

„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
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

ST. FIDELIS THRIFT SHOP — 503 MAIN STREET, VICTORIA
Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday 10:00-2:00; Wednesday and Thursday 10:00-3:30

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

THE BASILICA OF SAINT FIDELIS IS HOME TO A FIRST CLASS RELIC OF SAINT PADRE PIO PIETRELCINA.

BULLETIN ITEMS
Deadline is **Tuesday by noon**. Please contact Kathy at the Parish Office.

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

July 26, 2026—17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

MASSSES:

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

TUESDAYS 6:30 am thru FRIDAYS 6:30 am

All are welcome from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
in St. Fidelis Chapel behind the main altar
Bishop Vincke asks each parish to include prayers for vocations to religious life.

CONFESSIONS:

by appointment (contact Parish Office)

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

St. Ann: After weekend Mass

St. Boniface: Sundays 7:45-8:15 a.m.
(Nov.-Apr.); After Mass (May-Oct.)

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

July 26— Feast of St. Ann & Joachim
July 31-Aug 1— Eucharistic Conference
August 7-8—Herzogfest
—150th Volga German Celebration
August 9-150th Volga German Celebration
Mass @ St. Fidelis 1:00pm
August 9—The Heritage Center:
Open House 10-12pm; Reception 2:30-4
Sept 7—Labor Day—OFFICE CLOSED
MASS— 7:00pm at St. Fidelis

“The kingdom of heaven
is like a treasure
buried in a field. . .”

Matthew 13:44-52



SPAM WARNING

*There have been recent reports of people receiving texts and or email
message supposedly from*

Fr. Curtis Carlson

*Please be aware that these are fake messages asking you to click on a link
or respond to text. DO NOT CLICK ON THESE LINKS!!*

*If you are unsure, please call the parish office to verify that the text or email
or any phone message that may have been left are legit.*

*This is true for any text, email, phone message you may receive from
anyone. Always verify with the individual before clicking on a link, even if it
looks like it came from someone you know.*



Fr. Curtis Carlson, OFM Cap. & Fr. Vince Mary, OFM Cap.

The image of today's gospel is relevant for our time and it's the image of this treasure chest. Something that has so much value. So much worth. Something that's treasured and deserves to be kept safe. The way Jesus uses the word 'treasure' is connected to a storehouse of riches, it's closely connected to even the thoughts we have that are "stored up" in our heart and mind. Jesus says that this storehouse of riches, is the very Kingdom of God. And that's a treasure that we have a glimpse of during every mass! That's a treasure worth finding and then doing everything in our power to never lose it.

Yesterday, the church celebrated the feast of St. James the Apostle, one of the Sons of Thunder. Saint James was one of Jesus' closest friends. He was a fisherman along with his brother John at the time they had been called by Jesus. Scripture says that they left everything – even their father, so that they could follow Jesus.

Tradition holds that after Jesus' crucifixion, Saint James traveled through Spain making a pilgrimage on foot, preaching the gospel. When he returned to Judea, he was martyred for his faith, beheaded for preaching the news of Jesus' resurrection. The tradition also holds that some Christians and followers of St. James retrieved his body, placed it on a boat and set it off into the ocean without any guide. They entrusted the remains of St. James to God. Miraculously, his remains landed on the shore of the western coast of Spain where he had preached and he was buried in the region of Galicia. One day a hermit saw mysterious lights, very similar to stars shining over a field. When he approached, he found what looked like a treasure chest, shining in the night. It was the tomb of the faithful Apostle. That place became known as "Campus Stellae"—"Field of Stars".

Today, it's known as Santiago (James) de Compostela. Each year, thousands of pilgrims begin that same pilgrimage of St. James. On foot. Walking hundreds of miles to venerate the remains of St. James. In 2023, I was beyond blessed to receive the blessings of that pilgrimage. The treasures of those graces are still stored up in my heart and mind. Jesus tells us that the Kingdom of God is this treasure which seeks to be found. And so may we experience heaven, may we taste it, store it up and never forget it. Amen.



