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The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 16, 2018

**"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself,
take up his cross, and follow me.**

**For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it,
but whoever loses his life for my sake
and that of the gospel will save it." Mk 8:34-35**

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

16	Sun	8:30 am	(P)	Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time..Deceased Family (Larry & Marge Donahue)
16	Sun	10:30 am	(M)	Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Rita Hoffman (Carol Snodgrass)
16	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time..... (Spanish).....For the Parishioners
17	Mon	6:00 pm	(M)	St. Robert Bellarmine.....+Paul Glenn (Daughters of Isabella)
18	Tue	7:30 am	(M)	Week day in Ordinary Time..... For the Deceased Members of Our Parishes
19	Wed	12:05 pm	(F)	St. Januarius.....+Julianne Post (Rita Bergkamp)
20	Thu	8:30 am	(P)	St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon & Companions...For the Deceased Members of Our Parishes
21	Fri	8:30 am	(P)	St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist.....For the Deceased Members of Our Parishes
22	Sat	5:30 pm	(F)	Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Leo Dabbelt (Marilyn Dewell)
23	Sun	8:30 am	(P)	Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....Deceased Family (Larry & Marge Donahue)
23	Sun	10:30 am	(M)	Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....+Eleanor Glenn (Daughter of Isabella)
23	Sun	1:00 pm	(P)	Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.....(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.

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 – Saturday, September 22nd, 5:30 pm

LECTOR: Cherie Knott, Doug Heinz
SERVERS: Desmond T., Crystal M., Kale H.
GREETERS: Myron & Carma Burns
COLL. COUNTERS: Steve & Judy Dewell
NURSING HOME: Judy Dewell

PLAINS – Sunday, September 23rd, 8:30 am

LECTOR: Lucy Bromwell
SERVERS: Hailey S., Yanet G., Gloria K.
GREETERS: Jason Vajnar Family
COLL. COUNTERS: Lucy Bromwell

MEADE – Sunday, September 23rd, 10:30 am

LECTOR: Tyler Flavin
SERVERS: Taryn I., Brock K., Logan K.
GREETERS: Woodruff Family
COLL. COUNTERS: Dewell Family

PLAINS – Sunday, September 23rd, 1:00 pm

LECTOR:
SERVERS:

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURES: In the second reading today, St. James has harsh words for those who do not put their faith into action. May we be such good stewards of God’s gifts to us that we can never be accused of having “faith that does nothing in practice.”

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: Pam Milford, Tom Leis, Laurie Devine
MUSIC MIN: Cathy Heinz, Pam M./ Jan
USHERS: Mark Wideman, Preston Cunningham
ROSARY: Cindy Lackey

EUCH. MIN: Mary A., Terry S., Silvia O.
MUSIC MIN: Martha Saucedo
ROSARY: Teresa Garza

EUCH MIN: Kevin D., Susan D., Goudy F.
MUSIC MIN: Brooke & Cali Keith
GIFTS: Gleason Family
ROSARY: Devine Family

EUCH MIN:
USHERS:

	<u>FOWLER</u>	<u>MEADE</u>		<u>PLAINS</u>
ENVELOPES:	\$1,968.00	\$1,300.00		\$640.00
OFFERTORY:	\$127.00	\$132.00		\$521.25
CHILDREN:	\$16.00	\$1.00	Bldg. Fd.	\$60.00
RENT:	\$0.00	\$100.00		\$0.00
OTHER:	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
CANDLES:	<u>\$27.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>		<u>\$13.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$2,138.00	\$1,533.00		\$1,987.25
		\$1,250.00		

