## CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES of MEADE COUNTY

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# St. Anthony Church

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September 23, 2018

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." (Mark 9:35)

# Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

23	Sun	8:30 am (P)	P)	Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary TimeDeceased Family (Larry & Marge Donahue)
23	Sun	10:30 am (M	۸)	Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time+Eleanor Glenn (Daughters of Isabella)
23	Sun	1:00 pm (P)	P)	Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time(Spanish)For the Parishioners
24	Mon	6:00 pm (M	√l)	Week day in Ordinary TimeIntentions of Jovita Osundu
25	Tue	7:30 am (M	۸)	Week day in Ordinary Time+Alan Finkeldei (Jan McGregor)
26	Wed	12:05 pm (F)	-)	Ss. Cosmas & DamianSpecial Intentions of Shelby Huslig
27	Thu	8:30 am (P)	P)	St. Vincent De PaulFor the Deceased Members of Our Parishes
28	Fri	8:30 am (P)	P)	St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence Ruiz & CompFor the Dec. Members of Our Parishes
29	Sat	5:30 pm (F)	-)	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time+John & Rita Riebel (73rd Anniversary)
30	Sun	8:30 am (P	P)	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time+Virginia Amerin (Josephine Amerin)
30	Sun	10:30 am (M	√I)	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time+Jeff Smith (Genevieve Smith)
30	Sun	1:00 pm (P)	?)	Twenty-Sixth 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.

<u>SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE</u> 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.

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 - Saturday, September 29th, 5:30 pm

**LECTOR:** Phyllis Butts, Andra Cunningham **SERVERS:** Julian M., Adan M., Caleb H.

**GREETERS:** Fred & DeAnn Boyd **COLL. COUNTERS:** Larry & Cherie Knott

**NURSING HOME:** Judy Dewell

PLAINS - Sunday, September 30th, 8:30 am

**LECTOR:** Martha Saucedo

SERVERS: Lucy V., Hayes S., Terry S. GREETERS: Larry & Debbie Eakes COLL. COUNTERS: Patricia Coates

MEADE - Sunday, September 30th, 10:30 am

**LECTOR:** Cali Keith

**SERVERS:** Myles K., James W., Preston W.

**GREETERS:** Boggs Family **COLL. COUNTERS:** Knott Family

PLAINS - Sunday, September 30th, 1:00 pm

LECTOR: SERVERS:

**EUCH MIN:** Steve & Judy Dewell, Ben Rogers **MUSIC MIN:** Cindy Lackey, Diane Woodruff/ Clav.

**USHERS:** Hank Fuhrman, James Hamilton

**ROSARY:** Decina Heinz

EUCH. MIN: Ron E., Jenny A., Maria D.

MUSIC MIN: Kristin Grilliot ROSARY: Bob Kaberlein

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

MUSIC MIN: Gleason Family
GIFTS: Holguin Family
ROSARY: Cindy Hagemeier

EUCH MIN: USHERS:

## $\sim\sim$ IF YOU CANNOT FULFILL YOUR OBLIGATION, PLEASE FIND SOMEONE TO TAKE YOUR PLACE $~\sim\sim$

<u>STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES:</u> St. James warns in today's second reading that those who hoard their wealth and live only for themselves will be condemned. But in the Gospel, Jesus assures us that all who give of themselves for His sake will be rewarded.

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>	<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$870.00	\$1,020.00	\$2,320.00
OFFERTORY:	\$287.00	\$63.00	\$22.00
CHILDREN:	\$12.00	\$3.00	Bldg. Fd. \$.00
RENT:	\$.00	\$100.00	\$.00
OTHER:	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$8.00</u>	<u>\$.00</u>	<u>\$.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,177.00	\$1,186.00	\$2,342.00
		\$1,250,00	

**THOUGHTS FROM FATHER TED:**. When writing the Prayers of the Faithful for Sunday Mass, I have frequently written a prayer asking God to help us understand the dignity of human love and the sacredness of human sexuality. I have wondered if putting the words "sacredness" and "sexuality" together might be jolting for some people. Why do I refer to our sexuality as sacred? Our sexuality is sacred because it is designed to image the very self-giving love of God. The physical giving of themselves in the sexual union of marriage is meant to be more than a physical act. It is meant to be an outward expression of total self-giving of a man and a woman to each other. Just as Jesus made a total gift of Himself by his death on the cross, a married man and woman express their total gift to each other in the act of sexual intercourse. This action is also made sacred by the fact that it is capable of bringing about new life. In this physical act, a man and a woman can bring new life into existence. In some sense, they share in God's creative power. The fact that our sexuality is meant to be truly sacred explains why there have always been cultural and religious norms designed to protect the sacredness of our sexuality. It also explains why the devil works so hard to tempt us to use our sexuality inappropriately. The devil delights in sexual behaviors that are self-seeking; in behaviors that make objects of other people and sexual activities that are not protected by a life-time, loving commitment between a man and a woman. Let us all pray that our world may once again value and defend the dignity of human love and the sacredness of human sexuality.