-Fr. V

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CONTRIBUTIONS FROM LAST WEEKEND

ST. FIDELIS:

Loose 1066.00 Envelope 3473.00

Repair 75.00 Cemetery 160.00

ST. ANN:

Loose 356.00 Envelope 465.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Loose 140.00 Envelope 107.00



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our on-line

FINANCE COUNCIL
Tuesday, July 28 @ 7:00pm
LITURGY COMMITTEE
2nd Thursday @ 5:45 pm

PASTORAL COUNCIL
1st Tuesday Every Other Month
Next Meeting: Sept 1
@ 7:00 pm

• Sunday Rosary Schedule *

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

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, — AUGUST 1

5:00PM — Becky & Jim Scheck

SUNDAY, — AUGUST 2

10:00 M — Trilogy

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SATURDAY, — AUGUST 1

5:00PM — Rick Colmenero, Diane Gross, Jody Dinkel
Peggy Fitzpatrick, Jerry Schmidtberger

SUNDAY, — AUGUST 2

10:00AM — Connie Braun, Jacquelyn Stoffel
Connie Windholz, Karen Nowak,
Marla Robben

*LECTORS/COMMENTATORS

SATURDAY, — AUGUST 1

5:00PM — Kathy Kuhn

SUNDAY, — AUGUST 2

10:00AM — Yvonne Braun

HOMEBOUND MINISTRIES

WEDNESDAY, — JULY 29 Jane Wagner

SUNDAY, — AUGUST 2

10:00AM — Kathy Amrein

WEDNESDAY, — AUGUST 5 Jane Wagner

MASS SERVERS

SATURDAY, — AUGUST 1

5:00PM — Dax L., Devyn H., Parker B.

SUNDAY, — AUGUST 2

10:00 AM — Mason & Mya M., Dalton S.

MONEY COUNTERS

MONDAY, JULY 27

Jerry Schmidtberger, Andrea Ottley

MONDAY, AUGUST 3

Stephanie Broyles, Anne Schmidtberger



St. Ann
Eucharistic Adoration
Tuesday, 4-6p.m.

All are welcome to attend.

*Additional adorers/
substitutes welcome.*

Open to Tri-Parish Community



ATTENTION!!!

**The 2027 Mass Intention Book will
open on Wednesday, August 12.**

Please stop by the parish office
to schedule your Mass intentions.

We kindly ask for your patience,
as this is typically a busy day.

Thank you for your understanding and grace.



*With Deepest Sympathy
from our Parishes*

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the
family of Donald Disch of Edmond, Ok, who passed
away on July 18, 2026, 2026.

A Mass of Christian burial was held on
Friday, July 24, 2026 at St. Joseph in Hays with
burial at St. Fidelis Cemetery.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY.....	JULY 27
7:00pm Jerry+ & Harriet+ VonFeldt	
TUESDAY.....	JULY 28
6:45am Jack+ & Jeanette+ Younger Family	
WEDNESDAY.....	JULY 29
6:45am Allen+ & Connie+ Dreiling Family	
THURSDAY.....	JULY 30
6:45am Jolene+ Purvis	
FRIDAY.....	JULY 31
6:45am John+ Braun	
SATURDAY.....	AUG 1
5:00pm St. Fidelis Peter+ & Alice Braun and Denny+ & Darlene+ Braun	
6:30pm St. Boniface Herman+ Leiker and Farron+ Leiker	
SUNDAY.....	AUG 2
7:30 am St Ann Severin+ & Isabella+ Scheck and Andrew+ & Barbara Scheck	
10:00am St. Fidelis Ancestors & Descendents of Johanna Windholz	

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Praise

summer edition

Nights of Eucharistic
Adoration, Praise,
Preaching & Confession

Families, youth &
young adults
welcome



June 3rd | 7pm
July 8th* | 7pm
July 30th* | 7pm

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900 Cathedral Ave
Victoria, KS 67671

** Maker's Market nights during the Social



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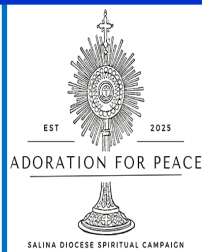
ALL ARE WELCOME

Gather around the table in faith and fellowship at the Basilica of St. Fidelis with Father Vince Mary, OFM Cap.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29th, North Sacristy

7:00 - 8:30 P.M.

