THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 3, 2024



Catholic Communities of Meade County

St. Patrick Church

St. John the Baptist Church

St. Anthony Church

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-Date Time Location Mass Intention **Notes** Sun. 03/03 8:30 AM Meade Third Sunday of Lent +Danny Harris (Dorothy Devine) Sun. 03/03 10:30 AM Fowler Third Sunday of Lent +Eric Zimmerman (Jennifer & Kraig Lindsay) Third Sunday of Lent Sun. 03/03 1:00 PM Plains For the Parishioners Mon. 03/04 No Mass Tues. 03/05 7:00 PM Fowler Confirmation (No 6:00 PM Mass in Meade) Wed. 03/06 12:05 PM Fowler Week day in Lent +Denise Staiger (Beckerman Family) Wed. 03/06 5:30 PM Plains Youth Reconciliation Service 7:00 PM Adults Ss. Perpetua & Felicity, **Plains** For an end to abortion Thu. 03/07 8:30 AM Martyrs Fri. 03/08 8:30 AM Plains Stations of the Cross & Mass For World Peace Stations of the Cross & Fri. 03/08 12:00 PM Meade Adoration Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Stations of the Cross & Mass Fri. 03/08 5:30 PM Plains Spanish Life Fri. 03/08 Stations of the Cross 7:00 PM Fowler Sat. 03/09 8:30 AM Meade St. Frances of Rome, Religious +Elsie Cottrell (Ilene Clay) For an end to human trafficking Sat. 03/09 5:30 PM **Plains** Fourth Sunday of Lent Sun. 03/10 8:30 AM Meade Fourth Sunday of Lent +Lillie (Walker) Jenkins (C. Hagemeier) +Steve Zimmerman (Jennifer & Kraig Lindsay) Sun. 03/10 10:30 PM Fowler Fourth Sunday of Lent Sun. 03/10 1:00 PM **Plains** Fourth Sunday of Lent For the Parishioners Spanish

Sacrament of Reconciliation—30 Minutes Before Mass

	5:30 PM	MEADE—SUNDAY 8:30 AM	FOWLER-SUNDAY 10:30 AM
LECTOR	Ron Eakes	Tyler Flavin	Stacy Milford, DD Dewell
SERVERS	Penelope S., Romeo S., Nefro S.	Brock K., Logan K.	Braian Valiente, Raidel Valiente
GREETERS	Sam & Teresa Garza	Holguin Family	Luke, Mattie & Rexten Huelskamp
EUCH MIN	Terry S., Jenny A.	Kevin & Susan Dewell	Steve Dewell, Sarah Lauppe
MUSIC	Jason Vajnar	Pat Gleason	Angie D., Karen McDowell/ Jan Brock
USHERS			Luke Huelskamp, Tom Huelskamp
ROSARY	Bob Kaberlein	Cindy Hagemeier	Randy Leis
COLLECTION	Kathy Goertz	Smith Family	Duce Hamilton, Diane Leis

If you are unable to fulfill your obligation, please find someone to take your place.

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: "You shall not covet" is perhaps a difficult commandment to keep in our consumer society. But as Christian stewards, we know that we are the recipients and caretakers of God's many gifts. May this understanding that *all* is gift help us be less resentful of the gifts of others.

February 18— February 25				
	Fowler	Meade	Plains	
Envelopes	\$ 879.00	\$1406.00	\$431.00	
Offertory	\$66.00	\$115.00	\$ 208.71	
Youth	\$14.00	\$9.00	\$.00	
Bldg. Online	\$50.00	\$.00	\$.00	
Online	\$410.00	\$.00	\$700.00	
Bldg. Fund	\$200.00	\$.00	\$.00	
Candles	\$30.00	\$.00	\$29.00	
Rent:	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	
Misc:	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	
Totals	\$1649.00	\$1530.00	\$1368.71	

MUSINGS FROM FATHER JIM: Dear faithful,

At St. Anthony parish, we are nearing the completion of "From Our Past to Our Future campaign", at least it is in sight. It has been long and costly, but the fruits finally are manifesting in a beautiful new parish center and a nearly razed "old parish hall." My greatest joy was to see the young men of the parish who joined the older men who have worked on this project for years in removing the five ancient elms in preparation for graveling the parking area for the new building.

