

# CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES of MEADE COUNTY

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The Solemnity of Christ the King

November 26, 2017

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*“Amen, I say to you, whatever  
you did for the least brothers of mine,  
you did for me.”*

*Matthew 25:40*

## Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

26	Sun	8:30 am	(F)	Solemnity of Christ the King.....+Bill Dewell (Steve & Judy Dewell)
26	Sun	10:30 am	(P)	Solemnity of Christ the King.....+John & Elizabeth Kaberlein (Bob & Gloria Kaberlein)
26	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	Solemnity of Christ the King.....(Spanish)..... For the Parishioners
27	Mon	6:00 pm	(M)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....+Eric Zimmerman (Kevin & Susan Dewell)
27	Mon	6:00 pm	(F)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....For an end to Religious Persecutions
28	Tue	7:30 am	(M)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....+Dottie Gillen (Rita Bergkamp)
28	Tue	8:30 am	(P)	Week day in Ordinary Time .....For World Peace
29	Wed	8:30 am	(P)	Week day in Ordinary Time .....For an end to human trafficking
29	Wed	10:00 am	(FRC)	Week day in Ordinary Time .....For Vocations to the priesthood & religious life
29	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....Deceased Relatives (Gertie Kessen)
30	Thu	7:30 am	(M)	St. Andrew.....+C. J. Thomas (John & Debbie Thomas)
30	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	St. Andrew.....For an end to abortion
01	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	Week day in Ordinary Time .....For a renewal of faith in our parishes
01	Fri	7:00 pm	(F)	First Friday.....+Tom Danler (Steve & Judy Dewell)
02	Sat	5:30 pm	(M)	First Sunday of Advent.....+Gene & Betty Flowers
03	Sun	8:30 am	(F)	First Sunday of Advent .....+Bill & Ed Bergkamp (Rita Bergkamp)
03	Sun	10:30 am	(P)	First Sunday of Advent.....+Donald Gertner (Josephine Amerin)
03	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	First Sunday of Advent.....(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!

## Liturgical and Other Ministers

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**FOWLER – Sunday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 8:30 am**

**LECTOR:** Kevin Milford, Judy Dewell  
**SERVERS:** Giselle M., Heath H., Desmond T.  
**GREETERS:** Van & Cathy Heinz Family  
**COLL. COUNTERS:** Brenda & Dan Harris  
**NURSING HOME:** Kevin & Stacy Milford

**PLAINS – Sunday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10:30 am**

**LECTOR:** Martha Saucedo  
**SERVERS:** Jesse O., Dianna O., Terry S.  
**GREETERS:** Sam & Teresa Garza  
**COLL. COUNTERS:** Lucy Bromwell

**MEADE – Saturday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5:30 pm**

**LECTOR:** Teresa Cottrell  
**SERVERS:** Brenna F., Emily F., Kate P.  
**GREETERS:** Boggs Family  
**COLL. COUNTERS:** Knott Family

**PLAINS – Sunday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1:00 pm**

**LECTOR:**

**SERVERS:**

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

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES:** When the Son of Man comes in glory, may we be among those who have fed the hungry, welcomed the stranger, and clothed the naked. For Jesus tells us clearly that it is those who have demonstrated good stewardship by sharing their gifts with the less fortunate who will receive God's blessing and inherit the kingdom.

**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, Stacy Milford  
**MUSIC MIN:** Brenda Martin, Diane Woodruff/ Jan  
**USHERS:** Tom Leis, Kevin Milford  
**ROSARY:** Marilyn Dewell

**EUCH. MIN:** Debbie E., Ron E., Maria D.  
**MUSIC MIN:** Jason Vajnar  
**ROSARY:** Ray & Jenny Amerin

**EUCH MIN:** Vince K., Cindy H., Audrey F.  
**MUSIC MIN:** Belinda Chalker  
**GIFTS:** Feldmeyer & Thomas Families  
**ROSARY:** Flavin Family

**EUCH MIN:**

**USHERS:**

	<b><u>FOWLER</u></b>	<b><u>MEADE</u></b>	<b><u>PLAINS</u></b>
ENVELOPES:	\$1,440.00	\$925.00	\$1,396.00
OFFERTORY:	\$113.00	\$104.75	\$182.00
CHILDREN:	\$30.00	\$4.00	Bldg. Fd. \$5.00
RENT:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
OTHER:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$46.50</u>	<u>\$51.25</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,629.50	\$1,085.00	\$1,583.00
	\$2,118.00	\$1,250.00	

**THOUGHTS FROM FATHER TED:** Pope Francis has declared the thirty-third Sunday of Ordinary Time, the second to the last day of the Church year, as Word Day of the Poor. This observance will be repeated annually. The homily given by Pope Francis, at the Vatican, is a call for all of us to look how we interact with the poor and the marginalized of this world. The Pope stated: "In the poor, we find the presence of Jesus, who, though rich, became poor," Because of this, "in their weakness, a saving power is present. And if in the eyes of the world they have little value, they are the ones who open to us the way to heaven." The Holy Father added: "They are our passport to paradise." He explained that it is an "evangelical duty" for Christians to care for the poor as our true wealth. In a challenging statement, Pope Francis stated that the big sin toward the poor is our indifference. This happens when we think that the poor are not our concern, but the concern of society. Quoting Jesus, the Pope said: "When you did it to the least of these my brothers, you did it to me." He could have quoted Jesus once more by saying: "...what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me." If we hope to enter the Kingdom of Heaven, we dare not neglect these teachings of Pope Francis, a teaching which is based on the words of Jesus in Chapter 25 of Matthew's gospel (Mt 25:31-46).