To join or for more information please contact
Jeanette Brungardt
Cell: 785-639-5067 Office: 785-735-2777
reedyouth@stfidelischurch.com



Weekly Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays, 6:30 a.m. through Fridays, 6:30 a.m.

In St. Fidelis Chapel behind the main altar

All are welcome from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Is the Holy Spirit Calling YOU?

Adoration Participant Needed

Thursdays at 11:30am-12:30pm

Please call Jane at 785-735-7029

What is Eucharistic Adoration?

We can show our adoration to God in many ways, but in Eucharistic Adoration, we spend time adoring Jesus face-to-face, who is truly present, body, blood, soul and divinity, in the Blessed Sacrament.

THANK YOU TO THE ADORERS AND SUBSTITUTES! WE APPRECIATE YOU!

Substitutes participate at their convenience and are very much appreciated.

If interested in subbing, please contact

Jane Wagner at 785-735-7029.

HERZOGFEST BOOTH

Herzogfest is just around the corner and we are already making preparations for the church booth. We will be serving noodles and beans and brauts. So far we have been very lucky, all the eggs and flour have been donated by our parishioners. If you are willing to help us out, please make your check or cash donation out to the Basilica of St. Fidelis and drop it off by the PAC. Make sure you identify on the envelope that it is for Herzogfest. Your generosity is greatly appreciated in helping cover the expenses for the Herzogfest Booth in advance.

Items needed:

Cream, butter, dry beans, brauts, seasonings, ketchup, mustard, sauerkraut, plates, utensils, napkins.

Approx cost: \$500

2026 Commodities Distribution:



As part of the transition to Kansas Food Bank, there will be **NO COMMODITIES** in July & August.

The next delivery will be in September. If you are in need of food, please contact the Parish Office at 785-735-2777.

SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM

Summer Lunch Program



St. Fidelis Church will sponsor the Summer Lunch Program will come to a close on Friday, July 31st at the Parish Activity Center, located at 601-10th Str. Lunch will be served in the east room of the PAC from 11:30am-noon Monday through Friday.

Anyone in the Victoria area (children and adults) is invited and encouraged to attend.

There is no pre-registration or cost.

Mon, July 27—Lasagna

Tues, July 28—Pulled Pork Sandwich,
Krinkle Cut Fries

Wed, July 29—Beef & Bean Burrito

Thu, July 30—Chicken Pattie Sandwich
Curly Fries

Fri, July 31—Corn Dogs, Krinkle Cut Fries

The main dishes are accompanied by a vegetable, fruit, or other dessert, and a drink.

NOTE: Menu subject to change

**Thank you to all
who made the
Summer Lunch Program
a huge success!**

ST. ANN



Contest Guidelines

- Open to registered family members/students of St. Fidelis, St. Boniface, St. Ann or Tri-Parish RE Program
- Pre-K thru 1st - coloring page provided (crayons or colored pencils only - NO markers, paint or glitter)
- Grade 2nd thru 6th - original drawing sheet provided (pencil or colored pencils only - NO markers, paint or glitter)
- Grades 7th thru 12th - original handwritten essay sheets, draft & final, provided (limit 250 words)
- Entry packets available July 26-Aug 26 at the Parish Activity Center (PAC) during normal business hours or via QR below
- No cost to enter/Limit one entry per person
- Entries must include a signed entry form page—entries without signatures ineligible for contest
- Submit completed package (signed entry form stapled to picture/essay) to PAC office no later than close of business on Thursday, August 27, 2026. Late submissions will not be considered for the contest.

Prizes

One (1) winner in each age group will receive dinner for his/her immediate family, and \$10 cash. Winners to be notified Monday, September 7, 2026 and announced to parishes weekend of September 12-13, 2026.

*See entry form for further detail.

Calling all YOUTH of the Tri-Parishes
(St. Fidelis, St. Ann, St. Boniface)

WIN

DINNER FOR YOUR FAMILY

plus \$10 cash for yourself

1st Ever Coloring/Drawing/Essay Contest Honoring Grandparents

Theme for 2026

I Will Never Forget You

Isaiah 49:15

Entry forms available at Parish Activity Center during normal business hours
or
Scan and print using QR codes below.

Pre-K-1st



2nd-6th



7th-12th



IT'S HERE!!

