

CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES of MEADE COUNTY

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The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 23, 2022



Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

23	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Mark Rome (Mark Rome Family)
23	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time.....For the upcoming elections
23	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time.....(Spanish).....For the Parishioners
24	Mon			No Mass today
25	Tue	6:00 pm	(M)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....For an end to the War in Ukraine (Janet Cook)
26	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....+Larry Wentz (Lynn & Jane Chance)
27	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	Week day in Ordinary Time+Joseph Toan Van Dinh (Ngu Thi Pham)
28	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	Ss. Simon & Jude, Apostles.....Deceased Relatives (Larry & Marge Donahue)
28	Fri	6:00 pm	(P)	Ss. Simon & Jude, Apostles(Spanish) .For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
29	Sat	8:30 am	(M)	Saturday in Ordinary Time.....+Diane Kopplemann (Dee Dee Dewell)
29	Sat	5:30 pm	(P)	The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Gerald Jacobs (Shawn Jacobs Family)
30	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Sister Margaret Knoeber(Dorothy Devine)
30	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time.....Special Intention (Steve & Judy Dewell)
30	Sun	1: 00 pm	(P)	The 31st 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 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

FOWLER – Sunday, Oct. 30th, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Andra Cunningham, Kevin Milford

SERVERS: Jacelyn H., Braian V., Sofie B.

GREETERS: Grace, Crystal & Elias Medrano

COLL. COUNTERS: DD Dewell, Debbie Bush

PLAINS – Saturday, Oct. 29th, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Kristen Grilliot

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

GREETERS: Kelby & Rebi Ross

COLL. COUNTERS: Patricia Coats

MEADE – Sunday, Oct. 30th, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Kevin Dewell

SERVERS: Kasen F., Logan K., James W.

GREETERS/GIFTS: Holguin Family

ROSARY: Cindy Hagemeyer

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

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: Both the first reading and today's Psalm say clearly that the Lord hears the cry of the poor. Have I been given the gifts – of time or money or abilities – to be the means by which God answers their need?

EUCH MIN: Kevin Milford, Jane Chance

MUSIC MIN: Diane Woodruff, Cherie Knott/Jan

USHERS: Dustin Hamilton, James Hamilton

ROSARY: Dee Dee Dewell

EUCH. MIN: Ron E., Jenny A.

MUSIC MIN: Suzanne Eakes

ROSARY: Vern Kisner

EUCH MIN: Lisa K., Vince K.

MUSIC MIN: TBD

COLL. COUNTERS: Koons Family

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>	<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$955.00	\$850.00	\$515.00
OFFERTORY:	\$182.00	\$112.00	\$317.02
CHILDREN:	\$8.00	.00	.00
BLDG FD online:	\$60.00	.00	\$350.00
ONLINE	\$245.00	\$255.00	\$850.00
BUILDING FD.	\$200.00	.00	10.00
MISSION:	\$100.00	10.00	
CANDLES:	<u>\$46.00</u>	<u>69.00</u>	<u>.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$1796.00	\$1296.00	\$2042.02

MUSINGS OF FATHER JIM: Dear faithful stewards,

I felt like I was stuck in the shadows all day today. What I mean by that is that I was struggling to get out of the shadows of problematic scheduling and projects begun, but seemingly stalled in the shadows of avoidance and neglect. I came to the realization that at heart it is my own inability to get others who are essential to the projects all on board and coordinated in one effort of committed service to the whole. My own impatience is really my failure to enlist the will of those who are needed to do the work.

There is a passage from the Old Testament that lingers in my mind. “Without a vision, the people perish.” All the programs of Stewardship and Evangelization have always seemed somewhat forced. Evangelization always comes down to one on one living of the Gospel. I feel guilty that we don’t have “sign-up” Sunday, or a stewardship fair of all the opportunities, Witness talks, or the annual pledge cards, but it seems these are exercises in futility in our small parish.

