

St. John Parish

December 10 - 11, 2016

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — December 12 - 18					
Day	Time	Location	Celebration	Intention	
Mon.	7:00 p.m.	Church		Norman Lee Giles	
Tues.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Austin & Katie Kropp	
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Intentions of Carl & Lyla Strecker	
Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Anonymous Intentions	
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Willard & Ann Brack	
Sat.	4:30 p.m.	Church	Confessions		
	5:30 p.m.	Church		All Parishioners	
Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Church		Chester Droste	



MINISTERS FOR December 17 - 18

Servers:	(Sat.) Logan and Michaela Hubbell, Kate Steimel (Sun.) Jakob and Evan Benjamin, Anna Stein	Keyboard:	(Sat.) Dana Howerton (Sun.) Dana Howerton
Greeters:	(Sat.) Brian Myers (Sun.) Lyle Van Nahmen	Songleaders:	(Sat.) Rakel Halling (Sun.) Julie Knoeber
Lectors:	(Sat.) Rich Gleason (Sun.) R.J. Meyer	Ushers:	(Sat.) Kevin Rabe, Bernie Stegman (Sun.) John Gunkel, Glenn Helfrich
Eucharistic:	(Sat.) Lynnette Hessman, Mark Strecker, Shirley Moritz, Joyce Rogers, Jill Vierthaler, John Stegman (Sun.) LaWana VanNahmen, Riley Schmidt, Toni Aistrup, Mary Benjamin, LynAnn Bowman, Lori Burke	Gifts:	(Sat.) Steve Ackerman (Sun.) John Calvin
		Rosary:	(Sat.) Shirley Stein (Sun.) Charlie Kissling
		Collection:	Ross Ackerman
		Collect. Asst.:	Nadine Lampe
		Sacristan:	(Sat.) Dwaine Lampe



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.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: December 3 - 4: Collection Total — \$4,781.00. November Recap: Income - \$15,197.47; Expenses - \$12,117.81; Net Income - \$3,079.66. Electronic giving - \$1,241.50



ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE:

PENANCE SERVICE

Dec. 11, 2016Spearville @ 4:00 p.m.
Offerle @ 2:00 p.m.

MASS

Dec. 24 Christmas EVESpearville @ 9 p.m.
Dec. 25 Christmas DAYSpearville @ 9 a.m.
Dec. 31 New Year’s EVE.....Spearville @ 5:30 p.m.
Jan. 1 New Year’s DAYSpearville @ 9:30 a.m.



D OF I: Meeting on December 12, at 7:30 p.m., snacks and finger foods, \$5 gift exchange and money tree for the ARK.



CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES: Contribution envelopes for 2017 are in the back of church ready to pick up.



THE YOUNG MESSIAH: On Tuesday December 20, the movie, The Young Messiah, will be showing at the Heartland Center for Spirituality for the fall series of “Movies with a Message.”

Inspired by Scripture and rooted in history, this story imagines a year in the boyhood of Jesus. Remaining true to the character of Jesus revealed in the Bible, The Young Messiah is an inspirational story about the childhood of the Savior for the whole family. When the mystery of Jesus’ divinity begins to unfold in His early years, He turns to His parents for answers. But Mary and Joseph, in an effort to protect their child, are afraid to reveal all they know. How do you explain the ways of the world to its Creator? How do you teach the Teacher? How do you help the Savior who came to save you? Follow the young Messiah as He and His family take the extraordinary journey from Egypt to Nazareth and on to Jerusalem – where His true identity and profound destiny are revealed.

The movie begins at 6:15 p.m., in the Auditorium of the Motherhouse of the Dominican Sisters of Peace. Movies for the Winter-Spring Series include: Selma – Tuesday, January 17, The Letters – Friday, February 17, The Real Face of Jesus from the Shroud of Turin – Tuesday, March 21, Risen – Tuesday, April 18, and Pay it Forward – Tuesday, May 16.

NEEDED SECRET CEREAL SANTAS: A cereal food drive is being held until the 20th of December for the marginalized families, especially those with small children of our county. Please drop donated cereal in the donation box at Kelly’s or leave in the Holy Cross room. Thanks for your help to the least among us! Contact Lyza Frasco.



VIBRANT MINISTRIES APPEAL: As you are no doubt aware by now , the Diocese and its Parishes are responsibly planning for the future of our southwest Kansas communities of faith by conducting this Appeal to serve those in need, strengthen families and faith formation, educate seminaries and take care of the Priests who give their lives in service to us. The Vibrant Ministries on which we have embarked gives us the great opportunity to enhance the spiritual growth of each person here- our children, youth, parents and grandparents alike. To strengthen the Catholic programs being taught to our children and youth. To walk with and comfort those who are suffering. To build strong friendships among our faithful. To walk united as disciples of Jesus with one purpose- to serve the Lord. If you have made a pledge, thank you so very much. If you have not already made a pledge or gift to the Vibrant Ministries Appeal, I ask that you please be part of this important chapter in our Church’s history.



YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO TOPEKA: Register your youth now for the Diocese of Dodge City pro-pilgrimage to Topeka on Monday, January 23, 2017. Join in a day of prayer, activity, and public witness to the value of every human life.

Open to High School and College-age youth and sponsors.

-Bus will depart from Dodge City at 5:30 a.m. and stop in Great Bend at St. Patrick Catholic Church

-The day’s activities will include Mass, match and rally on the steps of the Capital building, lunch and tour of the capital.

-Leave Topeka around 4:00 to return back to the Diocese, with return stops in Salina, Great Bend and Dodge City

-Cost is \$35 for youth and youth leaders (including lunch, transportation, and rally).

-Donations are welcome to cover additional costs

-Participants will need \$\$ for supper in Salina on the way home

Registrations with payment will be accepted until the bus is full, and should be directed to Gayla Kirmer, Diocese of Dodge City, P. O. Box 137, Dodge City KS 67801; 620-227-1525 or gkirmer@dcdiocese.org. Registration forms can be obtained through the parish DRE and on the diocesan website.

December 12 - 18 Birthdays

December 12	Haley Gleason, Cindy Hubbell
December 13	Amanda Stein, Chad Barnett, Quincy Donovan, Sophie Sigmund
December 14	Becky Hornung, Albert Schulte, Ethan Halling
December 15	Butch Fagen, Nicholas Frasco, Agnes Frasco
December 16	Melvin Habiger, Kiley Myers
December 17	Pat Habiger, Chris Konrade, Tony Mages, Debra Stegman, Pat Sanko
December 18	Frank Mages, Gayle Linnebur