Opening date of the first ever coloring/drawing/essay contest to honor grandparents has finally arrived!! Now is your chance to use your talents to win a home cooked meal for your family and a spot of cash for yourself (\$10)!

There will be one winner chosen in each grade bracket.

Open from July 26-August 28

(Late entries will not be accepted)

Packets available at the Parish Office or use the QR code.

Share your God-given creativity and love of grandparents, and give your parents a night off in the kitchen.

No cost to enter. Limit one entry per person.

Winner announced on Grandparents Day, Sept. 13th

St. Ann Calendar

July 26—Mass honoring St. Ann & St. Joachim

—Ellis Co. Sesquicentennial—

—blessing of the church walls

—Potluck

July 26-Aug 28—

Tri-Parish coloring /drawing /essay contest

NOW OPEN-get your entry in!

Sept. 13—Guest speaker from IHM of Wichita

St. Ann's Parish, 2:00-3:00pm

Intro & meditation of Dolors Rosary

ALL TRI-PARISH WOMEN ARE INVITED

Details to follow

Sept. 15—Mass at St. Fidelis, 6:45am, in honor of
OUR LADY of SORROWS



**Christian Mothers Lead the
Rosary before Mass on the last
Saturday/Sunday of every
month.**

All are welcome to join.

May sit individually, together as a group, or with Pam/
Myra. Please congregate in the north pews in the
center where Pam/Myra sit.

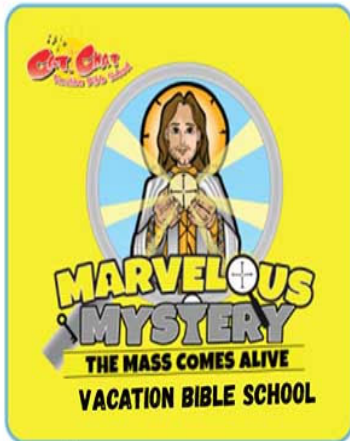
2026

Sunday, August 30—Myra

Sunday, September 27—Paula Z.

Sunday, October 25—May Schumacher

Saturday, November 28—Helen



FOUR MORNINGS FILLED
WITH FAITH AND FUN:
GAMES, CRAFTS, SNACKS
AND MUSIC ALL FOCUSED
ON THE MYSTERY AND
BEAUTY OF THE
MASS AND EUCHARIST!

For children entering pre-K & K or
children 4-5 years old
Tuesday, August 4 - Friday, August 7
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM daily

Register with Jeanette Brungardt
785-639-5067
reledyouth@stfidelischurch.com

THE VICTORIA CYO
★ IS REQUESTING DONATIONS ★
FOR
HERZOGFEST BOOTH

WE ARE IN NEED OF
50
★ LBS. ★
OF
Hamburger



FOR MORE INFORMATION
or to donate;
PLEASE CONTACT
JEANNA 785.259.6564



Basilica of St. Fidelis Religion Class Enrollment

**Monday, August 3, 2026
8:00 AM - 7:00 PM**

Parish Activity Center Meal Site Room
601 10th Street
Victoria, KS 67671

Visit www.stfidelischurch.com for more information & forms

Contact: Jeanette Brungardt, DRE
reledyouth@stfidelischurch.com
785-735-2777 or 785-639-5067

ST. BONIFACE

St. Boniface
24Hr
Eucharistic
Adoration

Friday, Aug. 14th
 from 5:30pm
 to 6:00pm on
 Saturday, Aug. 15th.

*All are welcome at
 any time during Adoration*

Watch for
 sign-up sheet
 at the church
 entrance.

For more information,
 call Karen at
 (785) 735-4682.



CHRISTIAN MOTHERS ALTAR SOCIETY

The St. Fidelis
 Christian Mothers/Altar Society
 will host a
**FAREWELL
 POTLUCK**
 for
Teresa Shepherd
 on Tuesday, July 28,
 at the Parish Activity Center
 beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Bring your favorite salad and
 wish Teresa good luck as she relocates.

Anyone in the parish is welcome.

Coffee and tea will be provided.

Please use the back entrance.



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** Major's Market nights during the Social



VENDORS WELCOME!!

