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The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 26, 2018

**The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not a participation
in the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not a
participation in the body of Christ?**

1 Corinthians 10:16 (EWTN Bible)

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

26	Sun	8:30 am	(P)	Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time..... Deceased Family (Larry & Marge Donahue)
26	Sun	10:30 am	(M)	Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Alan Finkeldei (Jan McGregor)
26	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time..... (Spanish).....For the Parishioners
27	Mon	6:00 pm	(M)	St. Monica.....+Julianne Post (Steve & Judy Dewell)
28	Tue	7:30 am	(M)	St. Augustine.....For Deceased Members of Our Parishes
29	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	The Passion of St. John the Baptist.....Special Intention (Carolyn & Myron Ewy)
30	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	Week day in Ordinary Time.....For Deceased Members of Our Parishes
31	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	Week day in Ordinary Time For the unborn & an end to abortion (St. Gregory PLT)
01	Sat	5:30 pm	(F)	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Claude Leis (Steve & Kay Roberts)
02	Sun	8:30 am	(P)	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Virginia Amerin (Josephine Amerin)
02	Sun	10:30 am	(M)	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.....For the Parishioners
02	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time....(Spanish).....dar gracias al Espiritu Santo

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](mailto:stanthonyfowler@gmail.com) no later than **THURSDAY** noon. Thanks!

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.

Liturgical and Other Ministers

FOWLER – Saturday, September 1st, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Sarah Jordan, Rhonda Milford
SERVERS: Crystal M., Angel M., Heath H.
GREETERS: Rita Bergkamp, Elia Wells
COLL. COUNTERS: John Weber
NURSING HOME: Judy Dewell

PLAINS – Sunday, September 2nd, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Terry Shinogle
SERVERS: Yanet G., Lucy V., Dolores A.
GREETERS: Nefro & Martha Saucedo Family
COLL. COUNTERS: Patricia Coates

MEADE – Sunday, September 2nd, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Matthew Welsh
SERVERS: Alek H., Sarah K., Walker K.
GREETERS: Parker Family
COLL. COUNTERS: Koons Family

PLAINS – Sunday, September 2nd, 1:00 pm

LECTOR:

SERVERS:

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: In today’s first reading, Joshua challenges the people to decide who they will serve. Recalling God’s faithfulness to them and to their ancestors, the people declare, “We also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.” May we, too, be mindful of God’s gifts to us and renew our commitment to serve Him with grateful hearts.

EUCH MIN: Steve & Judy Dewell, Ben Rogers

MUSIC MIN: Volunteers

USHERS: Andy Boyd, T J Milford

ROSARY: Judy Dewell

EUCH. MIN: Ron E., Jenny A., Maria D.

MUSIC MIN: Martha Saucedo

ROSARY: Kerri Vajnar

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

MUSIC MIN: Belinda Chalker

GIFTS: Flavin Family

ROSARY: Devine Family

EUCH MIN:

USHERS:

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>	<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$1,105.00	\$745.00	\$543.00
OFFERTORY:	\$243.00	\$57.00	\$701.59
CHILDREN:	\$15.00	\$26.00	Bldg. Fd. \$0.00
RENT:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ASSUMPTION:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$38.00</u>	<u>\$47.50</u>	<u>\$4.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,401.00	\$875.50	\$1,248.59
		\$1,250.00	

THOUGHTS FROM FATHER TED: Last week I wrote about the importance of Christians, especially Catholic Christians, rediscovering the meaning and purpose of our sexuality. I don't think we can over estimate the importance of this for our society and our Church. The attraction of male and female is fundamental to God's design for family life, society and the preservation of our species. When that attraction is directed toward purposes other than the formation of the stable family units, the very structure of society begins to be threatened. Healthy families provide an environment in which healthy children can be formed and nurtured. These children provide for generations yet to come. Outside of the context of forming families, sexual union becomes focused on pleasure or control of another person. Rather than being self-giving, the sexual union become self-seeking. When it is self-seeking, even within marriage, persons become victims who are used. What was meant to be an expression of love becomes a tool to destroy people's sense of worth and dignity. In recent months, we have seen how destructive misguided sexual expression can be to individuals, to institutions and to society in general. Youth, adult singles, married couples, and celibate clergy and religious must seek to understand and live God's design for our lives as sexual beings--sexual beings created in the divine image.

