

CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES of MEADE COUNTY

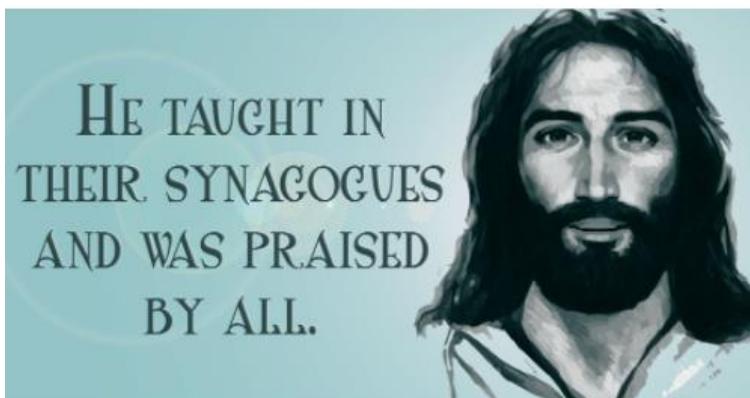
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The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 23, 2022



Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

23	Sun	8:30 am	(F)	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+David & Ruby Lauppe (Sarah Jordan)
23	Sun	10:30 am	(P)	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.....Deceased Family of Larry & Marge Donahue
23	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.....(Spanish).....For the Parishioners
24	Mon			No Mass today
25	Tue			No Mass today. Father plans to attend the March for Life, so will not be available.
26	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	Ss. Timothy & Titus, Bishops.....For Rain (Tom & Janet Huelskamp)
27	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	St. Angela Merici, Virgin.....+Sylvester Faber (Sylvester Faber Trust)
28	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Dr. of the Church...+Marlyn Morrison(Nieces& Nephews)
28	Fri	6:00 pm	(P)	St. Thomas Aquinas.....(Spanish)...For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
29	Sat			No Mass at 8:30 a.m.
29	Sat	10:00 am	(F)	Mark Low Funeral
29	Sat	5:30 pm	(M)	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....For World Peace
30	Sun	8:30 am	(F)	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time+Marilyn Dewell (Marilyn Dewell Trust)
30	Sun	10:30 am	(P)	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....Deceased Family of Larry & Marge Donahue
30	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	Fourth 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!

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, Jan. 30th , 8:30 am

LECTOR: Andra Cunningham, Karrie Millershaski

SERVERS: Kate & Abby Cunningham, Saul M.

GREETERS: Preston & Andra Cunningham Family

COLL. COUNTERS: Steve & Judy Dewell

PLAINS – Sunday, Jan. 30th , 10:30 am

LECTOR: Martha Saucedo

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

GREETERS: Max & Silva Olvera

COLL. COUNTERS: Kathy Jacobs

MEADE – Saturday, Jan. 29th , 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Vince Koons

SERVERS: Kemper F., Sarah K., Kate P.

GREETERS/GIFTS: Faurot Family

ROSARY: Cindy Hagemeyer

PLAINS – Sunday, Jan. 30th , 1:00 pm (Spanish)

EUCH MIN: Decina Heinz

MUSIC MIN: Diane Woodruff, Cathy Heinz/ Jan

USHERS: Dave Weber & Jared Weber

ROSARY: Dee Dee Dewell

EUCH. MIN:

MUSIC MIN: Kristin Grilliot

ROSARY: Teresa Garza

EUCH MIN: Lisa Koons

MUSIC MIN: Gleason Family

COLL. COUNTERS: Dewell Family

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: The US bishops' pastoral on stewardship reinforces today's reading from ICorinthians: "Because its individual members do collectively make up the Body of Christ, that body's health and well-being are the responsibility of the members – the personal responsibility of each one of us. We all are stewards of the Church."

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>	<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$645.00	\$675.00	\$394.00
OFFERTORY:	\$115.00	\$89.00	\$92.00
BUILDING FND:	\$10075.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
BLDG FD online:	\$10.00	\$0.00	250.00
ONLINE	\$155.00	\$75.00	450.00
Fuel/ heat:	\$0.00	\$0.00	.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$ 34.50</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$14.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$11034.50	839.00	1250.00

MUSINGS OF FATHER JIM: Brothers and Sister,

Sadly I have missed again promoting the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The concept began in 1907, so for over one hundred years, the world has been invited to partake in this intercessory prayer by the faithful. The celebration is conducted each year with a different religious theme. The theme for 2022, which was programmed to take place January 18-25, is “We saw the star in the east, and we came to worship him,” taken from the story of the Epiphany in the second chapter of Matthew’s Gospel.

