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The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 27, 2017

**Pope Francis points out that "the Church grows by attraction,
not proselytizing," The beauty in the Church is irresistible.**

The problem is that our sin distorts it.

**The saints learn to magnify that beauty through their love and humility,
rather than distort it with proselytizing and pride.**

We need saints. And not just saints of the past--your sainthood.

Messy & Foolish by Mathew Warner

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

27	Sun	8:30 am	(F)	The 21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time.....For World Peace
27	Sun	10:30 am	(P)	The 21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time+Victor Hageman (Bob & Kathy Goertz)
27	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The 21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time(Spanish).....For the Parishioners
28	Mon	6:00 pm	(M)	St. Augustine.....+Bill Dewell (Kevin & Susan Dewell)
29	Tue	7:30 am	(M)	The Passion of St. John the Baptist.....+Betty Flowers (Steve & Judy Dewell)
30	Wed	10:00 am	(FRC)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....+Alden "Duke" Dewell (Jo Cox)
30	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....Deceased Loved Ones (Fred & Elia Wells)
31	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....Deceased Family & Friends (Larry & Marge Donahue)
01	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	First Friday.....For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious life
01	Fri	7:00 pm	(F)	First Friday.....Living & Deceased Memebers of Joseph & Helen Buesing Family
02	Sat	5:30 pm	(M)	The 22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Dottie Gillen (Tom & Elaine Feldman)
03	Sun	8:30 am	(F)	The 22 nd Sunday in Ordinary TimeSpecial Intention (Shelby Huslig)
03	Sun	10:30 am	(P)	The 22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time+Barbara Amerin (Butch Amerin)
03	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The 22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time(Spanish).....For the Parishioners

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 no later than **THURSDAY** noon. Thanks!

Liturgical and Other Ministers

FOWLER – Sunday, Sept. 3rd, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Sarah Jordan, Laurie Devine
SERVERS: Giselle M, Kale H., Kambrey W.
GREETERS: Brenda Martin, Elia Wells
COLL. COUNTERS: Dan & Brenda Harris
NURSING HOME: Brigid Thurman

PLAINS – Sunday, Sept. 3rd, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Martha Saucedo
SERVERS: Dolores A., Owen V., Jared H.
GREETERS: Ray & Jenny Amerin
COLL. COUNTERS: Lucy Bromwell

MEADE – Saturday, Sept 2nd, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Kevin Dewell
SERVERS: Brenna F., Emily F., Sarah K.
GREETERS: Flowers Family
COLL. COUNTERS: Gleason Family

PLAINS – Sunday, Sept. 3rd, 1:00 pm

LECTOR:

SERVERS:

GREETERS:

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: In today's readings St. Paul reminds the Romans –and us – that all things come from God: "For form Him and through Him and for Him all things are." Good stewards understand that all is gift and share generously the gifts of time, talent, and treasure with which they've been blessed.

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.

EUCH MIN: James & Becky Hamilton, Tom Leis

MUSIC MIN: Cherie Knott, Pam Milford/ Jan

USHERS: Larry Knott, Randy Leis

ROSARY: Marilyn Dewell

EUCH. MIN: Terry S., Lucy B., Mary A.

MUSIC MIN: Kristin Grilliot

ROSARY: Vern Kisner

EUCH MIN: Vince K., Janet R., Tom R.

MUSIC MIN: Gleason Family

GIFTS: Koons Family

ROSARY: Flavin Family

EUCH MIN:

USHERS:

COLL. COUNTERS:

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>	<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$1,239.00	\$751.00	\$1,260.00
OFFERTORY:	\$124.00	\$97.00	\$234.00
CHILDREN:	\$7.00	\$9.00	Bldg. Fd. \$10.00
BABY BOTTLES:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
MEMORIAL:	\$0.00	\$735.00	\$0.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$34.11</u>	<u>\$11.30</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,404.11	\$1,603.30	\$1,504.00
	\$2,118.00	\$1,250.00	

THOUGHTS FROM FATHER TED: Last week, I wrote that our faith can offer us much comfort in the struggles of our lives. I went on to say that this comfort comes only through becoming committed disciples of Jesus. The comfort will not be an increase of financial security or the reversal of the aging process. It will not mean a freedom from misunderstandings or conflicts within our family or our work environment. The comfort comes from knowing that we are deeply loved by our God and that our lives have a purpose. Jesus invites us to Himself so that he can draw each of us to a deeper oneness with Him. Jesus seeks a surrender of our very selves to Him. It means striving to put our lives into His hands. Once we have come to know God's love for us, we can have the confidence to give ourselves back to God. To do this, we must trust in our God's care for us. The Jesus who died for us will not abandon us or leads us into harm. Instead, he continues to guide us and lead us to His eternal Kingdom. He asks us to give ourselves to love of God and love of neighbor. We who have been loved beyond anything we have deserved or earned are called to respond by giving of our love and letting go of our selfishness.

