# CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES of MEADE COUNTY

### Father James P. Dieker

(Pastor)

### St. Patrick Church

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## St. John the Baptist Church

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## St. Anthony Church

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Dodge City. 90.7 FM

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 19, 2023



# Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

19	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time+Dale Woodruff (Kathy & Bob Goertz)
19	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time+Mark Liebl (Phyllis & Kenneth Butts)
19	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time(Spanish)For the Parishioners
20	Mon			No Mass
21	Tue	8:30 am	(M)	St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Dr of the ChurchFor the Health of Tom & Donna Dieker
22	Wed	7:00 am	(F)	Ash WednesdayLiturgy of the Word & Ashes
22	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	Ash Wednesday Mass & Distribution of Ashes. Special Intention Ray Thompson Family
22	Wed	5:30 pm	(M)	Ash Wednesday Mass & Distribution of AshesSouls in Purgatory (Janet Cook)
22	Wed	7:30 pm	(P)	Ash Wednesday Mass & Distribution of Ashes+Margaret Cordova
23	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr+Josephine Amerin (Mary Ann Conrardy)
24	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	Friday after Ash Wednesday+Gerald Jacobs (Larry & Marge Donahue)
24	Fri	5:30 pm	(P)	Friday after Ash Wed(Spanish)For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life
25	Sat	8:30 am	(M)	Saturday after Ash Wednesday+Danny Dewell (Steve & Judy Dewell)
25	Sat	5:30 pm	(P)	Saturday after Ash Wednesday+Joyce Amerin (Ray & Jenny Amerin)
26	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	First Sunday of Lent+Frank Devine (Dorothy Devine)
26	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	First Sunday of Lent+Vivian Huelskamp
26	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	First Sunday of Lent(Spanish)For the Parishioners

#### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

30 minutes before Masse

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

**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 - Wed. Feb. 22nd, 12:05 pm

**LECTOR:** Bruce Millershaski

**SERVERS:** 

**EXTRA. ORD. MIN:** 

**USHERS:** 

GREETERS/GIFTS: MUSIC MIN: ROSARY:

**COLL. COUNTERS:** 

PLAINS - Wed., Feb. 22nd, 7:30 pm

**LECTOR:** Ron Eakes

SERVERS: Hailey S., Lucy F., Bob K. EUCH. MIN: Nefro S., Lucy B. GREETERS: Max & Silva Olvera MUSIC MIN: Kristin Grilliot ROSARY: Kerri Vajnar

**MONEY COUNTERS:** Kathy Jacobs

MEADE - Wed., Feb.22nd, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Volunteer
SERVERS: Volunteers
EUCH. MIN: Volunteers
MUSIC MIN: Volunteer
GREETERS/GIFTS: Volunteers

MONEY COUNTERS:
ROSARY: Volunteer

FOWLER - Sun., Feb.  $26^{th}$ , 10:30 am

**LECTOR:** Doug Heinz, Judy Dewell **SERVERS:** Karson W., Brody H., Heath H. **EXTRA. ORD. MIN:** Decina Heinz, Sarah Jordan

**USHERS:** TJ Milford, Van Heinz

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

MUSIC MIN: Pam Milford/ Jan ROSARY: Kevin Milford

COLL. COUNTERS: Karen Milford, Kris Bucher

PLAINS - Sat., Feb. 25th, 5:30 pm

**LECTOR:** Zack C.

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

EUCH. MIN: Ron E., Jenny A.
GREETERS: Kelby & Rebi Ross
MUSIC MIN: Suzanne Eakes
ROSARY: Bob Kaberlein
MONEY COUNTERS: Kathy G.

MEADE - Sun., Feb.  $26^{th}$ , 8:30 am

**LECTOR:** Vince Koons

**SERVERS:** Camdyn F., James W., Malachi W. **EUCH. MIN:** Audrey Flowers, Debbie Thomas

MUSIC MIN: TBD

GREETERS/GIFTS: Flowers Family
MONEY COUNTERS: Dewell Family

**ROSARY:** Flavin Family

PLAINS - Sun. SPANISH, Feb. 26th, 1:00 pm

### $\sim\sim$ IF YOU CANNOT FULFILL YOUR OBLIGATION, PLEASE FIND SOMEONE TO TAKE YOUR PLACE $\sim$

<u>Prayer for the Eucharistic Revival</u>: My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love You! I beg pardon for those who do not believe, nor adore, nor hope, nor love You. Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly. I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference by which He is offended. And, through the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of You the conversion of sinners. AMEN Fatima Prayer of the Guardian Angel of Portugal

<u>STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES:</u> In today's first reading, the Israelites are urged to love their neighbors as themselves. In the Gospel, Jesus spells out how we are to do that – to give generously to those who ask of us and not to turn our backs on those who seek to borrow.

