

St. John Parish

October 1-2, 2016

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Coordinator of Ministries
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Day	Time	Location	Celebration	Intention
Mon.	No Mass			
Tues.	8:30 a.m.	PV	Communion Service	
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	PV	Communion Service	
Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	PV	Communion Service	
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Carol Hernandez
Sat.	4:30 p.m.	Church	Confessions	
	5:30 p.m.	Church		Fern Beckerman
Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Church		All Parishioners

Vocation Views: Gratitude leads to praise. For what are you thankful? Share your gratitude. (Luke 17:11-19) If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdiocese.org/vocations



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 October 8-9

Servers:	(Sat.) Ethan and Karsen Halling (Sun.) Gavin Schneweis, Anna Stein, Chaten Tasset	Keyboard:	(Sat.) Bryce Ackerman (Sun.) Julie Knoeber
Greeters:	(Sat.) Steve Ackerman (Sun.) Jeff Heskamp	Songleaders:	(Sat.) Melanie Bryan (Sun.) Janel Calvin
Lectors:	(Sat.) J.T. Horacek (Sun.) Tonya Hubbell	Ushers:	(Sat.) Kelly Stein, Melvin Strecker (Sun.) Ron Stein, Mike Hubbell
Eucharistic:	(Sat.) Mark Strecker, Jill Vierthaler, Louise Lampe, Larry B. Ackerman, Kenna Ackerman, Phil Gleason (Sun.) Kurt Kirmer, Trisha Sohm, Frank Mages, Larry Schmidt, Paula Schneweis, Kevin Stein	Gifts:	(Sat.) Lynnette Hessman (Sun.) Kevin Stein
		Rosary:	(Sat.) Shirley Stein (Sun.) Charlie Kissling
		Collection:	Jeff Hubbell
		Collect. Asst.:	Lori Burke
		Sacristan:	(Sat.) Dwaine Lampe

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: Sept. 24-25: Collection Total — \$2,362.60; Building Projects Fund — \$25,665.00.



ADORATION: The sacrament will be exposed for adoration on Wednesday, October 5 at 9:00 a.m. through 8:00 p.m. Please sign up for an hour to be with Jesus.



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Members of Parish Council and various commissions are reminded of our monthly meetings. All the meetings will be held on Thursday October 6, 2016, at different times. 7:00 p.m. for Commission Members and 8:00 p.m. for Parish Council Members. Thank you for the sacrifices you make for our parish.



FREEDOM FROM SMOKING: Catholic Charities is hosting a Freedom From Smoking Program to help pregnant women quit smoking, since smoking while pregnant increases the risk of pre-term delivery, low birth weight and even sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS). This Lung Association quit smoking program and has helped over a million people. The program lasts for six weeks from Oct. 3 through Nov. 14 (excluding Halloween), i.e. Mondays from 10 am to 11:30 a.m., at the Catholic Charities Office, 906 Central Ave, Dodge City KS. Participants will receive free diapers for completing the classes. To register, or for more information, please contact Amy Falcon: 620-227-1590 or afalcon@catholiccharitiesswks.org



VIBRANT MINISTRY- UNITING OUR CHURCH: The Vibrant Ministries Appeal is off to a terrific start as over \$1.3 million in sacrificial gifts have been shared by our generous donors. We are grateful for this initial outpouring of support and are hopeful that everyone will share a gift that is meaningful to them. Soon you will receive your packet with a request for support. This is solely an invitation to support the various diocesan ministries. With our initial donors, some have given above the gift request, some at the amount proposed for discernment, and some after prayerful consideration gave an alternative gift. We understand that everyone can’t give the same gift intention. Our hope is that all grateful donors will make gifts of equal sacrifice. We are grateful for all support shared to the Vibrant Ministries appeal.



SPECIAL DAY OF PILGRIMAGE: Our parish is making a pilgrimage to the Our Lady of Guadalupe Cathedral in Dodge City on October 9, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. There is a sign-up sheet at the Cross Room for those who are interested to sign up.

YEAR OF MERCY: Pope Francis began the year of mercy on December 8, 2015, by opening the bronze Holy Door at St Peter’s Basilica at the Vatican for pilgrims. To make easier for the faithful around the world to make pilgrimages, the Pope called upon all Catholic bishops in the world to open such doors in their own dioceses. Those who make a pilgrimage to, and pass through a Holy door during the year of mercy are granted a “plenary indulgence”, which gives full remission of temporal punishment due to sin. The Holy Door of the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Dodge City was opened by Bishop John Brungardt in December last year for the faithful in Dodge City Diocese. Please let us take advantage of this spiritual gift.



THE DIOCESAN MATRIMONY ANNIVERSARY: Mass will be celebrated October 16, 3 p.m., at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Dodge City. Bishop John Brungardt invites couples celebrating their fifth, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th and 50+ years in 2016, and guests, to this special matrimony anniversary Mass and dinner. Register by October 5 online at: www.dcdiocese.org (click on icon found on homepage) or mail in form below to: Catholic Diocese of Dodge City, 910 Central, Dodge City, KS 67801 to the attention of Gayla Kirmer.



SPECIAL DAY OF PILGRIMAGE: Special Day of Pilgrimage for “Those who have Lost a Child” Prayer, Blessing, and Remembrance Service, Sunday, October 2, at 3:30 p.m., Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe, 3231 N. 14th Street. This is a special prayer service for those who have lost children of any age through miscarriage, stillbirth, abortion, accident, war, disease. Bishop John Brungardt will offer the reflection and blessing.



ENCOUNTER WITH GOD’S CALL: Encounter With God’s Call, Nov. 12-14, is a weekend for high school juniors, seniors, and college men to spend two nights at Conception Seminary College and explore seminary life through prayer, talks, and recreation. Join Fr. Wesley Schawe, Vocations Director, on this free trip. Sign up by Nov. 1 to be guaranteed a room at www.dcdiocese.org/vocations/discernment-events or call Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620.227.1533.

October 3 - 9 Birthdays	
October 3	Linda Fry
October 4	Glenn Helfrich, Hunter Indiek
October 5	Edith Mae Giessel, Larry Hornung, Kamree Strecker
October 6	Cindy Schmidt, Greg Vierthaler, Drace Fierro, Faith Ackerman
October 7	Sandy Ackerman, Calder Ackerman
October 8	Jim Hogan, Harley Johnson
October 9	Larry J. Ackerman, Chrissy Kissling