

CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES of MEADE COUNTY

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The First Sunday of Lent

March 1, 2020



Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

01	Sun	8:30 am	(P)	The First Sunday of Lent.....+Mark Verhoff (Michael & Margery Sigley)
01	Sun	10:30 am	(M)	The First Sunday of Lent.....+C J. Thomas (Janet Cook)
01	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The First Sunday of Lent.....(Spanish).....For the Parishioners
02	Mon	6:00 pm	(M)	Week day in Lent.....For Victims of Abuse (Janet Cook)
03	Tue	6:00 pm	(M)	St. Katherine Drexel.....Dorothy Devine (Frank & Dorothy Devine)
04	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	St. Casimir.....+Ron Beckerman (Tom & Janet Huelskamp)
05	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	Week day in Lent+Mark Verhoff (Carol Nighswander)
06	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	First Friday of the Month.....For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
06	Fri	7:00 pm	(F)	First Friday Mass & Stations of the Cross.....+Stellie Huelskamp (Barb Beckerman)
07	Sat	5:30 pm	(F)	The Second Sunday of Lent.....+LaVerne Leis (Rita Bergkamp)
08	Sun	8:30 am	(P)	The Second Sunday of Lent.....Deceased Relatives (Larry & Marge Donahue)
08	Sun	10:30 am	(M)	The Second Sunday of LentFather Ted Skalsky (Pat Gleason Family)
08	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Second Sunday of Lent.....(Spanish).....For the Parishioners

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.

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!

Liturgical and Other Ministers

FOWLER – Saturday, Mar. 7th, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Stacy Milford, Laurie Devine
SERVERS: Caleb H., Heath H., Saul Mendoza
GREETERS & GIFT BEARERS: Devin & Laura Hamilton
COLL. COUNTERS: Cherie & Larry Knott
NURSING HOME: Judy Dewell
PLAINS – Sunday, Mar. 8th, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Lucy Bromwell
SERVERS: Lucy V., Hayes S., Kerri V.
GREETERS: Ray & Jenny Amerin
COLL. COUNTERS: Traci Eakes
MEADE – Sunday, Mar. 8th, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Vince Koons
SERVERS: Preston I., Brock K., Logan K.
GREETERS: Hollis Family
COLL. COUNTERS: Gleason Family
PLAINS – Sunday, Mar. 8th, 1:00 pm

LECTOR:

SERVERS:

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

EUCH MIN: Becky & James Hamilton, Decina Heinz
MUSIC MIN: Angie Dewell, Cathy Heinz/ Clavinova
USHERS: Ron Hageman, Devin Hamilton
ROSARY: Decina Heinz

EUCH. MIN: Maria D., Larry E., Silvia O.
MUSIC MIN: Nancy H.
ROSARY: Teresa Garza

EUCH MIN: Brent P., Teresa P., Debbie T.
MUSIC MIN: Gleason Family
GIFTS: Thomas Family
ROSARY: Cindy Hagemeyer

EUCH MIN:

USHERS:

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: What temptations lure us from the path of discipleship? Possessions? Pride? Oh Lord, create for us a clean heart and renew a steadfast spirit within us!

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>	<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$970.00	\$1,272.00	\$1,119.00
OFFERTORY:	\$92.00	\$160.00	\$193.00
CHILDREN:	\$9.00	\$14.00	Bldg. Fd. \$0.00
ASH WED.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$220.05
RENT:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$30.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,101.00	\$1,446.00	\$1,532.05

\$1,250.00

MUSINGS OF FATHER JIM: Dear pilgrims of Lent,

We have entered the holy season of Lent, a time of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. It should be an intense time of these practices that need to be part of our Christian life throughout the year. I suggested, in my Ash Wednesday homily, that almsgiving in spirit must go beyond the few coins that we give to the homeless on the street, or the small carton of the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl, both of these being helpful and laudable practices, but that almsgiving has its basis in a spiritual generosity that goes beyond the tithing that is an obligation and the above mentioned almost token giving to beggars on the street, but should include our attitude of giving above and beyond, freely and generously to special projects, like the building projects that recognize the poverty in our own parishes of providing a spiritual home for many.

The practices of Lent allow us to have a freedom of giving after the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi, of even more profoundly, the spirit of Jesus Christ, who gave all for the life of the world. Those words from last Sunday echo in our lives, “Be perfect as your Father in heaven is perfect.” We are lifted from the ashes of our sinfulness to the generous grace of God calling us to a trusting generosity that gives life to many. This is a true spirit of almsgiving. This is a lifting from our selfishness and self-interest to a sharing in the communion of life with all of God’s creation.

