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The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 29, 2017



Please pray for our young from Meade and Fowler people who will be confirmed on February 8

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

29	Sun	8:30 am	(P)	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....Deceased Loved Ones (Larry & Marge Donahue)
29	Sun	10:30 am	(M)	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time+C.J. Thomas (John & Debbie Thomas)
29	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....(Spanish).....For the Parishioners
30	Mon	6:00 pm	(M)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....+Bruno Hoffman (Jim & Michele Correll)
31	Tue	7:30 am	(M)	St. John Bosco.....+C. J. Thomas (John & Debbie Thomas)
01	Wed	10:00 am	(FRC)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....+Fern Beckerman (Jim & Michele Correll)
01	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	Week day in Ordinary Time+Gilbert Hageman (Diane Hageman)
02	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	The Presentation of the Lord.....+Fern Schaffer (Joyce Knott)
03	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	St. Blaise.....+Earl Shinogle (Barry & Melissa Mellen)
03	Fri	7:00 pm	(F)	St. Blaise.....(First Friday).....Deceased Relatives (Sobba Family)
04	Sat	5:30 pm	(F)	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Leo Wentz (Marilyn Dewell)
05	Sun	8:30 am	(P)	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary TimeDeceased Loved Ones (Ray & Jenny Amerin Family)
05	Sun	10:30 am	(M)	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time+Father Francis Stuart
05	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time(Spanish).....For the Parishioners

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

45 minutes before Masse

HOMEBOUND If you would like Communion brought to you at home, or have someone in the hospital, please notify Father.

HAVE YOU REGISTERED IN OUR PARISH? If you are new, we welcome you and would like to get to know you.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please send any announcements you want put in the bulletin to the Fowler Rectory, or call the Dewells (646-5300), or email @stanthonyfowler@gmail.com no later than **THURSDAY** noon. Thanks!

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE Couples anticipating marriage are asked to contact their parish priest as soon as possible so that preparation can begin. The dioceses of Kansas prefer at least 6 months notice; 4 months is required.

Liturgical and Other Ministers

FOWLER – Saturday, Feb. 4th, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Judy Dewell, Kevin Milford
SERVERS: Kale H., Giselle Mercado, Adan M.
GREETERS: Nasario & Gabriela Mendoza Fam.
COLL. COUNTERS: Van & Cathy Heinz
NURSING HOME: Judy Dewell

PLAINS – Sunday, Feb. 5th, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Brendon Smith
SERVERS: Grace H., Dianna O., Gloria K.
GREETERS: Max & Silvia Olvera
COLL. COUNTERS: Kristen G., & Patricia C.

MEADE – Sunday, Feb. 5th, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Tyler Flavin
SERVERS: Payton W., Katie W., Degnan B.
GREETERS: Cottrell Families
COLL. COUNTERS: Dewell Family

PLAINS – Sunday, Feb. 5th, 1:00 pm

LECTOR:
SERVERS:
GREETERS:

EUCH MIN: Brenda Martin, Sarah Jordan, Steve D.
MUSIC MIN: Pam Milford, Cathy Heinz/clavinova
USHERS:
ROSARY: Diane Leis

EUCH. MIN: Lucy B., Terry S., Ron E.
MUSIC MIN: Nancy H.
ROSARY: Vern Kisner

EUCH MIN: Kevin D., Susan D., Cindy H.
MUSIC MIN: Belinda Chalker
GIFTS: Koons Family
ROSARY: Cindy Hagemeyer

EUCH MIN:
USHERS:
COLL. COUNTERS:

~~ **IF YOU CANNOT FULFILL YOUR OBLIGATION, PLEASE FIND SOMEONE TO TAKE YOUR PLACE** ~~

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: Blessed are they who are what they are and do what they do *for the sake of the kingdom!*
The Gospel today assures good stewards that their suffering and their service on behalf of the Kingdom *will* be rewarded!

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>		<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$1,487.00	\$816.00		\$1,713.00
OFFERTORY:	\$131.00	\$163.00		\$448.00
CHILDREN:	\$24.25	\$8.00	Bldg. Fd.	\$105.00
RENT:	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
OTHER:	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$96.75</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>		<u>\$38.01</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,739.00	\$987.00		\$2,304.01
	\$2,118.00	\$1,250.00		

