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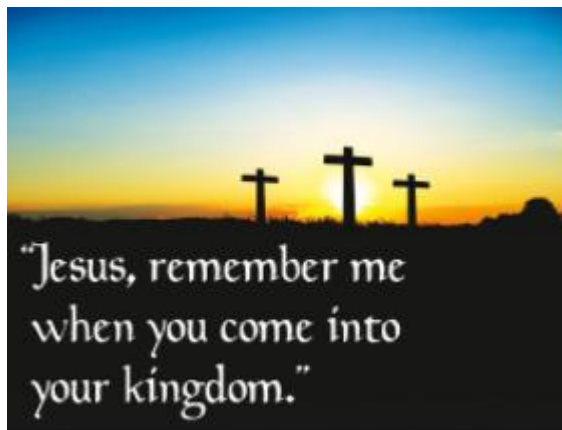
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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 24, 2019



Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

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
25	Mon	6:00 pm	(M)	Last Week in Ordinary Time.....+Darlene Gleason (Charlotte Settle)
26	Tue	6:00 pm	(M)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....+Ron Beckerman (Jeff & Jo Cox)
27	Wed	5:30 pm	(F)	Thanksgiving Mass.....+Melva Dewell (Doug & Decina Heinz)
27	Wed	7:15 pm	(P)	Thanksgiving Mass.....For an end to Religious Persecutions
28	Thu	8:30 am	(M)	Thanksgiving Mass.....+Darlene Gleason
28	Thu	10:00 am	(P)	Thanksgiving Mass.....(Spanish).....For World Peace
29	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....For an end to abortion
29	Fri	6:00 pm	(P)	Week day in Ord. Time..(Spanish).... For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
30	Sat	5:30 pm	(P)	First Sunday of Advent.....For the Parishioners
01	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	First Sunday of Advent.....+Darlene Gleason
01	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	First Sunday of Advent+Stellie Huelskamp (Randy & Sharon Glenn)

01 Sun 1:00 pm (P) First Sunday of Advent.....(Spanish).....+Lalo Nunez

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, Dec. 1st, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Brent Merkle, Phyllis Butts
SERVERS: Avery H., Caleb H., Saul Mendoza
GREETERS & GIFT BEARERS: Debbie & John Bruner
COLL. COUNTERS: Larry & Cherie Knott
NURSING HOME: Judy Dewell

PLAINS – Saturday, Nov. 30th, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Jason Vajnar
SERVERS: Dianna O., Yanet G., Bob K.
GREETERS: Shawn & Kathy Jacobs
COLL. COUNTERS: Kathy Jacobs

MEADE – Sunday, Dec. 1st, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Teresa Cottrell
SERVERS: Taryn I., Brock K., Logan K.
GREETERS: Rickard Family
COLL. COUNTERS: Koons Family

PLAINS – Sunday, Dec. 1st, :00 pm

LECTOR:
SERVERS:

EUCH MIN: Kevin & Stacy M., Sarah Jordan
MUSIC MIN: Cherie K., Angie D./ Jan
USHERS: Steve Dewell, Kevin Hageman
ROSARY: Randy Leis

EUCH. MIN: Debbie E., Terry S., Ron E.
MUSIC MIN: Suzanne Eakes
ROSARY: Teresa Garza

EUCH MIN: Audrey F.
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 we celebrate Christ the King and are reminded that all was created through Him and for Him. Does my stewardship of the blessings entrusted to me give evidence that Christ is Lord of my life?

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>		<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$1870.00	\$1,401.00		\$550.00
OFFERTORY:	\$94.00	\$74.00		\$167.58
CHILDREN:	\$34.00	\$14.00	Bldg. Fd.	\$5.00
MISC:	\$0.00	\$1,546.67		\$0.00
RENT:	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$60.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>		<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$2,058.00	\$3,034.67		\$722.58
		\$1,250.00		

MUSINGS OF FATHER JIM: Dear parishioners,

It is the culmination of our Church year to celebrate the enigmatic Solemnity of Christ the King. A famous Jewish Rabbi, Abraham Herschel, now deceased, was well known for a number of wisdom books, but most notably, "God's Search for Man." Many questioned if such a book shouldn't be entitled man's search for God, but it is indeed his major idea that it is God who is the most active agent in making a relationship with human beings.

