

St. John Parish

VOCATION VIEWS: If we love, we know the presence of God. Take time to be aware of God’s loving presence. Are you open to the Holy Spirit? (John 14:23-29). Do you have an interest to share the Lord’s saving mission as a priest, or in the consecrated life? Contact Frs. Wesley and Juan Salas vocations@dcdiocese.org or 620-227-1533

April 30 and May 1, 2022

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE — May 2 - 8				
Day	Time	Location	Celebration	Intention
Mon.	No Mass			
Tues.	8:30 a.m.	Church		Claude Rogers
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	Church		Mary Norma Schulte
Thurs.	8:30 a.m.	Parkview		Jim Halling
Fri.	8:30 a.m.	Church		Sonja Strecker
Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Church	Confessions	
	6:30 p.m.	Church		Ade Kasselmann
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Church		Mary Ann Schmidt



MINISTERS FOR May 7 - 8

Collection:	J.T. Horacek	Eucharistic:	(Sat.) Larry and Jolene Tasset, Steve Hubbell
Collect. Asst:	Kevin Mages		(Sun.) Mary Schartz, Frank Mages, Larry Schmidt
Sacristan:	(Sat.) Bonnie Laudick (Sun.) Lynann Bowman	Musician:	(Sat.) Dana Howerton (Sun.) Dana Howerton
Servers:	(Sat.) Makenzie and Brady Preisner (Sun.) Evan and Mia Benjamin, Quentin Tasset	Song Leader:	(Sat.) Janell Calvin (Sun.) Janell Calvin
Lector:	(Sat.) Connie Burkhart (Sun.) R.J. Meyer	Ushers:	(Sat.) Melvin Stein, Mike Hubbell (Sun.) Keith Brack, Scott Burke
		Gifts:	(Sat.) Rod Durler (Sun.) Melvin Habiger



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.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Totus Tuus July 10 -15
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UPCOMING DIOCESAN EVENTS:

June 11 Deacon John Stang’s Priest Ordination
June 19-24 Priests Retreat
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CONGRATULATIONS: Tanner Riisoe and Jacqueline Dvorak will get married on Saturday, April 30, 2022, in St. John the Baptist Church at 2:00 p.m. We wish them all the best.

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ST. ANDREW CHURCH, WRIGHT INVITES: Picnic Time please join us for the Spring Social on May 1 immediately following Mass with a meal of fried chicken, beans, salad, and dessert. There will be children’s games, Bingo, corn hole, raffle items and a silent auction following the meal.

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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 May: Faith-Filled Young People: We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary’s life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

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TALK WITH VALUE THEM BOTH ADVOCATES: We have Value them Both people coming to our parish on May 4th, at 7 p.m. We want to encourage all of the High School religion students and all adults of the parish to come to the talk. We meet in the Parish Center.

Celebrating A Century! Daughters of Isabella, St. Vincent de Paul Circle 211 Spearville celebrate 100 years. We are grateful for God’s gift of 100 Years.

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May 2 - 8 Birthdays	
May 2	Jacob Broz, Allana Loder, Deb Rodda, Jill Vierthaler, Kambre Konrade
May 3	Drew Hubbell
May 4	Mary Jane Stramel, Madison Maud, Lydia Bowman
May 5	Phil Gleason, Jay Brown
May 6	Wyatt Hessman
May 7	Zachary Broz, Heidy Ackerman

SPRING CONCERT AT WINDTHORST: The Spring Choral and Instrumental Concert will be held at the Immaculate Heart of Mary church at Windthorst on Sunday, May 1st at 3:00 p.m. Featuring Choral Ensembles conducted by Kerry J. Kuplic, Instrumental Ensembles Conducted by Nancy Sapp and Joel Vinson. All are invited. Admission is free – see you there!

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YOUTH PROGRAMS: Prayer & Action is a “mission trip across the street” that helps a person grow in their baptismal identity as a priest, prophet, and king. Each day we participate in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and join our hearts to His on the altar. We learn about our faith and share it with joy. And we serve those who are in need. - Students come in groups (or as individuals) from parishes across the diocese and stay overnight at the local parish hall or school. They paint houses, clean overgrown yards, or whatever the homeowners need, then return to the parish for an evening of leisure. They take turns cooking for each other, listen to witness talks by the college students, play a few games, and then go to bed joyfully exhausted from a day of intentional Christian living.

The cost is \$100 per person and covers the food, the t-shirt, a portion of the necessary supplies (primer, paint, brushes, etc.) and helps in paying the college students who lead the program. Students arrive at the site on Sunday evening, work four full days, then depart on Friday at Noon. - This program is ideal for a youth group or confirmation class to attend together, and especially for teens and their parents. We invite those who have completed 8th grade, through those who have just completed their senior year.

Camp Cristo Rey is our middle school summer camp. Camp is an opportunity for kids from all over the diocese to encounter God through His creation of the great outdoors. Each day includes Mass, devotions within small groups, and learning about our shared faith. But of course, it wouldn’t be camp without daily, fun activities like swimming, scavenger hunts, and campfires. This year, we will have two ways to experience camp. First, there will be three 1-day camps at three different locations in our diocese. The cost for this camp will be \$35 to help cover the cost of food, a t-shirt, and activities. The second way to experience camp is the 4-day, 3-night camp at Camp Aldrich. The cost for this camp is \$150 to cover lodging, food, a t-shirt, and activities. Camp Cristo Rey is a great way to meet other young Catholics in our diocese, or to reconnect with friends made at other diocesan youth events.

Totus Tuus is a parish based program for 1st - 6th graders in the morning and 7th - 12th graders in the evening. This program is dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through devotion to the Eucharist and to the Holy Rosary. Totus Tuus follows a 6 year cycle that systematically works through the Catechism of the Catholic Church and the mysteries of the Rosary. This year, we will be teaching about Prayer, the Our Father, and the Luminous Mysteries. If your parish is not hosting Totus Tuus this year, you are invited to attend at a neighboring parish. Please contact your local parish coordinator for details on price and registration. Go to <https://www.dcdiocese.org/summer-missions-youth> to register or for more information!