THOUGHTS FROM FATHER TED: The Christmas Season still seems rather recent, but Lent will be upon in a little over a month. March 1 is the beginning of Lent this year. Easter Sunday is on April 16. Even though early, it seems prudent to begin looking ahead in order to make the Lenten Season as spiritually profitable as possible. I would like to encourage all of us to begin reflecting upon the way we plan to observe Lent this year. We can ask the question: "What will I do to deepen my relationship with God this Lent?" While Lent usually involves some form of sacrifice, a profitable Lent requires more than this. The things we give up for Lent should free us to do something positive. For example, if one gives up some form of food or drink, what is being done with the money saved or the time saved? Does the sacrifice of food or drink allow the person to give more to those in need? If one is giving up some form of entertainment, does that free the person to spend time reaching out to people in need? Let each of us take time now to prayerfully ask God to guide us in the way we observe Lent this year. By starting to reflect upon on this now, we will not come to Ash Wednesday wondering what we are going to do for Lent this year. The traditional remedies for sin that have long been encourage are prayer, fasting and works of charity. May God guide each of us to apply those remedies in our lives so that Lent can become a time of spiritual renewal and growth.

PARISH MISSION: WE ARE INVITED! The St. John Nepomuk Catholic Church and School in the Oklahoma City, OK Archdiocese would like to invite members in the Dodge City Diocese to attend their 2017 Parish Mission in February. David Haas will be performing a concert on Friday, February 10th at 7pm and continuing with an all day mission on Saturday, February 11th from 9am - 8pm. Lunch will be provided with a \$10 cost. Please RSVP at www.sjnok.org or text mission2017 to 555888.

I would like to call your attention to the website once again. Even though there is not a lot on the website, it does give you a chance to see the bulletin and to look at your ministry assignments. Links to Catholic websites have been added and we hope to add more in the near future. Links to the Diocese of Dodge City, The United States Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB), Bishop Robert Barron, Catholic Answers and New Advent are now available. On our diocesan website, you can find information about diocesan programs and schedules. The USCCB website gives access to the daily scripture reading for any day of the year and you can find articles on various topics such as marriage and family life. Bishop Barron's website allows one to access to his homilies and his other instructive podcasts and YouTube videos. Catholic Answers has papers about a variety of questions and topics concerning the Catholic faith. New Advent gives access to papal documents the Catholic Encyclical and many other sources of information. The website is meadecatholic.org.

VOCATION VIEWS: Seek to follow Jesus, the humble servant. You will be blessed! Discover the grace of the gospel. (Zephaniah 2:3, 12-13 & Matthew 5:1-12.) If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdiocese.org/vocations.

Human Trafficking Awareness month. LEARN about human trafficking in this country and particularly in your state and area. US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking (sistersagainstrafficking.org)

Announcements for Plains

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY (the rosary) There will be prayer for our country on Sunday, at 5:30 p.m.

THRIFT SHOP: January is our month to take care of the Thrift Shop. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board. All help is greatly appreciated. The Thrift Shop is open Tuesday evening from 6-8p.m. and on Friday afternoon, 2-4 p.m. During 2017, our turn to run the Thrift Shop will be every three months, so we will need volunteers more often. Thank you to all who help with this service in our community.

Announcements for Meade

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY (the rosary) There will be Mass on Monday, at 6:00 p.m., followed by the rosary.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR STUDENTS who will be confirmed on Wednesday, February 8, at 7:00 p.m. They are: Monica Gleason, Cali Keith, Brooke Keith, Amanda Kastens, Payton Welsh, Nolan Dewell, Taegen Woodruff, Preston Woodruff, Horacio Holguin, Wyatt Bolton.

MEADE PASTORAL COUNCIL is scheduled to meet on Wed., Feb. 1, at 7:30 p.m., in the Forst Center.

Announcements for Fowler

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY (the rosary) is scheduled at 5:15 p.m. on Mondays in our church.

OUR DEEPEST APPRECIATION to the men of the parish who so generously cleaned up all the branches!

CONGRATULATION TO OUR STUDENTS who made their First Confessions on Wednesday, January 18th. They are: Jayden Renfro, Carson Wideman, Cooper Laudick, and Saul Mendoza. Please continue to pray for these students as they prepare to make their First Communions.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR STUDENTS who will be confirmed on Wednesday, February 8, at 7:00 p.m., in Meade. They are: Caleb Heinz, Jacey Wideman, Paige Harris, Reagin Duesing, Crystal Medrano, Angel Medrano, Kambrey Weber, Kenyan Weber, Kadyne Weber, Carlos Mendoza, and Mallory Bergkamp.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS Youth Fundraiser: Sat., Feb 18, Roast Beef Dinner & Raffle! 32" Sanyo LED, LCD HDTV and JBL Portable Wireless Speaker and many other items. More info later.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES to the Merkle family on the passing of their husband, father, and grandfather, Farran Dean. Know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and Farran Dean at this time.

Don't forget our website: <https://meadecatholic.org/>