SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY



JANUARY 14, 2024

Catholic Communities of Meade County

St. Patrick Church

St. John the Baptist Church

St. Anthony Church

P.O. Box 247 · Plains, KS 67869

P.O. Box 1207 · Meade, KS 67864

P.O. Box 80 · Fowler, KS 67844

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Pastor: Fr. James Dieker, 620-575-5520

https://meadecocatholic.org/

Catholic Radio, 88.3 FM

Date	Time	Location	Mass	Intention	Notes
Sun. 01/14	8:30 AM	Meade	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Gilbert Suppes	
Sun. 01/14	10:30 AM	Fowler	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Deceased Danler Family (Steve & Judy Dewell)	
Sun. 01/14	1:00 PM	Plains	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	For the Parishioners	
Mon. 01/15			No Mass		
Tues. 01/16	6:00 PM	Meade	Week day in Ordinary Time	+Kenneth Butts (Pat & Janet Gleason)	
Wed. 01/17	12:05 PM	Fowler	St. Anthony, Abbott	+Dixie Hageman (Kevin Hageman)	
Wed. 01/17	7:00 AM	Plains		Confirmation at Plains	
Thu. 01/18	8:30 AM	Plains	Week day in Ordinary Iime	+Mary Ann Chladek (Paula V. White)	
Fri. 01/19	8:30 AM	Plains	Week day in Ordinary Time	+Mae Jacobs (Ray & Jenny Amerin)	
Fri. 01/19	6:00 PM	Plains	Week day in Ordinary Time	For Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life	Spanish
Sat. 01/20	8:30 AM	Meade	St. Fabian, Pope & Martryr	+Donna Burdge	
Sat. 01/20	5:30 PM	Plains	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Olga Esquival (Olga Jiminez)	
Sun. 01/21	8:30 AM	Meade	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Mark Rome (Mary Jo Rome	
Sun. 01/21	10:30 AM	Fowler	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Kenneth Butts (Eleanor Strecker)	
Sun. 01/21	1:00 PM	Plains	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	For the Parishioners	Spanish

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 30 Minutes Before Masses

	PLAINS—SATURDAY 5:30 PM	MEADE—SUNDAY 8:30 AM	FOWLER—SUNDAY 10:30 AM
LECTOR	Ron E.	Andra Cunningham	Youth Mass
SERVERS	Jordan L., Hayden S., Kerri V.	Logan K., Malachi W., Michael W.	Youth Mass
GREETERS	Max & Silvia Olvera	Thomas Family	Youth Mass
EUCH MIN	Suzanne E., Nefro S.	Lisa K., Vince K.	Steve Dewell, Sarah Lauppe
MUSIC	Jason V.	TBD	Youth, Pam Milford/ Jan Brock
USHERS			Youth Mass
ROSARY	Bob Kaberlein	Cindy Hagemeier	Youth Mass
COLLECTION	Kathy Jacobs	Knott Family	Becky Merkle, Judy Dewell

HOMEBOUND: If you would like Communion brought to you at home, or have someone in the hospital, please notify Father at 620-575-5520

<u>SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:</u> Couples anticipating marriage are asked to contact their parish priest as soon as possible so 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. You can register on our website.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: Please send any items for the bulletin to the Fowler Rectory, or stanthonyfowler@gmail.com no later than THURSDAY noon.

Parish News & Events

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION: Today's responsorial Psalm is the theme song of the good steward: "Here am I Lord; I come to do your will." May I, too, stand ready to offer myself and my gifts in the service of God.

January 7—14					
	Fowler	Meade	Plains		
Envelopes	\$1905.00	\$1003.00	\$ 737.00		
Offertory	\$228.00	\$ 71.00	\$ 455.00		
Youth	\$ 4.00	\$.00	\$.00		
Bldg. Online	\$650.00	\$.00	\$300.00		
Online	\$390.00	\$200.00	\$700.00		
Bldg. Fund	\$10,250.00	\$.00	\$555.00		
Candles	\$ 36.00	\$.00	\$3.00		
Grain sales:	\$ 4348.68	rent\$100.00	\$.00		
Other:	\$300.00	\$.00	\$ 50.00		
Totals	\$18,111.68	\$1314.00	\$2,800.00		

MUSINGS FROM FATHER JIM:

Dear faithful,

Well, after relatively short Advent and Christmas seasons, we crashed into ordinary time with the bitter winds of a northerner blizzard, hardly ordinary. Ordinary time refers to the longest and ordered time that fills most of our lives. And yet the daily readings begin with the First book of Samuel and the call of Samuel, who's very name means, "God hears or listens," And vet, it is the young Samuel, who learns to listen to the subtle voice of God, to whom his mother begged for the child. At first, Samuel thinks it is his elderly mentor, Eli, calling upon him. but on the third awakening, Eli finally counsels him to reply, "Here I am. Lord!"