This proverb that is often quoted, “Without a vision, the people perish.” Proverbs 29:18. A more pure translation of the Hebrew is “Where there is no prophecy, the people cast off restraint”. Stewardship really is about restraint, restraint from futile efforts that are not united in the spirit of God.

I am grateful to the few individuals who have stepped forward in each parish to give of their time to direct our religious formation programs and teach our youth, our future. Even more grateful for those who unite in our Sunday worship, restraining themselves from the pull of secular pursuits of happiness to give an hour of prayer. There was a cartoon that came across Facebook of Snoopy watching the leaves fall. Lucy says, “Only an idiot would waste their time watching the leaves fall.” After several silent frames, Snoopy simply says as he watches another leaf fall, “I’m happy!”

The joy that comes from proper restraint in our lives is manifest in those who restrain their own wills to unite with the will of our Lord. For months, I have unsuccessfully sought to fill a space on the Finance Council of St. John Parish. For months, I have tried to form an active finance council at St. Patrick Parish. For months, I have been trying to promote some fund-raising at St. Anthony parish, with little fruit. I should not become impatient with the work of the Lord. To give is to live.

Fr. Jim

UPCOMING ACTS RETREATS: On October 27th through October 30th, you have a chance for spiritual growth and guidance by attending an Women’s ACTS retreat at the Heartland Center for Spirituality Retreat Center in Great Bend, KS. For many this is a life changing experience. Take time to consider this event and invite a family member or friend to attend with you. Registration forms and online registration is available at <http://greatbendcatholic.com>

You may also contact:

Paula Brozek 620-793-8172

Mary Ann Mazouch 620-786-1072

Mel Waite 620-564-2518

Dan Thompson 620-797-4685

A men’s retreat will be held January 19th – 22nd, 2023. Be sure to mark your calendars to attend.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE VACATION: Join Father Prakash Kola from Prince of Peace Catholic Parish in Great Bend, on a trip to our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City, November 29 – December 3, 2022. For information, contact Clint Griffie, Custom Adventure Travel by Dream Vacations , cgriffie@dreamvacations.com. [www..customadventuretravel.com](http://www.customadventuretravel.com). Prices starting at \$1748 from Wichita, KS. Your Price includes basic tour and guided sightseeing, admin. Fees, entrance fees, Hotel gratuities and Program fees. Meals as listed in the itinerary, Deluxe Motorcoaches, First Class Hotels & much more.

The Salina Diocese Rachel's Vineyard Retreat will be offering a retreat weekend November 11-13, 2022 for men and women of the Salina and Dodge City Dioceses.

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THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS is a holy day of obligation. Here is the All Saints Day schedule in our Parish Cluster: **Monday, October 31, 5:30 PM at St. John in Meade; 7:00 PM bilingual in St. Patrick at Plains; Tuesday, Nov. 1st at 7:00 PM in St. Anthony at Fowler.**

Announcements for Plains

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be on Wednesday, 4:00-5:30 PM.

CONGRATULATIONS to Larry and Marge Donahue who celebrated 66 years of marriage on Thursday, October 20th!

Announcements for Meade

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

AFTER PROM PARTY FUNDRAISER: Meade HS After Prom committee is having a fundraiser through November 5th. They will collect "gently used" shoes. There will be a box in the foyer of St. John's church to drop off donated shoes. Thank you for your donations!

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

A WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP WELCOMES YOU: The St. Anthony's women's bible study group will have its weekly meeting on Monday, October 24th from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the parish school cafeteria.

AFTER PROM PARTY FUNDRAISER: Meade HS After Prom committee is having a fundraiser through November 5th. They will collect "gently used" shoes. All donations can be dropped off at Fowler City Hall. Thank you for your donations!

PARISH CLEANUP: Please come help us on Saturday, November 5, at 9:00 a.m. clean our parish grounds. Bring your gloves, rakes, buckets, trucks and trailers.