydney Tann, on March 6. If you wish to donate a raffle item, please contact Lavana VanNahmen. Baked goods may be brought to the Parish Center before or after Mass on Saturday, March 5, or on Sunday morning. If you are unable to bring items at these times, please contact Cassie Sanko.



SPECIAL DAYS OF PILGRIMAGE: During the Jubilee Year of Mercy, you are invited to celebrate this Extraordinary Year of Mercy by making a pilgrimage through the Holy Doors on one of these special days of pilgrimage. For more information, look in future editions of the Southwest Kansas Catholic or contact the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe office. (620-225-4802 or info@dodgecitycathedral.com)



LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES: March 6, 2 p.m. at Of-ferle; **4 p.m. at Spearville;** and 7 p.m. at Wright.



THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: There will be one hour reconciliation on March 4, 2016, at church from 7 - 8 a.m. If you want to go to confession at this time, you are welcome.



EASTER EGG HUNT: The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, March 26, at 3 p.m., at Greenstreet Park. If you have any recyclable plastic Easter eggs, please consider donating them for this event. There will be a large tote box in the Cross Room for the donations!

REMINDER: Parish Council members are reminder of our meeting on Thursday, March 3, 2016, at 8 p.m. in the Oak Room.



NCYC 2017!: There will be a meeting on March 20 after church in the basement. This will be an opportunity for parents and youth to sign up and/or ask questions. If you are unable to attend please contact Amanda Bittel at casualcreations2002@yahoo.com or 620-385-0021.



FUNDRAISER: Help us to support Vocations and Religious Life in Kansas by attending “Till Death Do Us Part.” Two performances only: 7:30 p.m., Saturday, April 2, 2016, and 2:00 p.m., Sunday, April 3, 2016. Come see Late Night Catechism at the “Derailing Theater” on the campus of Thomas Moor Prep-Marian, Hays, Kansas, sponsored by the Daughters of Isabella. Log on to www.tmp-m.org/dofi/ to reserve your seats. Tickets are \$30 each. Late Night Catechism, the show which the *New York Times* declares “speaks to an audience much broader than any one church. . .” and the *Daily News* crowned as “Blessedly Funny.”



SKYAC: Southwest Kansas Young Adult Conference will be taking place March 5, at the Cathedral for ages 18-40. Free day care is provided. More info is available under the Young Adult tab on the diocesan website: www.dcdiocese.org.



YOUTH MINISTRY BOWLING: Look for more information and date soon! Any youth church member involved in ministry is invited to attend. All wanting to attend will need to ride in approved vehicles driven by adults.



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: Want an opportunity to deepen your Catholic faith along with the other high school students? Steubenville Youth Conference: “Thirst” Summer 2016 - June 24 -26, in Denver. Please see the “Spearville St. John Youth” Facebook page for more information, or contact David McHugh dmchugh@dodgecitycathedral.com.



HOLY HOLES: The Youth Commission will temporarily suspend serving donut holes in honor of Let. The Holy Holes will rise again for Easter Season.



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 three 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.