**IN THE BEGINNING...** This is a series of bulletin messages describing the fetal development of "Chris." (week 36) Chris weighs about five and a half pounds now. Chris is really putting on baby fat which will help keep Chris warm after birth. "I'm still eating leftovers from Thanksgiving." The lungs are almost complete. You may be able to see Chris's body parts as the uterine wall gets thinner – feet, head, and hands. Mom is looking for a pediatrician to examine the baby after birth. She's getting ready in case Chris is ready.

*"So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming."* Matthew 24:42

**RETREAT FOR DIVORCED, WIDOWED, & SINGLE** Rose Sweet, Catholic author and speaker, will be presenting a healing retreat for the divorced, widowed and single, December 1-3 at the Spiritual Life Center in Wichita. Retreat begins at 7pm on Friday and continues through 4pm on Sunday. Rose Sweet has been inspiring people for over twenty-five years to heal from difficult or broken relationships and to find the happiness they desire by "putting their religion into their relationships." All meals are provided and there will be daily reflection and social time. To register and for more information contact Sharon Witzell at 316-685-5240 or email: [witzells@catholicdioceseofwichita.org](mailto:witzells@catholicdioceseofwichita.org).

**COUNSELING SERVICES AT CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES** No one needs to go through life's most difficult challenges alone. Catholic Charities of Southwest Kansas is offering free professional counseling services in Dodge City, Garden City and Great Bend for adults, children, couples, families and seniors, regardless of race, religion or socioeconomic status. Contact Amy Falcon at 620-227-1590 or [afalcon@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org](mailto:afalcon@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org) for more information and/or to schedule an appointment.

**VOCATION VIEWS:** What are your God-given talents? Help them to grow by sharing them with others. Discover the joy of service in ministry. (Matthew 25:14-30). If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at [www.dcdiocese.org/vocations](http://www.dcdiocese.org/vocations).

**FIRST SATURDAY ADORATION:** All are invited to the First Saturdays Devotion on December 2nd at St. Stanislaus Church, Ingalls. 8:30 a.m. Rosary and Confessions; 9:00 a.m. Mass celebrated by Bishop John; Meditation, confessions, and refreshments after Mass. The Great Promise of Our Blessed Mother: "I promise to assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all those who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, shall confess, receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary and keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me."

**BLESSING OF YOUR BABY JESUS:** Families are invited to bring the baby Jesus from their home Nativity (crèche) to Mass on the third Sunday of Advent, Dec. 17. There will be a special blessing of all the figurines after the Prayers of the Faithful (General Intercessions). That same Sunday at the Vatican, Pope Francis is scheduled to bless the figurines of all those who gather in St. Peter's Square for the praying of the Angelus and his weekly message. Blessed Pope Paul VI began the figurine blessing tradition at St. Peter's in 1969. It is called "Bambinelli Sunday" ("bambinelli" is Italian for the Nativity figurines).

**Please take your pictures home. Thank You for your participation.**

**Next Sunday, December 3, will be the First Sunday in Advent**

#### Announcement for Plains

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

**CHRISTMASING IN PLAINS:** Will be December 3. "**FIFTY YEARS OF CHRISTMAS CHEER**" is the theme. Come join the fun! The Craft Show called "Wizzywig" will be from noon until 6:00 p.m. **Please plan on helping with our annual bake sale at the Wizzywig Craft Show. We are asking each family to bring 2 HOMEMADE baked goods (nothing store bought). You may drop off items at the Community Building by 11:00 a.m. on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.** There will be a noon meal, and a parade at 4:00 p.m. Line up for the the parade at 3:15 p.m., at the Methodist Church. Supper will follow the parade.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** is scheduled on Wednesday, December 6 from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

#### Announcements for Meade

**PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY:** On Monday, there will be Mass at 6:00 p.m. followed by the rosary for our country.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL:** On Wednesday, December 6, Pastoral Council is scheduled at 7:00 p.m.

#### Announcements for Fowler

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED:** We are collecting food for the Community Holiday Food Boxes. Please contribute nonperishable food to the boxes in the gathering space. You may also contribute monetary donations to Judy or Steve Dewell for those in need.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT is scheduled on Monday, December 4 from 3:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. Rosary and Mass will follow.