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THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS

. Dearl 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

Morning Coffee

Office with the Pastor & friends

Catholic Faith Education Office 785-735-9244

St. Fidel is Food Pantry Thursdays 9:00 a.m. at the Parish For residents of the tri-parishes. Call the Parish Office. Donations accepted.



ST. FIDELIS GIFT & THRIFT SHOP - 503 Main Street, Victoria

Weddings, Baptisms, Hospital Visits,

In-Home Mass, Holy Communion to Homebound

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements for these events.

Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday 10:00-2:00; Wednesday 10:00-3:30; Thursday 10:00-4:00 Some items available at Parish Office such as Herzoger, Cookbooks, Postcards, History Books.

BULLETIN ITEMS Deadline is Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. Please contact Connie at the Parish Office (sftech@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

January 2, 2022 — Epiphany of the Lord

Masses:

St. Fidel is, 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 — 8:30 am — November - April Saturday — 6:30 pm — May - October

Eucharistic Adoration: THURSDAYS • 9:30 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.

in St. Fidelis Chapel behind the main altar Bishop Vincke asks each parish to Include prayers for vocations to religious life.

Confessions:

St. Fidelis: Mondays 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays 4:00 p.m.

St. Ann: After Mass

St. Boniface: Sundays 7:45-8:15 a.m. (Nov.-Apr.) After Mass (May-Oct.) or by appointment (contact Parish Office)

Tri-Parish Prayer Line

Anyone wishing to request prayers for family or friends may call Teresa Shepherd (785-735-9576) to add their requests to the Prayer Line

Dates To Remember

Jan. 17 — Martin Luther King Jr. Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Jan. 29 — Kansas Day—161 years

Feb. 2 — Presentation of the Lord— **Blessing of Candles Groundhog Day**

Feb. 6 — Boy Scout Sunday

Feb. 14 — Valentine's Day

Feb. 21 — President's Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

"We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

Matthew 2:1-12





The Other Wise Men

The gospel does not tell us how many wise men came to adore the Christ Child. We assume three Magi from three gifts. Ancient traditions suggested four for the four evangelists or twelve for the twelve apostles. Henry van Dyke wrote an inspiring novel, "The Story of the Other Wise Man." A DVD version is available and is wholesome entertainment in this holiday season.

His novel is about a fictitious wise man, Artaban, who had planned to travel with Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. He bought three jewels as gifts for the infant king: a sapphire, a ruby, and a pearl. But on the day of departure he stopped to help an injured child and missed the caravan. So he sold the sapphire to outfit a second expedition. When he finally arrived at Bethlehem, the Holy Family had fled to Egypt. But he did rescue one of the Holy Innocents by bribing a soldier with the ruby.

With only the pearl remaining, he set out again to find the new King. When he was close to meeting the



Messiah, a cry for help from the unfortunate always delayed him. Thirty years later in Jerusalem he heard that a man was condemned to death who claimed to be the Messiah King. Artaban thought this might be the king he was seeking, so he decided to ransom him with his pearl. But on his way to the praetorium he saw a slave auction where a girl was being sold into bondage. He bought the young woman with the pearl and set her free.

He had now given away his last tribute to the new King, and he had not found him. Suddenly the skies darkened over Calvary, there was an earthquake, and Artaban was crushed by falling rock. As he lay dying the clouds parted and a voice said, "Whatever you have done to the least of my children, you have done to me." Artaban died knowing that he had found the King many times.

Van Dyke's story is a parable. Artaban is every Christian. We are all on a journey in search of the Messiah King. We have been entrusted with many gifts to offer him. Like Artaban

we will not meet the infant King in person. But on our journey we will meet Him in many others and our gifts to them will be our gifts to Him. "Whatever you have done to the least of my children, you have done to me." Our spiritual journey through life can be inspired by that of The Other Wise Man.

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Congress canceled their Christmas pageant for lack of three wise men.

