

VOCATION VIEWS: At his baptism Jesus is supported by the presence of the Spirit and of his Father. We, too, are affirmed in our baptism and called to holiness. Are you being called to live your baptismal commitment as a priest or religious? (Matthew 3: 13-17). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, visit our website www.dcdiocese.org/vocations or call Fr. Juan Salas at 620-227-1533.

January 11 & 12, 2019		LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — January 13 - 19			
	Father John Forkuoh 385-2212 http://www.stjohnspearville.com	Day	Time	Location	Celebration
Coordinator of Ministries Judy Gleason, 385-2881		Mon.		No Mass	
		Tues.	8:30 a.m.	Parkview	Stanley Stramel
		Wed.	8:30 a.m.	Parkview	Marvin Gleason
		Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	Parkview	Florence Hines
		Fri.	8:30 a.m.	Parkview	Margaret Klenke
		Sat.	3:00 p.m.	Church	Confessions
			4:00 p.m.	Church	Henrietta Stegman
		Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Church	All Parishioners



MINISTERS FOR January 18 & 19

Servers:	(Sat.) Austin and Blake Hornung, Logan Hubbell (Sun.) Alissa Heskamp, Jalyssa Indiek, Carson Rich	Keyboard:	(Sat.) Kiley Myers (Sun.) Kiley Myers
Greeters:	(Sat.) Kyle Eberle (Sun.) Kevin Stein	Songleaders:	(Sat.) Jenny Schmidt (Sun.) Gayla Kirmer
Lectors:	(Sat.) Cindy Hubbell (Sun.) Craig Bowman	Ushers:	(Sat.) Kelly Stein, Kevin Rabe (Sun.) Tom Burke, Scott Burke
Eucharistic:	(Sat.) Trisha Sohm, Drew Hubbell, Jill Heeke, Kenna Ackerman, Lynnette Hessman, Joyce Rogers (Sun.) Larry Schmidt, Jeff Hubbell, Paula Schneweis, Kevin Stein, Norbert Strecker, LaWana VanNahmen	Gifts:	(Sat.) Steve Ackerman (Sun.) Keith Brack
		Rosary Leader:	(Sat.) Phil Gleason (Sun.) Craig Bowman
		Collection:	Amanda Stein
		Collect. Asst.:	Greg Vierthaler
		Sacristan:	(Sat.) Bonnie Laudick (Sun.) LynAnn Bowman



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 Cassie Sanko at csanko@ksu.edu.
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: January 4 & 5: \$5,802.00.



WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE: The celebration for World Day for Consecrated Life will be Saturday, February 1, beginning at 10:30, at St. Andrew Church in Wright. All the faithful are welcome to attend the Mass as well as the dinner that follows (please RSVP for dinner to gkirmer@dcdiocese.org or 620-227-1525 by January 15, 2020). This is a wonderful opportunity to show your esteem and appreciation for the religious sisters and priests who have been or are important in your life. Come and celebrate this special day!



WORD OF LIFE: “An unexpected pregnancy can be a difficult and frightening time, and it’s important that your friend knows you are thinking of her and supporting her. . . . don’t forget the most important thing is to pray. Even if it’s just a quick two-second prayer, prayer is the most effective way we can help. Pray for her, for her child, and for guidance in how you can give her the best possible support.” USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
 “10 Ways to Support Her When She’s Unexpectedly Expecting” (www.respectlife.org/support-her)



JANUARY 12, 2020: THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD: Our Baptism, like the Lord’s, is a consecration to service. The bishop’s pastoral on stewardship reminds us that “. . . there is a fundamental obligation arising from the sacrament of baptism that people place their gifts, their resources – their selves – at God’s service in and through the Church.”



90TH BIRTHDAY OF VIRGINIA RYAN: The children of Virginia Ryan invite you to celebrate her 90th birthday with an Open House, Saturday, January 25, 2020, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the St. John’s Parish Center in Spearville, Kansas. Virginia (Dockendorf) Ryan was born January 28, 1930. Hosts for the event will be her 10 children, 21 grandchildren, 43 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren. If you are unable to attend but would like to let Virginia know you are thinking of her, cards of congratulations may be sent to 109 S. Main St., Spearville, KS 67876.



HOUSE KEEPING JOB: After many years of keeping St. John the Baptist Rectory clean, Peggy Schulte has retired last Month, November 30, 2019. Our Parish is very grateful to Peggy for a dedicated service. With Peggy retiring we will need someone who will take a part-time job of cleaning the rectory. If anyone is interested he may contact Fr. John @ 620-385-2212, Larry Ackerman (620-385-2303) or Mary Schartz.

NINE DAYS FOR LIFE: Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena, Tuesday, January 21 – Wednesday, January 29. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at www.9daysforlife.com!

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Wednesday, January 22, the Church in the United States observes the annual “Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.” This day is set aside to pray for the legal protection of human life and to do penance for the violations to human dignity through abortion. We are called to observe this day through prayer and penance. More information: respectlifeprogram.org/january-22.



PASTORAL MINISTRY FORMATION CORE COURSE FOR SPRING 2020:

THEO 4003 (3 hour course) Christology
 More than creed or culture, Christianity is a relationship with a person. Christology ponders who Jesus Christ is for us. The course aims to investigate the answers given in scripture and ecclesial tradition to Jesus’s question, “Who do you say that I am?”
 Instructor: Fr. Terrance Klein
 *This course is one of the 3 hour courses that may be used to obtain the Diocesan Certification in Liturgical Ministry or Youth Ministry.
 Class Times - Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1, 8, 15, 29, Mar. 7, 14, 21
 Saturday mornings - 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon
 Location - Interactive Television Sites throughout Dodge City and Salina Dioceses
 Cost
 3 hr. course for college credit - \$150.00
 3 hr. course for personal enrichment - \$75.00
 *price quotes do not include books



MANY THANKS: I would like to thank St. John the Baptist Parish Council, Knight of Columbus, Daughters of Isabella, individuals, families and my dear faithful members of our Parish Church for your generous gifts. I really appreciate you thinking of me, and your gift of sharing and taking care of your priest. Thank you and may God richly bless you! My prayers and thoughts are with you always. I WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! Fr. John

January 13 - 19 Birthdays	
Jan. 13	Elmer Schuette
Jan. 14	Judy Gleason, Dwaine Lampe, Jaron Lindsay
Jan. 15	Kevin Stein, Linda Strecker
Jan. 16	John Giessel, Kassie Linnebur, Josh Sigmund
Jan. 17	Dorothy Duesing, Mari Pianalto, Tess Ackerman
Jan. 18	Kurt Israel
Jan. 19	McKenzie Sigmund