Are we any closer to receiving that promise of our Lord, “that they may be one, as you and I, Father, are one,” in Jesus’ priestly prayer in John’s Gospel at the Last Supper. It seems the divisions have only grown, despite the best efforts of the Franciscan Friars of Atonement, who are the community that continues to promote the week of prayer through their website, at www.atonementfriars.org. It is very difficult to make this truly an ecumenical effort, as an invitation to pray for unity by a Roman Catholic group is always laden with patronizing overtones. Also the timing in the wake of Christmas celebrations leaves little ecclesial energy to propel the prayer.

When I was in the Holy Land, I joined a group of Christians, Moslems, and Jews that came together above the upper room in Jerusalem, with the evening sky above us to pray together monthly for just such unity, but it was a rag tag group of well-intentioned faithful, but mostly ineffective in including a very broad representation of the three traditions. It was interesting, that after praying in English together, the various groups were invited to separate into their groups to pray in their native tongue and customary manner. The Moslems were the least represented and were only a few who put down their prayer rugs and prostrated in their traditional manner. The Jews brought prayer shawls and chanted in Hebrew, and the Catholics mostly had their rosaries and the Protestants their Bibles. Christians, Roman Catholic, Orthodox and Protestant were the larger group and dominating.

In Meade County, our pot of Catholics, Protestants, and non-affiliated, both “Christian” and agnostic, can seem a hopeless mix of believers. My best effort was to live stream the daily prayer on Facebook at “Catholic Churches of Meade County”. Like most prayer, I have no idea if the prayers offered had any effect upon anyone but myself, yet the fervent petition for unity is humbly lifted to heaven. I will continue to live stream the daily prayer through Tuesday, January 25th.

I do apologize for the confusion last week on the Parish App. I meant to make known, during the surge of the Omicron variant of the Covid-19 illness, that I would live stream the Sunday Mass. I did not want to imply or suggest that any scheduled masses would be cancelled. Our physical oneness in the Sunday Eucharist remains a high priority for our parishes. I will continue to live stream the English Mass at 10:30 am and the 1:00 PM Mass in Spanish until there is no apparent need for the live stream. May we all be one! Fr. Jim

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: 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.

SUPPORT DURING COVID? 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.

MADE FOR GREATNESS: High School Pilgrimage for the Diocese of Dodge City will be held on February 20th from 4-6 p.m. This is a free event for high schoolers from the diocese to learn about virtuous living and Saints who exemplify a virtuous life. Registration can be found at <https://www.dcdiocese.org/youth-events>

PREGNANCY SUPPORT: Pregnancy is an emotional journey on a good day, and even more so if it is your first pregnancy, an unintended pregnancy, or you don't have resources to support yourself and your child. But there is hope and you don't have to walk this journey alone. Catholic Charities offers free, compassionate pregnancy support for any woman regardless of faith, race, nationality, or age. We'll walk beside you while you think through options and connect with resources so that you can make the best choices for yourself and your baby. Contact Amy Falcon at 620-227-1590 or afalcon@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org.

Announcement for Plains

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

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

Announcements for Meade

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

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

NO MASS ON TUESDAY: Fr. Jim plans to attend the March for Life in Topeka on Tuesday, January 25th and so will not be available that day.

Announcements for Fowler

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

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY: The Rosary will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Monday.

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

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES to the family and friends of Mark Low. Know of our prayers and support and may Mark rest in peace.

BENEFIT DINNER DELAY: With the rising of the Covid cases in the county, the Fowler Pastoral Council wants to delay the Benefit Dinner for a while.

PLEASE HELP US WITH OUR WORK DAY: On February 5, we would like to have a parish work day to pick up shingles blown off the old hall and do some other maintenance work around the parish. Please bring your rakes, trucks and buckets and other tools to help us.

COFFEE & ROLLS : Starting February 6, Guild 1 will offer Coffee, juice and rolls each Sunday after Mass in the Parish School, so we can sit and visit for a while.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES to the family and friends of Jared Sy Emberton. Know of our prayers and support and may Jared rest in peace.