The interesting and sad side story is the two sons of Eli, who die ignominious deaths because of their unfaithfulness to the voice of God. It is the young Samuel who was consecrated in gratitude by his mother, Hannah, who is the one will chose David to be king and accompany him in his early years.

We continue to seek Vocation Ministry in our parishes. The first Andrew Dinner has come and gone with no-one attending from our three parishes. My real goal is the March 3rd dinner for High School students with the invitation to join Bishop John from 6-8 PM on that Sunday night. I need your help to get our young men there to hear the voice of the Lord calling one or many to Holy Orders. It is not too late for the Sunday Night dinner this weekend at Wright for men who have entered the work force, but are unsettled in their vocation. Call me, 620-575-5520, and I will try to get that young man in whom you have seen character and virtue to be called to serve the Church.

Learning to hear the voice of God in prayer is the key to all vocations. The voice of God ordinarily is not the blast of wind we have just heard, but a small quiet voice deep within the person, and can too often go unheard, because unlike Eli, the priest, we fail to awaken our young people to this voice calling each one of us to eternal life. Please encourage, invite and help us to form these young men and women in faith. The Andrew Dinners offer a great opportunity for our young men to do just that work of knowing, recognizing and responding to the will of God. Blessings, Fr. Jlm

Parish APP: myParish app for "Meade County Catholic"

Pastoral Council meetings: January 16th, Fowler at 7:00 PM;

January 18th— Plains at 7:00 PM

OCIA will meet on January 14, in the Forst Center in Meade.

NOTE THE SCHEDULE FOR THE DIOCESAN

PILGRIMAGE FOR LIFE, JAN. 27: On Saturday, Jan. 27, there will be a Pilgrimage For Life, sponsored by the Diocese of Dodge City. The Event begins at 10:00 AM. In the Dodge City Middle School Auditorium. At 10:30 AM, there will be a pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe Cathedral and at 11:30 AM, there will be the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and finally, at 12:15 PM there will be lunch at the Holy Family Social Hall . Please Register at DCDiocese.Org/ Office/ Respect-Life.

UPCOMING ANDREW DINNERS: There will be Andrew Dinners on upcoming Sunday evenings, January 28 in Scott City, Ks. February 25 in Larned, KS. and March 3 in Liberal, KS. Each of these evenings are for high school men and their pastors and Bishop John. to enjoy a meal, conversation and prayer.

Announcements for Plains

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: There will be Adoration from 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 pm on Wednesday.

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY: Prayer for the Country will be at 5:30 PM on Sunday.

Confirmation - January 17th at 7:00 PM in Plains.

Announcements for Meade

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: There will be Adoration from 12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m. on Friday.

THANK YOU! We would like to thank everyone that helped with Dad during Mass last Sunday. It goes beyond words at how grateful we are for all the people that stepped up to help. There were so many helping hands, between all those that came to his aid, called the ambulance, offered to help in any way. Especially grateful for all the prayer, and to Father Jim for all that he did. Thank you all so much! The Haberman Family

Announcements for Fowler

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday. 3:00 PM—

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY: The rosary for our country will be after Adoration.

APPRECIATION LUNCH FOR JANE & LYNN CHANCE:

Jane & Lynn Chance have lived in Fowler, KS. For 50 years, raising their children working in our communities and sharing their gifts of ministry with us. January 31 will be an end of an era, they will be moving to Wichita, KS, to be nearer to their families and doctors. The guilds will be hosting a lunch in the St. Anthony Parish School, after the 10:30 AM Mass on the last Sunday of January, January 28, to show our appreciation for the time they have spent with us and to bid them well wishes in their future endeavors...

THE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP will resume meeting on Monday, Feb, 5th at 6:30 pm and will meet weekly through Mar. 18th in the parish school. The group will be briefly discussing key takeaways from the book "The Rocking Chair Prophet" and will utilize a new Walking With Purpose podcast to read/discuss scripture and its practical application to everyday life. Bring your bible, a small snack and join in this fellowship opportunity. Please call/text Dee Dee Dewell with questions and to sign up.

THANK YOU for donating the poinsettias to the Church for Christmas! They are: Pam Milford, Dee Dee Dewell, Diane Leis, Cathy Heinz, Stacy Milford, Jan Brock, and Judy Dewell.