

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025 – 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Catholic Communities of Meade County

St. Patrick Church
Pastor: Fr. James Dieker, 620-575-5520
PO Box 247 · Plains, KS 67869

St. John the Baptist Church
<https://meadecocatholic.org>
PO Box 1207 · Meade, KS 67864

St. Anthony Church
Catholic Radio, 88.3 FM
P.O. Box 80 · Fowler, KS 67844

Date	Time	Location	Mass	Intention	Notes
Sun. 08/31	8:30 AM	Meade	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Roger Haberman (Cindy)	
Sun. 08/31	10:30 AM	Fowler	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Alden & Melva Dewell (Jo Cox)	
Sun. 08/31	1:00 PM	Plains	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	For the Parishioners	Spanish
Mon. 09/01			No Mass - September 8—13 - Morning Mass		

Sat. 09/06	5:30 PM	Plains	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	+Teresa Garza (Daniel & Jana Arellano)	
Sat. 09/06	8:30 AM	Meade	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	End to Abortion (Janet Cook)	
Sun. 09/07	10:30 AM	Fowler	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	+Kenneth Butts (Dee Dee Dewell)	
Sun. 09/07	1:00 PM	Plains	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	For the Parishioners	Spanish

Sacrament of Reconciliation—30 minutes before Mass			
	PLAINS— SEPT. 13	MEADE— SEPT. 14	FOWLER— SEPT. 14
LECTOR	Terry	Nick B.	Youth Mass
SERVERS	Hayes, Aren, Elian	Kate C., Abby C.	Youth Mass
GREETERS	Greg	Keith Family	Youth Mass
EUCH MIN	Dolores, Jenny	Kevin D., Susan D.	Kevin & Stacy Milford
MUSIC	Kristin	TBD	Youth Mass
USHERS			Youth Mass
ROSARY	Kerri	Cindy H.	Bruce Millershaski
COLLECTION	Kathy G.	Smith Family	Diane Leis, Sheila Hageman

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.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: 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 APP: myParish app for “Meade County Catholic” and @Facebook @ “Catholic Churches of Meade County”

OCIA: Order of Catholic Initiation of Adults will being on Sunday, September 14th, at 7:00 PM in the Forst Center in Meade. Please work to bring many adults seeking the fullness of faith through your prayers and invitation. “There is nothing colder than a Christian who does not seek to save others.” St. John Chrysostom.

MISSION APPEAL SUNDAY: Fr. Eric Awuah Gyamfi, pastor at Ulysses and Johnson from Goasa Diocese of Ghana will be making the annual mission appeal to our parishes on Sunday, September 7th. Fr. Jim will be traveling to celebrate the Dieker Family Reunion at St. Teresa Parish in Westphalia, Kansas. From there, he will be traveling to Columbus, Ohio to attend the Alumni Reunion at the Pontifical College Josephinum after 32 years for the first time. He will be returning on September 13th for the weekend Masses. There will be no Weekday Masses on the week of September 8-13th. It is a special seminary reunion after the suppression of covid and a personal friend, Fr. Carmelo Diola from the Philippines will receive the Theologian Alumni of the Year Award. Pray for Vocations!

The Holy Father continues to call for a cease fire and for aid to enter the territory, noting with great sorrow that ‘Gaza is starving,’” and encouraged the bishops to consider the special collection in their dioceses at their earliest opportunity. Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio, president of the USCCB, said, “The situation in Gaza and across the Middle East cries out for the assistance of the Catholic community of the United States.” How to Help: Donate online — English Form: <http://crs.org/gaza-crisis>Donate online — Spanish Form: <https://www.crs.org/es/crisis-gaza> Donate by phone: 1-877-HELP-CRS Donate by check: Catholic Relief Services, Holy Land Response, P.O. Box 5278, Tipton, IA 52772-0517

Announcements for Plains
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: There will be Adoration from 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM on Wednesday.
PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY: Prayer for our Country will be at 5:30 PM on Sunday.

Announcements for Meade
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: There will be Adoration from 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM on Friday.
PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY: Prayer for our Country is on Friday during Adoration.
GET READY... Class starts September 10.

Announcements for Fowler
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: There will **NOT** be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Monday from **3:00 - 5:30 PM.**
PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY will be at 5:30 PM on Monday.
OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES to Phyllis Butts on the passing of her brother, John Laudick. May John rest in peace.
GET READY... Religious Education will be starting soon. Please stay tuned for start-up days and times!

8-24-2025/ 8-31-2025			
	Fowler	Meade	Plains
Envelopes	\$1357.00	\$990.00	\$545.00
Offertory	\$154.00	\$60.00	\$220.00
Youth	\$28.00	\$8.00	\$.00
Bldg. Online	\$100.00	\$.00	\$.00
Online	\$80.00	\$230.00	\$.00
Bldg. Fund	\$25.00	\$70.00	\$.00
Candles	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
Rent:	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
memorial:	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
Assumption:	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
Total	\$1744.00	\$1358.00	\$765.00

The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time—September 7, 2025 “Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.” (Luke 14:27)

Whether you are married, learning to put your spouse’s needs before your own, or a priest choosing to forgo family life to serve others, each path involves laying down your desires for the sake of love. Trust that Christ will provide you with the strength to follow Him on your journey. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (620) 227-1535 or via email: vocations@dcdiocese.org

YOUNG WOMEN’S RETREAT IN FOWLER: St. Anthony will be hosting a morning retreat for young women from Fowler, Meade, & Plains Parishes on September 13th from 9:00 AM—1:30 PM at St. Anthony Parish Center. Mark your calendar for this uplifting event that will inspire your faith and create lasting connections in this busy time.

Diocesan Youth Ministry Fall Events:
What: **Holy Fire**, hosted by EQ Saints, NFCYM, and Diocese of Salina Who: **Middle School** (6th—8th grade)
When: **November 1st** from 9:30 AM to 5:30 PM (includes weekend obligatory Mass .
Where: **Hays, KS.** Beach Schmidt Performing Arts Center. Cost: Early Bird pricing is \$59.90 per student (lunch included, transportation, not included). Price increase after October 8.
What: **Forte Catholic**, with Taylor Schroll
Who: **High School** When: **November 5**, 7 PM—9PM
Where: COLG

