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July 29, 2018

The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if any one eats of this bread, he will live for ever; and the bread which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh....he who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed." (John 6:51, 55-56)

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

29	Sun	8:30 am (P)	The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time+Virginia Amerin (Josephine Amerin)
29	Sun	10:30 am (M)	The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time+Lorraine Homer (Larry & Sue Boyd)
29	Sun	1:00 pm (P)	The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Spanish)For the Parishioners
30	Mon	6:00 pm (M)	St. Peter ChrysologusFor Deceased Members of Our Parishes
31	Tue	7:30 am (M)	St. Ignatius of LoyolaFor Deceased Members of Our Parishes
01	Wed	12:05 pm (F)	St. Alphonsus of Liguori+Irvin Sobba (Tom & Janet Huelskamp)
02	Thu	8:30 am (P)	St. Eusebius of Vercelli For the unborn & an end to abortion (St. Gregory Pro-Life T)
03	Fri	8:30 am (P)	First FridayDeceased Family (Larry & Marge Donahue)
03	Fri	7:00 pm (F)	First Friday+Claude Leis (Donnie & Rita Bergkamp)
04	Sat	5:30 pm (F)	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time+Duke & Melva Dewell (Duke Dewell Family)
05	Sun	8:30 am (P)	The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time+Virginia Amerin (Josephine Amerin)
05	Sun	10:30 am (M)	The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time+Lorraine Homer(Frank & Dorothy Devine)
05	Sun	1:00 pm (P)	The Eighteenth 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 - Saturday, August 4th, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Cindy Lackey, Judy Dewell SERVERS: Crystal M., Angel M., Adan M.

GREETERS: Devin & Laura Hamilton Family

COLL. COUNTERS: John Weber **NURSING HOME:** Diane Leis

PLAINS - Sunday, August 5th, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Bob Kaberlein

SERVERS: Dianna O., Jesse O., Gloria K.

GREETERS: Ray & Jenny Amerin
COLL. COUNTERS: Patricia Coates
MEADE – Sunday, August 5th, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Kevin Dewell

SERVERS: Degnan B., Kynlee F., Tayte F.

GREETERS: Inlow Family COLL. COUNTERS: Dewell Family

PLAINS - Sunday, August 5th, 1:00 pm

LECTOR: SERVERS:

EUCH MIN: Tom Leis, James & Becky Hamilton **MUSIC MIN:** Cathy Heinz, Cherie K./ Jan Brock

USHERS: Kevin Hageman, Jim Devine

ROSARY: Decina Heinz

EUCH. MIN: Mary A., Terry S., Silvia O

MUSIC MIN: Martha Saucedo ROSARY: Lucy Bromwell

EUCH MIN: Dorothy D., Audrey F., Vince K.

MUSIC MIN: Belinda Chalker

GIFTS: Dewell Family **ROSARY:** Flavin Family

EUCH MIN:

USHERS:

$\sim\sim$ IF YOU CANNOT FULFILL YOUR OBLIGATION, PLEASE FIND SOMEONE TO TAKE YOUR PLACE $\sim\sim$

<u>STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES:</u> "The hand of the Lord feeds us," says the Psalmist, "he answers all our needs." Both Eisha's servant in the first reading and the disciples in the Gospel story who witnessed the feeding of the five thousand saw this happen and knew it to be true.

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>	<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$570.00	\$585.00	\$1,576.00
OFFERTORY:	\$269.00	\$208.00	\$146.00
CHILDREN:	\$12.00	\$10.00	Bldg. Fd. \$115.00
RENT:	\$.00	\$150.00	\$.00
MISSION:	\$.00	\$.00	\$50.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$.00</u>	<u>\$.00</u>	<u>\$.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$851.00	\$953.00	\$1,887.00
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THOUGHTS FROM FATHER TED: Why is the virtue of chastity so important and the violations of chastity such a serious matter? It is because our sexuality is profoundly personal. It is designed to bring about a deep unity of two persons—a unity capable of giving new life. This unity is the biblical meaning of "the two shall become one flesh". When one considers the difference between the act of self-giving love in marriage and an act of violation through rape or sexual abuse it becomes clear that the sexual embrace is more than a purely physical act. When someone has been sexually violated, a much deeper wound is brought about than when one receives a slap in the face or is called a degrading name. To give of oneself in the sexual embrace is to give oneself deeply and permanently. When that act is violated or is used to fulfill selfish pleasures, one person feels used and the other does not find lasting fulfillment. Chastity is meant to protect the sacredness of the sexual act and the dignity of the persons. The fact that this deep union comes about at the same moment that new life can be created shows that openness to life is integral to the sexual embrace. The widespread use of contraceptives or surgical sterilization has opened the door for sexual relations to be come more self-seeking and less self giving. Next week, I will continue reflecting upon the virtue of chastity.

