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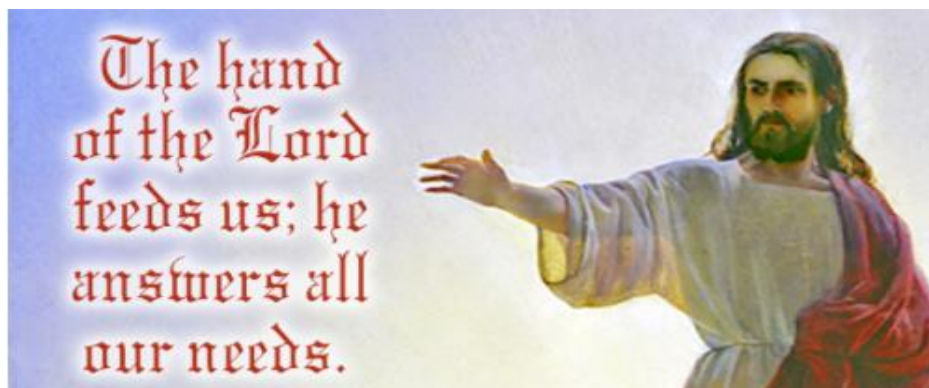
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The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 25, 2021



Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

25	Sun	8:30 am	(P)	The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Agnes Knott(Josephine Amerin)
25	Sun	10:30 am	(M)	The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time+Gene & Betty Flowers (Tom & Audrey)
25	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time(Spanish).....For the Parishioners
26	Mon			No Mass
27	Tue	6:00 pm	(M)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....+Vernelle Wiens (Carol Conry)
28	Wed	12:05 am	(F)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....+Bill & Marilyn Dewell (Dewell Family)
29	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	St. Martha.....+Rich Knott (Josephine Amerin)
30	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	St. Peter Chrysologus.....Deceased Family & Friends (Ray & Jenny Amerin)
30	Fri	6:00 pm	(P)	St. Peter Chrysologus.....(Spanish)....For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
31	Sat	8:30 am	(M)	St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest.....For an end to corruption in the Church (Janet Cook)
31	Sat	5:30 pm	(F)	The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Marilyn Dewell (Mary Helen Sobba)
01	Sun	8:30 am	(P)	The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Julio Labra
01	Sun	10:30 am	(M)	The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time+Mr. & Mrs. Wallace Feldman (Tom & Elaine)
01	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time(Spanish).....For the Parishioners

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

30 minutes before Masses

HOMEBOUND If you would like Communion brought to you at home, or have someone in the hospital, please notify Father at 620-575-5520.

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, July 31st, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Judy Dewell, Michele Weber

SERVERS: Avery Hamilton

GREETERS: Grant & Tia Harris Family

COLL. COUNTERS: Steve & Judy Dewell

PLAINS – Sunday, August 1st, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Jason Vajnar

SERVERS: Lucy V., Hayes S., Gloria K.

GREETERS: Vern & Angie Kisner

COLL. COUNTERS: Kathy Jacobs

MEADE – Sunday, August 1st, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Vince Koons

SERVERS: Brenna F., Preston I., Myles K.

GREETERS/GIFTS: Knott Family

ROSARY: Volunteer

PLAINS – Sunday, August 1st, 1:00 pm (Spanish)

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: "The hand of the Lord feeds us," says the Psalmist, "he answers all our needs."

Both Elisha'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.

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.

EUCH MIN: Sarah Jordan

MUSIC MIN: Cathy H., Karen McD./ Jan

USHERS: Brent Merkle, Bob Parker

ROSARY: Randy Leis

EUCH. MIN:

MUSIC MIN: Kristin Grilliot

ROSARY: Lucy Bromwell

EUCH MIN:

MUSIC MIN: Gleason Family

COLL. COUNTERS: Gleason Family

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>	<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$1,825.00	\$670.00	\$400.00
OFFERTORY:	\$247.00	\$54.00	\$85.00
BUILDING FND:	Grill/bake, grain sale \$5646.00	\$0.00	1500.00
BLDG FD online:	\$10.00	Baby btl 242.15	.00
ONLINE	\$165.00	\$75.00	285.00
MEMORIALS:	\$2050.00	\$4575.00	.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$ 25.00</u>	<u>\$35.00</u>	<u>10.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$9968.00	\$5651.15	2280.00

MUSINGS OF FATHER JIM: Dear parents,

I am grateful to those of you who enrolled your children and youth in the Totus Tuus Program. I have to admit a bit of discouragement about those who were not able to participate, since it has been publicized since May. The energy of the young people is contagious and their love for the church is phenomenal. I am sorry we just don't have enough youth to host it in each parish. I am grateful, too, for the parishioners who attended daily Mass with us.

My efforts to provide transportation only brought three young boys from Fowler for most of the week, and two young men from Meade for one night. But for the experience of those five, all my efforts were justified, I think. One of the themes of Totus Tuus is that "faith is caught, not taught". There is very little the church can do for families whose parents are not actively living the faith. And yet, there is the method taught by Jesus Christ, evangelization is one person at a time. Each baptism brings a hope of conversion and a light in the darkness for those open to hear the message and gather for the Eucharist.

