

CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES of MEADE COUNTY

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 16, 2020



Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

16	Sun	8:30 am	(F)	The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Carmen Gabel (Barb Beckerman)
16	Sun	10:30 am	(P)	The Twentieth... Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Ben Gertner (Josephine Amerin)
16	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....(Spanish).....For the Parishioners
17	Mon			No Mass
18	Tue	6:00 pm	(M)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....For all separated families (Janet Cook)
19	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	St. John Eudes, Priest..... +LaVerne Leis (Rita Bergkamp)
20	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	St. Bernard, Abbot & Dr. of the Church.....For Vocations to the Priesthood & R. L.
21	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	St. Pius X, Pope.....+Ben Gertner (Josephine Amerin)
21	Fri	6:00 pm	(P)	St. Pius X, Pope.....For an end to abortion
22	Sat	8:30 am	(M)	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary...For Poor Souls in Purgatory (Janet Cook)
22	Sat	5:30 pm	(M)	The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time.....The Devine Family (Frank & Dorothy)
23	Sun	8:30 am	(F)	The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Eric Zimmerman (Tom & Janet Huelskamp)
23	Sun	10:30 am	(P)	The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Steve Kisner (Anna Marie Kisner)
23	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time.....(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 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 – Sunday, Aug. 23rd, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Sarah Jordan, Judy Dewell

SERVERS:

GREETERS:

COLL. COUNTERS: Van & Cathy Heinz

NURSING HOME:

PLAINS – Sunday, Aug. 23rd, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Terry S.

SERVERS: Hayes S., Hailey S., Bob K.

GREETERS:

COLL. COUNTERS: Patricia Coats

MEADE – Saturday, Aug. 22nd, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Teresa Cottrell

SERVERS: Kynlee F., Preston I., Katie W.

GREETERS:

COLL. COUNTERS: Knott Family

PLAINS – Sunday, Aug. 22nd, 1:00 pm (Spanish)

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

EUCH MIN:

MUSIC MIN: Cherie K., Karen Mc./ Jan

USHERS: John Weber/ Dave Weber

ROSARY: Decina Heinz

EUCH. MIN:

MUSIC MIN: Jason Vajnar

ROSARY: Teresa Garza

EUCH MIN:

MUSIC MIN: Rachel Burdett

GIFTS:

ROSARY: Flavin Family

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: In today's second reading, St. Paul tells the Romans, "God's gifts and his call are irrevocable." To what is God calling me today? What gifts are mine to share?

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>	<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$1,666.00	\$960.25	\$1,370.00
OFFERTORY:	\$25.00	\$5.00	\$264.00
RENT:	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BUILDING FD:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
ONLINE	\$110.00	\$180.00	\$120.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$4.00</u>	Misc. <u>\$55.75</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,805.00	\$1,400.75	\$3,781.00
		\$1250.00	

MUSINGS OF FATHER JIM: Unbelievable! The Big Ten just announced they are cancelling the fall football program. Who would have thought such a cancellation would become necessary. Though a relief to die-hard KU and K-State fans, as the Big 12 marches on, it probably is a good thing to put things back into proper perspective and order our lives to what is essential and good. What priest has not mourned the missing parishioners on a football weekend? I am not a curmudgeon who would say that “golf is pure evil!” for its competition for Sunday morning, but the Worldwide Covid-19 Pandemic has turned our world upside down and shaken it all around. The Church’s very essence is gathering, worshiping, catechizing, and serving. How do we do this with social distancing and behind a mask?

I am listening to a great podcast, “How to raise boys to be men of God?”, the Burrowshire Podcast with Brandon Voigt and Fr. Blake Britton. You can find it on Google or You-tube. I am reflecting deeply on the planning for the religious formation of our youth in our parishes. I failed miserably to bring together a Zoom with the high school females of our parish, though the live streamed summer conference from Benedictine College, divided into presentations separately for males and females, were great witnesses of male and female discipleship for those coming to maturity.

I am hearing Fr. Blake share how faith is not neuter, but gender specific, how a man sacrifices and how a woman sacrifices is naturally different. In an age of co-ed life of equalitarian society, we have lost some of the hidden value of an all boys or all girls forms of formation. Even the Boy Scouts, are finding themselves no longer masculine. Research has shown, that a father’s witness to faith is about three times as effective in predicting which young people will grow up to be faithful participating members of the Church.

