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The First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2018

*“This is the time of fulfillment.
The kingdom of God is at hand.
Repent, and believe in the gospel.”
Mark 1:15*

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

18	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	The First Sunday of Lent+Deceased Members of Verl & Lena Knott Family (Richard Knott)
18	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	The First Sunday of Lent.....For Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
18	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The First Sunday of Lent.....(Spanish)..... For the Parishioners
19	Mon	6:00 pm	(M)	Week day in Lent.....For World Peace
20	Tue	7:30 am	(M)	Week day in Lent.....For couples having marital problems
21	Wed	10:00 am	(FRC)	St. Peter Damian..... For moisture
21	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	St. Peter Damian.....+Repose of Souls (David Leis)
22	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	The Chair of Peter.....For a renewal of faith in our parishes
23	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	St. Polycarp.....For an end to abortion
23	Fri	12:40 pm	(M)	Stations of the Cross
23	Fri	6:00 pm	(P)	St. Polycarp.....(Spanish).....For World Peace
23	Fri	7:00 pm	(F)	Stations of the Cross
24	Sat	5:30 pm	(P)	The Second Sunday of Lent.....For an end to human trafficking
25	Sun	8:30 am	(M)	The Second Sunday of Lent.....For vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
25	Sun	10:30 am	(F)	The Second Sunday of Lent.....+Repose of Souls (David Leis)
25	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	The Second Sunday of Lent.....(Spanish).....For the Parishioners

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.

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 – Sunday, Feb. 25th, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Cherie Knott, Doug Heinz
SERVERS: Kate C., Jacey W., Karson W.
GREETERS: Kevin & Sheila Hageman
COLL. COUNTERS: John Weber
NURSING HOME: Decinda Heinz

PLAINS – Saturday, Feb. 24th, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Jason Vajnar
SERVERS: Kerri V., Hailey S., Yanet G.
GREETERS: George & Traci Eakes
COLL. COUNTERS: Patricia Coates

MEADE – Sunday, Feb. 25th, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Tyler Flavin
SERVERS: Kynlee F., Tayte F., Taryn I.
GREETERS: Inlow Family
COLL. COUNTERS: Knott Family

PLAINS – Sunday, Feb. 25th, 1:00 pm

LECTOR:

SERVERS:

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: The waters of Baptism make us part of the new covenant in Christ. But the bishops' pastoral letter on stewardship reminds us that "there is a fundamental obligation arising from the sacrament of baptism...that people place their gifts, their resources – their selves – at God's service in and through the Church."

EUCH MIN: Judy D., Dave Weber, Becky Hamilton
MUSIC MIN: Cathy Heinz, Brenda Martin/ Jan
USHERS: Kevin Milford, John Weber
ROSARY: Kevin Milford

EUCH. MIN: Mary A., Terry S., Maria D.
MUSIC MIN: Martha Saucedo
ROSARY: Lucy Bromwell

EUCH MIN: Janet R., Tom R., Cindy H.
MUSIC MIN: Belinda Chalker
GIFTS: Boggs Family
ROSARY: Devine Family

EUCH MIN:

USHERS:

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>	<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$1,415.00	\$1,511.00	\$1,058.25
OFFERTORY:	\$147.00	\$44.00	\$176.84
CHILDREN:	\$2.00	\$4.00	Bldg. Fd. \$220.00
RENT:	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
OTHER:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$15.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,579.00	\$1,759.00	\$1,455.09
	\$2,118.00	\$1,250.00	

THOUGHTS FROM FATHER TED: There is a profound need in the world today for those of us who claim the name "Christian" to renew our commitment to live as disciples of the Lord Jesus. This entails a conscious decision to follow the way of life Jesus has taught us and to strive for true holiness of life. There is a powerful effort in our culture today to tell us that we should live our faith within the walls of our churches while we live by the values of our culture the rest of our time. Those who support the right to have an abortion or promote marriage between persons of the same sex would say that our religious values should not be brought into our places of work or study. Jesus did not come for us to be transformed into the world and its values. He taught us that we are to live in the world but not to be "of the world". (cf John 17:11-16) Indeed, we are called to be the "yeast" that transforms the world into the Kingdom of God. We do this by the power of the Holy Spirit living and working within us. This necessarily entails that we strive for genuine holiness. This holiness will come to us through a commitment to prayer, to openness to the word of God and through sincere participation in the Sacraments. As we begin Lent this week, it is an excellent time to examine our own spiritual journey. Am I striving for holiness of life? Do I take seriously my call to follow the Lord Jesus? Is my way of life contributing to the transformation of the world in which I live?

