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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 (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

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January 14, 2024 – 2nd 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 — 8:30 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

Feb. 2 — Presentation of the Lord, Blessing of Candles
Feb. 2 — Groundhog Day
Feb. 3 — Feast of St. Blaise
Feb. 4 — Boy Scout Sunday
Feb. 14 — Ash Wednesday
Feb. 14 — Valentine’s Day
Feb. 18 — First Sunday of Lent
Feb. 19 — President’s Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Mar. 1 — World Day of Prayer

“Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, ‘What are you looking for?’ ”

John 1:35-42



The Parish Office will be closed tomorrow—Monday, January 15, for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day.



What Are You Looking For?

In this Sunday's gospel when Jesus saw the two disciples of John the Baptist following him, he turned and asked them, "What are you looking for?" That question was not about some lost object they were trying to find, but a lost direction in life. It is one of the most important questions of every age, "What is my purpose in life?" "What principles should guide my way of living?"

"What are you looking for?" That question needs to be asked and answered again and again in our lives. Happiness? Wealth? Love? Fame? Even secular thinkers agree with Socrates that an unexamined life is not worth living. "What are you looking for?" The answer of a rationalist will be very different from that of a person of faith, but it is a question we must all ask and answer. "What am I looking for?"

The disciples' first response to Jesus was a question of their own, "Where are you staying?" Their question was not about a physical space, but about a place in life, his foundational principles. And the response to them by Christ is his invitation to everyone of every age to examine his life and teachings, "Come and see."

The question of Christ to those two first curious followers, "What are you looking for?" is related to further questions that Jesus asks of all his disciples later in the gospel. When his followers were confused about his identity he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I

am?" And then the ultimate question, "Who do you say that I am?" That is *the* question for the ages, and one of the most important decisions in everyone's life. "Who do I say that Jesus of Nazareth is?"

Finally at the empty tomb on Easter morning he asked the bewildered Mary Magdalen, "Whom are you looking for?" Even those who have followed Jesus as Lord must often rediscover him. It is not a one time question. Especially when the trials of life challenge our faith we again need to answer that question, "Whom are you looking for?"

These questions of Christ must be asked and answered by everyone regardless of their religious convictions or affiliation. "What are you looking for?" "Who do you say that I am?" Those are questions about our guiding values and basic principles, the meaning and purpose of our life. The answers will determine our happiness here and hereafter. "What are you looking for?"

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An old Irish priest was asked why he always responded to a question with a question. He replied, "Is that what I do?"



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Contributions January 6-7, 2024

ST. FIDELIS:
Envelopes 3395.00 Loose 589.00
Repair Fund 226.00
Solemnity of Mary 115.00

ST. ANN:
Envelopes 175.00 Loose 273.50
Solemnity of Mary 20.00
Candles 164.00 Crib 1.34

ST. BONIFACE:
Envelopes 225.25 Loose 268.00

January 16 (Tuesday) — Mary Brungardt, Janie Dinges
January 22 — Stephanie Broyles, Bertha Brungardt

Tithing Envelopes

Tithing envelopes for 2024 have been placed at all of the tri-parishes. If you do not see your name and would like a box, contact the parish office at 785-735-2777. Any boxes left after January 28th will be brought to the parish activity center to be picked up from there.

PLEASE DO NOT USE YOUR OLD ENVELOPES FOR YOUR 2024 TITHING. YOUR ENVELOPE NUMBER MAY HAVE CHANGED.

* Sunday Rosary Schedule *	
1 st - Christian Mothers	2 nd - Knights of Columbus
3 rd - Daughters of Isabella	4 th - 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, JANUARY 20

5:00 PM — Jim and Becky Scheck

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

10:00 AM — Christie Sander

* EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS *

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

5:00 PM — Kathy Kuhn, Diane Gross, Jane Wagner, Deb Geschwentner

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

10:00 AM — Anne Dinkel, Yvonne Braun, Jacquelyn Stoffel, Janine Kisner

* LECTORS \ COMMENTATORS *

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

5:00 PM — Tammy Lichter

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

10:00 AM — Karen Nowak

* HOMEBOUND MINISTERS *

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17 — Kathy Kuhn

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

10:00 AM — Anne Dinkel

* MASS SERVERS *

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

5:00 PM —

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

10:00 AM — Averi, Riley, and Liv W.