Parish Staff

Pastor:

Fr. Jim Moster, OFM, Cap. email: james.moster@capuchins.org

Bookkeeper/Minister to the Elderly and Homebound/Thrift Shop/Food Pantry:

Jan Brungardt

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Sacramental Records email: sfreled@ruraltel.net

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Darlene Dreiling

<u>Groundskeeper</u>: Julius Dreiling <u>Maintenance</u>: Ken Pfeifer, Randy Leiker <u>Organists</u>: Kathy Dreiling-Amrein Lou Ann Hammersmith

Choir Director: Kathy Dreiling-Amrein

<u>Technology Coordinator</u>: Connie Windholz

email: sftech@ruraltel.net

Council Members

St. Fidelis Pastoral Council

Doug Kuhn 650-1058 (Chair)
John R. Braun 735-2622 (Vice-Chair)
Marilyn Braun 735-9265 (Sec)
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Ryan Lichter 650-7361
Bertha R. Brungardt 735-4106
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Terry Riedel 735-9375 Bill Robben 806-669-5264 Patrick Zwenger

Contributions December 26, 2021

ST. FIDELIS:

Envelopes 2526.00 <u>Loose</u> 1176.00 <u>Repair Fund</u> 520.00

ST. ANN:

Envelopes 430.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Envelopes 85.00 Candles 30.10

~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

Jan. 3 — Marilyn Braun, Kenny Brungardt

Jan. 10 — Cora Schulte, Ivan Werner

Tithing Envelopes

2022 tithing envelopes are available at the entrances of all three churches. If you do not have a box of envelopes and would like one please let Jan know at the parish office.

REMEMBER beginning January 1, 2022, use your new box of envelopes. Throw the old box away or recycle it.

Donations are recorded according to the number on the envelope. Numbers change each year for several reasons: new parishioners, someone passed away, or some have decided to not use envelopes. Every check in the loose collection is recorded by name but it is much easier to keep track of your donations if you use your envelopes.

If you have any questions, contact Jan at the parish office. Thank you!

Parishioner Info Update

Out of <u>497</u> parishioners listed in our tri-parish database, we have received <u>69</u> updated information forms back.

Thank you to all who have already returned their updated information.

We do need your information. Even if you think we have the correct information, please fill out a form. You can put it in the collection basket during weekend Masses or bring it to the Parish Office or mail it to: Basilica of St. Fidelis, 601 10th Street, Victoria, Kansas 67671.

YOU CAN REQUEST A FORM AT THE PARISH OFFICE OR FIND THEM AT THE ENTRANCES TO THE CHURCH.

The form can also be printed from the home page of our website:

StFidelisChurch.com.

ST. ANN

Christian Mothers Dues

St. Ann's Christian Mothers dues of \$5.00 are due and payable to Lou Ann Hammersmith, Box 163, Gorham, Kansas 67640.

Christian Mothers / Altar Society

Salina Diocesan Council of Catholic Women SPEAKER EVENT

Mother Miriam of the Lamb of God, Daughters of Mary—Conversion Story

Value Them Both Amendment Protecting Life at All Stages

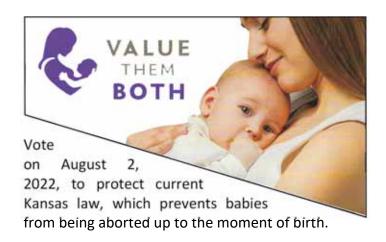
Join Catholic women from across the diocese as they share in their faith.

All women are invited. There is no cost.

Sunday, January 9, 2022 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Sacred heart Cathedral, 118 N. Ninth Street, Salina

Questions: Contact Rachel Elsen at rachelelsen518@gmail.com 785-738-2889

FAMILY LIFE



Contributions CHRISTMAS December 24-25, 2021

ST. FIDELIS: Envelopes 12,906.00 Loose 3,608.00

ST. ANN: <u>Envelopes</u> 605.00 <u>Loose</u> 1,049.00 ST. BON IFACE: Envelopes 705.00 Loose 906.00

Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers Needed

Anyone willing to serve as a Lector or an Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister at the Basilica of St. Fidelis, please contact Diane Gross at 785-735-4804.

