

CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES of MEADE COUNTY

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The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 9, 2020



Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

09	Sun	8:30 am	(P)	The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Steve Kisner (Anna Marie Kisner)
09	Sun	10:30 am	(M)	The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Dottie Gillen (Janet Cook)
09	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....(Spanish).....For the Parishioners
10	Mon	6:00 pm	(M)	St. Scholastica, Virgin.....+James Dale Woodruff (Janet Cook)
11	Tue	6:00 pm	(M)	Our Lady of Lourdes..... +Stellie Huelskamp (Jim & Laurie Devine)
12	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....+Ron Beckerman (Rita Bergkamp)
13	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	Week day in Ordinary TimeSharon & Frank Marchetti Family (David Leis)
14	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	Ss. Cyril & MethodiusDeceased Winter Family Relatives
14	Fri	6:00 pm	(P)	Ss Cyril & Methodius.....(Spanish).....For an end to abortion
15	Sat	5:30 pm	(F)	The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Dorothy Leis (Barb Beckerman)
16	Sun	8:30 am	(P)	The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....Deceased Relatives (Larry & Marge Donahue)
16	Sun	10:30 am	(M)	The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary TimeFr. Ted Skalsky (Pat Gleason Family)

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 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, Feb. 15th, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Doug Heinz, Hannah Millershaski

SERVERS: Jacey W., Karson W., Kate C.

GREETERS & GIFT BEARERS: Tom & Janet Huelskamp

COLL. COUNTERS: Cherie & Larry Knott

NURSING HOME: Decina Heinz

PLAINS – Sunday, Feb. 16th, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Terry Shinogle

SERVERS: Lucy V., Yanet G., George E.

GREETERS: Butch Amerin & Greg Donahue

COLL. COUNTERS: Traci Eakes

MEADE – Sunday, Feb. 16th, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Matthew Welsh

SERVERS: Brenna F., Kasen F., Katie W.

GREETERS: Giebler/ Kelsay Family

COLL. COUNTERS: Smith Family

PLAINS – Sunday, Feb. 16th, 1:00 pm

LECTOR:

SERVERS:

EUCH MIN: Becky & James Hamilton, Laurie D.

MUSIC MIN: Laurie Devine, Diane Leis/ Jan

USHERS: Larry Knott & Kevin Milford

ROSARY: Decina Heinz

EUCH. MIN: Larry E., Silvia O.

MUSIC MIN: Jason Vajnar

ROSARY: Ray & Jenny Amerin

EUCH MIN: Kevin D., Susan D., Debbie T.

MUSIC MIN: Rachel Burdett

GIFTS: Post Family

ROSARY: Flavin Family

EUCH MIN:

USHERS:

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: The Gospel today reminds us that our lives and our deeds must serve as examples to others pointing the way to the Father. Not for our own benefit do we labor, but so that other may see the good works and give glory to our Father in heaven.

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>		<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$1,385.00	\$1,064.00		\$1,478.00
OFFERTORY:	\$126.00	\$74.00		\$27.52
CHILDREN:	\$8.50	\$5.00	Bldg. Fd.	\$640.00
K OF C –religious ed:	\$.00	\$360.00		\$.00
RENT:	\$.00	\$.00		\$.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$.00</u>		<u>\$.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,540.00	\$1,503.00		\$2,145.52
		\$1,250.00		

MUSINGS OF FATHER JIM: Dear faithful,

There are many ways to be faithful, but there is something unique in the faithfulness of marriage between a man and a woman. One must be struck by the Biblical tradition that holds marriage as the primary metaphor for the relationship of God to the human race. From the first chapters of Genesis to the closing chapters of the Book of Revelation, it is the wedding feast, the bond of marriage, which is held up as the ideal completion of divine faithfulness, Christ the bridegroom comes for his bride, the Church.

Valentine's Day, February 14th, has become a universal celebration of romantic love that is seen as the basis of marriage in our culture. However, we know, that true faithfulness must be ultimately built on the foundation of Divine Charity, the love of Agape, the self-giving that has no end. This week, February 9th through the 14th is declared by Worldwide Marriage Encounter movement as world marriage week culminating in what has become a very secular and worldly holiday, Valentine's Day, though born in the charitable acts of a celibate Bishop, who according to legend, provided the dowry for three poor maidens to enter into marriage.

