

CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES of MEADE COUNTY

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Sunday of Divine Mercy

April 24, 2022



Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

24	Sun	8:30 am	(F)	2nd Sunday of Easter(Sunday of Divine Mercy)...+Mark Low (Kenneth & Phyllis Butts)
24	Sun	10:30 am	(P)	2nd Sunday of Easter(Sunday of Divine Mercy).....+Betty & Jerry Mansell (J. Amerin)
24	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	2nd Sunday of Easter(Sunday of Divine Mercy).....(Spanish).....For the Parishioners
25	Mon			No Mass today.....Father gone to Presbyteral Assembly
26	Tue			No Mass today.....Father gone to Presbyteral Assembly
27	Wed			No Mass today.....Father gone to Presbyteral Assembly
28	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr, St. Louis de Montfort, Priest.....For World Peace
29	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	St. Catherine of Siena.....Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
29	Fri	6:00 pm	(P)	St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Dr. of the Church.....(Spanish).....For rain
30	Sat	8:30 am	(M)	St. Pius V,+Larry Wenta (Dan & Carolyn Boyd)
30	Sat	5:30 pm	(M)	Third Sunday of Easter.....+Mark Low (Kevin & Sheila Hageman)
01	Sun	8:30 am	(F)	Third Sunday of Easter.....+Bill & Marilyn Dewell (Dewell Family)
01	Sun	10:30 am	(P)	Third Sunday of Easter.....For an end to abortion
01	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	Third Sunday of Easter.....(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.

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, May 1st, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Dee Dee Dewell, Sarah Jordan

SERVERS: Jacelyn H., Adan M., Saul M.

GREETERS: Bruce & Karrie Millershaski

COLL. COUNTERS: Judy Dewell, Marcie Kumle

PLAINS – Sunday, May 1st, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Jason Vajnar

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

GREETERS: Bob & Gloria Kaberlein

COLL. COUNTERS: Lucy Bromwell

MEADE – Saturday, April 30th, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Vince Koons

SERVERS: Kemper F., Tayte F., Michael W.

GREETERS/GIFTS: Dewell Family

ROSARY: Flavin Family

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

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: “Blessed are they who have not seen and have believed,” Jesus says in today’s Gospel. For those who have not seen to believe, however, we must be good stewards of our faith, living it joyfully and sharing it generously. Then, in our time, too, “men and women in great numbers” will be “added to the Lord.”

EUCH MIN: Dave Weber

MUSIC MIN: Diane Leis, Karen McDowell/Clavinova

USHERS: Mike Bucher, Larry Knott

ROSARY: Judy Dewell

EUCH. MIN: Nefro Saucedo

MUSIC MIN: Nancy Hines

ROSARY: Teresa Garza

EUCH MIN: Debbie Thomas

MUSIC MIN: Pat Gleason

COLL. COUNTERS: Gleason Family

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>	<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$2,690.00	\$695.00	\$640.00
OFFERTORY:	\$357.00	\$26.00	\$236.00
CHILDREN:	\$4.00	\$225.00	\$75.00
BLDG FD online:	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
ONLINE	\$255.00	\$0.00	600.00
BUILDING FD:	\$175.00	\$0.00	35.00
OTHER:	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>.00</u>	<u>326.01</u>
TOTAL:	\$3,481.00	\$946.00	\$1937.01

Dear Easter People,

It is still Easter! Though the dollar stores have emptied their shelves, and the social media has moved on from Easter bonnets and bunnies and eggs, the Church celebrates each day of the Octave as a solemnity, the eight days of waiting for Thomas to believe, but then doubles down on another 7 weeks, a full 50 days of the Easter season, 10 days longer than the Lenten season, to bask in the mystery and prepare for the great Pentecost. If 40 is the perfect number of preparation, 50 symbolizes the entrance into eternity, just like the eighth day.

We should live the eighth day every day, every day is Easter in some sense. "He is risen!" I made the point, and I hope that you caught it, that we say "He is risen", not that he rose, or that he will rise, but that our Lord "is" risen!" We look forward in this season to marriages, to first communions celebrated on May 1st in Fowler and Plains and on May 21st in Meade, to Mother's Day May 9th, to graduations blessed on May 14th and 15th, but none of these days should supersede our living the Paschal Mystery of Easter.

