

# CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES of MEADE COUNTY

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The Transfiguration of the Lord

August 6, 2017

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**Instead of being just a church that welcomes and receives  
by keeping the doors open,  
let us try also to be a church that finds new roads,  
that is able to step outside itself and go  
to those who do not attend Mass,  
to those who have quit or are indifferent.**

Pope Francis

## Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

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06	Sun	8:30 am	(F)	The Transfiguration of the Lord.....+Jon Gerber (Carla Bartlett)
06	Sun	10:30 am	(P)	The Transfiguration of the Lord.....Deceased Family & Friends (Lucy Bromwell)
06	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Transfiguration of the Lord... (Spanish).....For the Parishioners
07	Mon	6:00 pm	(M)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....For Vocations to the Priesthood & religious life
08	Tue	7:30 am	(M)	St. Dominic.....For our seminarians
09	Wed	10:00 am	(FRC)	St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross.....+John Heinz (Rita Hoffman)
09	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross.....For an end to human trafficking
10	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	St. Lawrence.....+Lawrence Danler (Judy & Steve Dewell)
11	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	St. Clare.....For an end to religious persecutions
11	Fri	6:00 pm	(P)	St. Clare..... (Spanish).....For Vocations to the Priesthood & religious life
12	Sat	5:30 pm	(M)	The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time.....For World Peace
13	Sun	8:30 am	(F)	The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time .....+Carl & Dorothy Gerber (Carla Bartlett)
13	Sun	10:30 am	(P)	The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time .....For the renewal of faith in our parishes
13	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time .....(Spanish).....For the Parishioners

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**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

45 minutes before Masses

**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](mailto: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

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**FOWLER – Sunday, Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 am**

**LECTOR:** Brent Merkle, Phyllis Butts  
**SERVERS:** Giselle M., Crystal M., Kale M.  
**GREETERS:** Van & Cathy Heinz Family  
**COLL. COUNTERS:** John Weber  
**NURSING HOME:** Diane Leis

**PLAINS – Sunday, Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 am**

**LECTOR:** Brendan Smith  
**SERVERS:** Bob K., Lucy V., Owen V.  
**GREETERS:** Nefro Saucedo Family  
**COLL. COUNTERS:** Patricia Coates

**MEADE – Saturday, Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm**

**LECTOR:** Matthew Welsh  
**SERVERS:** Brooke K., Cali K., Kate P.  
**GREETERS:** Faurot Family  
**COLL. COUNTERS:** Dewell Family

**PLAINS – Sunday, Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 pm**

**LECTOR:**  
**SERVERS:**  
**GREETERS:**

**EUCH MIN:** Judy Dewell, Brenda Martin, Tom Leis  
**MUSIC MIN:** Pam Milford /clavinova  
**USHERS:** Ron Hageman, Dan Harris  
**ROSARY:** Marilyn Dewell

**EUCH. MIN:** Mary A., Terry S., Nefro S.  
**MUSIC MIN:** Kristin Grilliot  
**ROSARY:** Lucy Bromwell

**EUCH MIN:** Cindy H., Janet R., Tom R.  
**MUSIC MIN:** Gleason Family  
**GIFTS:** Inlow Family  
**ROSARY:** Flavin Family

**EUCH MIN:**  
**USHERS:**  
**COLL. COUNTERS:**

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

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES:** In the Gospel today, Peter yearns to *do* something to make concrete the Transfiguration he had witnessed. But to be a good steward of this spiritual gift, he was instructed to be still, to listen to Jesus, and to wait for His direction. Good advice for us, too!

	<b><u>FOWLER</u></b>	<b><u>MEADE</u></b>	<b><u>PLAINS</u></b>
ENVELOPES:	\$815.00	\$1,315.00	\$1,741.00
OFFERTORY:	\$174.00	\$87.00	\$38.00
CHILDREN:	\$6.00	\$8.00	Bldg. Fd. \$100.00
BABY BOTTLES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
RENT:	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$995.00	\$1,510.00	\$1,879.00
	\$2,118.00	\$1,250.00	

**THOUGHTS FROM FATHER TED:** This year we are observing the 100th Anniversary of the appearance of Mary to the children of Fatima. These appearances continued on a monthly basis for 6 months. Even though authorities tried to dissuade the children about their conviction that Mary had appeared to them, the children could not be dissuaded. Even the threats of imprisonment or physical harm could not convince them to deny the reality of these visions. Mary's message to them was simple: the only way to bring peace to our world is through prayer. Specifically, she asked for people to pray the rosary daily, to receive Communion on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, go to Confession and receive Holy Communion, recite the Rosary and keep me company for 15 minutes while meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary with the intention of making reparation for sins. She also requested that we all practice acts of Penance in reparation for the many sins of the world.

The last of the apparitions of Mary was accompanied by a miraculous event of the sun appearing to dance in the sky. It was seen by thousands of people at that time. The two youngest children, Jacinta and Francisco, lived only a few years beyond the appearance and have recently been declared saints by the Church. The oldest, Lucia lived until February 13, 2005, at the age of 97. She continued to have visitations by the Blessed Virgin at various times throughout her life.

