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The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 24, 2021



Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

24	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Frank Devine (Dorothy Devine)
24	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time+Frank Devine (Rita Bergkamp)
24	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.....(Spanish).....For the Parishioners
25	Mon			No Mass today
26	Tue	6:00 pm	(M)	Ss. Timothy & Titus, Bishops.....+Gilbert Cordova
27	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	St. Angela Merici, Virgin.....+Frank Devine (Randy & Sharon Glenn)
28	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Dr. of the Church.....+Dan Kisner (Anna Marie Kisner)
29	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....+Martin Conrardy (Sandi Ackerman)
29	Fri	6:00 pm	(P)	Week day in Ordinary Time(Spanish) For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
30	Sat	8:30 am	(M)	Saturday in Ordinary Time.....World Peace
30	Sat	5:30 pm	(P)	The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Frank Devine (Ray & Jenny Amerin)
31	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Frank Devine
31	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary TimeDavid Jordan Intention (Steve & Judy Dewell)
31	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Fourth 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.

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. 31st, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Bruce Millershaski, Karen Johnson

SERVERS: Karson Wideman

GREETERS:

COLL. COUNTERS: Steve & Judy Dewell

NURSING HOME:

PLAINS – Saturday, Jan. 30th, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Kristin Grilliot

SERVERS: Owen V., Dianna O., Dolores A.

GREETERS:

COLL. COUNTERS: Kathy Jacobs

MEADE – Sunday, Jan. 31st, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Cali Keith

SERVERS: Makenna B., Tayte F., Logan K.

GREETERS:

COLL. COUNTERS: Koons Family

PLAINS – Sunday, Jan. 17th, 1:00 pm (Spanish)

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: There is a certain urgency in today’s Gospel as Jesus calls His first disciples – Andrew, and Simon, James and John. Each one follows Jesus *immediately*, unhesitatingly abandoning nets and boats and father and fellow-workers. To what is Jesus calling me – at *this* moment, in *these* circumstances? What will I need to abandon in order to follow Him?

EUCH MIN:

MUSIC MIN: Diane Leis

USHERS:

ROSARY: Judy Dewell

EUCH. MIN:

MUSIC MIN: Martha Saucedo

ROSARY: Bob Kaberlein

EUCH MIN:

MUSIC MIN: Brooke & Cali Keith

GIFTS:

ROSARY: Flavin Family

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>	<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$2,270.00	\$393.00	\$890.00
OFFERTORY:	\$153.00	\$3.00	\$.00
BUILDING FND:	\$220.00	\$0.00	\$176.00
BLDG FD online:	\$50.00	.00	\$250.00
ONLINE	\$155.00	\$0.00	\$105.00
CANDLES:	\$.00	\$10.00	\$1.00
RENT:	<u>\$00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$2798.00	\$406.00	1172.00

MUSINGS OF FATHER JIM: Dear faithful supporters,

It has been an unbelievably miserable two weeks. Thank you for your prayers and support as I bore an illness unlike anything I have experienced before; the combination of gastrointestinal distress, and a throat and mouth ravaging that has persisted for two weeks. Finally, I received a prescription for antibiotics that seems to be changing the tide.

It had been a matter of pride that I had not cancelled a single scheduled Mass because of personal health in all of my years of priesthood, if my accounting is right, I have cancelled seven, and still haven't managed the cough sufficiently to preside at Mass. I have slept for hours just trying to find relief, but it has been slow coming. But thank you for those who endured this time with me.

I am hoping by Sunday to be able to function again, but my diet and throat are far from normal. The hardest part is the lack of the ability to concentrate and complete the year end reports that need to be in to the diocese by February.

One good development is that an acceptable offer has been made for the Plains rectory and we will be entering that process, hoping for February closing on the residence. So, things continue to move ahead, and every day it feels like we are closer to putting illness behind us and ordinary time can begin in earnest. Spring is surely coming!

With the inauguration and the annual March for life only being held virtually, the large shadow of abortion has risen as a growing cloud. Please continue to pray that grace will reign and hearts will be changed. frjim

Metanoia: A Journey with Christ in Conversion

Consider joining Fr. Jim on a walk through the Holy Land on the way to conversion at 7:00 PM every Thursday beginning Thursday, January 14th Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4265155854?pwd=WXP1MWp6NEc4U2FCWXVYzJyMWQvdz09> Meeting ID: 426 515 5854 Passcode: 777333111 or by sending your email to diekerjames@gmail.com for a direct link.

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.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES INFANT ADOPTION: Struggling to start a family? Have you thought about infant adoption? Start or learn more about the Catholic Charities Infant Adoption Program by contacting Lori Titsworth at 620-792-1393, or by email at ltitsworth@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org. There is no pressure and this is a good way to ask questions and learn more.

PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: Today is Ecumenical Sunday when we celebrate what God is doing through the many ecumenical agencies—local, regional, national and international—that make up the modern ecumenical movement. As we continue our special prayers “that all may be one... that the world may believe” (John 17:21), we take time to familiarize ourselves with the work to promote understanding and cooperation among Christians and others in our community.

Support for Catholic Schools, Inc.: For the last two years the Catholic Diocese of Dodge City has been partnering with the Catholic Diocese of Wichita to provide scholarships to eligible students attending Catholic Schools within our diocese. To date we have several students attending Catholic schools in Dodge City, Ness City, and Garden City with scholarships amounting to over \$300,000. Funding for this program so far has been from generous stewards from the Wichita diocese. If our Catholic schools are important to you, I am asking you to please consider a gift to the Support for Catholic Schools, Inc. By donating you are eligible to receive a 70% Kansas income tax credit that can be applied to your Kansas state income tax liability. For more information on Support for Catholic Schools please contact: Daniel Stremel, CPA, CDFM, Director of Finance at dmstremel@dcdioocese.org (620) 227-1517.

"Abortion and racism are both symptoms of a fundamental human error. The error is thinking that when someone stands in the way of our wants, we can justify getting that person out of our lives. Abortion and racism stem from the same poisonous root, selfishness." *Alveda King*

Coming Lent 2021 from St. Paul Center: Why return to Mass? Our very lives depend on it. It's the summit of God's plan for our salvation. It's time to wake Catholics up to the awesome power, the incredible gift, that is the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. The alternative is unthinkable. Enter **Parousia: The Bible and the Mass**, coming Lent 2021. In our latest **Journey Through Scripture study**, get ready to join host Scott Hahn to uncover how and why all of God's action, in creation and redemption, is ordered to the Mass. **Sign up now to watch all ten episodes for FREE!** Go to stpaulcenter.com

Announcement for Plains

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

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

TO THE PERSON OR PERSONS WATERING THE PLANTS: Thank you for your care & concern of the plants in the church. You don't need to do it since someone is already watering them.

K OF C FREE THROW CONTEST: Free throw contest this Sunday, January 24, at Southwestern Heights High School. Open to all kids, they don't have to be Catholic, and don't have to live in the Plains area. Doors open at 2:00 p.m. Shoot starts at 3:00 p.m. young boys and girls, 14 years of age and under.

K OF C MEETING: Knights meeting is February 3rd at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Announcements for Meade

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

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

ST. JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP: Youth Group will meet on Sunday, Jan. 31 @ 7pm in the Forst Center. Pizza will be provided. Come hungry & bring your competitive spirit.

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 Monday, from 3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

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FOWLER PASTORAL COUNCIL is scheduled on Wednesday, January 27, at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Anthony School.