

“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, Baptisms, Hospital Visits, In-Home Mass, Holy Communion to Homebound: Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements for these events.	Morning Coffee: Thursdays 9:00 a.m. at the Parish Office with the Pastor & friends
St. Fidelis Thrift Shop: Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday 10:00—2:00; Wednesday 10:00—3:30; Thursday 10:00—4:00 If these hours do not work to drop off donations, contact Jan at the Parish Office.		St. Fidelis Food Pantry: For residents of the tri-parishes. Call the Parish Office. Donations accepted. 
		BULLETIN ITEMS: Deadline is Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. Please contact Connie at the Parish Office (sftch@ruraltel.net or 785-735-2777)

PLENARY INDULGENCE—The faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence—a remission before God of the temporal punishment for a previously forgiven sin—by visiting a minor basilica. 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*, Salina Diocese newspaper

www.stfidelischurch.com / www.stbonifacevincent.com

June 30, 2019 – 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Eucharistic Adoration:

THURSDAYS • 10:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.
in St. Fidelis Chapel behind the main altar

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

July 26 — Feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne
Aug. 9-10 — Herzogfest
Aug. 15 — Assumption (Holyday of Obligation) — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Sep. 2 — Labor Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Sep. 7-8 — Blessing of Seed Wheat
Sep. 8 — Grandparents’ Day
Sep. 11 — Patriot Day
Sep. 14 — Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Sep. 23 — First Day of Autumn
Oct. 3 — Feast of St. Francis of Assisi — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED





it's time to celebrate INDEPENDENCE DAY!



The Parish Office will be closed
Thursday, July 4.

On July 4, Mass at the Basilica of St. Fidelis
will be at 8:00 a.m.; no 6:45 a.m. Mass.

NO MEALS WILL BE SERVED FOR THE SUMMER
LUNCH PROGRAM THIS THURSDAY AND FRIDAY.



Plowing for Freedom

“No one who sets his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.” That verse from today’s gospel may seem unrelated to the freedom we celebrate this Fourth of July, but there is a significant connection. Plowing and securing freedom are hard work. Both demand a commitment and vigilance.



A veteran farmer will tell you that it is important to plow a straight line. Today you can use GPS, but in former times to plow a straight line you had to fix your eye on a distant object, a tree or a stone post, and keep your eye on it without wavering. If you looked aside or back, as tempted to do, you would lose a direct heading and plow a crooked line. You had to concentrate on a stable goal and not be distracted. Commitment and vigilance.

Acquiring and keeping freedom have the same requirements. The goal must be clear and one must not waver from that ideal. If freedom is misunderstood as unbridled license free of responsibility one is aiming at a moving target which will lead to disaster. The distractions of a busy life tempt one to look elsewhere and lose the total dedication required to plow the straight line of the liberty.

Freedom is easily lost without vigilance.

Those who plow and those who secure freedom serve others. Many of us have never plowed a field, but we all benefit from the hard labor of those who do. We eat well. Few of us have risked our lives to defend our freedom, but we all enjoy the liberty others sacrificed to secure. We are free.

Religious freedom is not only the freedom to practice one’s faith, but also the freedom that religious faith offers, freedom from the tyranny of sin. Unfortunately, faith is often misrepresented as a diminishment of freedom. The requirements of the

commandments may appear to limit freedom. But faith is a responsible freedom, the freedom to choose the right thing. Choosing the wrong thing is not freedom but a subtle form of slavery to evil which reaps unhappiness. Violating the commandments — lying, theft, lust, greed — offers only a fleeting indulgence leading to lasting misery.

Commitment and vigilance are necessary for securing freedom as well as for plowing a straight line. “No one who sets his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

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By the grace of God we have three gifts: freedom of speech, freedom of conscience, and the prudence never to abuse either of them. ~ Mark Twain

Parish Staff

Pastor:

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Lou Ann Hammersmith

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Council Members

St. Fidelis Pastoral Council

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Carol Freitag 735-9282
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Curt Wellbrock 259-6564

St. Ann Pastoral Council

Terry Riedel 735-9375
Jerry Nowak 637-5273
Bill Robben 806-669-5264

Contributions June 22-23, 2019

Adult 2658.00 Loose 1200.00

ST. ANN:

Adult 621.00 Loose 274.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Adult 200.00 Loose 107.00
Candles 22.00

~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

July 1 — Kenny and Bertha
Brungardt

July 8 — Anita Braun, Marilyn
Braun

UPDATE FROM JAN BRUNGARDT

LUNCH PROGRAM

St. Fidelis Parish offers a lunch program for any child in the 432 school district. Lunch is served Monday-Friday at 11:00 a.m. at the Parish Activity Center. There is no fee and registration. Just show up and share lunch with your friends. If anyone has visiting grandchildren, friends, etc. they are also invited to attend. The meal is prepared by Fr. John and served by him and volunteers.