	<u>FOWLER</u>		<u>MEADE</u>	<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$1595.00		\$727.00	\$828.00
OFFERTORY:	\$120.00		\$33.00	\$210.00
YOUTH:	\$7.75	OTHER:	\$375.00 BLDG ONL	\$350.00
ONLINE:	\$.00		\$.00	\$850.00
BUILDING FD.	\$260.00		\$.00	\$140.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$32.00</u>		<u>\$.00</u>	<u>\$15.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$2249.75		\$1135.00	\$2393.00

### **MUSINGS FROM FATHER JIM:** Dear people of Penance,

Happy Mardi Gras! That sounds so much better than the English, "Happy Fat Tuesday". I must admit feeling a bit uneasy promoting the "party time" attitude of the New Orleans annual Fest. The spirit of this day began as a move towards cleaning out the home of fat, butter, and sugar, hence Pancake Day, but a feast of sinful behavior was not part of the Christian tradition, but a pagan liberty justified by religious pretentions. Carnival literally means "the end of the meat".

Therefore, the idea of preparing for a penitential time is quite contrary to the indulgent and blasphemous behavior carried out in many quarters. St. Francis of Assisi referred often to himself and his brothers, the poor friars as "penitents". Their very lives were devoted to offering sacrifices for the forgiveness of sins and the salvation of souls. How can we truly enter that spirit in the very abundance, and yet anxiety of our times? How do we truly unite ourselves in the sufferings of Christ in the hope of eternal joy in his presence?

Sometimes it is best to go back to the basics. Often we get our strength by communal penance together. Though practice has recommended monthly confession, the seasonal communal penance services offered during the penitential times of Advent and Lent seem helpful to offer choice in confessors and prayer together. Jesus' words in the Garden of Gethsemane, "Could you not stay awake for one hour with me?" Has always lead me to encourage penitents to offer as particular penance spending the full hour praying for others coming to the sacrament of Reconciliation.

Though it is recommended to make a monthly confession, I believe the practice of offering communal penance services in the penitential seasons of Advent and Lent offer the opportunity to choose your confessor and have the support of the communal prayer of the community. I will offer a communal penitential service on Sunday, March 5th at St. Anthony Parish 4:00 PM in Fowler and 5:30 PM at St. John the Baptist parish in Meade. On Wednesday, March 8th, at Plains, we will have confessions for the youth beginning at 5:30 PM and a service for adults at 7:00 PM. I also will offer the Forgiven series from Formed by Zoom from the Forst Center in Meade on Thursdays at 7:00 PM beginning February 23rd. If you would like to join this by internet or join me at the Forst Center, please email Fr. Jim at diekerjames@gmail.com. Prayer and Penance, Fr. Jim

<u>LENT IS COMING!</u> Join our faith community – and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States - in a transformative Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the entry of the Church today. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on global hunger and take action to help our sisters and brothers impacted by the injustice. Visit **crsricebowl.org** to learn more.

SIGN UP FOR NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS Individual registration for the National Eucharistic Congress in July 2024 has been extended to February 2023. If you are interested in learning more about the Congress and possibly being part of a diocesan delegation to the July 17-21, 2024 Congress in Indianapolis, please contact Father Tim S. Hickey as soon as possible at tshickey@icloud.com or at 203-996-7854 (text/voice). This is not a commitment to attend but only an expression of your interest in the Congress. Please be sure to include the number of tickets you are interested in and your parish. Thank you.

HEARTLAND CENTER FOR SPIRITUALITY (3600 Broadway Great Bend) is offering a Lenten Retreat on March 17 -18. "Taking a Look Within". This retreat will encourage you to identify hurdles and problems that are keeping you from experiencing God's goodness. You will be able to look at what is causing the hurdle in your life and how to overcome it. To register contact Ann Axman by e-mail ann@heartlandspirituality.org or online at www.heartlandspirituality.org (under calendar of upcoming events) Friday March 17, 6:30 pm – Saturday March 18, 9:00 am -3:00 pm Presenters: Phil St. Romain, Jeff Koch, and Marcia Berchek. Fee: Overnight \$110 (includes room Friday night, breakfast & lunch Saturday) Commuter \$70 (includes lunch on Saturday); Zoom \$40 (Saturday Only).

## Announcements for Plains

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

<u>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</u> are scheduled during Lent at the following times: **Friday mornings** after the **8:30 Mass in Plains; 5:30 p.m. in Spanish in Plains**, followed by Mass.

# **Announcements for Meade**

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

<u>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</u> are scheduled during Lent at the following times: **Friday at noon**, during the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament time.

CHANGE IN MASS SCHEDULE TIME: Mass on Tuesday is at 8:30 a.m., instead of 6:00 p.m.

# Announcements for Fowler

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: There will be Adoration from 3:00 p.m. -5:30 p.m. on Monday. PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY: The Rosary will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Monday.

<u>CARD SHOWER:</u> February 24th is Hank Fuhrman's 80th birthday! Please shower Hank with cards to honor the day and send them to Hank Fuhrman, PO Box 134, Fowler, KS 67844.

<u>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</u> are scheduled during Lent at the following times: **7:00 p.m. in Fowler**. On First Fridays, Mass will follow the Stations of the Cross.

PASTORAL COUNCIL is scheduled at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 21st, in the Parish School.