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The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 11, 2018

"God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love
he had for us...
brought us to life with Christ...."
(Ephesians 2:4-5)

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

11	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	The Fourth Sunday of Lent	For moisture
11	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	The Fourth Sunday of Lent.....	+Juana Luna (Paula Castillo)
11	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Fourth Sunday of Lent.....	(Spanish)..... For the Parishioners
12	Mon	6:00 pm	(M)	Week day in Lent.....	For an end to human trafficking
13	Tue	7:30 am	(M)	Week day in Lent.....	For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
14	Wed	10:00 am	(FRC)	Week day in Lent.....	For an end to abortion
14	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	Week day in Lent	+John & Kate Heinz (Doug Heinz Family)
15	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	Week day in Lent.....	For couples having marital problems
16	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	Week day in Lent.....	For an end to religious persecutions
16	Fri	7:00 pm	(F)	Week day in Lent.....	Stations & Mass..... Repose of Souls (David Leis)
17	Sat	5:30 pm	(P)	The Fifth Sunday of Lent.....	For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
18	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	The Fifth Sunday of Lent.....	+Herman Smith (Genevieve Smith)
18	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	The Fifth Sunday of Lent.....	For moisture
18	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Fifth Sunday of Lent.....	(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](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

FOWLER – Sunday, Mar. 18th, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Andra Cunningham, Rhonda Milford

SERVERS: Heath H., Jacey W., Karson W.

GREETERS: Doug & Decina Heinz

COLL. COUNTERS: Larry & Cherie Knott

NURSING HOME: Kevin & Stacy Milford

PLAINS – Saturday, Mar. 17th, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Terry Shinogle

SERVERS: George E., Jesse O., Dianna O.

GREETERS: Larry & Debbie Eakes

COLL. COUNTERS: Kathy Jacobs

MEADE – Sunday, Mar. 18th, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Kevin Dewell

SERVERS: Brock K., Logan K., Walker K.

GREETERS: Parker Family

COLL. COUNTERS: Smith Family

PLAINS – Sunday, Mar. 18th, 1:00 pm

LECTOR:

SERVERS:

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: All that we have and all that we are comes from the Lord. "We are truly his handiwork," says St. Paul in the second reading, "created in Christ Jesus to lead the life of good deeds which God prepared for us in advance."

EUCH MIN: James & Becky Hamilton, Sarah Jordan

MUSIC MIN: Angie Dewell, Cathy H./ Jan

USHERS: Randy Leis, Kevin Hageman

ROSARY: Randy Leis

EUCH. MIN: Lucy B., Traci E., Silvia O.

MUSIC MIN: Martha Saucedo

ROSARY: Bob Kaberlein

EUCH MIN: Cindy H., Janet R., Tom R.

MUSIC MIN: Keith Family

GIFTS: Cottrell Family

ROSARY: Flavin Family

EUCH MIN:

USHERS:

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>		<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$1,880.00	\$1,546.00		\$1,828.00
OFFERTORY:	\$52.00	\$62.00		\$153.50
CHILDREN:	\$16.00	\$1.00	Bldg. Fd.	\$75.00
RENT:	\$12.75	\$0.00		\$0.00
OTHER:	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$85.00</u>	<u>\$88.45</u>		<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$2,029.75	\$1,699.45		\$2,056.50
	\$2,118.00	\$1,250.00		

THOUGHTS FROM FATHER TED: My recent “thoughts” in the bulletin have focused on the call to holiness—a call given to all who have been reborn into Christ through Baptism. Essential to responding to this call is our prayer. We will not become holy without praying. Memorized prayers and written prayers are good but even more valuable is speaking to God from our hearts. From the sincerity of our hearts we can thank God for the blessings we have received and we can speak of our desire to grow closer to Him. When speaking to a person we love, we speak from our hearts. We can also do this with God. We can express our joys, sorrows, fear, hopes and our deepest longings. We can tell God of the temptations we face and the times we have failed to resist temptation. God already knows these things but our open acknowledgment of all that happens within us allows us to grow closer to God. Let us all take the time to speak to God and share our lives with Him. Fr. Ted Skalsky

SACRED RELICS OF THE SAINTS: TREASURES OF THE CHURCH: The Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe presents a teaching and exposition of Sacred Relics on Sunday March 18 at 3:00 p.m. Father Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross will be here with his very special ministry to teach about these holy objects. He will bring with him over 150 relics, some as old as 2000 years. Among the treasures will be relics of St. Maria Goretti, St. Therese of Lisieux (the “Little Flower”), St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Faustina Kowalska. In addition, there will also be present a portion of the veil of Our Lady, as well as one of the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world. Those in attendance will be able to examine and venerate each relic. In the Church’s history many miracles and healings have been worked in the presence of relics, and many have been healed through this ministry. Please do not miss this opportunity. You are encouraged to bring your articles of devotion (such as rosaries, holy cards, etc) & pictures of ill friends/family members which you will be able to touch to the reliquaries as a means of intercession.

