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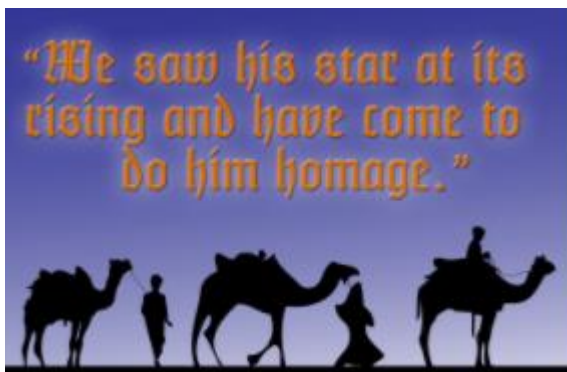
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The Epiphany of the Lord

January 3, 2021



Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

03	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	The Epiphany of the Lord.....+Mariva Munsch (Joan Gill)
03	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	The Epiphany of the Lord.....+Frank Devine (Marilyn Dewell)
03	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Epiphany of the Lord.....(Spanish).....For the Parishioners
04	Mon			No Mass today
05	Tue	6:00 pm	(M)	St. John Neumann, Bishop.....Special Intention (Jim Devine)
06	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	St. Andre Bessette, Religious.....Souls in Purgatory (Rita Bergkamp)
07	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	St. Raymond of Penyafort, Christmas Weekday.....For an end to abortion
08	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	Christmas Weekday.....+Pauline Weber Vandenberg (Paula Vandenberg White)
08	Fri	6:00 pm	(P)	Christmas Weekday.....(Spanish)...For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
09	Sat	8:30 am	(M)	Christmas Weekday.....+Frank Devine (Tyler Flavin Family)
09	Sat	5:30 pm	(P)	The Baptism of the Lord.....+Ralph Kisner (Anna Marie Kisner)
10	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	The Baptism of the Lord.....+Mariva Munsch (Elsie & Bob Haberman)
10	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	The Baptism of the Lord.....+Nora Klein (Marilyn Dewell)
10	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Baptism of the Lord.....(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.

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, Jan. 10th, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Doug Heinz, Rhonda Milford

SERVERS: Kate Cunningham

GREETERS:

COLL. COUNTERS: John Weber, Steve D.

NURSING HOME:

PLAINS – Saturday, Jan. 9th, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Jerrilyn Woods

SERVERS: Owen V., Hayes S., Kerri V.

GREETERS:

COLL. COUNTERS: Patricia Coats

MEADE – Sunday, Jan. 10th, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Tyler Flavin

SERVERS: Kynlee F., Emily F., Sarah K.

GREETERS:

COLL. COUNTERS: Smith Family

PLAINS – Sunday, Jan. 10th, 1:00 pm (Spanish)

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: The three wise men who came from the East to pay homage to the infant Jesus brought Him rich gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh as part of their worship. What gifts have I brought to this celebration to offer the newborn Savior?

EUCH MIN:

MUSIC MIN: Diane Woodruff, Angie D./ Jan

USHERS:

ROSARY: Decina Heinz

EUCH. MIN:

MUSIC MIN: Nancy Hines

ROSARY: Lucy Bromwell

EUCH MIN:

MUSIC MIN: Gleason Family

GIFTS:

ROSARY: Flavin Family

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>	<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$1,945.00	\$311.00	\$2,635.00
OFFERTORY:	\$33.00	\$23.00	\$85.00
BUILDING FD:	\$.00	MISC. \$104.91	\$3,000.00
BLDG FD online:	\$.00	.00	\$200.00
ONLINE	\$255.00	\$180.00	\$220.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$.00</u>	<u>\$.00</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$2,233.00	\$618.91	\$7,145.00
		\$1250.00	

MUSINGS OF FATHER JIM: Dear People of the New Year!

Change is hard for everyone, but it is the heart of the Gospel: “Repent and be faithful to the Gospel”. I like the comic response to the wife who tells her husband, “I want to paint the bedroom.” He asks, “Why, it is perfectly fine the way it is!” “Well, I am just tired of the color!” is her response. His response, “Isn’t that what a bedroom is supposed to do, make you tired!”