More volunteers are needed now that we are having more Communion Stations at weekend Masses.

* Sunday Rosary Schedul e *

1st - Christian Mothers

2nd - Knights of Columbus

3rd - Daughters of Isabella 4th - Family Life

MINISTER SCHEDULE

The Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Homebound, and Cantor schedules can be found on the Mass Schedule page of the church website at StFidelisChurch.com.

Please contact Diane Gross (785-735-4804) with any questions about the schedule for Eucharistic or Lector ministry.

CANTORS

Saturday, January 8
5:00 PM — Marilyn Braun
Sunday, January 9
10:00 AM — Jubilee Choir

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, January 8

5:00 PM — Diane Gross, Kathy Kuhn, Mary Brungardt **Sunday, January 9**

10:00 AM — Teresa Shepherd, Leroy Schmidtberger, Bertha R. Brungardt, Kenny Brungardt (Choir)

LECTORS\COMMENTATORS

Saturday, January 8

5:00 PM — Amorette Windholz

Sunday, January 9

10:00 AM — Karen Nowak

HOMEBOUND MINISTERS

Wednesday, January 5 — Diane Gross

Sunday, January 9, 10:00 AM — Bertha and Kenny Brungardt

MASS SERVERS

Saturday, January 8

5:00 PM — Emma D., Mackenzie H., Easton W.

Sunday, January 9

10:00 AM — Kaitlyn & Jack W., Sienna S.

Saturday, January 15

5:00 PM — Hadley & Brinly L., Harper T.

Sunday, January 16

10:00 AM — Wesley & Nicholas S., Ryker K.

New Year's Mass Schedule

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD (New Year's Day)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2021

6:45 am (regular schedule for a Friday)
This is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year so there will not be an anticipatory Mass for the Holy Day on Friday evening.

The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, December 31.

SATURDAY morning, JANUARY 1, 2022 BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS, Victoria

9:00 am

This is not an obligatory Mass, but is being celebrated for the Feast of Mary, Mother of God.

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

Regular Mass Schedule

SATURDAY evening, JANUARY 1, 2022 BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS, Victoria

5:00 pm

ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH, Walker

6:30 pm

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022

ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH, Vincent

8:30 am

BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS, Victoria

10:00 am

MASS INTENTIONS 7:00 pm Mary, Bryan, and Ron Mermis TUESDAY...... JANUARY 4 **6:45** am Dave Leiker WEDNESDAY......JANUARY 5 6:45 am Wendelin Schmidt, Jr. THURSDAY JANUARY 6 6:45 am FRIDAY JANUARY 7 6:45 am Linus Werth SATURDAY JANUARY 8 5:00 pm St. Fidelis Michael Weigel 6:30 pm St. Ann Edwin and Ruth Engel and Jane Penka SUNDAY...... JANUARY 9 8:30 am St. Boniface Verlin, Patty, and Stephan Dreiling 10:00 am St. Fidelis Joe Brungardt

Fr. Jim Moster St. Francis of Assisi Friary 3553 Wyandot St. Denver, Co 80211-2948

Above is the current address for our pastor, Fr. Jim. He will be there until sometime after his rehab following his surgery on December. Let us all pray that he can be back here with us soon.

Homebound Services

St. Fidelis offers homebound Eucharistic ministry to all three parishes every Wednesday morning and every Sunday after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. If you would like to receive communion in your home, contact Jan at the Parish Office. Fr. Jim will also come to your home and offer the anointing of the sick or confessions. Contact Jan at the Parish Office.

Restoration Fund Update

As of December 13, we have received \$336,523.50 (\$85,099.06 from non-parishioners) towards the restoration fund for the Basilica of St. Fidelis. *Thank you for your generosity.*

LOST & FOUND

Found in the Basilica of St. Fidelis after Masses the weekend of December 18-19: a pack of baby wipes; a small plastic animal toy. To claim, please call the Parish Office at 785-735-2777.

There will not be any Masses at the Basilica of St. Fidelis Monday through Thursday, January 10-13. Fr. Curtis will not be available.

