

St. John Parish

Vocation Views: We are called to proclaim God’s abundant love for all people. Become an instrument of that love. Our world needs you! (Luke 15:1-32). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620-227-1533 or vocations@dcdiocese.org

September 3 - 4, 2016		LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — September 5 - 11			
	Father John Forkuoh 385-2212 http://www.stjohnspearville.com	Day	Time	Location	Celebration
Coordinator of Ministries Judy Gleason, 385-2881		Mon.	7:00 p.m.	Church	Keith Hammeke
		Tues.	8:30 a.m.	PV	Paul & Jean Pauly
		Wed.	8:30 a.m.	PV	Elizabeth Ackerman
		Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	PV	Chester Droste
		Fri.	8:30 a.m.	PV	David Bachelor
		Sat.	4:30 p.m.	Church	Confessions
		Sun.	5:30 p.m.	Church	Herb Greenstreet
			9:30 a.m.	Church	All 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 jeanettegunkel63@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 September 10 - 11

Servers:	(Sat.) Ethan Halling, Carson Halling (Sun.) Kolby Stein, Kyler Stein, Evan Benjamin	Keyboard:	(Sat.) Kiley Myers (Sun.) Gayla Kirmer
Greeters:	(Sat.) Brian Myers (Sun.) Carl Hubbell	Songleaders:	(Sat.) Jenny Schmidt (Sun.) Janel Calvin
Lectors:	(Sat.) Audrey Ackerman (Sun.) Richard Broz	Ushers:	(Sat.) Dennis Werner, Steve Ackerman (Sun.) Tom Burke, John Gunkel
Eucharistic:	(Sat.) Larry B. Ackerman, Kenna Ackerman, Lynnette Hessman, Shirley Moritz, Joyce Rogers, Anne Schawe (Sun.) Toni Aistrup, LynAnn Bowman, Lori Burke, L’Jean Dixon, Jeanette Gunkel, John Gunkel	Gifts:	(Sat.) Cory Ackerman (Sun.) Chris Sohm
		Rosary:	(Sat.) Edith Mae Giessel (Sun.) Glenn Torline
		Collection:	Jackie Strecker
		Collect. Asst.:	Kevin Mage
		Sacristan:	(Sat.) Kevin Stein

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: August 27 - 28: Collection Total — \$2,929.80; Building Projects Fund — \$25,665.00.
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ADDITIONS TO SCHEDULE: Beginning from August 29, 2016, Mass will be celebrated every Monday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the church. The sacrament will be exposed for adoration every Wednesday, from 9:00 a.m. through 8:00 p.m.
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES: Opening Mass: Wednesday, September 7, 7 p.m. at the Church. If you are unable to register on the 24th, you may do so after Mass on Sept. 7, or pick up a form in the back of church. Religion fees for the year are \$10 per child.
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ADORATION: The sacrament will be exposed for adoration on Wednesday, September 7 at 9:00 a.m. through 6:00 p.m.. There will be Mass on this day for PSR at 7 p.m. so adoration is cut short. Please sign up an hour to be with Jesus.
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BENEFIT OF ADORATION:
1. Devotion to the Eucharist is the most noble, because it has God as its object, it the most profitable for salvation, because it gives us the Author of Grace (St. Pope Pius X).
2. We are not called to great penances... but the Holy Hour is a sacrifice in union with Christ (Archbishop Fulton Sheen)
3. Priestly, religious and missionary vocations will stem from your Holy Hour (Blessed John Paul II)
4. A Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration is the best way to grow spiritually (outside of Mass). (Pope Paul VI)
5. Visit Blessed Sacrament of some church at least once a day (Pope John XXIII)
(http://www.stmarknc.org/media/1/18/benefits_of_holy_hour.pdf)



MINISTERS FOR September 7 Opening Religion Mass, 7 p.m.

Servers:	Logan Hubbell, Brooke Offerle
Lectors:	Ashley Hubbell
Eucharistic:	Phil Gleason, Trisha Sohm, Kevin Stein, Lynnette Hessman
Keyboard:	Gayla Kirmer
Songleaders:	Jenny Schmidt
Sacristan:	Phil Gleason

AFTER THE GIFT: A Retreat for Birthmothers, September 23-25, 2016, Spiritual Life Center in Northeast Wichita, affirms and supports the sacrificial love of birthmothers in their gift of life through adoption by offering hope and healing in Christ. This weekend offers: Celebration of the birthmother – honoring the gift of life; Compassion and understanding for the birthmother experience; Addressing the unique grief of the birthmother; Ongoing support after the retreat: groups, mentoring, counselling and a private Facebook page. The cost is \$100 per person. The fee for the weekend includes overnight lodging on Friday and Saturday, three meals on Saturday, two on Sunday, and snacks throughout the weekend. Visit www.SLCWichita.org for more information.
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POLITICS AND CHURCH: Political season is once again upon us. Please remember that section 501(3) OF THE Internal Revenue code prohibits organizations that are exempt from federal tax, including Catholic organizations, from participating or intervening in political campaigns on behalf or in opposition to any candidate for public office. The Internal Revenue Service interprets this prohibition as absolute. Violations of this prohibition would jeopardize our tax exempt status. While each of us is encouraged to get involved in the political process, political activities on church property are generally prohibited. If you have any questions, contact our Chancellor Sister Janice Grochowsky (igrochowsky@dcdiocese.org or 620-227-1527) or our Diocesan Attorney Tamara Davis (620-225-1674).
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LITTLE FLOWERS AND BLUE KNIGHTS: Little Flowers and Blue Knights are groups for young people ages five through 5th grade who want to grow deeper in their faith through crafts, games, and fun. There are snacks too! We will have a short informational meeting for parents after Mass on September 4th. If you are interested in helping with crafts or giving a short talk about saints and virtues or providing snacks please join us after Mass. This would be a great opportunity to share your gifts with others! Please call/text Chrissy Kissling at 316-258-6795 with any questions or if you can’t make the meeting.

September 5 - 11 Birthdays

September 5	Riley Sherraden
September 6	Kerry Ackerman, Stephanie Hornung
September 10	Trisha Herrmann
September 11	Brenda Burke, Helen MacBride, Bryce Stein, Lyla Strecker