Our group, at least the part who had passports that allowed travel into Egypt, made the four hour trip to the border, the hour passage through the border and the rough additional four hours into the Sinai Desert to St. Catherine's Monastery at the foot of the large granite peaks that tradition has held since the 3rd century as the place of the Old Testament encounter of Moses with the burning bush, with the water from the rock, with the giving of the Ten words or commandments to Moses and the Hebrew speaking people leaving Egypt for Cana, and sadly the golden calf.

We began the summit at 1:30 in the morning with the mandatory Bedouin Guide, one of our group choosing to take the camel ride, to arrive with many groups to the summit for sunrise. There were about 40 people on top of the mountain, chilled, despite the Bedouin respites, coffee shops, if you will, all along the way. The last climb, we were told were over 700 steep steps built into the mountain side, the trail and steps a benefit Moses certainly would not have had. The small stone Orthodox chapel and mosque at the top are both locked from unaccompanied visitors, but the view is spectacular, including Mount St. Catherine, the sister mountain that holds the legend of the miraculous finding of St Catherine's body by monks some 6 Centuries after her martyrdom in Rome, but I digress.

The calling of Moses, the voice of God, basically proclaiming to Moses, and all of us, that your life is not about you, but serving the will of God who has revealed himself to you, came loud and clear on this mountain, and in some sense we all need "the mountain experience". But basically, every Eucharist we celebrate, every Feast of Christ the King, we proclaim ourselves to be at the service of the Glory of God and his Kingdom. It is this mountain experience of the grandeur of God and our smallness and sinfulness through which God seeks us. We are again awakened to the need in the community of those with the religious vocation to be the instruments like Moses to make this subjection to the King of Kings in our daily lives. In short, we need priests, brothers and sisters. We need the 23 Orthodox monks and 2 hermits that live at the holy mountain in St. Catherine's monastery. It is God seeking holy vocations in the order of Moses to serve the coming King. Please practice and encourage the religious life in our parishes. In prayer, Fr. Jim

TOPEKA MARCH FOR LIFE: Stand up for life in our state and join us on the 47th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade Pro-Life Pilgrimage to Topeka. The bus will depart from the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe parking lot at 5pm on January 21 and travel to Prince of Peace in Great Bend to pick up additional passengers and then arrive in Topeka for an overnight stay. On January 22, the day begins with the Ignite Event at the Topeka Performing Arts Center, Mass with the Kansas Bishops, march to the Capitol steps and tours of the Capitol. There will be a dinner stop in Salina and the group should arrive back in Dodge City around 10pm. Cost is only \$65. The dinner stop and additional snacks are additional cost. Please go online to: <https://www.dcdiocese.org/respect-life> and fill out the registration form. Deadline is January 13. For more information call Gayla Kirmer, Respect Life Ministry, at 620-227-1525 or gkirmer@dcdiocese.org.

VOCATION VIEWS: The Church needs shepherds. Pray that our bishop will lead us well and rely on the power of God (2 Samuel 5:1-3). If you think God is calling you to priesthood or consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdioocese.org/vocations

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!

THANKSGIVING MASSES are scheduled as follows: Wed., Nov. 27, 5:30 p.m., at Fowler; 7:15 p.m., at Plains; Thurs., Nov. 28th, 8:30 a.m., at Meade; 10:00 a.m., Spanish Mass, at Plains.

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.

THANKSGIVING MASS MINISTERS: Bob Kaberlein, Lector; Hayes S., Owen V., Kerri V., Servers; Traci E., Silvia O., Larry E., Eucharistic Ministers; Jason Vajnar, Music; Butch A., & Greg D., Greeters; Lucy Bromwell, Money; Ray & Jenny Amerin, Rosary.

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: The new Guild schedule will soon be mailed out. Please be on the lookout for the blue paper in your mail.

Announcements for Fowler

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

PLEASE JOIN US! Today, 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. We can use your help in meal serving, and clean up.

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!

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!