New Parish Directory

The St. Fidelis Parish Council has decided it is time to do a new parish directory. In the past, we have used a company that does this on a regular basis. Other options have been discussed by the Council such as having local photographers take pictures of people as they are going into church rather then make appointments in the evenings.

Nothing has been decided for sure. This project will probably be completed in the spring.

This directory will be for all three parishes so anyone can help or be in charge.

If anyone is interested in being in charge of this directory or if you are willing to help, please contact Jan at the Parish Office.

Tri-Parish

Cards & Games Party

NEXT Sunday, January 9 ● 2:00 — 4:00 p.m.

Parish Activity Center (north entrance)

Everyone is invited. Pick up a friend and come join the fun!

You are welcomed to bring a snack of any kind for everyone to enjoy.



LET'S PLAY!

- Pinochle
- Farkle
- Skip-Bo
- Dominos
- Phase 10
- Rummikub

JANAUARY HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERT

Respect for the Dignity of persons is a Principle of Catholic Social Teaching and one ignored by traffickers who treat persons as commodities. Join us in abolishing this horrific crime. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking is a 501 © (3) organization, 2039 N. Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131. (sistersagainsttrafficking.org)

2021 Bishop's Annual Appeal



PLEDGED/RECEIVED TO DATE

| PARISH | GOAL | PLEDGED | RECEIVED | #of Donors |
|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Walker | 5,000.00 | 15,325.00 | 16,075.00 | 12 |
| Vincent | 2,000.00 | 870.00 | 870.00 | 8 |
| Victoria | 15,000.00 | 17,545.00 | 16,745.00 | 60 |

As of December 28, 2021,

\$1,971,067.78 has been pledged and \$1,936,504.52 has been received toward the \$1.85 million goal of the Annual Appeal.

Topeka Respect Life Rally

The 2022 Topeka Respect Life Rally will be Tuesday, January 25. The doors open at 8:30 a.m. Praise and worship music will begin at 9:00 a.m. and keynote speaker, Kristan Hawkins, president of Students for Life, will give a dynamic pro-life presentation.

Three Bishops from Kansas—Archbishop Naumann, Bishop Kemme, and Bishop Vincke—will celebrate Mass at 10:30 a.m. Following Mass, everyone will march to the State Capitol for the Rally for Life.

This ia a great alternative to those unable to make the pilgrimage to D.C.

To register or for more details, go to https://archkck.org/prolife/activities/ignite.

From the Diocesan Safe Environment Office

As the world continues to deal with the stresses of the pandemic, it is important for adults (especially parents) to manage their own stress effectively and allow themselves to continue functioning when faced with challenges, adversities, and trauma. Parents being the most important people in a child's world, let us be sure our own homes are safe havens for our children.

Easy ways to prevent abuse from happening in our homes:

- Learn what is age appropriate. Having realistic expectations of what children can handle will help avoid frustration and anger at normal childhood behavior.
- Develop new parenting skills. Learn appropriate discipline techniques and how to set clear boundaries for your children. Parenting classes, books, and seminars offer this information.
- Take care of yourself. The worst tends to come out of us, parents or not, when we are overwhelmed, stressed or anxious. Connecting with other people, getting enough sleep, eating well and regular exercise are excellent ways to take care of yourself.
- Get help when needed. If you were abused or neglected as a child or find yourself feeling overwhelmed and would like to talk to someone, call our Victim Assistance Coordinator 866-752-8855 #1067

Facts about child abuse and neglect:

- There is more than one type of child abuse. Child abuse can be physical, sexual, emotional, or neglect. Signs of abuse may not always be obvious.
- Abuse and neglect don't just happen in poor families or "bad" neighborhoods. Child abuse crosses all racial, economic, and cultural lines.
- Most abusers are family members or others close to the family.
- Many abusive parents are victims of abuse themselves and don't know any other way to parent. Others may be struggling with mental health issues or substance abuse problems.

The church is the Body of Christ. All members of the Church are linked to one another. We ALL have a responsibility to ensure the safety of children in our parishes, schools, families, and local communities.

