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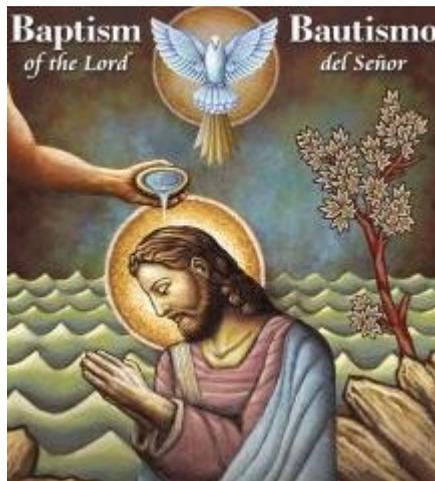
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The Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2020



Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

12	Sun	8:30 am	(P)	The Baptism of the Lord.....+Edna Knott (Anna Marie Kisner)
12	Sun	10:30 am	(M)	The Baptism of the Lord+ LaVerne Leis(Leander & Cynthia Lampe)
12	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Baptism of the Lord..... (Spanish).....For the Parishioners
13	Mon	6:00 pm	(M)	St. Hilary, Bishop & Dr of the Church.....+Stellie Huelskamp (Ray & Jenny Amerin)
14	Tue	6:00 pm	(M)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....+Dorothy Leis (Steve & Judy Dewell)
15	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....Special Intention (Rita Bergkamp)
16	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	Weekday in Ordinary Time.....Mark Verhoff (Steve & Judy Dewell)
17	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	St. Anthony, Abbot.....For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
18	Sat	5:30 pm	(F)	The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.....Relatives of Sarah Jordan
19	Sun	8:30 am	(P)	The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.....Mary Zircle Family (Mary Zircle)
19	Sun	10:30 am	(M)	The 2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time...+Ron Beckerman (George & Rose Ann Hageman)
19	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Second Sunday in Ordinary Tme.....(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 – Saturday, Jan. 18th, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Sarah Jordan, Andra Cunningham
SERVERS: Jacelyn H., Cooper Laudick, Caleb H.
GREETERS & GIFT BEARERS: Bob & Barb Parker Fam.
COLL. COUNTERS: Larry & Cherie Knott
NURSING HOME: Judy Dewell

PLAINS – Sunday, Jan. 19th, 8:30 am

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

MEADE – Sunday, Jan. 19th, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Tyler Flavin
SERVERS: Kemper F., Kynlee F., Tayte F.
GREETERS: Faurot Family
COLL. COUNTERS: Koons Family
PLAINS – Sunday, Jan. 19th, 1:00 pm

LECTOR:

SERVERS:

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: Our Baptism, like the Lord's, is a consecration to service. The bishop's pastoral on stewardship reminds us that "...there is a fundamental obligation arising from the sacrament of baptism that people place their gifts, their resources – their selves – at God's service in and through the Church."

EUCH MIN: Sarah Jordan, Decina Heinz, Steve D.
MUSIC MIN: Cherie Knott, Cathy Heinz/ Jan
USHERS: Dave Weber, John Weber
ROSARY: Decina Heinz

EUCH. MIN: Nefro S., Lucy B., Traci E.
MUSIC MIN: Suzanne Eakes
ROSARY: Kerri Vajnar

EUCH MIN: Lisa K., Vince K., Debbie T.
MUSIC MIN: Rachel Burdett
GIFTS: Keith Family
ROSARY: Flavin Family

EUCH MIN:

USHERS:

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>		<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$1,131.00	\$1,412.00		\$2,645.00
OFFERTORY:	\$58.00	\$53.00		\$228.00
CHILDREN:	\$7.00	\$6.00	Bldg. Fd.	\$170.00
MISC:	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
RENT:	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$73.50</u>		<u>\$4.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,196.00	\$1,544.50		\$3,047.00
		\$1,250.00		

MUSINGS OF FATHER JIM: Dear members of the parishes,

Hopefully, our vision will be 20/20 in 2020. There is an African saying, “If you want to go fast, walk alone, but if you want to walk long, walk together.” We definitely want to take the long vision. And yet, a piece of advice from one of our farmers, “I like to keep things up, instead of waiting until it becomes too big”. And yet, there is the perennial wisdom when one comes to a parish, not to make any major changes for a year. I think wisdom is somewhere in the middle.

And so, in the parishes, I am anxious to be about the improvements that are needed. In Plains, we are waiting to begin groundbreaking for the long needed catechetical center. In Fowler, our long need for a worthy parish hall is only in the beginning stages, but we have begun with a plan to replace the Church’s entry steps that are defaced and need of improvement, and this necessitates looking at the old elm trees that have served well for years, but are becoming a liability, but I vision these improvements wholly in the dream of having a worth parish hall. In Meade, the concrete deterioration of the entrance sidewalk drainage and continuing the landscaping that has improved our face needs to continue, and the aging carpet has repeatedly been brought to my attention inside the church.

