

St. John Parish

VOCATION VIEWS: Jesus reaches out to those in need and gives life to those who seek Him. Turn to Him in times of difficulty that you might have that same spark of divine life (Mark 4:35-41). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620-227-1533 or vocations@dcdiocese.org.

June 30 & July 1, 2018

	Day	Time	Location	Celebration	Intention
Father John Forkuoh 385-2212 http://www.stjohnspearville.com	Mon.	7:00 p.m.	Church		Joan Indiek
	Tues.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Edward Durler
	Wed.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Marvin Gleason
	Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Austin & Katie Kropp
Coordinator of Ministries Judy Gleason, 385-2881	Fri.	8:30 a.m.	PV		Martin Family
	Sat.	4:30 p.m.	Church	Confessions	
		5:30 p.m.	Church		Mathias & Mary Friess
	Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Church		All Parishioners



MINISTERS FOR July 7 & 8

Servers:	(Sat.) Hannah Gleason, Jenna Gleason (Sun.) Catherine, Andrew, & Nathan Bowman	Keyboard:	(Sat.) Gayla Kirmer (Sun.) Gayla Kirmer
Greeters:	(Sat.) Brian Myers (Sun.) Tony Lampe	Songleaders:	(Sat.) Rakel Halling (Sun.) Janel Calvin
Lectors:	(Sat.) John Stegman (Sun.) LaWana VanNahmen	Ushers:	(Sat.) Rod Durler, Phil Gleason (Sun.) John Gunkel, Glenn Helfrich
Eucharistic:	(Sat.) Philip Gleason, Lynnette Hessman, Sue Hampton, Shirley Moritz, Joyce Rogers, Mark Strecker (Sun.) Toni Aistup, Lori Burke, Jeanette Gunkel, John Gunkel, Connie Heskamp, Mary Schartz	Gifts:	(Sat.) Lynette Hessman (Sun.) Keith Brack
		Rosary Leader:	(Sat.) Esteban Hernandez (Sun.) Craig Bowman
		Collection:	John Gunkel
		Collect. Asst.:	Anne Schawe
		Sacristan:	(Sat.) Phil Gleason (Sun.) Mary Benjamin



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.

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.

HOMEBOUND: Call the pastor if you would like to receive Holy Communion on Thursday mornings.

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 Sandy Ackerman at 385-2857.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: June 23 & 24: Collection Total — \$3,771.75.



POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY: Evangelization: Priests and their Pastoral Ministry: That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.



MISSION APPEAL: A representative of the Missionary Society of St. Paul will be present at our weekend Masses of June 30 and July 1, 2018, to make a mission appeal. There will be no envelopes or second collection, but parishioners are encouraged to add their donation to the regular collection of the day. Thanks for your generosity.



RACHEL’S VINEYARD RETREATS: If you or someone you know is suffering from an abortion decision, discover Jesus’ merciful heart which brings peace and comfort. Rachel’s Vineyard retreats are all about healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time. The second of three 2018 Kansas City retreats takes place on July 20-22. Please call (816) 679-4973 or email rvkcmo@gmail.com for confidential information and to start the healing.



STEWARDSHIP: July 1, 2018 (13th Sunday in Ordinary Time) Today’s reading from St. Paul explains the “divine economy” of stewardship – “The relief of others ought not to impoverish you; there should be a certain equality. Your plenty at the present time should supply their need so that their surplus may in turn one day supply your need.”



FRIENDSHIP FEAST: 2nd Annual Brisket Dinner Fundraiser, Friday, July 20, 3:00 to 7:00 p.m., inside the Presbyterian Church at 803 Central Ave., Dodge City. \$7 donation per plate with proceeds to benefit the Friendship Feast Association serving a free nutritious lunch each weekday to those in need.

July 2 - 8 Birthdays	
July 2	Sharon Droste
July 3	Jeanette Gunkel
July 4	Kathy Knoeber
July 6	Julie Knoeber
July 7	Amanda Bittel, Wyatt Strecker
July 8	Kate Steimel

TOTUS TUUS: Spearville St John Totus Tuus will be July 22- July 27, 2018. MS/HS evening sessions will begin Sunday evening, July 22 and end Thursday evening, July 26.

Grade School day sessions will start Monday morning, July 23 and end Friday midday, July 27.

VOLUNTEER UPDATE as of 6/15: Volunteers are STILL needed to host suppers (only for team members- at your house), lunches (only for team members- at parish center), & provide snacks for the grade school. Please contact Mary Benjamin 385-0219 if you would like to help. Leave a message/text cell phone if no answer! Mary will be out of contact area June 23-July 10, but will get messages when she gets home.

REGISTRATION UPDATE: Registration forms will be in the back of church by June 22. Fill one out per family and submit to the marked box.

THANK YOU to those families who stepped up and volunteered overnight housing, MS/HS snacks, and some of the grade school snacks! God Bless you for your generosity!

ESTEBEN HERNANDEZ: I had the opportunity to meet and interact with some of you at the Parish Center last week when I was formally welcomed into St John the Baptist Parish. My encounter with you was great, and I am very grateful to you for the wonderful reception. I shared my life story with some of you who spoke directly with me during our encounter. But I also feel those who could not attend or had the chance to speak directly with me can read this short story about me.

My full name is Esteban Hernandez Mejia. I am originally from Guatemala. And as a Maya, I speak Maya as my first, Spanish as my second, and English as my third language. I was born and raised in Canton, Aguacatan, Huehuetenango. About 16 years ago I made a decision to move to the United States, and in July 2002, I arrived in Delaware. I lived in Delaware for nine years and then moved to the Washington state for one and a half years. In December 2014, I moved again to Dodge City upon the invitation of my nephew and his wife. In August 2016, I was officially accepted by the Diocese of Dodge City to study for the priesthood. Currently, I am a seminarian in the Conception Seminary College, Conception, Missouri, studying language, culture, and Church program.