

"Beacon of Faith,"
ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

"Cathedral of the Plains,"
THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS

"Pearl of the Prairie,"
ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH



Parish Office:	601 10th Street, Victoria, KS 67671 • 785-735-2777 • Fax: 785-735-2779 Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30-12:00 and 1:00-4:30 — Friday 8:30-12:00		Catholic Faith Education Office: 785-735-9244
Gift Shop Hours: Monday-Thursday: 8:30–noon and 1:00–4:30 Friday: 8:30–noon	Weddings: Couples planning to marry must contact the Parish Office at least 6 months before the wedding date for marriage preparations.	Baptisms: All new parents are asked to complete a Baptismal Preparation class before their child is baptized. For information, please call the Parish Office.	Hospital Visits: To arrange for our pastor to visit someone in the hospital, please call the Parish Office.
In-Home Mass: Any homebound or hospice family interested in having Mass in their home should contact the Parish Office.	Holy Communion Brought to Homebound: Holy Communion can be brought to homebound parishioners. Please contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know is unable to come to a Sunday Mass.	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: THURSDAYS 10:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M. in St. Fidelis Church Chapel behind the main altar	

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August 6, 2017 – Transfiguration of the Lord

Masses:

St. Fidelis, Victoria

Saturday — 5:00 pm
 Sunday — 10:00 am
 Monday — 7:00 pm
 Tuesday through Friday — 6:45 am

St. Ann, Walker

Saturday — 6:30 pm — November - April
 Sunday — 7:30 am — May - October

St. Boniface, Vincent

Sunday — 8:45 am

Confessions:

at St. Fidelis — Mondays — 7:30 pm
 or by appointment (contact Parish Office)

Tri-Parish Prayer Line

Anyone wishing to request prayers for family or friends may call Helen Windholz (735-2508) or Teresa Shepherd (735-9576) to add their requests to the Prayer Line

Dates To Remember

- Aug. 15** — Assumption — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Sept. 4** — Labor Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Sept. 11** — Patriot Day
- Sept. 14** — Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- Sept. 22** — First Day of Fall
- Oct. 4** — Feast of St. Francis of Assisi — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Oct. 9** — Columbus Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Oct. 31** — Halloween
- Nov. 1** — All Saints Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Nov. 2** — All Souls Day
(Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed)



“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.”

(from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 17:1-9)



In today's gospel of the Transfiguration we hear the voice of God the Father. Only three times in the gospels does God the Father speak: at the baptism of Christ by John the Baptist (Mt 3:13, Mk 1:9, Lk 3:21), at the transfiguration of Christ on Mount Tabor (Mt 17:1, Mk 9:2, Lk 9:28), and during the prayer of Christ before his passion (Jn 12:28).

At the Baptism of the Lord in Matthew's gospel the Father says, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." In the gospels of Mark and Luke the Father addresses not the crowd but Christ himself personally, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Those words reveal the intimate relationship within the Trinity of God the Father with Jesus his Son.



At the Transfiguration Matthew records, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to Him." Mark has, "This is my beloved Son; listen to Him." Luke says, "This is my chosen Son; listen to Him." Matthew and Mark express the Father's pleasure in his Son while Luke describes Christ as "chosen."

The third time that God the Father speaks in the gospels is during the prayer of Christ before his passion: "Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it and will glorify it again.'" (Jn 12:28). This event in John's gospel is similar to the account of the agony in the Garden which is not recorded in John.

At the Baptism and the Transfiguration, God the Father states that Christ is his Son, beloved and chosen; that He is pleased with Him and his mission; and that we are to listen to Him. Jesus Christ is true God and true man; faith in Him offers salvation.

When God the Father speaks before the passion of Christ in the gospel of John, it is in the theological context of that gospel in which Jesus is fully conscious of his divine pre-existence. He realizes that through death He is returning to the divine state which He has temporarily left during his stay in this world. His destiny, which the faithful will eventually share, is glory. "Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it and will glorify it again.'" (Jn 12:28).



Most of the things we know about our Christian faith are from the deeds and words of Christ as conveyed by the tradition of the church. But on these three occasions we have the testimony, the very words, of God the Father. There is no higher authority.

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If God is your co-pilot, you need to change seats.