And the first question that many have, appropriately, “How are we going to pay for it?” I believe God has provided us the resources and capacity to do these works. We need to begin seriously contributing to the “building fund” to each parish. We know, that these projects are above and beyond our weekly expenses to build for the future. It will not be easy, but not only are these projects possible, they are signs of life that give life.

This week, we begin ordinary time, a time I have always been taught, that after the feasting, begins the work. The green of growth, the magic of the sun and soil and water that germinate the seed to begin the incredible exponential growth of 30 or 60, or 100 fold. By faith, all things are possible. Let us begin the work. Fr. Jim

KANSAS ROSARY CRUSADE: There is power in the Rosary! Kansans fought to enter the Union as a Free State. We must fight again to protect life in the womb by amending the State Constitution. Join the State-Wide Rosary Crusade. The plan is simple: On Thursdays, all across Kansas, parishes, families, individuals, or other groups will pray a Rosary for the passage of a State Constitutional amendment rejecting abortion as a Constitutional right. Time and place are up to those praying. The Five Luminous Mysteries are traditionally prayed on Thursdays, but those praying are free to experiment, as long as the intention is kept in mind. Please go to: kansasrosarycrusade.org for a five-decade Rosary specific to this Crusade.

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE will be Saturday, February 1, beginning at 10:30 at St. Andrew Church in Wright. All the faithful are welcome to attend the Mass as well as the dinner that follows (please RSVP for dinner to gkirmer@dcdiocese.org or 620-227-1525 by January 15, 2020). This is a wonderful opportunity to show your esteem and appreciation for the religious sisters and priests who have been or are important in your life. Come and celebrate this special day!

VOCATION VIEWS: At his baptism Jesus is supported by the presence of the Spirit and of his Father. We, too, are affirmed in our baptism and called to holiness. Are you being called to live your baptismal commitment as a priest or religious? (Matthew 3: 13-17). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, visit our website www.dcdiocese.org/vocations or call Fr. Juan Salas at 620-227-1533.

ABBY JOHNSON PILGRIMAGE TO WICHITA: Join the Catholic Diocese of Dodge City on a pilgrimage to Wichita to hear Abby Johnson speak at the Knights of Columbus State Convention on May 2. Abby is the former Planned Parenthood director and accomplished author who inspired the movie Unplanned. The bus will depart at 6:30am from the parking lot at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe with a stop in Stafford for additional passengers. The group will spend a time of prayer at Planned Parenthood and Trust Women Abortion Clinic followed by lunch at Larkspur prior to heading to Century II Convention Center to hear Abby's testimony. The group will then have time for reflection, Mass and dinner at the Spiritual Life Center before heading back to Dodge City. Cost is \$25 for 12 and under and \$35 for 12 and up. Cost includes transportation, meals and the ticket to Abby Johnson. Seating is limited. Go to:

<https://www.dcdiocese.org/respect-life> for more information and registration forms. Contact Gayla Kirmer, Respect Life/Social Justice ministry at (620) 227-1525 for additional information. The pilgrimage is open to all ages. 18 and under must be accompanied by a parent, guardian or a youth sponsor who has been certified in Protecting God's Children training.

AWARENESS SESSION: Protecting God's Children Awareness Session is scheduled in Liberal on Saturday, January 25, 2020. From: 10:00am-1:00pm in St Anthony of Padua Parish Hall, St Francis Room, 1510 N Calhoun St. Contact: Veronica Vazquez (620) 624-1552. Facilitator: Cherry Deges (620) 338-7501. If you need to attend a session, or know someone who does, here is one available.

REMINDER: On the weekend of January 25 & 26, Bishop John Brungardt will be here to install Fr. Jim.

Announcement for Plains

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

THANK YOU VERY MUCH! The Christmasing in Plains bake sale raised \$898.00 dollars. The parish council has decided to donate this to 2 local families in need . Mauricio and Armida Baca and Kevin and Ann Semisch. The council would like to thank everyone for their help to make the bake sale a success

COME AND WATCH: Plains will be having a movie night featuring the movie "Unplanned" on Thursday January 23rd at 6:30 pm In the parish hall. Everyone is welcome to attend and pizza will be provided.

Announcements for Meade

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

NEED CHRISTMAS TREES? We have some, 7- 9ft regular, unlighted artificial Christmas trees that are yours if you would like them. If you need more info, call Susan Dewell at 873-2687.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES to Janet Cook on the passing of her Mom, Elsie Porter. May God give Elsie eternal rest and know that Janet, Elsie and the Porter family is 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.

PASTORAL COUNCIL is scheduled on Wednesday, January 15th , at 7:00 p.m., in the parish school.