ENCOUNTER WITH GOD’S CALL: The Encounter weekend is April 14 – 16. Young men – high school juniors, seniors, and those of college age – are invited to join Fr. Wesley for a road trip to Conception Seminary College. The weekend is a time to hear talks and spend time with seminarians while enjoying time with other young men who are seeking God’s will in their life. There is no charge for the weekend and transportation is provided. Register online at <http://dcdioocese.org/vocations/discernment-events> or contact Ana Gaytan at 620-227-1500 or agaytan@dcdioocese.org.

TEENS & ADULTS ARE INVITED TO THE “LOVE GIVES LIFE” CONFERENCE on Saturday, April 7th, from 11:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Dodge City. The conference will be hosted by Kansans for Life and the Knights of Columbus Council #2955 and will feature Terry Beatley, who will share the personal testimony of Dr Bernard Nathanson about the deception used to convince Americans to accept legalized abortion. Several educational workshops will also be offered, in both English and Spanish. Come for just an hour, or come for the entire program. The cost is only \$5 for adults, and teen tickets are free! Lunch is included but you must RSVP by April 4 if you will be eating lunch. Register by April 4 at kansansforlife.salsalabs.org/04718dodgecityor call 1-800-928-5433.

VOCATION VIEWS: When we are ‘born again’ in baptism, we really become a new creation, fired with a new love, and aimed in a new direction – heaven. Let Jesus talk with you. Let Jesus challenge you. (John 3:14 -21) Pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life from our families and parish.

ALPHA: On March 15 a group of parishioners from Fowler, Meade and Plains plan to begin our first Alpha program. It will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the Senior Center in Fowler. Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith, typically run over eleven weeks. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. Alpha is run all around the globe, and everyone is welcome. An Alpha evening will consist of a free meal, a video presentation, followed by a dialogue in small groups.

Alpha began in the Church of England and has spread throughout the world. It is not a specifically Catholic program, but it is being used in many Catholic parishes in the United States. Some nationally well-known priests have used the program in their parishes and believe the program has given new vitality to the parish. If you would like to attend, you are welcome. If you know someone who you think could profit from the experience, please invite them and accompany them to the sessions. Even if you choose not to participate, please keep us in your prayers. We are excited about the possibilities of the Alpha program. For more information contact Fr. Ted Skalsky, Duce Hamilton, Becky Hamilton 620-865-0033 Or 0032 or Decinda Heinz 620-646-6144

CONFESSIONS: Sunday, March 18: Meade - 5:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m.; Fowler - 6:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 21: Meade – 4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.; Fowler – 5:45 – 7:00 p.m.
Friday, March 23: Plains - 5:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m.; Plains 6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 24: Plains - 6:30 p.m. – after Mass
Wednesday, March 28:Fowler- 6:30 p.m. -7:15 p.m. Meade; 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

DIOCESAN CHRISM MASS is scheduled on Thursday, March 22nd, at 11:00 a.m., at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Representatives from our parishes will need to take the holy oils containers there by 10:30 a.m.

TRIDUUM SCHEDULE: Holy Thursday, 5:30 p.m. - Meade. 7:30 p.m. - Fowler
Good Friday, 12:00 noon – Meade. 5:30 p.m. – Fowler. 7:30 p.m. - Plains
Holy Saturday, 8:30 p.m. – Plains
Easter Sunday Masses – 8:30 a.m. – Meade; 10:30 a.m. – Fowler; 1:00 p.m. (Spanish) in Plains

Announcement for Plains

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY: On Sunday, there will be rosary for our country at 5:30 p.m.

LENTEN DEVOTIONS will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesdays from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays for the youth, Stations of the Cross at 8:15 a.m. on Fridays before Mass, and Friday evenings at 6:00 p.m. in Spanish.

Announcements for Meade

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be every Friday during Lent at 12:40 p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT is scheduled in our parish on Wednesdays from 4:00 – 7:30 p.m.

D OF I will meet in Fowler on Monday, March 12 at 7:00 p.m.

Announcements for Fowler

LENTEN DEVOTIONS will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Mondays from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m., followed by the rosary for our country. On Fridays at 7:00 p.m., there will be Stations of the Cross. Every other week there will be Stations of the Cross followed by Mass.

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