Parish Staff

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Contributions July 29-30, 2017

ST. FIDELIS:

Adult 2700.00 Loose 1126.50

ST. ANN:

Adult 802.00 Loose 203.00
Missions 100.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Adult 308.00 Loose 276.00
Candles 134.00

Aug. 7 —

Aug. 14 — Anita Braun, Crystal Robben



Important
Information

A message for those who volunteer with children/minors within the tri-parishes:

Each Parish and School in the Diocese of Salina has a *Safety Coordinator*. *The Safety Coordinator of your parish or school is Jeanette Brungardt*. The Safety Coordinator serves a very important role, each one serves as an extension of the Diocese of Salina, but also to the Office of Child and Youth Protection (OCYP). This position was designed to help the Pastor/Principal coordinate the implementation of the parish and or school compliance requirements designed to keep minors safe at their locations. The Safety Coordinator of your parish has a thorough understanding of Safe Environment Policies and procedures and takes care of all the record keeping, reporting, and communicating the importance of a safe environment and models behaviors that support the *Promise to Protect, Pledge to Heal*.

If you currently work or volunteer with minors at your parish or school your Safety Coordinator has your Safe Environment training records.

If you are **NEW** to the Parish or school or you need to **UPDATE** (if it has been over 5 years since your last training/background check) and you want to work or volunteer with minors or continue to work or volunteer with minors at the parish or school, please contact Jeanette Brungardt so she can get you started/updated with the Safe Environment Training for our Diocese.

The Safety Coordinator will oversee your training, answer any questions you may have and make sure your training is properly recorded.

If you have questions, please contact your Parish/School Safety Coordinator, Jeanette Brungardt, at 785-735-9244 or by email at FidelisYouth@ruraltel.net.

**Bulletin insert provided by Diocese of Salina*

Religious Ed Catechist In-service

The meeting is scheduled for
Tuesday, August 15, at 7:00 P.M.
in the PAC's Meal Site Room.

Only catechist's are asked to attend this
in-service/meeting.

Assistant's and other volunteers
do not need to attend.

If you are unable to make it, please contact
Jeanette in the Religious Ed Office at
785-735-9244 or by email:
FidelisYouth@ruraltel.net
and we'll arrange to meet at another time prior
to Religious Ed beginning.

Youth Service Opportunities

Summer Lunch Program Parish Activity Center



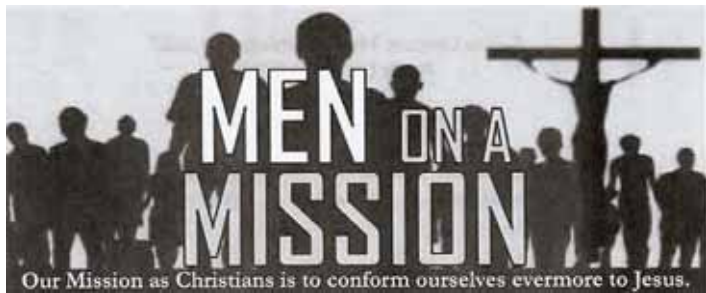
The Summer Lunch Program began
**Tuesday, May 30, and will last through
August 22**, Monday-Friday. Volunteers
do not need to RSVP or coordinate a
date or time—please arrive at the PAC
around 10:30 A.M. to help Father and Jan prepare
for the kids to arrive at 11:00. If you do have
questions, please contact Jan Brungardt in the PAC:
785-735-2777.

Religious Ed Committee Meeting

The Religious Ed Committee meeting is scheduled
for **Tuesday, August 8, at 7:00 P.M.**

This meeting will include our new members for
2017—2020!

Please meet in the PAC's Meal Site Room.



This is a final reminder about the **Saturday, August 12, 2017**, Sixth Annual Salina Diocese Catholic Men's Conference at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays. Come and hear excellent national known speakers, Dr. Ray Guarendi and Fr. John Lager. A \$10 late registration fee will be charged after August 1. Walk in registrations are still accepted the day of the conference at the \$45 price.

All men are invited. Bring your sons who are in high school or college. The goal is to strengthen Catholic men in their faith and thereby strengthen the Catholic families and parishes.

To register online or for more information go to salinadiocese.org/family-life or call 785-827-8746, Ext 17.

Catholic Charities Annual Appeal NEXT WEEKEND

The 2017 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal will take place next weekend, **August 12-13**. This collection is crucial for them to sustain their yearly operations and continue this important church ministry. With your support, Catholic Charities puts the Gospel into action by serving the poor and vulnerable throughout the Salina Diocese. Please contemplate all of the blessings you have been granted in your life and prayerfully consider making a gift this year.

