

St. John Parish

March 20 & 21, 2021

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VOCATION VIEWS: Unless a seed first dries out and dies, it cannot be planted in the earth to grow. Unless we first dry out and die to our selfish ways, we can never expect to be people who will ‘lay down their lives for their friends.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — March 22 - 28

Day	Time	Location	Celebration	Intention
Mon.	No Mass			
Tues.	8:30 a.m.	Church		Tony & Joan Indiek
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	Church		Mary Harris
Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	Parkview		Denny Duesing
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	Church		Austin & Katie Kropp
Sat.	3:00 p.m.	Church	Confessions	
	4:00 p.m.	Church		Gilbert Ackerman
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Church		Kathy Shean (intentions)



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.



MINISTERS FOR March 27 & 28, Palm Sunday

Lector: (Sat.) Cindy Hubbell (V), J.T. Horacek (N)
(Sun.) R.J. Meyer (V), Craig Bowman(N)
Servers: (Sat.) Faith and Cheyenne Ackerman
(Sun.) Austin and Ayden Ruiz
Eucharistic: (Sat.) Mike Hubbell
(Sun.) Mary Schartz

Sacristan: (Sat.) Judy Gleason
(Sun.)
Collection: Kaden Stein
Collect. Asst: Greg Vierthaler

MINISTRY SCHEDULING: We are adding back a couple of ministries to our liturgy. Beginning with the new schedule, we are including servers and sacristans. We are ask that the servers wear a mask during Mass, and the sacristans while doing their duties. We are in need of more sacristans so if you could help setting up for Mass and cleaning the vessels afterwards, please let

Judy or Fr. John know.
Due to lack of volunteers, we will no longer schedule someone to lead the rosary before Mass, but if you wish to lead it, please feel free to do so. The rosary should end about 10 minutes before Mass begins to allow people to collect their thoughts and prepare themselves for it.

STEWARDSHIP: March 21, 2021 (5th Sunday of Lent) “If anyone would serve me,” says Jesus in today’s Gospel, “let him follow me; where I am, there will my servant be.” In what ways is Jesus inviting me to follow him? What service is He asking of me?
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FORMED: Our Parish just purchased FORMED and below are the sign up instructions:

1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign Up
3. Select “Sign Up As a Parishioner”
4. Find St. John the Baptist by parish name, address, or zip code
5. Enter your e-mail - and you’re in!

FORMED is a Catholic website where you can get thousands of movies, programs, audios and books to help you grow in understanding your Catholic faith. If you need any help contact Jenny Schmidt or Kali Ackerman.

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Stations of the Cross will be prayed every Friday at 7:00 p.m. in the season of Lent. Join us to walk with Jesus through the Way of the Cross to transform the Cross from an instrument of hate, defeat, and death into a sign of love, victory, and life.

Various Parish groups will assist with leading Stations.

- March 22nd – Daughters of Isabella Members
- March 26th (Good Friday) – Father John will lead with Stations starting at 3:00 p.m., before Mass.

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ANNUAL PARISH EASTER BAKE SALE: The annual parish Easter Bake Sale is coming soon. Each familyin the parish is asked to bring one or two items to be included in the bae sale on Holy Saturday, April 3. The Parish Center will be open at 7:30 a.m. that day for you to drop off your donations. Additionally, someone will be available in the body room at church on Good Friday to accept your donations or you may simply leave them in the body room and we will get them to the sale. If you are going to be out of town and would like one of the commission members to pick up your items in advance, please call Jull Vierthaer at 385-2208/ The sale will be held from 8 to 11 a.m. on the 3rd. Even if you cannot donate, please stop by the Parish Center and shop for your “Easter treats.”

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EASTER EGG HUNT 2021: Come join the Youth Commission for the annual Easter Egg Hunt in Greenstreet Park on Saturday, April 3rd at 2:00 p.m. We will divide the hunt into four age groups: 0-3; 4-6; 7-9; 10-12. Prizes will be awarded for the Golden Egg. The Easter bunny plans to be on scene of the hunt as well, so bring the family out for some fun!!!

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CHRISM MASS: With Bishop Gerald Vincke, our Apostolic Administrator, celebrating Chrism Mass with us, there is a change in the day we will celebrate this year. Chrism Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, March 30 [that is Tuesday of Holy Week].

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STRUGGLING TO START A FAMILY? Have you thought about infant adoption? Start or learn more about the Catholic Charities Infant Adoption Program by contacting Lori Titsworth at 620-792-1393, or by email at ltitsworth@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org. There is no pressure and this is a good way to ask questions and learn more.

KANSAS ROSARY CRUSADE: All Kansas Diocese have been asked by our State’s Bishops, including Bishop Brungardt, to join the Kansas Rosary Crusade. Each Thursday, we are asked to pray the Rosary for the passage of pro-life legislation here in Kansas. Thursday is the day when we normally pray the Luminous Mysteries, however the Kansas Rosary Crusade offers the “Mysteries of Life in the Womb” for your Thursday Rosary. You can log on to: <https://kansasrosarycrusade.org/> to get all of the information.

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

Holy Thursday	Mass	Jetmore at 7 p.m.
	No Mass	Spearville
	No Mass	Hanston
Holy Friday	Service	Hanston at 3 p.m.
	Service	Spearville at 5 p.m.
Holy Saturday	Mass	Spearville at 8 p.m.
	No Mass	Jetmore and Hanston
Easter Sunday	Mass	Spearville at 8 a.m.
	Mass	Jetmore at 10:30 a.m.

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PENANCE SERVICES:

Wednesday, March 24, 2021
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Spearville at 5 p.m., 8 p.m.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: The Divine Mercy Prayer Service will be held at 3 p.m., Sunday, April 11, at St. Rose Church in Great Bend. The hour will include Eucharistic Exposition, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in song, litany of prayers and meditation. Jesus entrusted Saint Maria Faustina with the task of spreading the message of his Divine Mercy through a series of visions and interior locutions in the 1930s. When Pope John Paul II canonized Saint Faustina April 30, 2000, he declared the Sunday after Easter to be Divine Mercy Sunday and an official feast day of the Church. Everyone is encouraged to pray the novena to the Divine Mercy, which begins on Good Friday. Leaflets on this novena are in the brochure rack of the church. **CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD THROUGHOUT THE PRAYER SERVICE.** This prayer service is sponsored by Divine Mercy Radio, KRTT, 88.1.

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COMPASSIONATE PREGNANCY SUPPORT: Pregnancy is an emotional journey on a good day, and even more so if it is your first pregnancy, an unintended pregnancy, or you don’t have resources to support yourself and your child. But there is hope and you don’t have to walk this journey alone. Catholic Charities offers free, compassionate pregnancy support for any woman regardless of faith, race, nationality, or age. We’ll walk beside you while you think through options and connect with resources so that you can make the best choices for yourself and your baby. Contact Amy Falcon at 620-227-1590 or afalcon@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org.

March 22 - 28 Birthdays

March 22	Luke Heskamp
March 23	Keith Brack
March 24	Susan Hines, Kayci Rogers
March 25	Ginney Werner, Kelly Barnett
March 27	Becky Downey, Grayson Halling
March 28	Gaylord Moritz