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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 GIFT & 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

February 26, 2023 – 1st Sunday of Lent

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

Mar. 3 — World Day of Prayer
Mar. 5 — Girl Scout Sunday
Mar. 12 — Daylight Savings Time Begins—Put clocks ahead 1 hour
Mar. 17 — St. Patrick’s Day
Mar. 22 — Confirmation 6:30 pm
Mar. 26 — Communal Anointing of the Sick
Mar. 30 — Chrism Mass, Salina
Apr. 1 — April Fool’s Day
Apr. 2 — Passion (Palm) Sunday
Apr. 6 — Holy Thursday — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED @ noon

“Get away, Satan! It is written: *The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.*”

Matthew 4:1-11

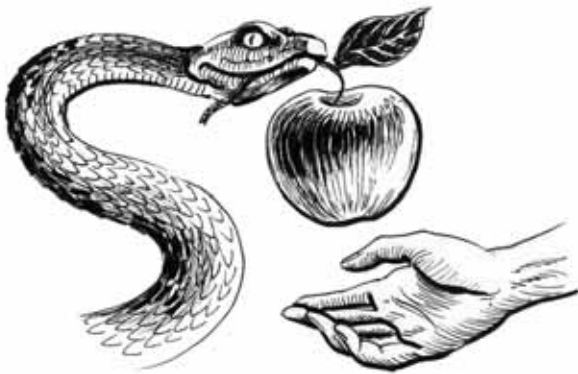




Temptations in our Lenten Desert

The gospel for the first Sunday of Lent is always an account of the devil tempting Christ after he spent forty days fasting in the desert in preparation for his ministry. Both the desert and the forty days are significant. Moses fasted forty days before receiving the Law and the Israelites wandered in the desert wilderness for forty years on their way to the promised land.

The scriptural paradox is that times of searching for God can be occasions of great temptations. The forty days of our Lenten quest for a better spiritual life can be a time of temptation. Not so much to trivial indulgence but to substitute superficial gestures for a serious commitment to our faith. e.g. If I give up soda for Lent that takes care of Lent, no need for inner renewal.



The ploy of the devil was likewise to distract Christ from his mission. The first temptation was a hunger for food. This echoes Adam eating the forbidden fruit and Israel's complaint of no bread in their wilderness. Jesus rebuffed the devil by quoting Moses' rebuke to the Israelites. (Deut. 8:3)

In the second trial the devil tries to get Jesus to misuse the power of God. Since Jesus had rebuffed the first temptation with Scripture, the devil now refers to a psalm (Ps. 91:11). Jesus responds with another verse from Deuteronomy where Moses rebuked

the Israelites for challenging God. Deut 6:16)

The devil then offers all the kingdoms of the world if Christ will worship him. This temptation asks Jesus to assume a political role as the Messiah, a very popular idea at that time. It also echoes the Israelite's temptation to worship a golden calf in the desert. Jesus rebukes the devil, again quoting Deuteronomy, reminding him and us that worship is due to God alone. (Dt 6:13)

At the heart of all these temptations is the mistake of shunting God aside as secondary or superfluous in comparison with all the apparently more urgent matters that fill our lives. Constructing a world by our own lights, without reference to faith, building on our own foundation, refusing to acknowledge the reality of anything beyond the material, while setting God aside as an irrelevant — that is the temptation that threatens us during our forty days in the Lenten desert.

Temptations. They're all around us. The wrong food, hypnotic television, juicy gossip. Fortunately we have the example of Jesus to deal with temptations and the grace of God to conquer them.

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Don't worry about avoiding temptation, as you grow older it will avoid you.

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Contributions February 18-19, 2023

ST. FIDELIS:

Envelopes 2837.00 Loose 719.00

Repair Fund 30.00

ST. ANN:

Envelopes 780.00 Loose 188.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Envelopes 285.00 Loose 286.00

Candles 67.50

February 27 — Jerry Schmidtberger,

Andrea Ottley

March 6 — Patty Dreiling, Anne

Schmidtberger

2023 Tithing Envelopes

Any tithing envelopes that were not picked up at the entrances to St. Fidelis Church are now at the Parish Office and can be picked up there. Please discard envelopes dated for previous years because your envelope number may have changed.

The March-April Lector and Eucharistic Minister schedule is on-line at www.StFidelisChurch.com. Printed copies are available at the north entrance of The Basilica of St. Fidelis.

Special Lent/Easter Intentions

This year we would like to extend the opportunity to have your special intentions or prayers for a loved one offered up during our weekend and daily Masses during Lent and the Easter Season.

Please put your special intention(s) in a sealed envelope marked "**SPECIAL EASTER INTENTION**" to keep it confidential. The envelope can be put in the collection basket during Mass or brought to the Parish Office.

Your intention will be put in a basket on the altar to be included in the Mass blessings.