We are starkly reminded of this mystery celebrating two burials of Catholic faithful in our St. Anthony Parish this week. It is the starkness of death that begs most in need of the hidden mystery of new life, the new life of the resurrection. Our eternal life with God is only glimpsed in the daily walking with the Lord, but it is in passing, that we pass over to the fullness of that life. Our lives are hidden in Christ, as Paul says.

To prepare for that life without end, is a lifetime journey for most of us, thanks to the mercy of God. Summer vacation will challenge us to hold on to the Paschal mystery. I commend to all our parents to not waste the opportunities provided with the diocese for your youth during the summer months, Prayer and Action, Totus Tuus, and Cristo Rey Summer Camps. Our diocesan Youth Minister, Emma Showalter, remarked to me recently how few Meade County kids have participated in recent years. We experience the universal drop in the fulfillment of the Sunday obligation in the summer, but more and more, I am not seeing the youth who are preparing for the sacraments at the weekly celebration of the Paschal Mystery in the Mass. Our faith in the resurrection needs constant nourishment. Don't miss the opportunities that life provides. Ride the Easter tide! Frjim

May he rest in Peace. We have received word that Fr. Mark Brantley passed away at 4 am on Wednesday, April 20th at the Catholic Priest Retirement Center in Wichita. He had retired earlier this year from Pastoring in Barber County because of his deteriorating health over the past year and one-half. May his soul, and all the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace.

Spring Presbyteral Assembly of the Priests of the Diocese of Dodge City will be held at the Spiritual Life Center in Wichita on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday until noon, April 25th, 26th and 27th, therefore Fr. Jim will be available only for emergency calls and there will be no Masses celebrated on those days in the parishes.

The Metanoia series will need to be cancelled for Tuesday, too. Metanoia series will resume at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, May 3rd in the Forst Center.

SUMMER DIOCESAN ACTIVITIES: Totus Tuus is a Catholic youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through catechesis, evangelization, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship. Totus Tuus is for 1st – 12th graders. Totus Tuus will be in Plains July 17 -22. It will be in Dodge City, June 26 – July 1 and in Ashland, July 24 – 29.

Camp Cristo Rey is a camp for young people to experience mission, Christian fellowship, and God's creation! Led by faithful and energetic young adults, you will spend your time learning about your "mission" in life and getting to know Christ the King. Camp Cristo Rey is for middle schoolers (those who have completed 5th – 8th grade.) This year, we will have options for a 1-day or an overnight camp. **Camp Cristo Rey will be at Clark County Lake on June 6th. Father Jim will be going, and would welcome youth to join him!** The one day camp is \$35 per student. Camp Aldrich (near Great Bend) is an overnight camp. It will be June 13th -16th. The cost for this camp is \$150 per student. Register for Camp Cristo Rey at www.dcdiocese.org/summer-missions-youth/camp-cristo-rey.

Join other young people from around the diocese as we seek to encounter Christ through serving those in need. We take what we receive in the Holy Mass – Love itself – and share that with others through the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Prayer and Action is for students who have completed 8th – 12th grade. This year we will be in Ellinwood June 19 – 24 and June 26 – July 1; and in Ulysses July 10 – 15; and July 17 – 22. Cost is \$100 per person. Register at www.dcdiocese.org/summer-missions-youth/prayer-and-action.

We will celebrate Divine Mercy with a **Holy Hour at 3:00 PM on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 24th at St. Anthony in Fowler.**

On April 24th, Divine Mercy Sunday, the faithful of the Diocese of Dodge City are invited to join in **praying one Memorare every day until August 2nd** for the passage of the Value Them Both Kansas Constitutional Amendment. This is exactly 100 days of prayer. This idea was borrowed from President Minnis of Benedictine College, who has sought the Blessed Mother's intercession on several campus initiatives over the past several years. Bishop John Brungardt supports this prayer initiative.

Announcement for Plains

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

Announcements for Meade

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

PLEASE NOTE that there is no Mass on Tuesday, April 26. Father will be gone to the Presbyteral Assembly.

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS, who will be receiving their First Communion on May 1st. They are: Jace Weber, Jacob Hamilton, Sophia Prather and Neymar Valiente.

PLEASE NOTE that there is no Mass on Wednesday, April 27. Father will be gone to the Presbyteral Assembly.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES to the families & friends of Cathryn Blankenship and Kay Milford. May they rest in eternal peace! Know of our prayers for them and you also during this time of loss!