<u>PROTECTION OF THE UNBORN:</u> The U.S. bishops urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life, August 3–September 28. Participants will receive weekly email or text reminders to pray and fast, along with little-known facts about Roe v. Wade to share with others. Sign up at <a href="https://www.usccb.org/pray!">www.usccb.org/pray!</a>

<u>PRO-LIFE WORD OF LIFE</u>. "Sometimes our actions speak for themselves; other times, words are needed. Whatever the situation, Jesus knows how to speak to each person's heart; we simply need to follow where he leads." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "How to Build a Culture of Life," www.usccb.org/culture-of-life

THE 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY: You are invited to a rare screening of the new documentary entitled, "Sexual Revolution - 50 Years Since Humanae Vitae." Screening events will be held around the diocese during October which is "Respect Life" month. Dates & times: Saturday, October 13, 7 pm at St. Anthony in Liberal: Sunday, October 14 at 3 pm at St. Dominic parish center in Garden City; 7 pm at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Dodge City; Monday, October 15 at 7 pm at St. Patrick's parish center in Great Bend. Seven years in the making this documentary seeks to examine the effects of the free-love experiment of the hippie generation and the prophetic encyclical, Humanae Vitae. The centerpiece of the film is the dramatic life story of Alana Newman, a talented secular musician who gives up her entire musical career for life, family and love. Alana shares how through desperation to know her father, she finally discovers the treasures of "Theology of the Body", "Humanae Vitae", and the riches of true freedom through a dramatic conversion. This free event is provided by the office of Matrimony, Family Life & Natural Family Planning with coordination of Respect Life/Social justice for the diocese of Dodge City. VOCATION VIEWS: If we want to be great, we must serve others. Are you willing to serve others? You can make a difference with your life. (Mark 9:30-37). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Juan Salas at 620-227-1533 or visit www.dcdiocese.org/vocations

<u>ACTS RETREAT:</u> 2018 Men's and Women's ACTS Retreats: Women's Retreat: October 25-28, 2018; Men's retreat: November 15-18, 2018. Both retreats will be held at the Heartland Center for Spirituality in Great Bend. For more information, contact Paula Brozek at 620-793-8172 or Mel Waite at 620-564-2518.

<u>DIOCESAN MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH RALLY:</u> Is scheduled on Sunday, October 7, at Dodge City High School. It is free and will go from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. The rally will feature speakers, games, and activities for middle school students in the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade of the 2018-2019 academic year. The rally will also feature a parent, catechist, and youth minister track completely separate from the students. Deadline to register is September 26th.

<u>DIOCESAN MATRIMONY ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:</u> Sunday, October 21, 2018, is the date for the Diocesan Matrimony Anniversary celebration ~ Mass at 3 PM, dinner following Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe, 3231 North 14th Street, Dodge City. Bishop John B. Brungardt invites couples throughout the diocese celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th and more years of matrimony in 2018. To register, please complete the form found on the diocesan website or the SKC and submit by Monday, October 8, 2018.

## Announcement for Plains

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

<u>PLAINS YOUNG AT HEART</u> Plains Senior Center, Young at Heart, will be sponsoring a fundraiser roast beef dinner on Sunday October 7, 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., at the Plains Community Building. Free Will Offering for the meal.

<u>THRIFT SHOP</u>: The time has come for our turn to take care of the Thrift Shop. October 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 pm and on Friday afternoon 2-4 pm. Thank you to all who help with this service project in our community.

### Announcements for Meade

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

<u>OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES</u> to Janet Gleason on the passing of her father, Lester Raymond Settle. Know that your father and you, are in our thoughts and prayers.

### Announcements for Fowler

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY: On Monday, there will be rosary for our country at 5:00 p.m.

ADULT FORMATION BIBLE STUDY: After Mass in Fowler, Ben Rogers is leading a 12 week adult formation Bible study on the Catholic Approach to Scripture and the Gospel of Luke. Attendance is welcome to anyone including children. Each week will begin by a potluck meal and fellowship, bring your casserole, side, cookies, pie or whatever, even just yourself! Followed by Evening Prayer in the Liturgy of the Hours and about 45 min of study together. You can email Ben at StPioB.Rogers@gmail.com if you have any questions.