

# CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES of MEADE COUNTY

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The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 31, 2022

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## Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

31	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time.....For Security in Schools (Janet Cook)
31	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Mark Liebl (Phyllis & Kenneth Butts)
31	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time.....(Spanish).....For the Parishioners
01	Mon			No Mass
02	Tue	6:00 pm	(M)	St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop.....For Rain (Dorothy Devine)
03	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....Special Intention (Jim Devine)
04	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	St. John Vianney, Priest.....For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
05	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major.....For World Peace
05	Fri	6:00 pm	(P)	First Friday.....(Spanish).....For an end to abortion
05	Fri	7:30 pm	(F)	First Friday.....For Rain (Deanna Dewell)
06	Sat	8:30 am	(M)	The Transfiguration of the Lord.....+Gene & Betty Flowers (Tom & Audrey Flowers)
06	Sat	5:30 pm	(P)	The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time.....Father Ted – 50th Anniversary (Seven Sisters)
07	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Diane Kopplemann (Steve & Judy Dewell)
07	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Martin & Clara Huelskamp (Tom & Janet )
07	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time.....(Spanish).....For the Parishioners

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**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 email [@stanthonyfowler@gmail.com](mailto: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**

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### **FOWLER – Sunday, August 7, 10:30 am**

**LECTOR:** Doug Heinz, Rhonda Milford

**SERVERS:** Avery H., Sofie B., Karson W.

**GREETERS:** TJ & Pam Milford & Family

**COLL. COUNTERS:** Becky Hamilton, Rhonda Milford

### **PLAINS – Saturday, August 6, 5:30 pm**

**LECTOR:** . Jerrilynn Wood

**SERVERS:** Roberto S., Hailey S., Gloria K.

**GREETERS:** Max & Sylvia Olvera

**COLL. COUNTERS:** Patricia Coats

### **MEADE – Sunday, August 7, 8:30 am**

**LECTOR:** Tyler Flavin

**SERVERS:** Logan K., Walker K., Kate P.

**GREETERS/GIFTS:** Woodruff Family

**ROSARY:** Cindy Hagemeyer

### **PLAINS – Sunday, August 7, 1:00 pm (Spanish)**

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

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES:** Seeing Jesus transfigured made Peter want to *do* something to mark the event.

But the Voice from the cloud said clearly that the first task of those who recognize Jesus as Lord is to *listen* to Jesus – and then act!

**EUCH MIN:** Sarah Jordan, Tom Leis

**MUSIC MIN:** Pam Milford/clavinova

**USHERS:** Kevin Hageman, Ron Hageman

**ROSARY:** Decinda Heinz

**EUCH. MIN:** Mary Amerin, Terry Shinogle

**MUSIC MIN:** Suzanne Eakes

**ROSARY:** Kerri Vajnar

**EUCH MIN:** Audrey F., Lisa K., Vince K.

**MUSIC MIN:** Pat Gleason

**COLL. COUNTERS:** Gleason Family

	<b><u>FOWLER</u></b>	<b><u>MEADE</u></b>	<b><u>PLAINS</u></b>
ENVELOPES:	\$1390.00	\$595.00	\$2675.00
OFFERTORY:	\$68.00	\$54.00	\$157.11
CHILDREN:	\$ 2.50	\$ .00	\$ .00
BLDG FD online:	\$10.00	.00	\$ .00
ONLINE	\$165.00	\$180.00	700.00
BUILDING FD:	\$25,375.00	.00	100.00
DONATION:	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>.00</u>	<u>.00</u>
TOTAL:	27,110.50	\$829.00	\$3,632.11

MUSINGS OF FATHER JIM: Dear People of life,

The time has come to stand for life. Please vote and encourage your friends and family to vote “YES” for the Kansas amendment Value them Both on the primary ballot on Tuesday, August 2nd. It is the first ballot initiative in our nation to follow the overturn of the Roe vs Wade supreme court decision from 1973. There have been what I would only term vicious false adds bombarding the media, at least on the You-tube blogs that I have been accessing these past weeks. Their main argument is a great fallacy, — a “no” vote equals support of abortion rights, “yes” means against abortion rights.” A no vote cannot and never will give the right to abortion. We are talking about human life. We can never concede that there is a right to kill, though it sadly becomes a duty in a just war of self-defense or other extreme cases. But to codify the right to abortion is to kill the soul of our country. Neither will a yes vote remove the ability of health care providers to terminate pregnancies when it is a health risk to life. This is a great red herring argument.