This anniversary is an opportune time to renew our praying of the rosary for peace. It would be more difficult to observe the five first Saturdays, but it could be done by attending the Saturday Evening Mass in one of our three parishes. The call to turn away from sin is one that each of us are obliged to do whether we accept the reality of the appearances of Mary or not.

**IN THE BEGINNING...** This is a series of bulletin messages describing the fetal development of "Chris." (week 20) "If you were to shine a very bright light on my mother's abdomen, I may slowly move my hand in front of my eyes. If you make a very loud noise, I may cover my ears with my hands. But I can also hear my mom's voice, and when she sings a lullaby, it soothes me, and helps me sleep." Chris's private parts are clearly visible now, but no peeking, after all Chris is naked. Doesn't Chris have a right to privacy? Mom may be able to feel kicks now. Don't forget those prenatal vitamins.

*"Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen."* Heb. 11: 1

**Rachel's Vineyard Retreats:** Women and men of abortion, weep no more. Jesus is calling you to follow Him. Give yourself the gift of a retreat weekend.

Healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time

**Next retreat: September 29, 30, October 1. 1-877-I-GRIEVE (1-877-447-4383)**

[rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org](mailto:rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org) Confidential

**RETREAT FOR ALL INCOMING FRESHMEN - KSU:** St. Isidore's will be hosting a retreat for all incoming freshmen at Kansas State University. This retreat focuses on building strong friendships and encouraging students to maintain their Catholic faith in college, while also demonstrating all that St. Isidore's has to offer. Our retreat will be held on Friday August 25th, and Saturday August 26th, and will be run by our students, FOCUS Missionaries, and Campus Ministers. This is not an overnight retreat. For additional information, contact Robbie Jenninas at [rjennings@stisidores.com](mailto:rjennings@stisidores.com). To sign-up, visit our website [www.stisidores.com](http://www.stisidores.com).

**VOCATION VIEWS:** God invites us to ask for what we need. Consider what Solomon requested – an understanding heart. What do you need as you seek to follow Jesus? (1 Kings 3:5,7-12). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620-227-1533 or [vocations@dcdiocese.org](mailto:vocations@dcdiocese.org).

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED:** Please pray for our five seminarians as they head off to seminary this month. Keep them in prayer now and throughout the year! They are: John Stang - Prince of Peace, Great Bend; Tyler Saucedo - Prince of Peace, Great Bend; Austin Habash - Prince of Peace, Great Bend; Eric Frieb - St. Ann, Olmitz; Esteban Hernandez - Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Dodge City.

**2017 STEWARDSHIP CONFERENCE:** The 2017 stewardship conference is August 26th at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Dodge City. The theme for this year is Vibrancy. From highlighting areas of vibrancy to learning how to be vibrant, this conference will help individuals and parishes live out Bishop Brungardt's mantra to "preach the gospel with great joy"

**DECHANT FOUNDATION GOLF TOURNAMENT:** The 3rd Annual Dechant Foundation Golf Tournament:-benefiting the retired Priest fund of the Catholic Diocese of Dodge City will be held Friday, September 8, 2017, at Mariah Hills Golf Course, 1800 Matt Down Rd, Dodge City, KS. The day will begin with Mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe daily chapel at 10:30 am; registration at 11:30 am at Mariah Hills pro shop; 12 noon lunch; 1:00 pm shotgun start golf tourney; followed by 6:00 pm banquet. Sponsorships are still available. For more information, contact Mark Roth at: [mroth@dcdiocese.org](mailto:mroth@dcdiocese.org). or 620-227-1535. \$500 for 4-person team. Cost includes green fees, cart rental, lunch, banquet and hole prizes. All parishes in the Diocese are encouraged to enter a team! Deadline to enter is August 25.

**AUGUST 15, THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION (A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION):** Mass will be scheduled in our parishes at the following times: 6:30 p.m. on Monday, August 14, at St. John's in Meade: 7:00 a.m., on Tuesday, August 15, in St. Anthony's, Fowler; 5:45 p.m., in English, at St. Patrick's, Plains; 7:15 p.m., in Spanish, at St. Patrick's in Plains.

### Announcement for Plains

**PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY** (the rosary) There will be prayer for our country on Sunday, at 5:30 p.m.  
**PLAINS PASTORAL COUNCIL** is scheduled on Wednesday, August 9, at 7:30 p.m., in the parish rectory.  
**CONFIRMATION INFO:** Any student, 9 -12th grade, who is wanting to be Confirmed is asked to please sign up on the sheet at the entrance of church. You must have been baptized and have made your 1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion. We are not sure if we will have Confirmation this year or next, but you must be attending class and going to Mass on a regular basis. Please contact Jenny Amerin, Carmen Puentes, or Fr. Ted if you have any questions.

### Announcements for Meade

**COMMUNITY FOOD BANK:** We have the Food Bank this month and there will be a box in the back of church for your donations. Please be generous to those who need our help!

Announcements for Fowler

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY (the rosary) is scheduled at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 7, in the church.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT is scheduled on Monday, August 7, 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.