I encourage you, through fasting and prayer, to reach this height of generous almsgiving this Lent, that we all might grow in God’s goodness and share in his blessings. I encourage you to use your green envelopes in your box of envelopes and the other opportunities to give above and beyond our tithe to the Church. We need parishioners, not to half their giving to give to the building fund, but to “not let the right hand know what the left hand is doing”, to give above and beyond, freely and generously.

Please take this opportunity to enter the saving grace of Christ and give from the heart. Prayerfully and with fasting, consider how your ability to give needs to be re-evaluated and liberated from doubts and our fears. “Repent and believe in the Good News!”

Waiting conversion, Fr. Jim

DANIEL TROLARO PROFESSIONAL GAMBLING PRESENTATION: Having experienced the devastation of problem gambling, Daniel Trolaro now travels the country speaking about gambling addiction, internet and mobile device gambling, emerging trends in sports gambling, prevention strategies, treatment resources, responsible gambling, recovery and more. Now coming to the United Wireless Arena on April 6th, Trolaro will present a professional workshop with free CEUs from 1 to 4 pm and a community event from 7 to 8 pm. Both events are free and open to the public. RSVP by March 13th at www.swks-problemgambling.org or call 620-227-1590.

UPCOMING RACHEL'S VINEYARD WEEKEND RETREAT: Are you or a loved one suffering from abortion? Find hope and allow God to heal your heart by attending a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat. The first retreat of 2020 to be held in the Kansas City area will be on April 24-26. For more information or to register, please call Teresa O'Donnell at (816) 679-4973 or email rvcmo@gmail.com (please note: you might have to check your Spam folder for the guaranteed email reply) or visit www.rachelsvineyardkc.org.

PLEASE BE SURE AND PICK UP A CRS RICE BOWL!

VOCATION VIEWS: During this time of fasting we may be tempted to go astray. Pray for the grace to follow the way that leads to life. (Matthew 4:1-11) If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdiocese.org/vocations

ABC PREGANCY CARE CENTER in Garden City will be featuring keynote speaker, Jason Jones, on Tuesday, March 3 at their annual fundraising banquet at the Clarion Inn in Garden City. Doors open at 6pm and the dinner and program will begin at 6:30. Dinner is complimentary, however, you will have an opportunity to make a financial gift to support their varied programs. Jason Jones is the founder of HERO (Human Rights Education and Relief Organization) a non-profit that promotes human dignity regardless of ability, age, status, race or geography. He is also co-executive producer of the film, Bella, which won the Peoples Choice Award in 2006 at the Toronto International Film Festival. To RSVP go to: abcpcc.org/empower2020.

Men! You are invited to join a Men's Lenten Pilgrimage at 5:30 am each Wednesday at the Forst Center in Meade.

Announcement for Plains

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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be on every Wednesday, 3:00 – 6:00 p.m., during Lent.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. with the PSR students. There will be Stations at 8:15 a.m. before the Friday morning Masses during Lent. On Fridays at 5:30 p.m., there will be Spanish Stations of the Cross.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS meeting is scheduled on Wed., March 4, at 7:30 p.m., in the parish rectory.

Announcements for Meade

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be at 12:30 p.m. each Friday during Lent.

PASTORAL COUNCIL is scheduled on Wednesday, March 4, in the Church day chapel, at 7:00 p.m.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES to the Woodruff family on the passing of Ted. Know of our thoughts and prayers for you, and for Ted. May he rest in peace.

Announcements for Fowler

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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be on every Monday, 3:00 – 6:00 p.m., during Lent.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be every Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. during Lent. On the first and third Fridays, there will be Mass in addition to the Stations of the Cross.

TY & JENNIFER WHITE BENEFIT MEAL: It will be held at the Fowler Christian Church on March 21, 2020 from 5pm to 8pm. It will be a come and go event. It is a soup supper with chili, beef vegetable soup, and corn bread and dessert.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES to Vivian & Sy Huelskamp on the passing of her Mom, Marjie Crook. Know of our thoughts and prayers for you, and for Marjie. May she rest in peace.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES to Decina & Doug Heinz on the passing of her Aunt LaWon. Know of our thoughts and prayers for you, and for LaWon. May she rest in peace.