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# THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS

# . Rearl of the Prairie. ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH









# Parish Office

and Catholic Faith Education 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

Weddings, Baptisms, Hospital Visits, Holy Communion to Homebound
Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements for these events.

ST. FIDELIS GIFT SHOP Located in the Parish Office at 601 10th Street, Victoria

## ST. FIDELIS THRIFT SHOP - 503 Main Street, Victoria

Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday 10:00-2:00; Wednesday 10:00-3:30; Thursday 10:00-4:00

#### **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

# August 27, 2023 — 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### 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

To request prayers for family or friends, call Teresa Shepherd (785-735-9576) to add the request to the Prayer Line

#### Dates To Remember

**Sep. 4** — Labor Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Sep. 9-10 — Blessing of seed wheat

**Sep. 14** — Exaltation of the Holy Cross

**Sep. 16** — VHS Homecoming

Mass @ 4:00 pm; No 5:00 pm Mass

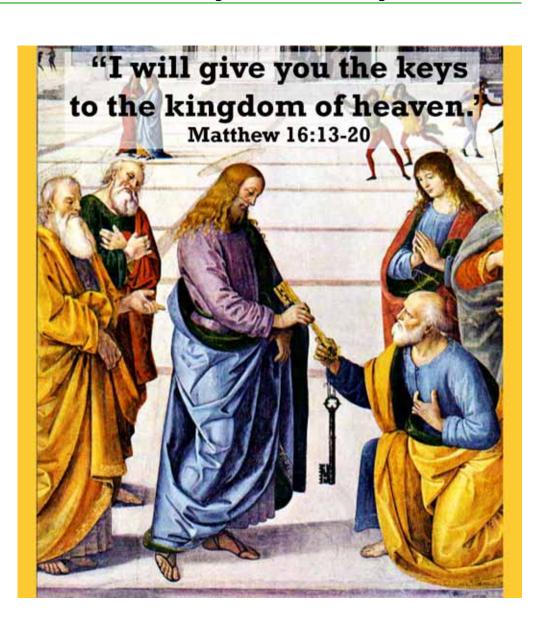
**Sep. 17** — Catechetical Sunday

Sep. 24 — Mass at Holy Cross 3:00

**Sep. 28-30** — Parish Directory pictures

Oct. 4 — Feast of St. Francis of Assisi — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Oct. 9 — Columbus Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED





## Friend or Foe

In this Sunday's gospel Christ asked his followers who people thought he was. Some said Elijah, John the Baptist, a prophet, and finally Peter's profession of faith, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." Notice that they told him the opinion of his admirers. They did not mention what his enemies thought of him. That can be even more insightful.



When Al Smith was nominated to run for president of the United States he listed grand endorsements from his many friends. His advisors told him, "We know what your friends say about you, we need to know what your enemies say." Al Smith replied, "Ask my in-laws."

Christ did not have trouble with his in-laws, but he did have real enemies, many who sought his life. The most famous of these was Judas his betrayer who said, "I have betrayed innocent blood." Pilate, who condemned Christ to death, said, "I find nothing against this man." His unrelenting opponents, the Pharisees, said, "We know that you are a truthful man and teach the ways of God without courting human favor."

The Samaritan woman at Jacob's well rejected Christ as a despised Jew, but later she told the people. "I have found the Messiah." A Samaritan

saying that a Jew is the promised Messiah was unfathomable. Another surprising testimony was from his executioner. The centurion crucified Christ exclaimed, "Truly, this man was the Son of God!" Finally, there is unexpected testimony from his ultimate opponent, Satan, evil itself. When Christ cast out Satan's demons they said. "Leave us alone, Son of

> David. We know who you are; you are the Son of God."

> Not all the enemies of Christ admired his teaching or conceded his divinity. But their repeated efforts to discredit him testimony that they feared his goodness and truth which might expose their deceit. Unwittingly they were honoring him by their attempts to demean him. They never questioned his integrity, which implicitly conceded that he was who he said he was, the divine Son of God.