Please use the pledge cards and remittance envelopes provided at Mass to make a donation. You may return by using the collection plate during Mass or mailing directly to Catholic Charities. *Your support is greatly appreciated.*

If you have any questions, please contact Development Director, Eric Frank, at 785-825-0208 or efrank@ccnks.org.

Word of Life

"By opening our hearts to his love and mercy, we let Christ dwell in us and we see more deeply the intricate and unique beauty of each person."

Cardinal Seán P. O'Malley, O.F.M. Cap., Chairman
USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities
2013 Respect Life Month Statement, <https://goo.gl/sLEXYo>.

Diocese Honoring Married Couples

The Diocese of Salina wishes to honor all couples who are celebrating 25, 40, 50, 55, and 60 or more years of marriage. Masses with Bishop Edward J. Weisenburger, celebrant, are planned at St. Nicholas of Myra Parish, Hays, on Sunday, October 1, at 3:00 p.m., and at Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish, Salina, on Sunday, October 8, at 3:00 p.m.

If you would like to participate in one of these celebrations, please notify the Parish Office by **Wednesday, August 30**, requesting a personal invitation. Please provide Last Name, First Name of Husband and Wife, Street Address, City - State - ZIP, Phone Number, Home Parish, Anniversary Date and Year Married, Anniversary number being celebrated in 2017, and the location of the parish where you will be attending.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERT

Trafficking is not just an issue that happens to people in other countries. The United States is a source and transit country and is also considered one of the top destination points for victims of child trafficking and exploitation. ARE YOU AWARE OF ANY TRAFFICKED CHILDREN in your area and services available for them? U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking (sistersagainstrafficking.org).

COMMUNITY

Healing After Loss Meeting

"Healing After Loss" welcomes anyone who has experienced the death of a spouse, parent, sibling, or other significant adult to participate. It is hard to take that first step inside the door. But, once you are here, you will find hope, friendship, encouragement, and support from others who are healing along with you. Meetings this month will be on **Tuesday, August 8**, and **Tuesday, August 22**, at 7:00 p.m. at 2900 Hall Street, Hays.

Religious Items

If you or a family member have religious material such as statues, holy water bottles, rosaries, prayer books, and palms that you want to get rid of, but just can't throw them away, bring them to the St. Joseph Parish Service Center, Hays, and they will either offer them to people who would like them or dispose of them in a respectful manner.

V.F.W. Meeting



The V.F.W. will meet on **Thursday, August 10**, at 7:30 p.m. at the V.F.W. Hall. There will be no Auxiliary meeting during August.

VFW Requests Help Replacing Compressor

An air conditioner compressor burned up in the VFW Post 1751 building. They are in the process of replacing it. If anyone would be willing to donate funds to help with the replacement costs, it would be greatly appreciated. Checks should be made out to **VFW Post 1751**. They can be mailed to PO Box 23, Victoria, Kansas 67671.

VICTORIA VFW POST 1751

Club Room will be closed from now through August, reopening in September. Arrangements can be made for it to be open to groups by calling 785-806-6095.

If you are looking for a place to gather for Receptions, Weddings, Anniversaries, Family Reunions, Class Reunions, Dances, First Communions, or any type of get together, the VFW has a full kitchen that can be used if needed. For more information to rent the Hall, please call Harland or Edna at 785-623-1368 or 785-735-2206.

Mercy in Motion

with

Brian Patrick

Host of Morning Glory

6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 9

Little Theatre of Holy Family Elementary

Tickets: \$45 (if **before August 15**)

(includes hors d'oeuvres, dinner, wine & beer)

Tickets available at:

Divine Mercy Radio, 108 E. 12th St. Ste. #1, Hays
or on line at: dvmercy.com — click on the event tab

American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Victoria Community Blood Drive

VFW - 204 E. Main

Thursday, August 3 * 11:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Visit www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: VictoriaKS or call (800) RED-CROSS to schedule your appointment!

1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | redcrossblood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

Raffle Tickets for Farron Leiker's Medical Expenses Still Available

A raffle was started before Farron Leiker's passing to help the family with his medical expenses. There are still tickets remaining. **The drawing will be held August 15.**

\$50 tickets are for a chance to win up to 9 guns.

\$25 tickets are for a chance to win 7 other prizes: cash prizes of \$1,500, \$1,000, and \$400; a Traeger Grill/Pro 34; Green Mountain Daniel Boone Grill; 4 Royals Tickets with Parking Pass; and a Tool Bundle.