We invite vendors to
 participate in Seraphic
 with a variety of items,
 including:

- Catholic Religious items
- Crafts
- Home-Baked Goods
- Handmade Gifts and More

Reserve your vendor
 space today!

Contact Fr. Vince
 at the St. Fidelis Parish
 Office at
 785-735-2777

for more information
 and registration.

JULY 30th

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

BINGO

Come enjoy an evening
 of fun!

July 29th

Heritage Eatery & Bingo
 2450 E 8th (Old Hwy 40)
 Doors open: 5:00p.m.
 Mini Games: 6:30p.m.
 Main Session: 7:00p.m.




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Special Seminarian Collection August 8-9 weekend All Parishes

SEMINARIAN COLLECTION

ENVELOPE # _____ AMOUNT \$ _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ST. _____ ZIP _____

150 Years of Heritage!

Sesquicentennial Celebration Schedule

- Sunday, August 2
St. Joseph, Hays
Mass 10:30am
- Saturday, August 8
ECHS is sponsoring a fundraising pinochle tournament at the Heritage Center on 7th Str
From 1:00pm-3:30pm.
\$30 entry fee. Limited to 20 teams..
For details, Contact Amanda Rupp (785-650-1943) or Mary Kay Schippers (785-650-3050) .
- Sunday, August 9
The Heritage Center in Victoria—
Open House 10:00am-12:00pm
Machts Gut Reception 2:30-4:00pm
- Sunday, August 9
Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria
Mass 1:00pm—Bishop Vincke & Fr. Steve Petroff
- Saturday, Sept 12
Holy Cross, Pfeifer
Mass 4:00pm
- Saturday, Sept 19 FALL FEST
St. Joseph, Liebenthal
Mass 10:00am on Sunday Sept 20
- Sunday, October 4
St. Francis of Assisi, Munjor
Mass 8:00am
- Saturday, October 10
Limestone Day, Quarry Tour
Grants Villa, Vincent
- Sunday, December 13
St. Boniface, Vincent
Mass 8:30am—followed by breakfast

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1876 OF WESTERN KANSAS 2026

PFEIFER, KS

SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION HOLY CROSS CHARITIES PFEIFER, KS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2026

- 3:00 P.M. - Cemetery Blessing - Military Memorial Service**
- 4:00 P.M. - Mass with Bishop Jerry Vincke presiding**
- 50/50 Raffle ★ Fun Time ★ Polka Music by the Hotshots**
- Beer Garden ★ Friends ★ Memorabilia Booth - Souvenirs**
- Live Fundraising Auction - Preservation of Stained Windows**
- Antique Farm Tractor and Vehicle display**
- Limestone quarry demonstration**
- 5:30 to ? - Free Will Meal - Hog Roast and Trimmings
Hamburger and Brat Stand**
- 8:00 P.M. - Music provided by
Crazy Horse 2.0 (Country/ Classic Rock Band)**
- Fireworks Display**

*Mark your calendar now
and we hope to see you
and your family at the
celebration in Pfeifer
on September 12, 2026!*

If you can't make it
to the celebration,
you can learn more
and support HCC
by scanning the
QR Code.

Thank You!

— FAITH • HERITAGE • COMMUNITY • PRESERVATION —

The Rural Life Office
invites you to participate
in Rural Life Day, the
Century Farm and
Half-Century Business
Awards



**St. John the Baptist Parish
Beloit, KS
Sunday, August 16, 2026
3:00 PM**

Application Deadline August 1, 2026.
Scan the QR code or visit:
<https://salinadiocese.org/office/rural-life/>
for applications and more information.



YOU ARE INVITED TO

BIRTHDAY PARTY

St. Mary's School turns 125!

Let's gather together to celebrate!

August 22, 2026

6:30-8:30PM

East School Parking Lot
BBQ Meal & Yard Games

Watch our Facebook page for details!
(St. Mary's School-Ellis)

All school's families, friends, and St. Mary's alumni
invited to attend.