Today we can profit from listening to what the enemies of Christianity have to say about us. They can remind us that we are not living up to the gospel ideals. Perhaps they offer an objective assessment so lacking in our own community. A bitter enemy can be more honest than a flattering friend. Our enemies become our friends when they tell us the painful truth about ourselves. So listen to your enemies. They can tell you what you need to change to be a better person.

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Always forgive your enemies; nothing annoys them so much.

#### Parish Staff

#### Pastor:

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Youth Minister

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#### Cemetery Groundskeeper:

Wilmer Dinkel

Maintenance: Ken Pfeifer Organists: Kathy Dreiling-Amrein Lou Ann Hammersmith

Choir Director: Kathy Dreiling-Amrein

Technology Coordinator: Connie Windholz

email: sftech@ruraltel.net

## **Council Members**

#### St. Fidelis Pastoral Council

John R. Braun 735-2622 (Chair) Rose Ann Dreiling (Vice-Chair) Angie Roth 735-8035 (Sec) Bertha R. Brungardt 735-4106 Patty Dreiling 735-4479 Curt Kuhn 735-8820 Rosie Kreutzer 656-3298 Michael Younger Jeff Kisner

#### St. Fidelis Finance Council

Harland Rupp 735-2206 Frank Dreiling 735-8385 David Ottley 735-8434

#### St. Boniface Pastoral Council

Fred Tholen 735-4801 Curt Wellbrock 259-6564 Kathy Huser 735-4193

#### St. Ann Pastoral Council

Bill Robben 806-669-5264 Patrick Zwenger 402-452-6253 Bob Brungardt 735-4410

#### Contributions August 19-20, 2023

## ST. FIDELIS:

Envelopes 2665.00 Loose 705.75 Repair Fund 95.00 Cemetery 20.00

#### ST. ANN:

Envelopes 430.00 Loose 124.00 Catholic Charities 23.00

#### ST. BONIFACE:

Envelopes 745.00 Loose 127.00 Candles 15.00

#### ~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

August 28 — Mary Brungardt, Janie Dinges

September 5 (Tuesday) — Verda Werner, Bertha Brungardt

# St. Fidel is Food Bank

The St. Fidelis Food Bank is available during Parish Office hours to those in need of food. Please call the office at 785-735-2777 in advance so you won't have to wait while we prepare a box of food for you. Boxes can be picked up at the northwest door of the Parish Office. Donations of food or money are always welcome to help supply the Food Bank.

# \* Sunday

### Rosary Schedule

1<sup>st</sup> - Christian Mothers 3<sup>rd</sup> - Daughters of Isabella 2<sup>nd</sup> - Knights of Columbus

4<sup>th</sup> - 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 the Eucharistic or Lector ministries or if you are willing to volunteer for those ministries.

# \*CANTORS\*

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2** 

5:00 PM — Becky and Jim Scheck

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3** 

**10:00 AM** — Leroy Schmidtberger

## \*EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS\*

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2** 

**5:00 PM** — Jane Wagner, Tom Tholen, Debbie Staab, Carol Pfeifer

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3** 

**10:00 AM** — Andrea Schmidtberger, Anne Dinkel, Bertha A. Brungardt, Michelle Geist

### \*LECTORS\COMMENTATORS\*

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2** 

5:00 PM — Becky Scheck

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3** 

 ${\bf 10:00~AM}-{\rm LeeAnn~Schmidtberger}$ 

# \*HOMEBOUND MINISTERS\*

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30** — Kathy Kuhn **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3** 

**10:00 AM** — Cora Schulte and Kathy Amrein

# \*MASS SERVERS\*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 5:00 PM — SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 10:00 AM —

## **Committee Meeting Dates**

Finance Council 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Pastoral Council 1st Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Liturgy Committee 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday @ 5:30 pm

### **Seed Wheat**

will be blessed at all Masses the weekend of September 9-10.

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At St. Fidelis, please place your jars

on the Communion railing.



The Parish Office will be closed Monday, September 4, for Labor Day.

### 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 the Parish Office.

Fr. Jim will also come to your home and offer the anointing of the sick or confessions.

# New Parishioners

If you would like to join one of the Tri-Parishes—
St. Fidelis, St. Ann, or St. Boniface—
Parishioner Forms are available at the
Parish Office, 601 10th Street, or on the Home Page
of our website: www.StFidelisChurch.com.