Donations of cookies, brownies, Rice Krispy treats, or other desserts are welcome.

Lunch will not be served on July 4 & 5. The lunch program runs thru July 26. In case of bad weather, the lunch program will be served inside the Parish Activity Center.

I would like to thank everyone who donated towards the lunch program to help defray the cost. You are most appreciated. I would also like to thank all those who have come forward and volunteered to help serve the meal. You are also appreciated.

FOOD PANTRY

The St. Fidelis Food Pantry has been really busy these past couple of months. A huge thank you to all who donate money or food to help keep it going along with the funds of the Thrift Shop. If you know of anyone who could benefit from a little extra food each month, please tell them to call Jan at the parish office, 785-735-2777.

The Food Pantry is a state run program. Most of the food comes from the Kansas Food Pantry in Wichita. There is no charge for the meat and fresh produce. Most of the other items are at a reduced rate. It is delivered to the PAC once a month. If we run short of food, we purchase it in Hays. Since it is a state program, the food is given to those in need. We cannot ask for anything in return, including money, community service, or any other form of reimbursement.

IF ANYONE WISHES TO VISIT ABOUT THE FOOD PANTRY, THE LUNCH PROGRAM, OR COMMODITIES, STOP IN THE OFFICE AND TALK TO JAN. PLEASE DO NOT PASS INCORRECT INFORMATION ON TO OTHERS.

THRIFT SHOP

The St. Fidelis Thrift Shop continues to do very well. I hear compliments from people all the time about how great the shop looks. If you have not been to the Thrift Shop, you should take time to check it out. Again, we appreciate all the donations but keep in mind we cannot accept TV's, mattresses, non working appliances, or electronics.

All of the people at the Thrift Shop are volunteers. They are doing a great job. They show up when they are scheduled or find a replacement. They keep the Thrift Shop going. If you happen to know of anyone working there, please give them a big thank you. The money used at the Thrift Shop helps support the lunch program, food pantry, and gas vouchers. This money used to come from the general parish funds but with the Thrift Shop and donations that is no longer necessary.

THANKS, CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

Thank you to the Christian Mothers of all three parishes for providing new Mass pew cards for all three parishes.

HERZOGFEST APPROACHING

The Herzogfest is fast approaching. St. Fidelis Parish will be serving beef and noodles this year. We decided to change things up a bit. If you are willing to donate 5 pound bags of flour or a beef roast for the beef and noodles, we would greatly appreciate it. You may bring the items to the office any time during regular office hours. The eggs have been provided and we have someone making the noodles. There will not be a schedule of workers, but you may volunteer your time by helping to set up and take down and volunteering in the booth. Fr. John has rehearsal on Friday evening and on Saturday a wedding at 3:00, Mass in the park at 4:00 and Mass at St. Fidelis Church at 5:00 so help will be needed in the booth any time during Friday night or Saturday but especially during the hours he will be busy. You may just show up to help anytime. Thank you in advance.

JUNE HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERT

Predators are at work throughout the year—summer is no exception. Learn more about human trafficking/modern day slavery so that you can be more alert to trafficking situations. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking** (sistersagainstrafficking.org).



Peter's Pence Collection
Be a Witness of
Charity
 "A LITTLE MERCY MAKES THE WORLD LESS
 COLD AND MORE JUST."
 —Pope Francis, Angelus, March 17, 2013

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

The Diocese of Salina is sponsoring the
8th Annual Catholic Men's Conference
SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 1805 Vine St., Hays

Speakers will be Pete Burak and Peter Herbeck.



Peter Herbeck



Pete Burak

Please attend and bring your sons who are in Junior High, High School, or College.