I hope everyone remembers the sixth month “spring forward” of our Sunday Mass Schedule. I know it is hard for me to adjust my mind to it and remake my routine, but it is probably good and most equitable for the parishes, moving to 5:30 PM Saturday Mass in Plains, 8:30 AM Sunday Mass in Meade, and 10:30 AM Mass in Fowler. I would also like to free myself from responsibilities in the parishes to offer Mass on Monday, my “day off” so I am free to travel to family and offer the Mass for the good sisters at Satanta and my Franciscan Fraternity from Liberal, as the Pandemic eases. This means I am asking to drop the Monday evening Mass at St. John the Baptist from the weekly schedule, but remember that we have added the Saturday morning Mass at 8:30 AM at St. John, which should be more attractive with the Sunday Mass on Sunday morning now. It was also unrealistic to think that I could provide Benediction every Monday in Fowler, so I will try to offer that once monthly on the Third Monday in addition to the First Friday Mass at 7:30 PM. If there is interest, I am willing to offer on First Friday following the Mass an hour of adoration and benediction at St. Anthony. I would also like to reduce the adoration time in Plains on Wednesday to an hour and half from 4:00 PM instead of beginning at 3:00 PM. I have spent the last month by myself for that hour, well, because of other obligations on Wednesday, most often starting late by myself.

“Big sigh!” Change is hard. I have moved the Meade Pastoral Council to the first Saturday, following the morning Mass. I would like to look to other times for the other Council meetings to facilitate my participation in the Religious Education programs on Wednesday evenings as the Covid restrictions hopefully will open the return of our Catechetical work. I could work with either Tuesday or Thursday evenings, but Tuesday is my preference.

Just a reminder for the Confirmation Candidates from St John and their sponsors and parents, I am looking forward to the retreat on Saturday, January 9th and the Confirmation with Bishop Brungardt on Saturday, January 16th at 1:00PM. I would like to initiate a Zoom study using the “Metanoia, A journey with Christ into conversion”, 11 episodes from the ministry of the Wild Goose and 4PM Media highlighting the geography of the Holy Land, the and the spirituality of the Lord Incarnate on Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM. To register just send your e-mail to diekerjames@gmail.com. Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

May auld acquaintance be forgot, Fr. Jim

Starting Sunday, November 29th, 2020 **The Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe changed Sunday Spanish Masses.** Leaving the following schedule for the weekends:

Comenzando el domingo, 29 de noviembre, la Catedral de Nuestra Sra. de Guadalupe tendrá unos cambios en el horario de la Misa dominical en español. Dejando el siguiente horario:

Saturdays/Sábados

5pm English / Ingles

7pm Spanish / Español

Sundays/ Domingos

9am English / Ingles

11am Spanish / Español

1pm Spanish / Español

DON'T FORGET TO PICK UP: Please be sure to pick up a new Church calendar and the Dynamic Catholic Book, the blue book with the picture of Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta, Do Something Beautiful for God. Have a blessed New Year!

MASS TIMES CHANGE THE FIRST WEEKEND IN JANUARY IN OUR CLUSTER: They are scheduled as follows: Saturday January 2, 5:30 p.m. – at St. Patrick's Church in Plains; Sunday, January 3, 8:30 a.m. – at St. John the Baptist Church, in Meade; and 10:30 a.m., at St. Anthony's Church, in Fowler. Spanish Mass is at 1:00 p.m., at St. Patrick's Church, in Plains. This rotation will continue until the first weekend in July 2021.

COLLEGE ANDREW DINNER: The college Andrew Dinner is scheduled to be in Wright. The event will be on Sunday, January 3rd from 6:00 pm to 8 pm at the parish hall.

COVID 19 HELP: 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.

Sunday, January 3, 2021

The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins in a little over two weeks, on Monday, January 18, and continues through Monday, January 25. The theme for 2021 is "Abide in my love... you shall bear much fruit." (John 15:1-17) Use the Daily Scripture and Prayer Guide to join with Christians around the world praying "that all may be one... that the world may believe" (John 17:21). Plan to join with members of other Christian churches and communities in our area for the following special observances...

Announcement for Plains

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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be on Wednesdays, from 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS meeting is January 5 in the St. Patrick Parish hall at 7:30 p.m.

Announcements for Meade

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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be on Fridays, from 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Announcements for Fowler

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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be on Mondays, from 3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

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

REMOVING THE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS: We will be removing the Christmas decorations after Mass on January 10. Please help us take our beautiful decorations down. We truly appreciate your help.