Committee Meeting Dates

Finance Council
4th Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Liturgy Committee
2nd Thursday @ 5:30 pm

Pastoral Council
1st Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

CHANGE OF DAILY MASS VENUE

For the comfort of daily Mass goers, all these Masses will be celebrated in the chapel behind the altar. You may enter through the north sacristy entrance or come through the sanctuary and the south sacristy.

Saturday night and Sunday Masses will be in the Basilica church.

We made this change beginning with the 7:00 p.m. Mass on Monday, January 9, and all 6:45 a.m. Masses.

Minister Schedules

Printed schedules for Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors can be found at the north entrance of The Basilica of St. Fidelis.

That schedule and the Cantor schedule can also be found on the church's website StFidelisChurch.com on the Mass Schedule page.

As noted in the Mass Intentions below, there will be no Masses from Monday, January 15, through Thursday, January 18. Eucharistic Adoration will not be held on Thursday, January 18. Fr. Jim will not be available.

MASS INTENTIONS

NO MASSES MONDAY, JANUARY 15, THROUGH THURSDAY, JANUARY 18. FR JIM WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE.

FRIDAY	JANUARY 19
6:45 am	
SATURDAY	JANUARY 20
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Ray Braun and John Riedel families	
6:30 pm St. Ann Viola and Wilfred Robben, Jim and Jane Robben	
SUNDAY	3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 21
8:30 am St. Boniface For the parishes	
10:00 am St. Fidelis The late Jerry VonFeldt and Harriett VonFeldt	

Lost & Found

- A black-gray rosary case with rosary inside. Found in north pews up front in the Basilica of St. Fidelis possibly on Saturday, December 30, 2023.
- Ball cap found in pews on south side weekend of December 30-31, 2023.

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

Christian Mothers/Altar Society

2024 Membership Dues

St. Fidelis Christian Mothers/Altar Society 2024 membership dues of \$5.00 are now due and payable using the envelope included in your tithing box. You may also mail dues to Teresa Shepherd, P.O. 324, Victoria, KS 67671. If your membership has lapsed, simply pay this year's dues for full reinstatement.

If you are interested in joining this organization or have questions as to your membership, please contact Jane Wagner (785-735-2587) or Teresa Shepherd (785-735-9576).

ST. BONIFACE

7-Week Study 'Jesus and the Eucharist'

St Boniface will host a 7-week study on "Jesus and the Eucharist" on Wednesday evenings from **January 3 through February 21, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.** in the St. Boniface Parish Hall. They will not meet on February 14 due to Ash Wednesday. All are welcome to attend.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

K. of C. Free Throw Championship

All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 (as of **January 1**) are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2024 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship to be held **Sunday, January 28**, at the Victoria High School Gymnasium. The gym will open approximately at noon, and the contest will start at 1:00 p.m.

Participants are required to furnish written parental consent and proof of age (a copy of birth certificate). Entry forms will be distributed by the school. For additional forms or information, contact Troy Schippers at 785-735-4625.

All Knights of Columbus are invited/encouraged to attend the competition.

It's the Shortest

The study of the shortest of all four Gospels of Mark will continue each Tuesday to finish the series. Meetings are held in the north sacristy of the church and begin at 6:30 p.m. Enjoy an evening of fellowship as together we better understand the Gospel of Mark. For more information, please contact Stephanie Broyles (785-735-4747) or Jane Wagner (785-735-2587).

Sponsored by the Family Life Committee.

St. Fidelis 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.

COMMUNITY



Bookmobile in Town

The Hays Public Library's Bookmobile will be in Victoria on **Saturday, January 20, from 1:00-2:30 p.m.** at the Victoria City Park.

Charitable Fund to Hold Meeting

Cathedral of the Plains Charitable Fund will meet for their semi-annual meeting at **8:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 25**, at the PAC. Regular business will be discussed. All members are welcome.

Soup Luncheon

Sponsored by Gorham Parish Daughters of Isabella
Sunday, January 28 | 10:30 am to 1:00 pm

Senior Center, Gorham

Eat in or take out

Homemade Soups:

Chili, Green Bean & Dumpling, Chicken & Noodle
Homemade Bread, Pies, and Desserts

\$8 per person | 5 and under Free | \$13 quart

All Welcome

Don't forget to stop by and check out the Country Store

January Human Trafficking Alert

How much do you know about human trafficking in your state? This crime operates in every state and could show up in your local community. Education is a key factor in reducing public ignorance. **Alliance to End Human Trafficking**—Founded and supported by **U.S. Catholic Sisters, 7575 Grand River Ave., Suite 109, Brighton, MI 48114.**

Catholic Rural Life Centennial Observance

Catholic Rural Life is observing 100 years of service during 2024. Observances will be in four different dioceses around the country.