SOUTHWEST KS. YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE: A conference designed specifically for those between the ages of 18 and 39 will be held at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe on March 4th! Expect great speakers, relevant topics, sweet t-shirts (and free babysitting for those with kids), all in order to draw young people closer to Christ and to one another! Contact Gentry Heimerman (gheimerman@dcdioocese.org) with any questions!

PASTORAL MINISTRY FORMATION: Connecting, Equipping, Sending Spring One-Hour course THEO 4881 Get Equipped. Get Equipped supports the spiritual life and the practical ministry of those who serve during Eucharistic Liturgy. Focusing on hospitality, proclamation, prayer and mission, it is for greeters, lectors, ministers of holy communion, music ministers, all who gather for Eucharist. *This course is one of the elective courses needed to obtain the Diocesan Certification in Liturgical Ministry. Presenters: Fr. Frank Coady, Dolores Martinez, Fr. Robert Schremmer and others to be announced. Class Dates: Fri., April 27 and Sat., April 28. Begins with Registration Friday 4:00 p.m. ends Saturday 1:30 p.m. Location: Heartland Center for Spirituality, 3600 Broadway, Great Bend, KS. Cost: \$57.00 room and meals. \$22.00 commuter Additional \$50.00 for 1 hr. college credit - contact Coleen at cstein@dcdioocese.org or 620-227-1538. Personal enrichment fee is included with your payment to Heartland Center for Spirituality. Make reservations at Heartland Center for Spirituality: <https://heartlandspirituality.org/pastoralministryformation/>

FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION: All are invited to the First Saturdays Devotion on March 3 at St. Stanislaus Church, Ingalls. 8:15 am. confessions begin; 8:30 am rosary; 9:00 am. Mass; Meditation, confessions, and refreshments after Mass. The Great Promise of Our Blessed Mother: "I promise to assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all those who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, shall confess, receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary and keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me."

VOCATION VIEWS: In order to hear a call from the Lord, our hearts must be opened to receive His Word. Lent begins with a call to repent so that all which clouds our ears might be stripped away to hear His voice clearly. (Mark 1:12-15). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Wesley Schawe at 620-227-1533 or vocations@dcdiocese.org.

RICE BOWL: In Iraq, we encounter Majd and his family, people forced to flee violence, searching for stability. How are we called to welcome the stranger in our midst? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit <https://www.csricebowl.org/stories-of-hope/week-1> for more on Majd's story.

STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTIONS “After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God....” - MARK 1:14

Do you ever think about how difficult it must have been for Jesus to come into Galilee, knowing that John had just been arrested for teaching the same message that Jesus was proclaiming. It must have taken great love and trust for Jesus to do what the Father had sent Him here on earth to do. In the same way, following a life of stewardship takes great love and trust from us. We must be willing to surrender completely to God, trusting that God will always give us all that we need to fulfill His plan for us.

Announcement for Plains

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY: On Sunday, there will be rosary for our country at 5:30 p.m.

LENTEN DEVOTIONS will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesdays from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays for the youth, Stations of the Cross at 8:15 a.m. on Fridays before Mass, and Friday evenings at 6:00 p.m. in Spanish.

Announcements for Meade

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY: On Monday, there will be rosary for our country after the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be every Friday during Lent at 12:40 p.m.

Announcements for Fowler

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY: On Monday, Feb. 19th, there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., followed by the rosary for our country at 6:00 p.m.

LENTEN DEVOTIONS will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Mondays from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m., followed by the rosary for our country. On Fridays at 7:00 p.m., there will be Stations of the Cross. Every other week there will be Stations of the Cross followed by Mass.

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

PSR: There will be no PSR on February 21st, for the K – 6th grade students.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES to the family and friends of Claude Leis with his passing. Know that you and Claude are in our prayers. May he rest in peace!