I will be AWOL, actually with leave, these two weekends, February 9th and February 14th, to participate in the Engaged Encounter Retreats, first in Spanish and the following week in English. I have been graced to participate in these retreats with fabulous Catholic married couples who give their time freely to witness to the good of marriage for those preparing for sacramental marriage in the Church. I have been part of this movement since even before being ordained because I believe so much in the fruits of faithful marriage and its saving power and have participated in over 60 weekends.

It is never convenient, nor is it easy to leave the parish on the weekend, but the ministry has always put me in the stream of grace that is married love. I have to believe that it is worth the sacrifice to invest in the marriages of tomorrow, and the children that will be the fruit of that married love. As we celebrate Valentine's Day, beyond the chocolates, the cards, and the flowers, let us pray for holy marriage and the fruit of family life that is born in the love of St. Valentine. In His love, Fr. Jim

DIOCESAN YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS EVENTS to look forward to:

SKYAC(r) - Recognizing the constant drone of noise that can so easily plague a young adult, the annual Southwest Kansas Young Adult Conference will actually not be a conference this year, but a retreat. A break from the distractions in order to grow deeper in prayer and the interior life. March 20, 21, and 22 at the Dominican Sisters of Peace Motherhouse in Great Bend, Ks. (More details to come at dcyoungadult.com)

Summer Missions 2020!

Prayer and Action - A five-day experience of putting faith into action, open to all high school students from around the diocese, and hosted this summer by the parishes in Ulysses and Medicine Lodge!

Totus Tuus - A day program for learning and growing in the faith for local children and an evening program for high school students! Make sure to submit a registration form here if you want to host Totus Tuus at your parish this summer!

Camp Cristo Rey - an adventure style camp that is steeped in Catholic faith and tradition! Open to all middle school students in the diocese!

VOCATION VIEWS: 'I resolved to know nothing except Jesus Christ, and him crucified.' In the Cross is our salvation, proclaim that salvation in all you do! (1 Cor. 2:2) If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdioocese.org/vocations

POSITION AVAILABLE: Executive Secretary to the Bishop, The Catholic Diocese of Dodge City is seeking an exceptional individual to serve as the Executive Secretary to the Bishop. Interested party must be highly motivated, a self-starter, service oriented and able to deal with multiple tasks and adhere to detail and deadlines and must maintain confidentiality. This position will assist in the overall secretarial duties of the office. Candidates must be a practicing Catholic, have at least an Associate's Degree in Office Technology or General Business with three to five years' work experience. Proven experience in Microsoft Office products is required. Interested applicants may submit resumes, references and salary requirements to: Tammy Lampe, Human Resources tlampe@dcdioocese.org by February 28, 2019.

NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK is coming up (February 7-14) and this retreat is for couples to have the opportunity to do a seven-day virtual marriage retreat. Below are also the links to the pdf formats of the virtual retreat and also the link that can be shared with those who would like to receive the retreat via email each day. English pdf - <https://www.foryourmarriage.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/NMW-2020-Virtual-Marriage-Retreat.pdf>. Spanish pdf -<https://www.foryourmarriage.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/NMW-2020-Virtual-Marriage-Retreat-spanish.pdf>

Sign up to receive the retreat via email during National Marriage Week 2020 -

<https://www.foryourmarriage.org/sign-up-to-receive-the-national-marriage-retreat-via-email/>

Announcement for Plains

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

THRIFT SHOP: The time has come for our turn to take care of the Thrift Shop. February 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.

PASTORAL COUNCIL is scheduled to meet on Wednesday, February 12, at 7:00 p.m., in the church.

WOMEN'S GROUP: Ladies, the next meeting of the Women's group will meet Sunday Feb 9, at 7pm in the Forst Center in Meade. Please bring your beverage of choice, snacks provided. We will discuss chapters 4-6 of the Rediscovering the Saints book given out at Christmas. Hope to see you there!

Announcements for Meade

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

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Announcements for Fowler

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

AFTER PROM SPAGHETTI LUNCH Sunday, February 16th 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. Grade School Cafeteria. \$6

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