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

# K. of C. Raffle Tickets for Religious Ed

The Knights of Columbus Charities Foundation has their Kansas State Religious Education Fund 2023 Raffle Tickets for sale again. The local Knights have 12 tickets for sale at \$100 each.

Prizes are: one \$30,000 prize, one \$10,000 prize, five \$5,000 prize, eight \$2,000 prize, and seven \$1,000 prizes. Need not be present to win.

For tickets, contact Harland Rupp at 785-623-1368.

# **Knights to Honor Jamey Roth**

At the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, August 26, the Knights of Columbus will recognize Jamey Roth for his accomplishments as Past State Deputy and for his current position of Supreme Director.

The mass will be attended by State Officers and other Knights of Columbus dignitaries.

Most Reverend John B. Brungardt, Bishop of the Diocese of Dodge City, will preside.

### From the Pastor...

I was approached by a lady of the parish insisting that I do something about wearing certain women's summer fashions in church, especially in ministering at the altar. She said she represented others. I sometimes hear from men how such fashions are a real distraction to them. I discussed that with a different female parishioner, who said I should tell the men to keep their eyes in the missalette at Mass.

Christian dignity and a sense of respect for God and others definitely suggests an effort to be modest, not only in church, but everywhere. Christian moral teaching challenges each of us to take custody of the eyes and master our own instincts in piety so that we may also have self-respect. *Pietas* in traditional Latin usage expressed a complex, highly valued Roman virtue; a man with *pietas* respected his responsibilities to gods, country, parents, and kin. In its strictest sense it was the sort of love a son ought to have for his father and mother.

# **RCIA**

Each year, many adults are called to join the Catholic faith. How does someone join the Catholic Church? Through a process called the RCIA. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process in which adults become full, participating members of the Catholic Church. Participants, known as catechumens go through a process of studying the Gospel, nurturing their relationship with God, becoming familiar with the Catholic teachings and practices, professing their faith in Jesus and the Church, and receiving the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation.

## Who can join?

The Church extends an invitation to all who wish to become members of the Catholic faith. Those who go through the RCIA process fall under one of the following categories:

- Someone who has never been baptized.
- Someone who is of another faith and wishes to convert to Catholicism.
- An individual who was baptized in another Christian denomination and wishes to become a member of the Catholic faith.
- Someone who was baptized in the Catholic Church, but never received the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation.

RCIA classes begin on <u>Sunday, September 24, 2023</u>, at the Parish Activity Center in Victoria. If you are thinking about joining the Catholic faith, you are most welcome to join the class. There is no obligation or cost. <u>Please be assured that you will never be quizzed or tested on class material</u>. If you are interested or would like information, please call Father Jim Moster or Shirley Brungardt as soon as possible at 785-735-2777.

# Tri-Parish Directory

# SIGNUP DATES IN CHURCH

For those unable to signup on-line, signup will be available at each of the tri-parish churches on the following weekends:

Saturday-Sunday, September 9-10 and

Saturday-Sunday, September 16-17 and

Saturday-Sunday, September 23-24

At the Basilica of St. Fidelis, signup will be available before and after Mass in the vestibule.

# THE DATES PICTURES WILL BE TAKEN ARE:

**Thursday, September 28** 

2:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, September 29

2:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 30

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, October 17** 

2:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 18

2:00 - 8:30 p.m.





Scan the QR Code above or go to <u>UCDIR.com</u> to schedule your photo appointment.

Once on the website, click the button circled at left. It will take you to the list of days and times available.

To login, use the following: Church Code = KS155 Password = photos

Any parishioner who has their picture taken will receive a free 8x10 photo and a parish directory.

Spread the word and let's get every parishioner's picture in the directory.

# SIGN UP NOW!

If you would like help signing up, please call or come in to the Parish Office and we can help you select a date and time for your picture appointment.

# Lost & Found

- A Sunday Missal in a nice zippered cover was found in the vestibule of the Basilica of St. Fidelis on Thursday, August 17.
- Long sleeved Victoria Knights shirt found in shopping bag on radiator by the bathrooms in the Basilica of St. Fidelis around August 1. Looks new.
- A tall, insulated Stanley cup with plastic straw found near the north entrance of the Basilica of St. Fidelis on Saturday, July 15.