THOUGHTS FROM FATHER TED: Last week I wrote about relativism. I stated the following: "Once the individual becomes the norm for what is morally good and morally evil, the stability of society itself is in danger." I believe that this is at the root of the current political divide in our country. We no longer share a common moral understanding. An example of this can be seen in the abortion debate. At one time, it was thought that all human life was sacred. Intentionally terminating a life in the womb was held to be a violation of the rights and dignity of a human person. Now many attach value to the unborn child according to whether the child is wanted or unwanted. The child no longer has an intrinsic value, but its value depends upon the desires of others. When a society no longer shares common moral values, it becomes increasingly difficult to hold that society together. As Catholics, we are called to believe that there are absolute moral norms. Some actions are intrinsically good; others are intrinsically evil. While the culpability of a person performing an action may vary according to circumstances, the action itself is either intrinsically good or evil. A lie is always intrinsically evil. To use another person for our sexual pleasure or to exert control over another is always evil. Sexual relations between persons of the same sex is an intrinsic evil. One can hold to this without judging the moral guilt of the other person. It is the action we judge and not the person performing the action. Relativism, which is so common today, threatens our society and our Church. We are called to hold to absolute moral norms while showing care and compassion for those who fail to live up to those norms.

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!

PRO-LIFE WORD OF LIFE: "Sometimes our actions speak for themselves; other times, words are needed. Whatever the situation, Jesus knows how to speak to each person's heart; we simply need to follow where he leads." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "How to Build a Culture of Life," www.usccb.org/culture-of-life

THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY: You are invited to a rare screening of the new documentary entitled, "Sexual Revolution - 50 Years Since Humanae Vitae." Screening events will be held around the diocese during October which is "Respect Life" month. Dates & times: Saturday, October 13, 7pm at St. Anthony in Liberal; Sunday, October 14 at 3pm at St. Dominic parish center in Garden City; 7pm at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Dodge City; Monday, October 15 at 7pm at St. Patrick's parish center in Great Bend. Seven years in the making this documentary seeks to examine the effects of the free-love experiment of the hippie generation and the prophetic encyclical, Humanae Vitae. The centerpiece of the film is the dramatic life story of Alana Newman, a talented secular musician who gives up her entire musical career for life, family and love. Alana shares how through desperation to know her father, she finally discovers the treasures of "Theology of the Body", "Humanae Vitae", and the riches of true freedom through a dramatic conversion. This free event is provided by the office of Matrimony, Family Life and Natural Family Planning with coordination of Respect Life/Social justice for the diocese of Dodge City.

VOCATION VIEWS: Do you want to follow Jesus? If you lose yourself for Jesus' sake, you will find life. It is worth the cost of your life. Consider ministry in the Church. (Mark 8: 27-35). If you think God is calling you to priesthood or to consecrated life, visit our website at www.dcdioocese.org/vocations

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.

DIOCESAN MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH RALLY: Is scheduled on Sunday, October 7, at Dodge City High School. It is free and will go from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. The rally will feature speakers, games, and activities for middle school students in the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade of the 2018-2019 academic year. The rally will also feature a parent, catechist, and youth minister track completely separate from the students. Deadline to register is September 26th.

DIOCESAN MATRIMONY ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: Sunday, October 21, 2018, is the date for the Diocesan Matrimony Anniversary celebration ~ Mass at 3 PM, dinner following Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe, 3231 North 14th Street, Dodge City. Bishop John B. Brungardt invites couples throughout the diocese celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th and more years of matrimony in 2018. To register, please complete the form found on the diocesan website or the SKC and submit by Monday, October 8, 2018.

Announcement for Plains

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

THRIFT SHOP: The time has come for our turn to take care of the Thrift Shop. October 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 pm and on Friday afternoon 2-4 pm. Thank you to all who help with this service project in our community.

Announcements for Meade

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

Announcements for Fowler

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

ADULT FORMATION BIBLE STUDY: After Mass in Fowler, Ben Rogers is leading a 12 week adult formation Bible study on the Catholic Approach to Scripture and the Gospel of Luke. Attendance is welcome to anyone including children. Each week will begin by a potluck meal and fellowship, bring your casserole, side, cookies, pie or whatever, even just yourself! Followed by Evening Prayer in the Liturgy of the Hours and about 45 min of study together. You can email Ben at StPioB.Rogers@gmail.com if you have any questions.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: On Wednesday, September 19, at 7:00 p.m., there will be a Pastoral Council meeting in the Parish School.

PARENT- CANDIDATE MEETING: On Wednesday, September 19, at 7:00 p.m., there will be a meeting for parents and candidates for Confirmation. The students will have class at 6:30 p.m. and then come to the 7:00 p.m. meeting with their parents.