Charitable Fund Committee, Semi-Annual meeting
July 26th at 7:00 pm , Parish Activity Center

All Welcome



CAPUCHIN CORNER



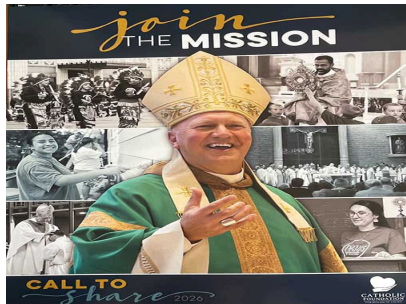
33rd Annual Brown Robe Benefit
Saturday, Oct. 17th

Locations:

Victoria, Larwence , Wichita, San Antonio, Colorado Springs, Denver

Watch for more information
as the date approaches.

FROM OUR DIOCESE



2026 Bishop's Annual Appeal

These are the tri-parish totals collected as of **July 22, 2026** towards the 2026 Annual Appeal goal of \$2.5 million.

PARISH	GOAL	RECEIVED	#of Donors
Walker	18,500.00	13,845.00	12
Vincent	2,000.00	675.00	8
Victoria	26,000.00	20,845.00	59

Please continue to donate to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.
There is quite a ways to go to reach the goal for each parish.

For generous donation:

<https://givecfds.org/bishops-annual-appeal>

Your FAITH CAN LEAVE A LEGACY
— That Lasts Forever —

When creating or updating your will and other parts of your estate plan, we hope you consider the role your faith has played in your life and how you can continue making a difference far into the future.

Contact your parish office or the **Catholic Foundation** today to discuss your giving options—
development@salinadiocese.org

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION
FOR THE DIOCESE OF SALINA
Your Faith. Your Legacy. Their Future.

FAITH • FAMILY • FUTURE



CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, JULY 31

- 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. **Registration, Meet & Greet** Gross Coliseum with Semarians & Sisters
- 5:45 p.m. **Pre-Conference Presentation**
- 7:00 p.m. **Opening Session, Keynote #1**
- 9:00 - 10:00 p.m. **Adoration, Confession**
- 10:00 p.m. **Young Adult Gathering** CCCC

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

- 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. **Registration** Gross Coliseum
- 9:00 a.m. **Morning Session**
- 9:30 - 11:45 a.m. **Men's Breakouts** Beach Schmidt
- Women's Breakouts** Gross Coliseum
- 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. **Lunch Break** Gross Coliseum
- 2:00 p.m. **Keynote Session #2**
- 3:15 - 4:00 p.m. **Mass Presentation**
- 4:30 p.m. **Closing Mass** Gross Coliseum

CONFESSIONS & BOOTHS

- 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. **Confessions** Gross Coliseum Saturday
- 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. **Booths Open** Gross Coliseum Friday All Day Saturday

Saturday Lunch Information:
Lunch is included in your registration and will be available in Gross Coliseum. You are welcome to sit and enjoy your meal anywhere!

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- 4:30PM ZOG OLYMPICS
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- 6:30PM **BLAKE RUDER**
- 7:30PM **JARON BELL**
- 9:00PM **BROCK WAGONER**

SATURDAY

- 8:30AM 5K RUN/WALK
- 9AM HERITAGE MARKET
- 10AM HERZOG HOT RODS CAR SHOW / JAMMIN' RANDY / 3 ON 3 BASKETBALL / DRIFT TRIKES
- 11AM CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT / VALVE COVER RACES
- NOON KIDS STEINHOIST COMPETITION / FREE SWIMMING / BINGO @ VFW
- 1PM CAR SHOW AWARDS / PINOCHLE @ ST. JOHNS PLACE
- 4PM POLKA MASS
- 5PM POLKA DANCE
- 6PM STEINHOIST COMPETITION
- 8:45PM 50/50 RAFFLE

7:00PM CRAZY HORSE 2.0

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5
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Village Tour by Bus of Select Volga German Villages in Ellis County. Enjoy the rich heritage these communities have to offer. Tours conducted by the Ellis County Historical Society.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6
TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED
Volga German Heritage Play, "Jolie's Gift" at the Hays High Performing Arts Center. Hosted by the Environmental Action Committee, written and directed by Cheryl Glanville. Free to the public and community attendees.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7
8 PM - 11 PM
An Old-Fashioned Houschalt (Dutch Hop) Dance to Dutch Tunes, a few great Polka bands, led by Bob Wirth (Houschalt Festival). Free to community attendees. The dance will be open to the public for \$10 per person at the door.

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