

DECEMBER 2022—17TH & 18TH

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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Presiding Pastor

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Parish Secretary

Jenny Schmidt, 357-4198

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Keith Brack

Meetings - 1st Thursdays @ 8 PM



The Daughters of Isabella
St. Vincent de Paul #211

DofI Meetings
2nd Mondays
7:00 PM
Oak Room



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE, IN SERVICE TO ALL
ST. LEONARD'S COUNCIL #1539

KofC Meetings
1st Mondays
7:45 PM Rosary
Meeting Follows

MASS SCHEDULE: December 19—25

DAY	TIME	LOCATION	INTENTION
- NO MASS on MONDAYS -			
Tues.	8:30 AM	Church	Pat Torline
	9:30 AM	Southwind	Kaleb Hagans - Birthday
Wed.	8:30 AM	Church	Tony Mages
Thurs.	8:30 AM	Parkview	Gaylord Moritz
Fri.	8:30 AM	Church	Tonya Kasselmann & Kolten Hagans - Birthdays
Sat.	8:30 PM*	Church	George Heskamp
Sun.	9:00 AM*	Church	Bernard Strecker

CONFESSIONS - Saturdays @ 5:30 PM or by appointment

Welcome!

We welcome all who are visiting during the holidays!
If you are residents but not registered with our parish, please fill out a registration form from the church entry and place it in the offertory basket.
We'd love to have you!



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MASS MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 24TH & 25TH

Collection: LaWana VanNahmen		Collection Asst: Larry Tasset
	CHRISTMAS EVE - 8:30 PM	CHRISTMAS DAY - 9:00 AM
Sacristans:	Judy Gleason	Fr. John
Servers:	Kaleb Konrade, Kambre Konrade	Mia Benjamin, Evan Benjamin, Lena Gleason
Lectors:	Rich Gleason	Kelly Tasset
Eucharistic Ministers:	Steve Hubbell, Kenna Ackerman, Joyce Rogers	Drew Hubbell, Frank Mages, Larry Schmidt
Musician:	Julie Knoeber	Julie Knoeber
Song Leader:	Jenny Schmidt (with choir)	Jenny Schmidt (with choir)
Ushers:	Cory Ackerman, Rod Durler	Dennis Schawe, Ron Temaat
Gifts:	Rod Durler Family	Tom Burke Family

*Christmas
Choir*

All are welcome to sing in the choir for both/either Christmas Masses!
Rehearsal is on Tuesday, December 20th at 7 PM in the choir loft.

Vocation Views: 'When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel had commanded him.' God's invitation demands a response.
If He is calling you, pray for the courage to respond wholeheartedly, as did St. Joseph. (Matt.1:24)
-- If you're discerning the priesthood, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at vocations@dcdiocese.org or 620-227-1533.--

Parish News & Events

HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve--Saturday, Dec. 24th

Jetmore, St. Lawrence @ 4:00 PM

Hanston, St. Anthony @ 6:00 PM

Spearville, St. John @ 8:30 PM

Christmas Day -- Sunday, Dec. 25th

Spearville, St. John @ 9:00 AM

New Year's Eve -- Saturday, Dec. 31st

Hanston, St. Anthony @ 4:00 PM

Spearville, St. John @ 6:30 PM

New Year's Day -- Sunday, Jan. 1st

Spearville, St. John @ 8:00 AM

Jetmore, St. Lawrence @ 10:30 AM

***The Liturgy Committee will decorate the church for Christmas on Monday, December 19th @ 7 PM.*

SECRETARY POSITION FILLED: Judy Gleason has served our Parish for many years and will now hand over the reins to Jenny Schmidt. We thank Judy for doing the many things that have helped our church function smoothly for so long. She will continue in her position as the Director of Religious Education (DRE) through the end of the school year, when Jenny will take on that responsibility as well. Judy is still "in the know" and has been helping Jenny learn and slowly take over all the moving parts. Thank you Judy for all you do!

Please be patient in the interim as we iron out all the responsibilities! A receptionist's office has been set up at the Parish Center and publicized office hours will be forthcoming. A new phone number will be available soon, so stay tuned! For now, you can reach Jenny for scheduling sacraments, bulletin additions, mass intentions, or other clerical needs at 620-357-4198 or ri.jen.schmidt@gmail.com.

PRAY FOR FATHER: Fr. John will soon go home to Ghana for a much-needed vacation. We pray for his safe travels & a restful time off!

Diocesan News & Events

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL: In an effort to increase recognition and adoration of the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist, the Diocese of Dodge City has scheduled a Diocesan Traveling Monstrance program. The monstrance has been shared between parishes each month, and Spearville/Jetmore/Hanston will receive the monstrance in June of 2023. We hope to plan some meaningful adoration time and activities during that month.

In the meantime, check out all the fantastic resources about the Eucharist on our Formed.org account. Download the app on all streaming devices and log in using our church name and zip code!

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED

LIFE will be celebrated on Saturday, January 21, 2023 at Sacred Heart Parish in Larned. Mass begins at 10:30 followed by dinner. Do you know special religious sisters or religious priests who have had some influence on your life? By taking part in this day, you celebrate these people and their relationship with you, whether they are still on earth or in heaven. Everyone is welcome to attend both the Mass and dinner. For an accurate count for the meal, please RSVP to Yolanda Perez (executivesecretary@dcdiocese.org or 620-227-1530) by *December 30, 2022*.

STEWARDSHIP FOR THE 4TH SUNDAY

OF ADVENT: Joseph became the protector of Mary and Jesus rather than ending their engagement. Lord, let us be just as willing as Joseph to let the Holy Spirit lead us!

December 19-25 Birthdays

Dec. 19	Karsen Halling, Levi Stein
Dec. 21	Brooklyn Schneweis
Dec. 22	Janet Konrade
Dec. 23	Carol Durler, Joyce Schulte, Kim Steimel
Dec. 24	Kevin Mages
Dec. 25	Rose Thomas