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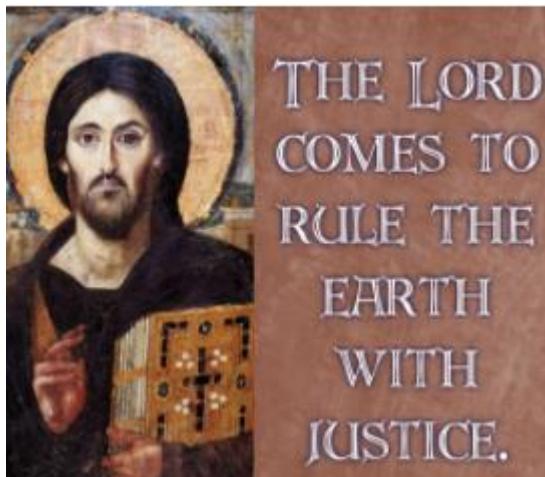
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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 17, 2019



Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

17	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Darlene Gleason (Dick & Brenda Knott)
17	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Ron Beckerman (Barb Beckerman)
17	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time..... (Spanish).....+Miguel A. Gallardo
18	Mon	6:00 pm	(M)	Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter & Paul.....+Luis F Rivera Holguin
19	Tue	6:00 pm	(M)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....+Darlene Gleason (Tom & Sabrena Garner)
20	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....+Dorothy Leis (Peg & Bob Higgins)
21	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.....For an end to religious persecutions
22	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr.....For an end to abortion
23	Sat	5:30 pm	(P)	Our Lord Jesus, Christ, King of the Universe.....For the Parishioners
24	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	Our Lord Jesus, Christ, King of the Universe.....+Ron Beckerman (T & J Huelskamp)
24	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	Our Lord Jesus, Christ, King of the Universe+John Riebel (Ken & Phyllis Butts)
24	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	Our Lord Jesus, Christ, King of the Universe...(Spanish).....+Ramon Saenz

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.

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.

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, Nov. 24th, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Kevin Milford, Rhonda Milford
SERVERS: Heath H., Kate C., Cooper Laudick
GREETERS & GIFT BEARERS: Scott & Sophia Boyd
COLL. COUNTERS: Steve & Judy Dewell
NURSING HOME: Decina Heinz

PLAINS – Saturday, Nov. 23rd, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Jason Vajnar
SERVERS: Hailey S., Lucy V., George E.
GREETERS: Larry & Debbie Eakes
COLL. COUNTERS: Traci Eakes

MEADE – Sunday, Nov. 24th, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Vince Koons
SERVERS: Taryn I., Brock K., Logan K.
GREETERS: Welsh Family
COLL. COUNTERS: Koons Family

PLAINS – Sunday, Nov. 24th, 1:00 pm

LECTOR:
SERVERS:

EUCH MIN: Laurie Devine, Dave Weber, Judy D.

MUSIC MIN: Guitar

USHERS: Preston Cunningham & Doug Heinz

ROSARY: Decina Heinz

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

MUSIC MIN: Nancy H.

ROSARY: Kerri Vajnar

EUCH MIN: Brent P., Teresa P., Debbie T.

MUSIC MIN: Gleason Family

GIFTS: Faurot Family

ROSARY: Cindy Hagemeyer

EUCH MIN:

USHERS:

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: Today's readings paint a somewhat frightening picture of the end of time. But the Gospel ends with the assurance to faithful stewards that those who persevere will be saved.

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>		<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$1725.00	\$738.00		\$587.00
OFFERTORY:	\$465.00	\$56.00		\$271.75
CHILDREN:	\$14.00	\$0.00	Bldg. Fd.	\$26.00
MISC:	\$0.00	\$133.00		\$0.00
RENT:	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$57.75</u>		<u>\$7.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$2,204.00	\$984.75		\$891.75
		\$1,250.00		

MUSINGS OF FATHER JIM: Dear faithful,

Last week I wrote that it was Vocation's Week, only to find out in the monthly notes from the Diocese, because of the great need for priestly vocations in our diocese, that we currently have 4 parishes without pastors, that the whole month of November has been devoted to this special part of evangelization by Bishop John, that is calling forth from our families the vocations to priesthood and religious life. I was also excited to receive the poster of the eight young men who are currently entered into seminary formation.

St. Paul this week speaks of being a worthy model. I have always felt somewhat inadequate to the proclamation of the Word and conference of the Sacraments that a priest is given to offer. Even more inadequate have I felt to identify those with the positive virtues to enter the lifelong mission of offering the sacramental life to all who come seeking God in the Church. Who is it that I should be encouraging to go to the seminary or convent?