Evangelization and the New Evangelization, terms coined by Pope St. John Paul II are challenging concepts and inspired words to encourage all baptized persons to be moved to immerse others into the faith. Post-Covid times, like Post-Christian culture, are daunting obstacles to going out and proclaiming the Good News, the essence of what these young people do in our parishes. Only in recent times have these young visitors been called missionaries in place of being Totus Tuus counselors. It gratefully reminds us that we all are missionaries, and we do not need to leave home to meet those who have not truly received the Gospel and to receive it in a new way.

There is a part of faith that suggests that one should believe that those who needed to come, came, and those who came, received something they were lacking in their faith. There is a providence in our faith that says that the Good Shepherd never abandons the needs of the flock, especially those lost sheep. But God forbid, that I would have to stand before the Lord, and confess that we gave up and were discouraged by seemingly small harvests. Thanks to all who contributed, especially the host parish, St. Patrick. Keep the faith! Fr. Jim

The EPIC Marriage Intimacy Challenge was created to help married couples to begin to identify, prevent and repair those areas of drift every marriage will encounter.

Almost every marriage will face each of these common stressors:

The birth of a child; A job change; Financial hardship; The illness of a spouse; Empty nest; The changes that come with retirement; The care of aging parents. EPIC is a framework that looks at the communication breakdowns couples need to think about across four key areas of intimacy: Emotional, Physical, Intellectual, and Communicative (EPIC).

The greater the drift you have in these areas the more vulnerable you will be to the stressing moments when they come. And these events will reveal trouble areas at a time when you are least prepared to deal with them. The EPIC Marriage Intimacy Challenge was created to help married couples to begin to identify, prevent and repair those areas of drift every marriage will encounter. It's 100% free to sign up and only takes a few minutes a day.

Dechant Foundation Annual Golf Classic, Benefiting the Retired Priests of the Diocese of Dodge City. Friday, September 10, 2021-9:30a.m. At Mariah Hills Golf Course, 1800 Matt Down Road, Dodge City, KS. All Golfers Welcome! 4-Person Scramble, only \$500 per team, includes golf cart, lunch and hole prizes. Register Online @dcdiocese.org/dechant.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE 21st ANNUAL MIDWEST CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE , AUGUST 6 – 8: We have programs and speakers for all ages at the Midwest Catholic Family Conference . Help you 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. Save up to \$30 with pre-registration by July 25. Register online at <https://catholicfamilyconference.org/> or call 316-618-9787. Email questions to mwcatholicfamilyconference@gmail.com

SALINA DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE 2021, "Men of Hope" Saturday, AUGUST 14TH, 2021 | 8:00 AM - 12:30PM IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH, 1805 VINE ST., HAYS KS. CATHOLIC DIOCESE of SALINA; CHRIS PADGETT, KEYNOTE SPEAKER; FR. GALE HAMMERSCHMIDT, EVENT HOST. Cost- Adult - \$35. (Registration forms available in back of church.)

FR. EMIL KAPAUN'S FUNERAL will be Wednesday, September 29th, at 10:30 a.m. in Hartman Arena in Wichita. Emma Showalter from the Diocese of Dodge City is planning on taking a group.
Here's the link to the website if you would like to read more on it
<https://frkapaun.org/event/fr-kapauns-funeral-mass/>

WONDERING WHERE ALL THE SINGLE CATHOLICS ARE? Join hundreds from across the country at "Finding Meaning through Self-Gift" - the 20th National Conference for Single Catholics taking place August 20th-22nd, 2021 at the Omni Interlocken hotel in Denver (Broomfield), CO. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers (Fr. Nathan Cromly, Fr. Thomas Loya, Mary Beth Bonacci and others!) as well as music, social events, Mass, adoration, opportunities for confession, fellowship, food and more. Register before August 6th to save \$30 AND enter promo code: NCSC21 for an extra \$20 off! Visit www.NationalCatholicSingles.com for more information and to register. (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 512-766-5798.)

RCIA INQUIRY: An open invitation is extended to any adult seeking entrance to the Church or completion of sacraments on Sunday, August 22nd at 7:00 PM at the Forst Center in Meade and any friends or acquaintances who would like to accompany them. Fr. Jim and any parishioners who would like to be part of the RCIA team will be available to answer basic questions that might be standing in the way of entering the RCIA process. RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults meant to replace a simple teaching method with a process of integration and formation in Catholic Spirituality re-established from the early Church as the way to enter the Church. It looks towards Easter as the moment in the calendar to receive new adult members.

Blessed Grandparents Day to all of our grandparents. Pope Francis has asked the church to make the last Sunday in July an offering of prayers for our grandparents, who in this time of small and broken families have become ever more important in our lives. May God give you joy and peace.

Announcement for Plains

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be on Wednesday, from 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
PLAINS PASTORAL COUNCIL is scheduled to meet on Wednesday, August 4th, at 6:00 p.m.
PLAINS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS is scheduled to meet on Wednesday, August 4th, at 7:00 p.m.

Announcements for Meade

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

Announcements for Fowler

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be on Monday, from 3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY: We will pray the rosary on Monday at 5:30 p.m.