

St. John Parish

April 2 & 3, 2022

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VOCATION VIEW: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.” Are you called to bring the joy of Christ to His people? If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life Contact Frs. Wesley and Juan Salas vocations@dcdiocese.org or 620-227-1533

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — April 4 - 10

Day	Time	Location	Celebration	Intention
Mon.	No Mass			
Tues.	8:30 a.m.	Church		Mary Alice Hogan
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	Church		Jeremy Stein
Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	Parkview		Steve Ackerman
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	Church		Claude Rogers
Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Church	Confessions	
Sat.	6:30 p.m.	Church		Amy Trumble
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Church		Sonja Strecker



MINISTERS FOR April 9 & 10

Collection:	Lynnette Hessman	Eucharistic:	(Sat.) Kenna Ackerman
Collect. Asst:	Frank Mages		(Sun.) Mary Benjamin
Sacristan:	(Sat.) Sandy Ackerman	Musician:	(Sat.) Gayla Kirmer
	(Sun.) Mary Bemjamin		(Sun.) Gayla Kirmer
Servers:	(Sat.) Xavier and Xander Calvin	Song Leader:	(Sat.) Janell Calvin
	(Sun.) Aubrey, Ayden and Austin Ruiz		(Sun.) Janell Calvin
Lector:	(Sat.) Ashley Hubbell, Audrey Ackerman (Passion)	Ushers:	(Sat.) Kelly Stein, Melvin Strecker
	(Sun.) R.J. Meyer, Kelly Tasset (Passion)		(Sun.) Tom Burke, John Gunkel
		Gifts:	(Sat.) Mike Hubbell
			(Sun.) Craig 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: April 3, 2022 (5th Sunday of Lent). In today’s second reading, St. Paul says, “For his sake I have forfeited everything; I have accounted all else rubbish so that Christ may be my wealth.” Does my stewardship suggest that I could say the same?



UPCOMING EVENTS:

First Communion.....April 23
Totus TuusJuly 10 -15



STATIONS OF THE CROSS SCHEDULE FOR VARIOUS GROUPS, 7 p.m.:

April 8 High School and their teachers



NEW HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

Holy ThursdaySpearville @ 7:00 p.m.
Holy Friday..... Spearville @ 5:00 p.m.
Holy SaturdaySpearville @ 8:00 p.m.
Easter SundaySpearville @ 8:00 a.m.



PARISH LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES:

Everyone Is Invited Sunday, April 3 @4:00 p.m.



FUNERALS: Our sympathy goes to the Hubbell Family. We are sorry for your loss. May the soul of little Kolten Hubbell rest in peace. Let’s keep praying for Uriah and Jeff Hubbell. We also extend our condolences to the Downey Family. Let’s continue to pray for Becky and Theresa Downey. And, may the soul of Mark Downey rest in peace.



EASTER EGG HUNT 2022: Come join the Youth Commission for the annual Easter Egg Hunt in Greenstreet Park on Saturday, April 16, at 3:00 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 for the hunt as well, so bring the family out for some fun!!!



UPCOMING DIOCESAN EVENTS:

April 12 Chrism Mass
April 25-27Priests Spring Assembly
June 11Deacon John Stang’s Priest Ordination
June 19-24 Priests Retreat

ST. MARY’S 2ND ANNUAL LUNCH & AUCTION:

April 10 - 11:30 serving lunch - Auction at 1:00. Free will donation for lunch. St. Mary’s Heritage Hall. Enlighten your day with friends and fun.

BISHOP JOHN BRUNGARDT: Bishop John on last weekend issued this pastoral letter to all the faithful in the Dodge City Diocese:
My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
Greetings on this Fourth Sunday of Lent, Laetare (re-joice) Sunday. We are at the half-way point of Lent, a time to have a joyful anticipation of the celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord on Easter Sunday. I also rejoice in my return to ministry as the Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Dodge City. This has been a terrible ordeal and it has taken a long time to determine that the accusation against me was not true, but I always trusted that I would be exonerated because I knew that I did not do what I had been accused of. I trusted I would be cleared of the accusation, and I appreciate the intensive efforts of the KBI and Church authorities to investigate the accusation so thoroughly. I believe these findings speak for themselves and I simply want to get back to my ministry serving Almighty God and the good people of the Catholic Diocese of Dodge City. I thank all of you for your prayers, sacrifices, letters, and cards for me during these months. “And be thankful ... with gratitude in your hearts to God ... giving thanks to God” (Colossians 3:15-17). I am grateful to Bishop Vincke for his dedicated pastoral care for us during this time. I have prayed for all of you, asking Jesus Forsaken to be with you in all your needs. I forgive and pray for my accuser. May all who suffer find help and healing. May we be vigilant against the great evil of abuse of any kind. The Gospel this Sunday for cycle C is the Parable of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11- 32). The Lord has blessed me with a beautiful “God-incident,” as this Gospel is the source of my episcopal motto: “filled with compassion.” May we be more dedicated to “suffer with” all our sisters and brothers in Christ. May I again wear the “robe ... ring ...sandals” of my episcopal ministry with Jesus our Savior at my side. Be assured of my prayers for you and your loved ones this Lent, Easter and beyond. “Trust in the Lord with all your heart” (Proverbs 3:5). God loves us more than we can ask or imagine!



PRAYING WITH POPE FRANCIS: Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father’s request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for this intention each month. The intention for April: Health Care Workers: We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

April 4 - 10 Birthdays

April 4	Bob Stein
April 7	Dane Dvorak
April 8	Xander Calvin
April 10	Gayla Kimer, Matt Huston