The Diocese of Salina has taken great strides in fulfilling our promise to protect children, educate our communities, and bring healing to those who have suffered abuse.

Are there people who sit next to you at Mass each week who do not currently minister to minors, but could benefit from being educated on how to protect children? Please encourage them to contact the Safe Environment Office at 785-827-8746.

The more people who are educated on child sexual abuse, the safer our children will be!

Catholic Charities Can Assist Those Impacted by Recent Windstorms

On December 15, 2021, Northwest Kansas experienced devastating winds and wildfires. Many throughout our 31-county service area were impacted and suffered significant lost.

Our hearts and prayers are with all who have experienced loss, especially so close to Christmas.

Moments like these are especially disruptive for families living "on the edge," as unexpected repairs and deductibles can deplete any savings they may have and drive them further into poverty.

Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas is here to help on the journey to recovery.

Those needing assistance can call the Catholic Charities office nearest them or visit:

https://ccnks.org/decemberdisaster.

If you wish to help those impacted by these events, the best way to help is by donating to the Catholic Charities Local Disaster Relief Fund. Go to:

www.ccnks.org/disasterfund.

Or mail a check with "Disaster Relief Fund" in the memo line to:

Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas c/o Disaster Relief Fund PO Box 1366 Salina, Kansas 67402-1366

COMMUNITY



All events/activities are subject to change.

Monday — December 27—January 4

Christmas Break

No Practice Dates

Tuesday — January 4

4:00 pm Basketball vs. Plainville

Wednesday — January 5

2:20 pm School Dismissed/PLC

Thursday — January 6

4:00 pm JH basketball @ LaCrosse

Friday — January 7

ACT registration deadline for February 12 test

4:00 pm HS basketball @ Otis-Bison

Commodities to Be Distributed

Commodities will be distributed on **Tuesday**, **January 4**, **at 1:30 p.m.** at the Parish Office, 601 10th Street. Please use the north entrance.





Doctor, **Doctor**

Doctor, Doctor brings you engaging, often humorous, and sometimes serious discussions of practical and

current medical topics with a focus on the dignity of the human person — body and soul. Dr. Chris Stroud, Dr. Tom McGovern, and Dr. Andrew Mullally are a trustworthy source of medical information and advice for Catholics ... and everyone else! Tune in at 10:00 AM on Saturdays.

"Healing" Meetings

The Center for Life Experience, Inc., 103C East 27th St., Oak Plaza, Hays, hosts meetings for various support groups. RSVP by email to info@cflehope.org or call for information (785-259-6859). All meetings are in-person unless otherwise indicated.

Below are the schedules for upcoming meetings:

- NAMI Connections: Monday, January 3, 7:00-8:30 p.m. regular meeting (in-person or online). Hosted by NAMI Hays. For more info, email hunter@namikansas.org or art@namikansas.org.
- **Healing After Loss**: Tuesday, January 4, 10:00 a.m. regular meeting.
- Healing After Loss of Suicide: Wednesday, January 5, 5:45 p.m. dinner; 6:30 p.m. regular meeting.
- NAMI Family Support Group: Wednesday, January 12, 7:00-8:30 p.m. regular meeting (in-person or online). Hosted by NAMI Hays. For more info, email hunter@namikansas.org or art@namikansas.org.
- **Healing Hearts**: Thursday, January 13, 6:30 p.m. regular meeting.
- NAMI Connections: Monday, January 17, 7:00-8:30 p.m. regular meeting (in-person or online). Hosted by NAMI Hays. For more info, email hunter@namikansas.org or art@namikansas.org.
- **Healing After Loss**: Tuesday, January 18, 5:45 p.m. dinner; 6:30 p.m. regular meeting.
- Healing After Loss of Suicide: Wednesday, January 19, 5:45 p.m. dinner; 6:30 p.m. regular meeting.
- NAMI Family Support Group: Wednesday, January 26, 7:00-8:30 p.m. regular meeting (in-person or online). Hosted by NAMI Hays. For more info, email hunter@namikansas.org or art@namikansas.org.





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