THEO 4881 RCIA Kansas: Pope Francis dreams of a missionary impulse transforming the Church's way of doing things, directed to the needs of today's world. Pope Francis calls us to be missionary disciples. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults makes new disciples and renews the old, faithful ones. This course explores how our parishes can respond to Pope Francis' call that each of them be a center of missionary outreach. Class Times: Sept. 29, 30 (Begins at 5:00p.m. on Sept. 29 and ends at 1:30 p.m. Sept. 30). Location: Spiritual Life Center - Wichita, KS. Cost: Make reservations and pay for your room and meals at SLC by going to <https://slc.retreatportal.com/calendar/viewEvent.aspx?programcode=17AWW10397> 1 hr. course for college credit-\$50.00 pay by contacting Coleen at cstein@dcdiocese.org or 620-227-1538. Personal enrichment fee is included with your payment to Spiritual Life Center. *price quotes do not include books. Fr. Richard Fragomeni, Lead Presenter in English, priest of the Diocese of Albany, NY, is professor of liturgy and preaching at the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago. Fragomeni holds degrees from University of Louvain, and an M. A., M. Music, and Ph.D. from the Catholic University of America. Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSSR, Lead Presenter in Spanish, is on the Redemptorist Evangelization Team, Minneapolis, MN. Keyes has a Ph.D. from Fordham University. Breakout Session Leaders: Fr. Frank Coady, Dolores Martinez, Fr. Robert Schremmer.

IN THE BEGINNING... This is a series of bulletin messages describing the fetal development of "Chris." (week 23) "I can hear mom's conversations more clearly now. I can hear her sing and talk. I like to kick back, suck my thumb, and listen to her read to me. My eyelids and eyebrows are fully formed. My fingernails have grown to the end of my fingers. My brain is growing really fast so I'm going to be very smart." Chris weighs nearly a pound now. Dad, did you know: The mail voice penetrates the abdomen and uterine wall better than the higher frequencies of the female voice?

"Teach them (God's ordinances) to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up." Deut. 6: 7.

VOCATION VIEWS: Who do you say that Jesus is? Can you proclaim with Peter, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God?" Pray for the grace to act on your belief. (Matthew 16:13-20). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620-227-1533 or vocations@dcdiocese.org.

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE 2018 MARCH FOR LIFE! Prince of Peace Catholic Church-Great Bend will sponsor a bus trip to the March for Life in Washington, D.C., Jan. 17-21, 2018. The trip includes bus fare, hotel for two nights, Mass, the March For Life, National Shrine of the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, sightseeing, and the Life is VERY Good Rally; information @ www.arlingtondiocese.org/youth/lifeisverygood.aspx. Cost of the trip is \$375 per person. Registration is available from your parish office. There is a \$50 nonrefundable reservation fee, due at time of registration for Great Bend Parishioners, Sept. 14, and outside Great Bend, Oct. 2, with final payment due Dec. 11. For more information contact Jaclyn Brown, Director of Youth and Adult Ministries, @ 620.792.1396 or youth@gbpeace.kscoxmail.com.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN AWARENESS SESSION is scheduled in English in Fowler on Sunday August 27th, 2017, from 3- 6 p.m. in St. Anthony Parish School. 503 4th St. Fowler, KS. 67844. Contact Person is Sarah Weber 620-430-1627. PGC Facilitator is Sharon Stuart 620-225-5164.

Announcement for Plains

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

THRIFT SHOP: The time has come for our turn to take care of the Thrift Shop. September is our month. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board. All help is greatly appreciated. The Thrift Shop is open Tuesday evening from 6-8 p.m. and on Friday afternoon 2-4 p.m. Thank you to all who help with this service project in our community.

ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament is scheduled on Wednesday, September 6, 3 -6 p.m.

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!

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

PSR We are still looking for more teachers to get our year started. We have spots to fill during both class times. K-5 will have class from 4-5 p.m. & 6-12 will meet from 7-8:15 p.m. If no 6th grade teacher can be found, 6th grade will attend the earlier class time. Please contact Heather Flavin 873-9468 if you are able to give of your time & help our youth grow in their faith. We will start class on Sept. 13. Please register your children after Mass on Sept. 2nd or by email flavins2004@gmail.com.

PARISH COUNCIL: Parish Council meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, Sept. 6 at 7:00 p.m.

Announcements for Fowler

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

PSR: We will have a kick-off on Sept. 13.

ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament will be postponed until Monday, September 11, 3 -6 p.m.