Last week, we had the great privilege and honor for our group of nine people to have a private interview with the Greek Orthodox Archbishop of Jerusalem, his Beatitude, Theophilus III, the most powerful of the three patriarchs, the Latin Archbishop, and the Armenian Archbishop, each claiming the authority of patriarchate of Jerusalem. It was inspiring to hear him present the beauty of the Orthodox Church in its originality and persistent presence. We share a very common appreciation and privilege of seeking Holy Communion. "The Alpha and Omega of our faith is the Eucharist. The Church is not a society of nice people based on morals. It is the fire that is touched but that does not burn. It is verified by being full of divine energy, burning but not being consumed by it." The priesthood remains very sacred to both traditions.

He further elaborated, "The ultimate purpose of the Church is the transformation of the human being from its miserable state. Every human being is a wound that needs therapy, needs metamorphosis, needs transformation" We believe with him that "the Church is not just a good society, but the mystical body of Christ.... For us, there is a great difference between philosophical concepts and the mystical presence of God, who is taking care of our human predicament."

We need good and holy men and good and holy women to serve the life of our faith in our heavenly communion. Where do they come from? I believe they come mostly from the prayers of the faithful and the heroic examples we hear of in the readings this Sunday, from you. Pray for vocations and the courage of many to respond! There are some great opportunities for young men in our diocese this month for those who are called. Please talk to Fr. Ted if you are one of those or know one of those who are being called. In prayer, Fr. Jim

HIGH SCHOOL ANDREW DINNERS: The High School Andrew Dinners will be held from 6-8pm at various locations throughout the diocese. This is an evening for high school students to join their pastors and Bishop John for a great dinner, conversation and prayer with a focus not just on the priesthood but on God's call for every Catholic young man to live an extraordinary life.

December 8-Christ the King, Deerfield; December 15-Prince of Peace, Great Bend;

December 22-Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe

For more information and to RSVP, contact Fr. Juan Salas, Director of the Office of Priestly Vocations Promotions at 620-227-1533 or vocations@dcdiocese.org.

VOCATION VIEWS: Patient endurance will see you through to the end. God will give you the wisdom and the words to speak. Don't let anything hold you back from a wholehearted "yes" (Luke 21:5-19). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Juan Salas at 620-227-1533 or vocations@dcdiocese.org

ATTENTION! This year our diocese and our parishes are participating in #Igivecatholic, an online giving program to raise awareness and support for the charitable, educational, and spiritual ministries in the not-for profits of our diocese and parishes. This year, the campaign will be on December 3, 2019, from 12:00 a.m. – 11:59 p.m. More info will follow in upcoming weeks.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED: Father Ted's home in Greensburg is now ready for paint!! We will be coordinating some painting days in the very near future. Any one who would be interested in helping paint in the next several weeks, please contact Father or text Suzanne Eakes at 620-655-3100. Thank you!

Announcement for Plains

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

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS: St Patrick's Youth are selling Poinsettias for Christmas. \$25 to purchase one for yourself or donate one to the church in memory or honor of a loved one. For more information contact Jenny Amerin, Carmen Puentes or Minerva Bernabe. Delivery will be the 1st week of December.

Announcements for Meade

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

GUILDS: Guild 1 is now "on"—November thru January. Mary Cay Avis and Jay Borth family are the ones overseeing it.

Announcements for Fowler

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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! On Sunday, November 24, at 5:00 p.m., at the Fowler Grade School, the Fowler Ministerial Association will have a Community Meal of turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, roll, green beans and pie for a free will donation followed by a Community Thanksgiving Service, featuring a community choir. If you have any questions, talk to Dennis McDowell or Mark Campbell. **Also, if you would be able to help with meal prep, set up, serving, or clean up, please do! You can let one of the ministers or Judy know.**

HOLIDAY FOOD BOXES: We are collecting non-perishable food in the vestibule of the church for the Holiday food boxes for those in our community on fixed incomes or unable to meet the needs of their families. If you could donate food or a monetary donation, we would be grateful for your generous help!

CHRISTMAS CHOIR: Christmas choir rehearsals will be: Altos only Monday, Dec 2 from 7-8:15. Full choir Tuesday, Dec 10 from 6:30-7:45 and full choir Sunday, Dec 22 from 10:45-12:00. Newcomers are welcome to join for Christmas choir!

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: There will be a parish council meeting on Wednesday, November 20th, at 7pm in the parish school.

YOUR HELP WILL BE NEEDED: On the Fourth Sunday of Advent, Dec. 22, after Mass, we will be decorating the Church for Christmas. Please give us your assistance in preparing the Church for Christmas!