

VOCATION VIEWS: Jesus is with us to help us do what may seem impossible. Have faith that you will not sink. Listen for his voice of encouragement. (Matthew 14: 22-33). If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdiocese.org/vocations.

August 8 -9, 2020		LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — August 10 -16			
	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.	Church	Marvin Gleason
		Wed.	8:30 a.m.	Church	Valen Stein
		Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	Church	Bernie Stegman
		Fri.	8:30 a.m.	Church	Lawrence & Erma Vierthaler
		Sat.	3:00 p.m.	Church	Confessions
			4:00 p.m.	Church	Kevin Hines
		Sun.	8:00 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.



BISHOPS PRESS: Congress for emergency Aid for Catholic Schools
WASHINGTON— Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles and president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), Cardinal Seán P. O’Malley, OFM, Cap. of Boston, Cardinal Daniel N. DiNardo of Galveston-Houston, Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan of New York, Cardinal Blase J. Cupich of Chicago, Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R. of Newark and Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ of Oakland and chairman of the USCCB’s Committee on Catholic Education requesting that emergency aid to Catholic schools be included in the next federal COVID emergency relief package.
“The economic devastation that has hit so many of America’s families has made it impossible for many struggling families to continue paying tuition,” the bishops wrote. “As a result, already 140 Catholic schools have permanently closed their doors, and hundreds more are in danger of being unable to

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.

open in the fall. The closure of schools that serve urban areas are disproportionately harmful to low-income and black children served by these schools.”
They continued, “Not only is this devastating to each of those school communities, their staff and business partners, but it has a detrimental impact on local taxpayers. For every student educated in a Catholic or non-public school, taxpayers save thousands of dollars. Nationwide, Catholic schools save state and local governments more than \$20 billion annually.”
The letter asked for the U.S. Congress to designate 10% of emergency K-12 education funding for scholarship aid to low-middle income private school families.
According to the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA), Catholic school student enrollment for the current academic year is 1,737,297 across 6,183 schools. 21.8% of students represent racial minorities and 19.1% of the total enrollment in non-Catholic (usscb.org)

WORD OF LIFE: Although we may feel unsure how best to comfort those who mourn, we must stand with them in their time of suffering. Miscarriage touches the lives of many people, yet all too often this tragedy remains unaddressed. This lack of response not only often leads to unresolved grief, but also fails to clearly manifest our belief that each person, from conception onward, is precious and unique.” USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “Solace and Strength in the Sorrow of Miscarriage”
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CONTRIBUTIONS: We are very grateful to everyone who contributed while Masses were suspended. If you are not comfortable returning to Mass, and would like to offer your support to the parish, you can mail your check to St. John or alternatively, you can donate online. Thank you for your love for our parish.
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MOWING AT THE CEMETERY: October, November and December guilds will mow the cemetery Wednesday, August 12, at 6 p.m.
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THE GREAT ELECTRONICS RECYCLING FUND-RAISING EVENT: Catholic Charities and Archway Recycling are hosting The Great Electronics Recycling Fund-raising Event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., on August 10 at 2201 16th Street in GREAT BEND; on August 12, at the parking lot at the corner of Cedar and Central Ave in DODGE CITY; and on August 14, at 705 Ballinger Street in GARDEN CITY. Clean out home and office and bring us your retired electronics, appliances, hospital equipment, ink cartridges, batteries, metal and the like. Proceeds support Catholic Charities services that support those in need. Visit www.CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org for more information or contact Rebecca at 620-792-1393 or rford@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org
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AUGUST 9, 2020 (19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME): Elijah recognized the voice of God not in the strong and heavy wind, not in the earthquake, and not in the fire, but in a tiny whispering sound. May we find enough quiet in our clamorous world to hear His voice and discern what He is calling us to do and be.
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ADORATION, ADORATION, ADORATION: The Blessed Sacrament is exposed every Wednesday, at 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., for adoration. There is no doubt that a flood of graces will descend upon your family and the world if more souls would become docile pupils of adoration. (Blessed Pope John XXIII). Individuals are encouraged to sign-up for adoration. Please remember to observe the social distancing protocol.
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DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA: The D of I meeting will be on August 10, at 7 p.m.

PRAYER: God invites us into a relationship with Him that is both personal and communal. He speaks to us through His Son, Jesus Christ, the Word-made-flesh. Prayer is our response to God who is already speaking or, better yet, revealing Himself to us. Therefore, prayer is not merely an exchange of words, but it engages the whole person in a relationship with God the Father, through the Son, and in the Holy Spirit.
Let’s pray this week for all teachers especially teachers in our Parish Community.
Lord God, your spirit of wisdom fills the earth and teaches us your ways. Look upon these teachers. Let them strive to share their knowledge with gentle patience and endeavor always to bring the truth to eager minds. Grant that they may follow Jesus Christ, the way, the truth, and the life, forever and ever.
Amen.
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FUNERAL: May the soul of Tony Mages rest in peace! Tony passed away on August 1, 2020, his funeral Mass and burial service were held on August 6, 2020. We express our condolences to the Mages family and hold them in our prayers and thoughts. Tony dedicated his time on earth to getting closer to the Lord through his faith, family, farming and flying. May the choir of angels welcome him and lead him to the bosom of Abraham!

August 10 -16 Birthdays	
August 10	Austin Hornung
August 12	Lena Meyer
August 13	Crystal Shipley
August 14	Dave Hernandez, Caleb Rodda, Granger Rodda, Laura Stegman
August 15	Judy Nietling, Marceda Schmidt
August 16	Larry Tasset



SWEET CORN FOR SALE

SPEARVILLE ST JOHN NCYC YOUTH GROUP

Sweet corn will be harvested over the next 2-3 weeks, starting August 3rd. The corn will be for sale at the Spearville Farmers Market on Saturday mornings or by delivery in Spearville area.

To preorder or set up delivery, Call/text/Message

Mary Benjamin at 620-385-0219.

The more you order, the cheaper it is!

Individual ears \$0.50

1-2 dozen \$5.00/dozen (\$0.41/ear)

3 dozen \$14.00 (36 ears @\$0.388/ear)

4 dozen \$18.00 (48 ears @\$0.375/ear)

5 dozen \$21.00 (60 ears @\$0.35/ear)

6 dozen \$24.00 (72 ears @\$0.33/ear)

7 dozen \$27.00 (84 ears @\$0.32/ear)

8 dozen \$30.00 (96 ears @\$0.313/ear)

Thank you for supporting St John NCYC Youth Group!