The first observance will be in the Diocese of Salina on **Thursday, February 29**, at St. Isidore's Parish in Manhattan. The Event will begin at 5:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:00.

Distinguished guests include Fr Gale Hammerschmidt, Bishop Gerald Vincke, Kansas Secretary of Agriculture Mike Beam, and the Keynote Speaker Katherine DiNuzzio.

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend. Check the diocesan website under Rural Life for reservations and tickets. **Ticket sales will be ending on or about January 20, 2024.**

For additional information please contact Fr Rich Daise 785-625-7356.

SDCCW Winter Workshop

The Salina Diocese Council of Catholic Women's Winter Workshop will be **Sunday afternoon, January 28, from 1:00-4:00 p.m.** at the St. Agnes Parish Center in Grainfield. Sign-in will be at 12:30, and light refreshments will be served by the Grainfield hostesses.

The program will include a talk by Chuck Weber, Past Director of the Kansas Catholic Conference, about the upcoming elections and a panel of "Moms of Religious" who will tell about the journeys of their sons or daughters who have chosen, or are discerning, the priesthood or religious life.

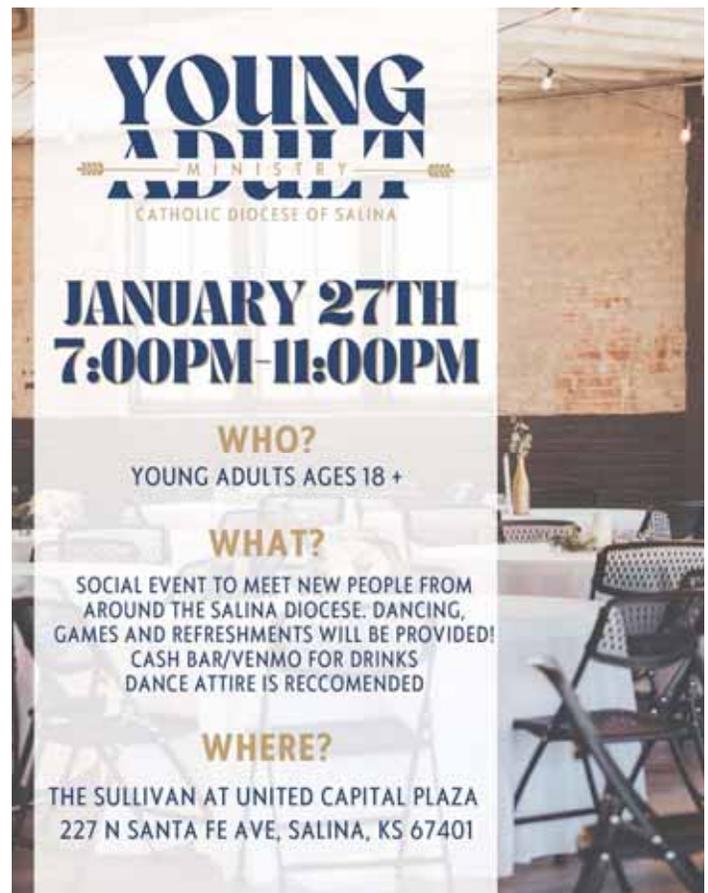
Care packages for them will be assembled at 3:30 p.m. and closing prayer will be at 4:00 p.m. Gather a carload of ladies and come join them!

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- ✓ **Have you been praying about your career? Looking for something that leverages your ability to build trust and relationships?**
- ✓ **Have you had thoughts about making a career change, but haven't seen clearly where that path is yet? Do you have a conviction about our faith and some awareness of our needs?**
- ✓ **Do you recognize that you do have the gifts and skills to help move the mission forward? Are you optimistic about the Diocese of Salina and its future?**
- ✓ **Call the Chancery and learn more about this opportunity at 785-342-0819. Talk to Kim about this transformational possibility.**



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