If you would like to purchase tickets to help with this benefit, please call Total Lease Service (785-735-9520) or Mark Karst (785-639-6310).

KEEP PRAYING!
BRING YOUR ROSARY

Pray for the Guidance, Wisdom, and Protection for the New Administration

Prayer hour **every 3rd Tuesday** of the month from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at St. Fidelis Church.



All are welcome!

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats

You are called by name. If you are struggling with your abortion decision come and see what Jesus has prepared for you. Give yourself His "gift" of a retreat weekend.

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)

rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org

Confidential

Lady of Fatima Prayer Group

Our Lady of Fatima Prayer Group will meet again in church before the 10:00 a.m. Mass on **Sunday, August 13**, for rosary and prayers.

Group praying has been requested on the 13th of each month until October 13, the 100-year anniversary of the apparition of our Blessed Mother Mary to Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta in Portugal.

You are welcome to join them in prayer.

Pledge Forms

Pledge forms: you may return the pledge form you received in the mail by dropping them off at the office, in the mail, or putting them in the collection basket at Mass.

Summer Food Program

St. Fidelis Church is sponsoring a summer food program at the Parish Activity Center, 601 10th Street, from **May 30-August 22**. A free nutritious lunch will be served to any children from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. Please use the front entrance of the Parish Activity Center. There are no enrollments or reservations required but if you are bringing a large group such as a day care group, please let us know that morning by calling 785-735-2777. For more information, contact Jan at the Parish Office.



Get Vitals Checked on Tuesdays

St. Fidelis Parish will have a retired Registered Nurse do vitals checks—blood pressure, respirations, pulse, and weight—at the Parish Activity Center in the Meal Site Room on **Tuesdays from 9:30-10:30 a.m.** The service is free and open to anyone. This service is being offered through the Family Life Office.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MONTHLY MEETING

The Knights of Columbus will hold their regular meeting on **Tuesday, August 8**, at 7:30 p.m. at the St. Fidelis Thrift Shop.

PLENARY INDULGENCE GIVEN WHEN VISITING A BASILICA

The faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence by visiting a minor basilica. An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment for a previously forgiven sin. To obtain a plenary indulgence during a pilgrimage to a basilica, one must participate in any sacred rite or recite the Lord's Prayer or the profession of faith while there, then go to Confession and Communion and pray for the intention of the pope. ~taken from *The Register*, the Salina Diocese newspaper

THURSDAY MORNING COFFEE is held at the Parish Office at 9:30. Come and join Fr. John, other parishioners, and friends at the Parish Office for a cup of coffee and a snack.



BULLETIN ITEMS—The deadline for bulletin articles is **Wednesday at 11:00 a.m.** Please contact Connie (sftech@ruraltel.net or 785-735-2777) at the Parish Office if you have an item for the bulletin.



St. Fidelis Food Pantry

Parish Activity Center (PAC) • 601 10th St. • 785-735-2777

ST. FIDELIS THRIFT SHOP is always accepting donations. Thrift Shop hours are Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday from 10-2, Thursday from 10-4, Wednesday from 10-3:30. If these hours do not work to drop off your donations, contact Jan at the parish office.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY	AUGUST 7
7:00 pm	Bernard Roth
TUESDAY	AUGUST 8
6:45 am	Emanuel, Vera, and Tom Pfeifer
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST 9
6:45 am	
THURSDAY	AUGUST 10
6:45 am	
FRIDAY	AUGUST 11
6:45 am	
SATURDAY	AUGUST 12
5:00 pm	St. Fidelis Rich Schmidtberger
SUNDAY	NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 13
7:30 am	St. Ann Landry Robben Wilma Staab
8:45 am	St. Boniface
10:00 am	St. Fidelis Frank J. Sr. and Rose Bleier family

* Sunday Rosary Schedule *

1st - Christian Mothers 2nd - Knights of Columbus
3rd - Daughters of Isabella 4th - Family Life

MINISTER SCHEDULE

CANTORS

Saturday, August 12, 5:00 PM — Hannah Dreiling
Sunday, August 13, 10:00 AM — Meagan Wellbrock

MINISTERS

The ministry schedule continues to be on a volunteer basis. Please sign the schedule by the north entrance or come to the sacristy before Mass to see if anyone is needed.

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