Easter Decorating Fund

With Lent and Easter right around the corner, we are asking for donations towards the Basilica's Easter Decorating Fund.

Please put this special contribution in an envelope marked "**EASTER DECORATING FUND**" and place it in the collection basket during Mass or bring it to the Parish Office.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Rose Ann Dreiling at 785-735-4455. Thank you in advance and have a blessed Easter season.

Christian Mothers/Altar Society

Meeting

St. Fidelis Christian Mothers/Altar Society will have a meeting on **Monday, March 6, after the 7:00 p.m. Mass** in the north sacristy of The Basilica of St. Fidelis.

Dues for 2023

You can mail your \$5.00 St. Fidelis Christian Mothers/Altar Society dues for 2023 to Teresa Shepherd, PO Box 324, Victoria, Kansas 67671, or put it in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket or bring it to the March 6 meeting.

If you have any questions regarding your dues, please call Teresa at 785-735-9576.

* Sunday Rosary Schedule *

1st - Christian Mothers
3rd - Daughters of Isabella

2nd - Knights of Columbus
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 the Eucharistic or Lector ministries or if you are willing to volunteer for those ministries.

* CANTORS *

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

5:00 PM — Meagan Wellbrock

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

10:00 AM — Leroy Schmidtberger

* EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS *

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

5:00 PM — Jane Wagner, Keith Billinger, Rick Colmenero

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

10:00 AM — Michelle Geist, Connie Windholz, Janine Kisner

* LECTORS \ COMMENTATORS *

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

5:00 PM — Becky Scheck

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

10:00 AM — LeeAnn Schmidtberger

* HOMEBOUND MINISTERS *

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1 — Jane Wagner

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

10:00 AM — Cora Schulte and Kathy Amrein

* MASS SERVERS *

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

5:00 PM — Grace Y., Myah Y.

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

10:00 AM — Wesley S., Nicholas S., Mya M.

Committee Meeting Dates

Finance Council
4th Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Liturgy Committee
2nd Thursday @ 5:30 pm

Pastoral Council
1st Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Tour Guides Needed

We are in need of tour guides for The Basilica of St. Fidelis. Tours are offered for larger groups and usually take place in the late morning or early afternoon; however, there are exceptions. Most tours occur during Spring and Summer.

If you are willing to help, please call the Parish Office at 785-735-2777. We can provide you with a history book to get you started.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA



Lenten Bake Sales

The Daughters of Isabella will have Bake Sales in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus Fish Fries at the V.F.W. Hall during Lent. Members are asked to please bring baked goods or a cash donation to the V.F.W. Hall between 4:00-5:00 p.m. on the **Fridays of March 3, March 17, and March 31.**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

K. of C. Regional Free Throw Competition Results

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship regional competition was held at Tipton, Kansas, on Sunday, February 19.

Regional placers from our local St. Fidelis Council #1867 contest were: Claire Schippers, winner of the girl's 14-year-old division; Kinsley Orr, placed third



in the girl's 9-year-old division; Gianna Haselhorst, placed third in the girl's 12-year-old division; and Reece Amrein placed third in the boy's 12-year-old division.

K of C Initiation

Are you a Knight of Columbus? If not, would you like to be? All practicing Catholic men who are a Senior in High School or older are invited to join. New Member Exemplification will be conducted after the 10:00 a.m. Mass on **Sunday, March 5.**

Contact John Braun 785-623-0680 or Leroy Schmidtberger 785- 639-3570 for details.

VICTORIA VFW

is sponsoring a

Stars and Stripes Breakfast

SUNDAY, MARCH 12

8:00-12:00

VFW Post in Hays, 22nd and Vine

Advance Tickets

\$9.50 Adults | \$4.50 Children 5-12

At the door (these do not help the Victoria VFW)

\$10.00 Adults | \$5.00 Children 5-12

Children under 5 free

To purchase tickets, contact:

Doug Kuhn 785-650-1058, Chris Brungardt 785-735-4252

Dave Richardson 785-806-6095, Marion Miller 785-735-9353

John Braun 785-623-0680, Harland Rupp 785-623-1368



Victoria Knights of Columbus Fish Fries



Dine-in or carry-out service available.

Serving:

Deep-fried Pollock, Fried Noodles and Beans, Coleslaw, Baked Potatoes, Bread, and Drink

\$15 for adults | \$5 for children ages 5-12

Fridays — March 3, March 17, March 31

5:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. or until the food is gone
at the Victoria VFW Hall

Spiritual Growth Possibilities for Lent

DAILY PRAYER FOR THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

Good and gracious Father, prepare me for these weeks of Lent. Help me to turn my heart toward you, to look upon you in trust, and to seek your kingdom with all my heart. Guide me to make sacrifices this Lent in the spirit of self-denial and with greater attention to you and to those around me.

I ask this through Jesus Christ you son. Amen.



