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The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 3, 2017

**Pope Francis points out that "the Church grows by attraction,
not proselytizing," The beauty in the Church is irresistible.**

The problem is that our sin distorts it.

**The saints learn to magnify that beauty through their love and humility,
rather than distort it with proselytizing and pride.**

We need saints. And not just saints of the past--your sainthood.

Messy & Foolish by Mathew Warner

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

03	Sun	8:30 am	(F)	The 22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time.....Special Intention (Shelby Huslig)
03	Sun	10:30 am	(P)	The 22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time+Barbara Amerin (Butch Amerin)
03	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The 22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time(Spanish).....For the Parishioners
04	Mon	6:00 pm	(M)	Labor Day.....+Eric Zimmerman (Kevin & Susan Dewell)
05	Tue	7:30 am	(M)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....+Dottie Gillen (Steve & Judy Dewell)
06	Wed	10:00 am	(FRC)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....For Vocations to the Priesthood & religious life
06	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....Special Intention (Shelby Huslig)
07	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	Week day in Ordinary Time..... Living & Deceased Members of Joseph & Helen Buesing Family
08	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.....+Mr. & Mrs. John Amerin, Sr. (Butch Amerin)
08	Fri	6:00 pm	(P)	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin MaryFor World Peace
09	Sat	5:30 pm	(M)	The 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Gene & Betty Flowers
10	Sun	8:30 am	(F)	The 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary TimeFor a renewal of faith in our parishes
10	Sun	10:30 am	(P)	The 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time+Deceased Family & Friends (Larry & Marge Donahue)
10	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time(Spanish).....Nicolasa Tapia Padilla

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

45 minutes before Masses

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

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 – Sunday, Sept. 10th, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Cherie Knott, Brent Merkle

SERVERS: Kenyan W., Caleb H., Troy L.

GREETERS: Tom & Jerrie Leis

COLL. COUNTERS: Larry & Cherie Knott

NURSING HOME: Judy Dewell

PLAINS – Sunday, Sept. 10th, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Terry Shinogle

SERVERS: Kerri V., Dianna O., Jesse O.

GREETERS: Sam & Teresa Garza

COLL. COUNTERS: Patricia C.

MEADE – Saturday, Sept 9th, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Teresa Cottrell

SERVERS: Horacio H., Taryn I, Myles K.

GREETERS: Haberman & Hagemeyer Families

COLL. COUNTERS: Smith Family

PLAINS – Sunday, Sept. 10th, 1:00 pm

LECTOR:

SERVERS:

GREETERS:

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: In today's second reading St. Paul exhorts the Romans to total stewardship. Brothers and sisters, he urges, "...offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God."

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.

EUCH MIN: Dave Weber, Kevin & Stacy Milford

MUSIC MIN: Guitar/ Jan

USHERS: Tom Leis, Adrian Milford

ROSARY: Decinda Heinz

EUCH. MIN: Nefro S., Traci E., Silvia O.

MUSIC MIN: Nancy H.

ROSARY: Ray & Jenny Amerin

EUCH MIN: Kevin D., Susan D., Goudy F.

MUSIC MIN: Belinda Chalker

GIFTS: Parker Family

ROSARY: Cindy Hagemeyer

EUCH MIN:

USHERS:

COLL. COUNTERS:

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>		<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$1,735.00	\$1,380.00		\$1,170.00
OFFERTORY:	\$173.00	\$71.00		\$221.75
CHILDREN:	\$7.00	\$6.00	Bldg. Fd.	\$160.00
BABY BOTTLES:	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
MEMORIAL:	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$6.00</u>		<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,915.00	\$1,457.00		\$1,551.75
	\$2,118.00	\$1,250.00		

THOUGHTS FROM FATHER TED: If we are truly disciples of Jesus, our discipleship must be reflected in the things we do. It will be reflected in our prayer life and in our concern for others. For several weeks now, I have been thinking about the crisis unfolding in parts of Africa. The United Nations labels the impending crisis as the greatest humanitarian crisis since World War II. Reports indicate that between 20 to 23 million of people are on the brink of starvation in Somalia, Yemen, South Sudan and parts of northeast Nigeria. I have wondered how we, as disciples of the Lord Jesus, can be of help. I have asked for the suggestions of a number of people. One suggestion that seems viable to me is to host a dinner in each of our three parishes inviting the public to attend and promising that the each parish would match the support received up to a certain limit. For example, if the dinner raised a thousand dollars, the parish would match with a \$1,000. The amount we would be willing to match would need to be determined by the Parish Pastoral Council in conjunction with the Finance Council. The money raised would be given to church related aid agencies. If the project reaches out beyond each of our parishes, an effort would be made to find a reliable agency of the Protestant community with which we could divide the funds. Would parishioners be willing to support such a project? Would they want a proportion of the money raised to be given to efforts to help the victims of Hurricane Harvey? Please let me know your thoughts. You can email me at tedsky59@gmail.com.

HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF: Through Catholic Charities and other ministries, dioceses throughout Texas are providing basic humanitarian and pastoral support to thousands of Texans affected by Hurricane Harvey. The Texas bishops are coordinating efforts with Catholic Charities USA and local civic authorities. Currently we request people join in prayer for the coastal and inland areas being affected, and consider donating money to local dioceses and Catholic Charities.

IN THE BEGINNING... This is a series of bulletin messages describing the fetal development of “Chris.” (week 24) “I have fine hair all over my body that is there to protect my skin. I’m a little thin at this point but am putting on more baby fat. My eyes are formed, but the iris does not have color – I’d like brown eyes!” Chris will lose all this body hair before birth. Chris now weighs over a pound and is about a foot long. Fifty years ago, if the baby was born at this age, the child could not survive. But today, with modern technology, babies born at this age have a fighting chance of survival (about 50%).
“Indeed, the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Don’t be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.” Matthew 10: 30-31.

ACTS, a three day/three-night Catholic lay retreat will be held at the Heartland Center for Spirituality, 3600 Broadway, Great Bend. The men's retreat will be November 16-19, 2017. Talks and activities during the retreat focus on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service, from which the ACTS acronym is derived. Cost is \$175 per person, which includes all meals and accommodations for the three-day weekend. Deadline for registration and payment for the retreat is November 10th. Registration forms are available at <http://greatbendcatholic.com>.

RACHEL’S VINEYARD RETREATS: When we remember and mourn our losses, we free our souls to move beyond the pain. Come to a Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat and remember, mourn, and be set free.

Rachel’s Vineyard Retreats – Healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time.

Next retreat: September 29, 30, October 1. 1-877-I-GRIEVE (1-877-447-4383)

rachelvineyard@salinadiocese.org **CONFIDENTIAL.**

VOCATION VIEWS: If you are willing to offer your life for Jesus' sake, you will find it. By walking the path we come to know Jesus' promise is real. Pray for courage and the willingness to "let go and let God." (Matthew 16:21-27). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620-227-1533 or vocations@dcdiocese.org

Announcement for Plains

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY (the rosary) There will be prayer for our country on Sunday, at 5:30 p.m.

THRIFT SHOP: The time has come for our turn to take care of the Thrift Shop. September is our month. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board. All help is greatly appreciated. The Thrift Shop is open Tuesday evening from 6-8 p.m. and on Friday afternoon 2-4 p.m. Thank you to all who help with this service project in our community.

ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament is scheduled on Wednesday, September 6, 3 -6 p.m.

NOTICE: the phone in the rectory and hall have been taken out. The number you call that is listed is the rectory in Meade, 873-2003.

Announcements for Meade

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY (Mass, followed by the rosary) is scheduled at 6:00 p.m. on Monday in the church.

PSR We are still looking for more teachers to get our year started. We have spots to fill during both class times. K-5 will have class from 4-5 p.m. & 6-12 will meet from 7-8:15 p.m. If no 6th grade teacher can be found, 6th grade will attend the earlier class time. Please contact Heather Flavin 873-9468 if you are able to give of your time & help our youth grow in their faith. We will start class on Sept. 13.

PSR Sign Up - Change of Plans: Heather Flavin is sending packets home with kids from school. Please look over those items and return any forms necessary. PSR will begin Sept. 13th. K-5th graders will meet from 4-5p.m. with transportation and snacks provided. 6th-12th graders will meet from 7-8:15p.m. Feel free to contact Heather at 620-873-9468 or by email flavins2004@gmail.com.

PARISH COUNCIL: Parish Council meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, Sept. 6 at 7:00 p.m.

BAKED POTATO BAR FUNDRAISER: There will be a fundraiser to benefit the fund for McKenzie Hailey on this Sunday, September 3, from 4:45 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at the Chuckwagon.

Announcements for Fowler

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY (the rosary) is scheduled at 5:15 p.m. on Monday in the church.

ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament will be postponed until Monday, September 11, 3 -6 p.m.

PSR: Sept 10 will be enrollment for Parish Religious Ed classes...including regular Wednesday classes, Little Lambs, and First Holy Communion classes. Enrollment will be after Mass in the school. If more information is needed, call Sarah Weber, 620-430-1627.

BAKED POTATO BAR FUNDRAISER: There will be a fundraiser to benefit the fund for McKenzie Hailey on this Sunday, September 3, from 4:45 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at the Chuckwagon.

YOUTH BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER is scheduled after Mass on Sunday, September 24 at the Parish School. Serving biscuits and gravy. Please mark your calendars!