How do we find the witnesses to reflect the faith, that is, catechize our youth in the ways of faith? I am so thankful for Andra Cunningham, Heather Flavin, and Minerva Puentes who have stepped up to direct this seemingly impossible task in our parishes. We are not cancelling our effort to bring our children to faith. We have great signposts, the sacraments, of realizing the goals along the way of uniting our children to Christ. With the age of reason, comes a desire and need to know their faith, and live it actively. Please, don’t just drop your children off at the church. Please, help these women of God share our faith, both male and female, in active testimony. Especially to the men of our parish, I challenge you to step up and witness!

Trusting in the Lord, Fr. Jim

CATHOLIC CHARITIES HELPLINE: Catholic Charities staff members want to help if you are in need as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Call our helpline at 620-272-0010 or send us an email at COVID19help@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org. We can help with food assistance, non-food pantry items, tracking down your stimulus check, health insurance paperwork, basic taxes, housing, counseling and other basic living needs.

GOING TO COLLEGE? This year is a particularly difficult year to enter college. Newman University would like to help by being a collection of information of Catholic young people, their college of destination, a phone number and or email by which they can be invited to their particular Newman Center where they will be attending. If you and someone you know is off to college, please forward the information to Fr. Jim at 620-575-5520 or diekerjames@gmail.com.

VOCATION VIEWS: “The gifts and the call of God are irrevocable. Use the gifts that God has given you to stir into flame the gift of faith. (Romans 11:29) If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdioocese.org/vocations

Pastoral Ministry Formation 2020 Fall Courses: THEO 3053 Sacramental Theology (3 credit hours).

Instructor: Fr. Frank Coady. A study of the theological and spiritual underpinnings of the liturgy, with specific application to each sacrament. Most of the course will focus on the Eucharist.

*This course is one of the 3 hour courses that may be used to obtain the Diocesan Certification in Liturgical Ministry or Youth Ministry. Saturday mornings - 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon. Class Dates - Sept. 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Nov. 7, 14

THEO 3053 Teología Sacramental (crédito de 3 horas) en español. Instructora: Maria Beltran.

Un estudio de los fundamentos teológicos y espirituales de la liturgia, con una aplicación especial a cada sacramento. La mayor parte del curso se enfocará en la Eucaristía. *Este curso es uno de los cursos que puede ser utilizado para obtener la Certificación Diocesano en el Ministerio Litúrgico o Ministerio Juvenil.

Tardes de domingos – 3:00 p.m. a 6:30 p.m. Fechas de clases - Sept. 13, 20, 27, oct. 4, 11, 25, nov. 1, 8, 15

THEO 4881 Accompanying Youth and Young Adults on their Journey (1 credit hour). Instructor: Rick Smith. Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, young people are filled with questions. They want someone to walk with them in their questioning. This class shares paths of accompaniment. *This course is one of the 1 hour courses that may be used to obtain the Diocesan Certification in Youth Ministry. Four Wednesday evenings - 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Class Dates - Aug. 26, Sept. 2, Oct. 7, Nov. 4

THEO 4881 Acompañando Jóvenes y Jóvenes Adultos en su Camino (crédito de una hora) en español.

Instructor: Jaime Gil. Como los discípulos en su camino a Emaús, los jóvenes están llenos de preguntas.

Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, young people are filled with questions. Quieren que alguien camino con ellos en sus preguntas. Esta clase comparte caminos de acompañamiento. *Este curso es uno de los cursos de una hora que puede ser utilizados para obtener Certificación Diocesano en el Ministerio Juvenil. Cuatro tardes de los miércoles - 6:00 p.m. a 9:30 p.m. Fechas de clases – Sept. 16, 23, 30, oct. 14

Please welcome Fr. John Strasser, retired priest living in Garden City, who has come to serve our parishes for the Sunday Eucharist as Fr. Jim serves the Engaged Encounter Weekend in Great Bend.

Announcement for Plains

ONLINE GIVING: The website is now set up for online giving. Go to <https://meadecocatholic.org>

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED: Our parish is looking for an individual to provide cleaning services for the parish hall and new building classrooms. If interested please contact a council member for more details.

Announcements for Meade

ONLINE GIVING: The website is now set up for online giving. Go to <https://meadecocatholic.org>

MEADE FOOD BANK: We will be collecting food for the local food bank during the month of August.

There will be tubs to put your donations in the church entry-way. If you prefer to give a monetary donation, please put it in an envelope marked for the food bank in the collection basket that is also in the entry-way.

Announcements for Fowler

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

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