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2ND ANNUAL REGIONAL ART EXHIBIT: The Catholic Fine Arts Council of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas invites artists to enter the 2nd annual regional art exhibit entitled "Duc in Altum: Put out into the Deep." Religious artists are encouraged to submit their artwork for consideration online at: www.catholicfinearts.org/entry. Accepted artists will have their artwork on display at Savior Pastoral Center in Kansas City, Kansas and the winning artists will receive cash prizes. This juried competition and exhibition primarily seeks to foster the arts of the Western Christian Tradition. Other artistic traditions of Christian subject matter will be considered, also.

THE CATHOLIC CHARITIES INFANT ADOPTION PREPARATION and Education Series is an on-going year-around program that allows couples to enter and proceed at their own pace, at any time throughout the year. The 2018-19 orientation class schedule is available online at <http://catholiccharitiesswks.org/adoption-services/771-adoption-training-calendar-of-events>. If you know someone who is struggling with infertility and would like to learn more about growing their family through infant adoption, please contact Lori Titsworth at 620-792-1393, or by email at ltitsworth@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org

ACTS RETREAT: 2018 Men's and Women's ACTS Retreats: Women's Retreat: October 25-28, 2018; Men's retreat: November 15-18, 2018. Both retreats will be held at the Heartland Center for Spirituality in Great Bend. For more information, contact Paula Brozek at 620-793-8172 or Mel Waite at 620-564-2518.

GOT SOME VOLUNTEER TIME? If you have some time on your hands and would like to volunteer for service, please notify our DRE's. We are ALWAYS needing help in our Religious Ed. programs, which will soon be starting!

PROTECTION OF THE UNBORN: The U.S. bishops urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life, August 3–September 28. Participants will receive weekly email or text reminders to pray and fast, along with little-known facts about Roe v. Wade to share with others. Sign up at www.usccb.org/pray!

INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH? If you know anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church, please encourage them to contact Father Ted. Even better, come with them to talk to Father Ted. A definite starting date or place has not been determined. Once we know who will be part of the group this year, we will make those determinations.

DODGE CITY DIOCESE ORGANIZING MARCH FOR LIFE PILGRIMAGE: Tom and Lisa Ridder (St. Mary's Parish, Marienthal) are coordinating a bus pilgrimage for the Catholic Diocese of Dodge City to the March for Life in Washington, D.C. next January. Tentative plans call for the pilgrimage to commence at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Dodge City on Wednesday, Jan. 16, then travel to Larned and Great Bend to pick up additional participants. Pilgrims will travel overnight on the bus and arrive in D.C. mid-morning on Jan. 17. Pilgrims will take part in a public rosary in D.C., tour the St. John Paul II Shrine, the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, attend a "Life is Very Good Rally" the eve of the March and then the main rally and March for Life (Jan. 18). A night-time walking tour of the nation's monuments and a bus tour of Arlington National Cemetery are also planned. Buses will depart Washington on Saturday, Jan. 19 and arrive in Great Bend, Larned and Dodge between 6 and 8 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 20. The projected cost per person is \$400, and includes bus travel and overnight accommodations in D.C. A priest of the Diocese of Dodge City will accompany the pilgrimage. To learn more or to reserve your spot, please contact the Ridders at 620-375-2100 or lridders68@gmail.com.

The Diocese of Dodge City also arranges a bus pilgrimage to the Kansas State March for Life in January; more information on that will be made available at the diocesan web site, www.dcdiocese.org, and sent to area parishes.

Announcement for Plains

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

PSR: PSR classes will begin on September 5th.

Announcements for Meade

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

MEADE MINISTERIAL COMMUNITY POTLUCK: Join us for some fellowship for an All Church Picnic in the park of Sunday, August 26th, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The picnic will be a potluck. The Ministerial Alliance will provide drinks, cups, plates and tableware. Because of the number of requests from people seeking assistance, the Alliance is asking people to make a free will donation as they go through the line at the picnic. Please join us!

Announcements for Fowler

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY: On Monday, there will be rosary for our country at 5:00 p.m.

POTLUCK: Everyone is Welcome! Join us for some fellowship to kick off the school year at a parish potluck on Saturday, August 25th, after 5:30 p.m. Mass, in St. Anthony Parish School. Sandwich fixings and drinks will be provided. Bring your favorite side or dessert. Come and eat even if you are unable to provide a side – we would enjoy your company!

PSR ENROLLMENT: We invite you to enroll your student(s) in the Parish School of Religion (PSR) at the Potluck on August 25th.