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

Love, Naturally!
 In conjunction with NFP Awareness Week
 the
 Family Life and NFP Office will host a
Day of Recollection
 A Retreat for Couples Struggling with Infertility
 When: *Saturday, July 27, 2019*
 9 AM to 3:30 PM
 Where: *ST. Mary Queen of Angels Parish*
 Russell, KS

REGISTRATION
 ONLINE AT
SalinaDiocese.org
 JUNE 15, 2019
 THRU
 JULY 20, 2019

The retreat will include Mass, brunch, an opportunity for confession, as well as inspiring talks from a priest, a witness couple, and more.

For more information, please contact the Family Life Office at 785-827-8746 or email FamilyLife@SalinaDiocese.org

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Members to Pray Rosary

The Daughters of Isabella Circle #364 will pray a rosary before the 5:00 p.m. Mass at the Basilica of St. Fidelis on **Saturday, June 29**, for World Day of Prayer.

Members are asked to gather at 4:30 in the front pews.

ST. ANN

Pastoral Council Nominations

St. Ann Parish is accepting nominations for Pastoral Council for the 2019-2022 term. Terry Riedel's first term as council member will expire at the end of June. Terry is eligible and willing to accept a second term.

If there are other parishioners who are 18 or older and are interested and willing to accept a nomination, please call the parish office at 735-2777.

St. Fidelis Minister Schedules for July 2019 can be found at the north church entrance.

A small sandwich baggie holding about 25 memorial cards for various individuals was found in the Basilica of St. Fidelis after the funeral of Lamanda Lodovici Bennegfield on Saturday, June 15. If this is yours, please contact Connie at the Parish Office 785-735-2777.



I never called you stupid. But when I asked you how to spell Mississippi, and you asked if I was talking about the river or the state, it just kind of caught me off guard.

COMMUNITY

**Victoria V.F.W. Post 1751
Benefit Dance**

Dance outside from 8:00 until 11:00 p.m. with

**Jimmy Dee
and the Fabulous Destinations**

SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2019

V.F.W. members will be selling Hamburgers, Brats, and Fixings along with Beer, Pop, Tea, and Water starting at 5:30 p.m.

PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS REMODELING THE V.F.W. HALL KITCHEN

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MASS INTENTIONS	
MONDAY	JULY 1
7:00 pm Alvin and Celeste Schmidtberger Frank and Twila Brungardt Norman Schrant (anniv)	
TUESDAY	JULY 2
6:45 am Verlin, Patty, and Stephan Dreiling	
WEDNESDAY	JULY 3
6:45 am Shirley (Jacobs) Brungardt	
THURSDAY	INDEPENDENCE DAY
8:00 am	
FRIDAY	JULY 5
6:45 am	
SATURDAY	JULY 6
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Allen Dreiling family	
SUNDAY	14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
7:30 am St. Ann Dolores Froelich Andrew and Barbara Scheck, Severin and Isabell Scheck, and Gilbert Rohr family	
8:45 am St. Boniface James and Marian Rajewski Charles Robben Jim, Charlene, Joe, and Anna Marie Dreiling, and Linda Rogers	
10:00 am St. Fidelis Eldon Schmidtberger Ramona Kippes (anniv)	

*** Sunday Rosary Schedule ***

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

MINISTER SCHEDULE

CANTORS

Saturday, July 6, 5:00 PM — Trilogy
Sunday, July 7, 10:00 AM — John Braun

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, July 6, 5:00 PM — Taylor A., Brinly L.
Sunday, July 7, 10:00 AM — Mackenzie H., Emma & Ally D.
Saturday, July 13, 5:00 PM — Juliana D., Drayden K.
Sunday, July 14, 10:00 AM — Averi W., Wesley & Lydia S.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, July 6, 5:00 PM — Randy Leiker, Mary Brungardt,
Gib & Carol Billinger, Karie Younger, Tammy dome, Ivan
Werner
Sunday, July 7, 10:00 AM — Norma Keenan, Joan Wellbrock,
Michelle Geist, Brenda Robben, Det Younger, Connie Braun,
VOLUNTEER

LECTORS \ COMMENTATORS

Saturday, July 6, 5:00 PM — Marilyn Braun, Verda Werner
Sunday, July 7, 10:00 AM — Shanna Dinkel, Yvonne Braun

GREETERS

Saturday, July 6, 5:00 PM — Fritz & Anita Braun, Mary
Windholz
Sunday, July 7, 10:00 AM — Leroy & Joanne Braun, Det
Younger