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<u>RENEWAL DAY INVITATION FOR THE PUBLIC:</u> Come pray with and for our seminarians! All are invited to join Bishop John, Fr. Wesley, and all the Dodge City seminarians for a Holy Hour from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m., Saturday, August 4th, St. Dominic, Garden City. It will be an opportunity to pray in front of our Eucharistic Lord both with and for the seminarians of our Diocese.

<u>SEMINARIAN SEND-OFF IN GARDEN CITY:</u> Bishop John will be blessing our seminarians as they begin their new academic year at the following Masses at St. Dominic – August 4th at 5:30 p.m. (English); St. Mary - August 5th at 11:00 a.m. (English) and 1:00 p.m. (Spanish). Each Mass will be followed by an opportunity to meet and greet the seminarians. Come offer your prayers and best wishes as they prepare to return to school.

<u>Fruit of the Vine – Work of Human Hands</u>: In the late 1990's and early 2000's the diocese sponsored a program called "God's Little Green Acre", a program to support seminarian education in the Diocese of Dodge City. The program has recently been resurrected, but with a few more options. The program is now called "Fruit of the Vine - Work of Human Hands" and offers two ways to participate: Fruit of the Vine is for individuals who would like to pledge profits from their earthly labors, such as profits from crop production, sale of livestock, oil production, wind generation profits…etc.

Work of Human Hands is designed for individuals or businesses who would like to pledge a portion of their business profits, annual income or simply give a cash donation to support our seminarians within the Catholic Diocese of Dodge City. Participation in the program will not only support our seminarians, but we will provide you a plaque or yard sign as a reminder to others to pray for vocations, and will encourage others to participate as well. For more information about "Fruit of the Vine - Work of Human Hands" please contact:

Mark W. Roth, Director of Development - Catholic Diocese of Dodge City, PO Box 137, Dodge City, KS 67801 - Phone (620) 227-1535 and via email at mroth@dcdiocese.org

<u>VOCATION VIEWS:</u> If you are willing to share what you have, God will multiply your gifts. Imagine how God can use you to nourish a hungry world. Consider being a priest, brother or sister. (John 6:1-13). If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdiocese.org/vocations

<u>THE CATHOLIC CHARITIES INFANT ADOPTION PREPARATION</u> and Education Series is an on-going year-around program that allows couples to enter and proceed at their own pace, at any time throughout the year. The 2018-19 orientation class schedule is available online at http:// catholiccharitiesswks.org/adoption-services/771-adoption-training-calendar-of-events. If you know someone who is struggling with infertility and would like to learn more about growing their family through infant adoption, please contact Lori Titsworth at 620-792-1393, or by email at titsworth@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org

<u>FREE PREGNANCY SUPPORT:</u> Catholic Charities offers free pregnancy support services for all women regardless of age, income, marital status or religious affiliation There are no fees for this service. If you know someone who is facing an unintended pregnancy, please ask them to contact Amy Falcon at 620-227-1590.

19th ANNUAL MIDWEST (ATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE: We have programs and speakers for all ages at the Midwest Catholic Family Conference August 3-5 in Wichita, KS. Help your child explore how to bring the light of Christ into their hearts and their future in the children's, Middle school, and high school programs. Register online at catholicfamilyconference.org or call 316-618-9787. Email questions to info@catholicfamilyconference.org

ACTS RETREAT: 2018 Men's and Women's ACTS Retreats: Women's Retreat: October 25-28, 2018; Men's retreat: November 15-18, 2018. Both retreats will be held at the Heartland Center for Spirituality in Great Bend. For more information, contact Paula Brozek at 620-793-8172 or Mel Waite at 620-564-2518.

<u>GOT SOME VOLUNTEER TIME?</u> If you have some time on your hands and would like to volunteer for service, please notify our DRE's. We are ALWAYS needing help in our Religious Ed. programs, which will soon be starting!

INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH? If you know anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church, please encourage them to contact Father Ted. Even better, come with them to talk to Father Ted. A definite starting date or place has not been determined. Once we know who will be part of the group this year, we will make those determinations.

Announcement for Plains

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

<u>ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT</u> will be on Wednesday, August 1, 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Announcements for Meade

<u>PASTORAL COUNCIL</u> is scheduled on Wednesday, August 1, at 7:00 p.m., in the Forst Center.

Announcements for Fowler

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