For all twenty nine years of my priesthood and even during my veterinary training, I was well aware of the evil of abortion on demand. I believe that the prophetic message of Pope Paul VI in his pastoral letter, Humane Vitae, that is on Human Life, in 1968 has borne out true with the trends of the failed marriages, divorces, single parent homes, sexual dysphoria, even the rise in depression and anxiety disorders. Statistics bear out that the majority of our prison populations can be traced to absent Fatherhood, indeed, where is the Father to protect his child.

Value them Both is not an extreme measure, but will simply return some sanity to our civil laws that are meant to protect life and human dignity. Abortion should never be a means of eliminating a so-called “unwanted child”. “It is just a blob of tissue” is such a horrendous deception of the evil one. Abortion is a direct attack on the real dignity of the woman and sexual relations. Long past is the mantra “accessible, safe, and rare”. We have become just like the communist countries who use abortion as a social service for the state to destroy populations it finds unuseful. It is time to say yes to life!

Please vote yes on August 2nd. I recommend Monday, August 1st as a day of prayer and fasting. There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 3:00-5:30 PM at St. Anthony Church, from 6:30-7:30 PM at St. John the Baptist Church, and from 8:00-9:00 PM at St. Patrick in Plains. Please avail yourself to one or all of these hours of prayer on Monday, August 1st. “Remember, O Most Gracious Virgin Mary...” Praying for life, Fr. Jim

From Bishop Brungardt “Pray for moms facing difficult circumstances: pray the Rosary, asking our Mother Mary for help; join in activities at your parish (including prayer vigils the evening of Monday, August 1st, the day before Election Day); spend quiet time with Jesus as your guide (away from the noise and controversy). Jesus our Savior will touch your heart, and give you wisdom and courage to stand up against abortion.” At this time, I would like to invite you to organize some sort of vigil service at your parish on August 1st for the passage of this amendment, for those whose hearts are hardened to the truth, for those parents facing difficult circumstances, for those who will vote no, and for so many other intentions. Perhaps you could host an hour of silent vigil in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, a Rosary, a Mass, a Chaplet of Divine Mercy, or any combination of the above. Regardless of the results of the vote, we need to continue to pray for the conversion of our culture. Bishop John

**22ND ANNUAL MIDWEST CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE:** Can't make it to the whole weekend of the Midwest Catholic Family Conference? Just join us Friday night, August 5, 2022 for Mass, an uplifting talk and an inspiring performance by the Scally Brothers, a Catholic pop band. Friday night registrations available online at [www.catholicfamilyconference.org](http://www.catholicfamilyconference.org) or onsite. Email questions to [info@catholicfamilyconference.org](mailto:info@catholicfamilyconference.org)

The Annual Stewardship Conference is Saturday, August 20th, 2022 at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Dodge City. Registration on the diocesan website.

Masses for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, **Monday, August 15**, are at **7:00 a.m.** at St. Anthony, Fowler; **5:30 p.m.**, at St. John the Baptist, Meade; and **7:00 p.m.**, Plains.

**Please Mark your calendars to participate in the primary election on Tuesday, August 2nd and vote "yes" for the Value them Both Amendment.**

#### Announcement for Plains

PRAYER FOR THE SUCCESS OF THE VALUE THEM BOTH AMENDMENT: I would like to make available on Monday, August 1st, 8:00-9:00 PM at St. Patrick at Plains.

#### Announcements for Meade

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

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES to the family, Janet and Pat Gleason, and friends of Charlotte Settle on her passing. Charlotte and YOU are in our prayers during this difficult time.

PRAYER FOR THE SUCCESS OF THE VALUE THEM BOTH AMENDMENT: I would like to make available on Monday, August 1st, 6:30-7:30 PM at St. John the Baptist in Meade.

#### Announcements for Fowler

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: There will be Adoration from 3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. this Monday.

PRAYER FOR THE SUCCESS OF THE VALUE THEM BOTH AMENDMENT: I would like to make available on Monday, August 1st prayer at the regularly scheduled Eucharistic Adoration from 3-5:30 PM at St. Anthony of Padua in Fowler. 4:00 – 5:30 – there will be special prayers for the amendment. Please come pray!

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

FOOD BANK UPDATE: It has been used more times in the last few months than it got used during 2020-2021. We could use some donations. We still have plenty of canned veggies and some fruit but we lack in these areas: soups, pastas, boxed dinners (like hamburger helper or tuna helper), sides - like rice packets, macaroni and cheese, spaghetti and sauce, and frozen meat... are just some suggestions. As always, we welcome anything, just please make sure the dates are good.

ELECTIONS FOR PASTORAL COUNCIL: There are 3 nominees for 2 positions to be voted on.

DRE & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS: We are looking for a DRE for our religious education program and also have several teacher positions to fill. If you feel the Lord is prompting you to help us, please talk to Father Jim.