'FORMED' for Lent

The Diocese of Salina has renewed its subscription to FORMED.ORG, which it has subscribed to for several years. FORMED provides access to books, audio talks, movies, documentaries, and studies.

You can easily access FORMED by using the church's website at StFidelisChurch.com and select "FORMED Website" under the Organizations-Links tab. Just follow the instructions on that page.

Or do the following:

- Go to Formed.org
- If you have used FORMED, select Sign In.
- Otherwise, select: Sign Up as a Parishioner
- Type in 67671 (as the parish zip code)
- Select St. Fidelis Church
- You will need to provide your name and email.
- Then browse to see all that you can watch.

FAMILY LIFE

Bible Study Offered During Lent

Thinking about doing something extra during Lent? The Family Life Committee is offering two opportunities for interactive bible study. Viewing and discussing "The Chosen" series will continue each Tuesday at 7:30 a.m.

During Lent, an additional bible study will be offered each Tuesday evening at the PAC beginning at 6:30 p.m. At each session we will delve more deeply into the Sunday readings.


Anyone is welcome to attend all sessions or drop in when scheduling allows. For more information, contact Jane Wagner at 785-735-2587 or Stephanie Broyles at 785-735-4747.

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GENDER AND THE THEOLOGY OF YOUR BODY

Basilica of St. Fidelis Catholic Church

April 24, 2023
7:45 - 9:15 P.M.

900 Cathedral Ave., Victoria, KS 67671

Questions? Call 785-639-5067 or e-mail
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Tickets can be purchased online or in person at the parish office.
Please visit <https://chastity.com/events/> or scan the QR code.



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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.

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.

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.

COMMUNITY

Lenten Retreat at St. Elisabeth's, Salina

"Discovering the 'Present' of the REAL PRESENCE" is Salina's Lenten Retreat for men and women to dive deeper into the greatest mystery of our faith!

Three young adults will present their unique experiences where the Eucharist led them to a more profound love of Jesus.

Blessed Carlo Acutis's exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles will also be on display to learn how the power of Jesus in the Eucharist is impacting the world.



Saturday, March 4

St Elizabeth Catholic Church, 1000 Burr Oak Lane, Salina

Registration 7:30- 9:00 a.m.

Retreat 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

1st Saturday Marion Devotion 7:30 a.m.

Mass-8:00 a.m.

COST: \$25 individuals, \$40 couples
\$15 High School/College Students
(includes rolls, snacks, and lunch)

RSVP: Marlene 785-342-0130 or
Mary 785-493-1903

A LITTLE CHUCKLE

You Talking to Me?

A ventriloquist is performing with his dummy on his lap. He's telling a dumb blonde joke when a young platinum-haired beauty jumps to her feet.

"What gives you the right to stereotype blondes that way?" she demands. "What does hair color have to do with my worth as a human being?"

Flustered, the ventriloquist begins to stammer out an apology.

"You keep out of this!" she yells. "I'm talking to that little jerk on your knee!"

COMMUNITY

American Red Cross BLOOD DRIVE



FRIDAY, MARCH 3 | 9:00 A.M.—3:00 P.M.

Victoria High School Gym

Hosted by the Victoria High School FCCLA Chapter

Go to www.RedCross.org
and search for zip code 67671 to sign up

Victoria Schools Calendar



****All events/activities are subject to change.****

Sunday — February 26

FCCLA Peer Ed and State Officer selection

Monday — February 27

FCCLA Peer Ed and State Officer selection

First day of softball/baseball practice

Tuesday — February 28

Spring ACT test

Wednesday — March 1

2:20 pm PLC early dismissal

Thursday — March 2

HS basketball Substate

2:30 pm Tech school rep here GPS

3:45 pm 1st day of baseball practice

Friday — March 3

HS basketball Substate

End of Quarter 3

Tentative: CPL Music Festival (5th-8th)

Saturday — March 4

HS basketball Substate

9:00 am Trego powerlifting meet



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MONDAY.....	FEBRUARY 27
7:00 pm Leonard and Josepha Dome	
TUESDAY.....	FEBRUARY 28
6:45 am For the Parishes	
WEDNESDAY.....	MARCH 1
6:45 am Bernie and Jean Roth family	
THURSDAY.....	MARCH 2
6:45 am Sue Pfeifer and Alois and Mary Mae Pfeifer	
FRIDAY.....	MARCH 3
6:45 am Ed and Minnie Braun, Ken and Mary Braun, and Everett and Judy Braun	
SATURDAY.....	MARCH 4
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Mark Rome	
6:30 pm St. Ann Vernon, Norma, and Mitch Berens	
SUNDAY.....	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT.....MARCH 5
8:30 am St. Boniface For the Parishes	
10:00 am St. Fidelis Ernie and Dolores Hoffman family living and deceased	

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2nd Tuesday
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