(From the Book, <u>The Joy of Lent</u>, <u>)</u>The transforming work of the Holy Spirit is a joyful work. We are meant to experience that joy for ourselves. Transformation may hurt sometimes, too, but that need never diminish our joy. Indeed, one of the more spectacular events of spiritual growth occurs when we find that inner joy which is not related to pains and displeasures but is beyond them and untouchable.

There is much resistance to change and most prefer to keep the old ways of doing things, even if our lives can be improved. But it is always costly, something has to die to give place for new life, the work and investment are never without a weight of suffering. But the springtime of our lives is the new beginnings made to love, serve and worship God. We hope everyone will join us for the planned dedication of St. Anthony Parish Center on Sunday, June 9th at the 10:30 AM Mass! Awaiting Easter Joy from our past of sin to our future of heaven. ! Fr. Jim

The Chrism Mass is planned for 11 AM Thursday, March $21^{\rm st}$ at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Dodge City. Fr. Jim is seeking representatives from each parish to accompany him to receive the Holy Oils. Lunch is provided after the Chrism Mass for all parish representatives and priests. Please contact Fr. Jim if you would like to participate. 620-575-5520.

JESUS AND THE EUCHARIST VIDEO SERIES

Please join your parish group at 6:30 PM Saturday at St. Patrick Parish, 7:00 PM on Thursdays at St. Anthony Parish, (only March 7th and March 14th), and Saturday morning at 9:00 AM at St. John the Baptist Parish to complete the 4 sessions of this beautiful series.

Parish APP: myParish app for "Meade County Catholic"

OCIA will meet on March 3, in the Forst Center in Meade.

PICTURE DIRECTORY: The three parishes of Meade County are looking to complete a Picture Directory in 2024. Rather than hiring an outside company, with the capacity of digital photography and on-line sourcing, it is hoped that we will be able to do this project "in house", and with local photographers if needed. If you or someone you know is interested in spearheading this project, please contact Fr. Jim at 620-575-5520.

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICES: Lenten Reconciliation services will be held at St. Patrick in Plains at 5:30 PM for the youth and 7:00 PM for the adults on Wednesday, March 6th, and at 4:00 PM on Sunday, March 10th at St. Anthony in Fowler, and at 5:30 PM at St. John in Meade. Come to find the peace and joy promised to believers..

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.

Stations of the Cross: Wed. at 6:00 pm in Plains; 8:30 am in Plains on Fridays; at 5:30 pm in Spanish on Fridays in Plains.

PLAINS K OF C: The Plains Knights meeting will be Wednesday, March 6th at 7:30 PM in the Church hall. ST PATRICK'S DAY POTLUCK: Join us for a St. Patrick's Day Potluck dinner on Sunday, March 17th from 5-7 PM. Corned beef and cabbage will be provided. Please bring a side. Hope to see you there!

Announcements for Meade
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: There will be Adoration from 12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m. on Friday.
YOUTH NEWS: There will be a Youth Mass on Sunday March 3 at 8:30 AM Mass. Everyone is invited to the Forst Center for donuts after Mass. Please join us!

Stations of the Cross: during the hour of Adoration on Fridays in Meade.

Announcements for Fowler

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday. 3:00 PM—5:30 PM.

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

PARISH CENTER CLEANING: The previous published employment for cleaning the St. Anthony school and parish center was premature, and the persons decided not to proceed. Fortunately, Carrie Sutterfield, Fowler City Clerk and neighbor has agreed to assume the responsibility as of March 1st. **Stations of the Cross:** at 7:00 pm on Fridays in Fowler.

CONFIRMATION: On Tuesday, March 5, we will have 9 students who will be Confirmed by Bishop John Brungardt. Please keep the students in your prayers. They are: Kale Harris, Molly Harris, Degnan Boggs, Makenna Boggs, Josie Boggs, Avery Hamilton, Brody Hamilton, Juan Adan Mercado, and Raidel Valiente. A reception will follow in the Parish Center

THANK YOU: Thank you to Dave and Sarah Weber and all who joined them in the mammoth work of removing the five elm trees to make way for our parking.