

St. John Parish

VOCATION VIEWS: God continues to send messengers to announce good news. Who will listen and tell the story to others? If you think you may be called to share the Father’s message of love as a priest or religious contact Frs. Wesley and Juan Salas vocations@dcdiocese.org or 620-227-1533.

December 25 & 26, 2021

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — December 27 - January 2					
Day	Time	Location	Celebration	Intention	
Mon.	No Mass				
Tues.	8:30 a.m.	Church		Annette Stein	
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	Church		Mary Ann Schmidt	
Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	Parkview		Kevin Hines	
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	Church		Mary Alice Hogan	
Sat.	9:00 a.m.	Church	Mary Mother of God	Pat Torline	
Sat.	6:30 p.m.	Church		Bernice Mages	
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Church		Steve Ackerman	



MINISTERS FOR January 1, Mary Mother of God

Sacristan: Mary Benjamin	Eucharistic: Larry Schmidt
Servers: Kaleb and Kambree Konrade	Musician: Gayla Kirmer
Lector: Connie Burkhart	Song Leader: Gayla Kirmer
	Ushers: Tom Burke, Scott Burke
	Gifts: Tom Burke

MINISTERS FOR January 1 & 2

Collection: Luke Heskamp	Eucharistic: (Sat.) Jill Vierthaler
Collect. Asst: Ron Temaats	(Sun.) Jeff Hubbell
Sacristan: (Sat.) Bonnie Laudick	Musician: (Sat.) Julie Knoeber
(Sun.) LynAnn Bowman	(Sun.) Julie Knoeber
Servers: (Sat.) Jenna Gleason, Makiah Klesen	Song Leader: (Sat.) Jenny Schmidt
(Sun.) Nathan and Andrew Bowman	(Sun.) Jenny Schmidt
Lector: (Sat.) Audrey Ackerman	Ushers: (Sat.) Kevin Rabe, Kelly Stein
(Sun.) LaWana VanNahmen	(Sun.) John Gunkel, Jeff Heskamp
	Gifts: (Sat.) Mike Hubbell
	(Sun.) Lester Schulte



SCHEDULES FOR ADVENT AND THE HOLIDAYS

HOLY MASS

Friday, December 24 Hanston at 5:00 p.m.
Friday, December 24 Jetmore at 7:00 p.m.
Friday, December 24 Spearville at 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 25 Spearville at 9:00 a.m.
Saturday, December 25 Jetmore at 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 26 Spearville at 8:00 a.m.
Sunday, December 26 Hanston at 10:30 a.m.
Friday, December 31, 2021 Jetmore at 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 1, 2022 . Spearville at 9:00 a.m.
Saturday, January 1, 2022 Hanston at 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, January 1, 2022 . Spearville at 6:30 p.m.
Sunday, January 2, 2022 Spearville at 8:00 a.m.
Sunday, January 2, 2022 Jetmore at 10:30 a.m.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE FOR ST. JOHN

Dec. 24 Christmas Vigil Mass, 9:00 p.m.
Dec. 25 Christmas Mass, 9:00 a.m.
Dec. 26 Feast of Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph, 8:00 a.m.
Jan. 1 Solemnity of Mary, 9:00 a.m.
Jan. 1 Vigil Mass for Epiphany of Our Lord, 6:30 p.m.
Jan. 2 Epiphany of Our Lord, 8:00 a.m.
Jan. 9 Baptism of Our Lord (End of Christmas season)
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MERRY CHRISTMAS! MERRY CHRISTMAS!

MERRY CHRISTMAS! “When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy” (Mt. 2:10). Human joy can be taken away at any time, but the joy Jesus gives us is everlasting and nobody can take it away from us. Jesus is our Joy. And the Joy of the Lord is our Strength (Nehemiah 8:10). Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



PILGRIMAGE TO TOPEKA: The Diocese of Dodge City will be making a pilgrimage to Topeka for the annual IGNITE-Mass, Rally, and March for Life. We will leave on January 24th on a bus, spend the night, participate in the rally, then be back in Dodge City around 10:30 p.m. on January 25th. To register, please visit dcdiocese.org/offices/respect-life. Contact Emma Showalter at 620-227-1540 or dc youth@dcdiocese.org for questions.



STEWARDSHIP: December 25, 2021 (Christmas) Rejoice! The Word became flesh and dwells among us! Oh, come, let us adore Him!

December 26, 2021 (Holy Family) The first reading today provides a challenging guideline for the good stewardship of our family relationships. How do I measure up?

December 27 - January 2 Birthdays

Dec. 27	Kreg Fagen
Dec. 29	Tammy Konrade
Dec. 30	Karla Gleason
Dec. 31	Mike Konda, Trisha Sohm
Jan. 1	Landon Hubbell
Jan. 2	Annette Benish, Charlene Halling

FROM BISHOP VINCKE, APOSTOLIC ADMINIS-

TRATOR: The Synod is meant for everyone to participate. How can each participate? By following the process below.

- Please take the time to listen to another person’s story...perhaps someone you have been meaning to talk with but haven’t for one reason or another. Perhaps a neighbor, perhaps someone in Church whom you have seen but haven’t had a conversation with, perhaps someone who is struggling, someone that you may have different views on politics and the Church, someone who is poor.
- Listen to your spouse, your parents, your siblings, your children, your coworkers, your friends...
- After listening to their story, you might not need to ask anything. But if it’s needed do ask them, “how has your parish community walked with you on your faith journey?” “Is there anything your parish community could do to help you?” “Is there anything the Church could do better?” There might be a parish specific question the Pastor might want to ask.
- The questions that can be asked to one another are meant to “share with honesty and openness about their real-life experiences, and to reflect together on what the Holy Spirit might be revealing through what they share with one another”
- Write a short summary of what you learned from that person. Then please send that summary to the chancery either via a letter or email.
- Or if you personally would like to share your faith story, please also write down your thoughts and send that in.



FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY: We celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family on the - first Sunday after Christmas! This feast day is a reminder to us of the example Mary and Joseph set for all of us in welcoming Jesus into their lives. The Holy Family serves as a model for us all in which to live in faith and simplicity.



PRAYER FOR FAMILY COMMITMENT: Dear God our Father, you have called all Christian families to be a sign of your love to the world. Help us to be generous with the gifts of life and love that you have showered on our family. May we share them so that our homes become true signs of unitive and fruitful love. Let us never forget to thank you each day for all that sustains us and to look to Christ, who comes to us in the events of family life, in the sacraments of the Church, and in service to the poor. In all of this, our family becomes a living expression of your Church, a hallowed home of life and love. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may all of us—spouses, parents, and children— share, as members of his Body, in Jesus’ mission to build a civilization of love. Father, we ask this in Jesus’ name in union with the Holy Spirit. Amen.