To claim, please call the Parish Office at 785-735-2777.

### DIOCESE

# **August Human Trafficking Alert**

Are you aware of trafficking in your state? Do you know your state laws that protect victims? Invite a member of your state legislature to talk about laws or a state patrolman to share his/her experiences with trafficking. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human

# HELP NEEDED

# at the St. Fidelis Thrift Shop

Do you like to meet new people?

Are you looking for some activity to keep you busy for a few hours a week?

Does volunteering give you a feel-good feeling?



How about volunteering for a shift at the St. Fidelis Thrift Shop?

If interested, please call the Parish Office at 785-735-2777.

"Since Christ Himself has said, 'This is My Body,' who shall dare to doubt that it is His Body?"

~ St. Cyril of Jerusalem

### COMMUNITY

# HELP WANTED Divine Mercy Radio

Divine Mercy Radio is looking for an assistant director. Must embrace the mission of Divine Mercy Radio, be outgoing and able to perform a variety of duties. For a full job description, go to **dvmercy.com**. The position begins Jan. 1, 2024.

# Smoky Hill Chorale FALL 2023

REHEARSALS BEGIN MONDAY, September 11, 2023 7:30-9:30pm MALLOY HALL, Rm 115 FHSU CAMPUS

Smoky Hill Chorale is a mixed ensemble of post-high school adults...open to all singers.

Openings are in all sections...a particular need is for male voices.

Singing experience is necessary, but no audition is required.

Bring along the following:

-a friend...especially if a tenor or bass ⊕
 -a snack to share for an extended break time at 8:20
 -all music to turn in you may still have from earlier semesters

For more information, contact:
Dr. Terry Crull at 628-4258; tacrull@fhsu.edu

Hospice utilizes volunteers in a variety of roles

# **Hospice Volunteer Training**

Wednesday, September 20, 2023 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. HaysMed, 2220 Canterbury, Hays

Registration is due by Friday, September 8

Contact Hospice at Hays Medical Center at 785-623-6200 or 800-248-0073 for further information.

# Stars & Stripes Breakfast

VFW 22nd & Vine, Hays

Sunday, September 10, 2023 7:30am - 12:00pm.

**Menu includes:** Pancakes, Sausage, Bacon, Scrambled Eggs, Hash Browns, Biscuits & Gravy, Toast, Coffee, Orange Juice. All you can eat!

Tickets - Adults \$10.50 | Children \$5.50

Contact: St. Joseph Church (Kevin Rupp) 785-625-7356, Larry Reichert 785-625-5386, or Elmer Dreher 785-625-6353

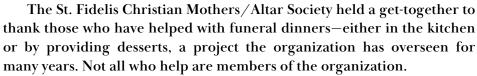
A portion of the pre-sold tickets go to help the local Sunflower Chapter of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia.

# CHRISTIAN MOTHERS / ALTAR SOCIETY









The gathering took place at the VFW Hall on Monday, August 21, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Invitees could come and go as they pleased, with most staying until the end.

Christian Mothers/Altar Society president Jane Wagner stated, "My officers and I thought it was time to show our appreciation to all the volunteers who have been doing this for so many years. I think everyone enjoyed a very relaxed evening together."

Thirty to 40 people enjoyed the camaraderie along with the good snacks and drinks throughout the evening.







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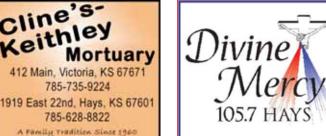
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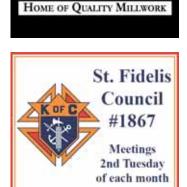
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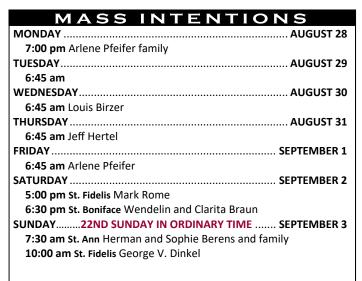


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