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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 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)	
<p>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 <i>The Register</i>, Salina Diocese newspaper</p>			

www.stfidelischurch.com / www.stbonifacevincent.com

April 28, 2024 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

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:

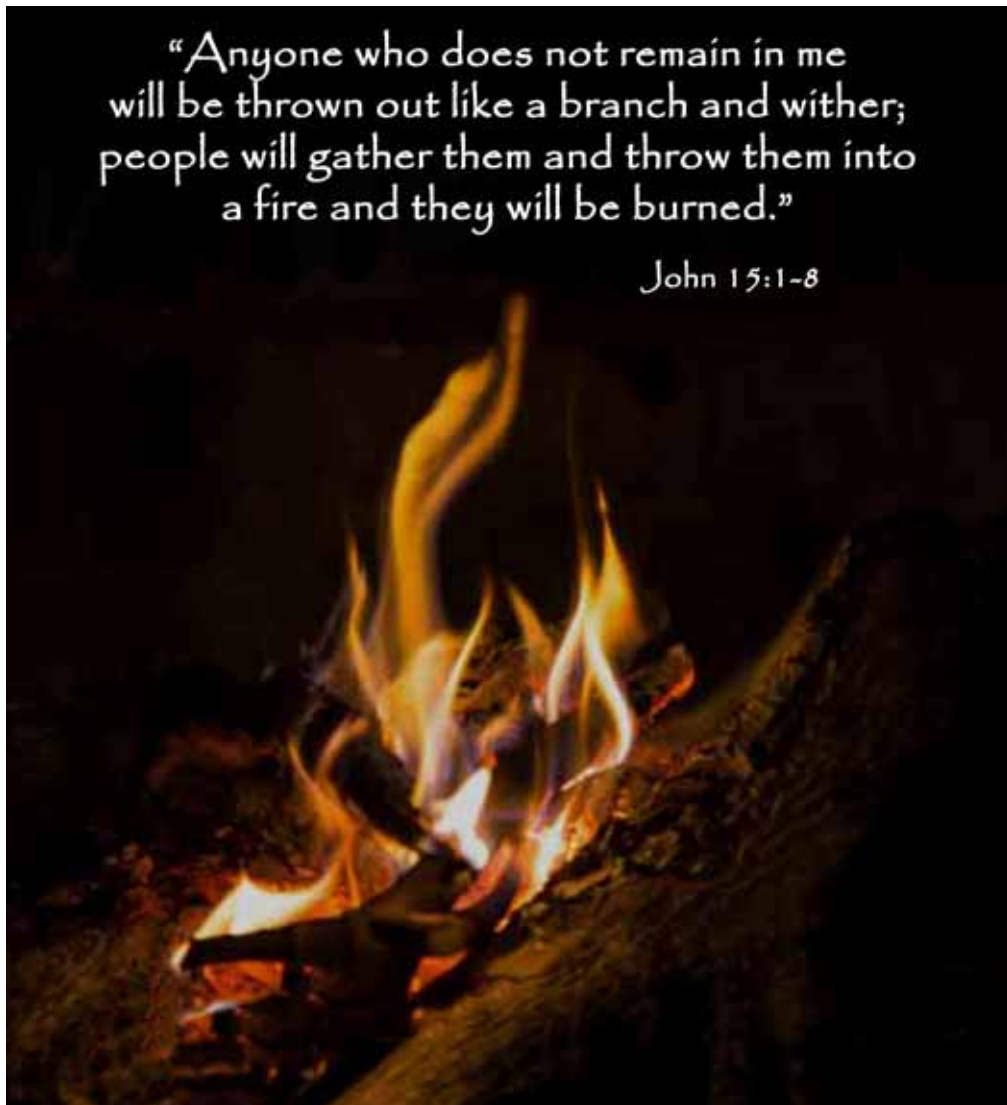
St. Fidelis: Mondays 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays 4:00 p.m.
St. Ann: After Mass
St. Boniface: Sundays 7:45-8:15 a.m. (Nov.-Apr.) After Mass (May-Oct.) or by appointment (contact Parish Office)

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

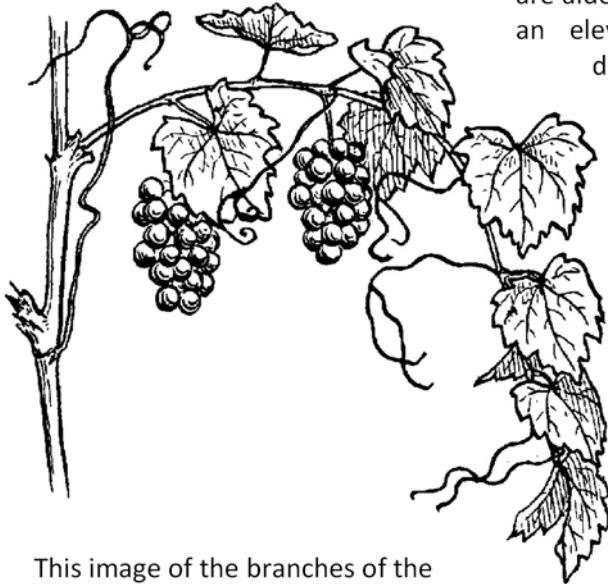
May 2 — National Day of Prayer
May 12 — Mother’s Day
High School Graduation / Baccalaureate Mass
May 12 — Ascension
May 15 — 8th Grade Promotion
May 16 — Last Day of School
May 18 — Armed Forces Day
Citywide Garage Sale
May 19 — Pentecost Sunday
May 20-24 — Capuchin Provincial Assembly—No Masses this week





Branches of the Vine

The parables that are so characteristic of the teachings of Christ are not found in the gospel of John. Instead, John's gospel uses two metaphors: the good shepherd and the branches of the vine. Today's gospel reading offers the image of the vine and branches to teach this basic message of Christ: we can share in the life of God through the mystery of grace when we remain united to Christ.



This image of the branches of the vine was understood well by the audience of Christ who were familiar with the cultivation of vineyards. Although many today have never seen a vineyard, we do care for plants and gardens and can readily appreciate the message. The branches share in the life of the vine and lose that life when separated from it.

"I am the true vine and my Father is the vine grower." "I am the vine, you are the branches." The first verse assures us that Christ shares the divine life of God the Father; the second builds on the first to explain that through Christ we can also be part of the life which He shares with his Father. The theological term for this mystery of faith is *grace*.

The Catholic Catechism explains: "Sanctifying grace introduces us into

the inner life of the Trinity. This gratuitous gift from God is infused by the Holy Spirit into our soul to heal it of sin and sanctify it. This grace responds to our deepest yearning, as it calls us to enrich our human existence with divine life. Grace requires our cooperation to be fruitful; it must be freely received."

Sanctifying grace should not be misunderstood as our becoming divine beings. We are not divinized, but we are aided by the merits of Christ to live an elevated human life. Grace is derived from the Incarnation.

when Jesus of Nazareth was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and assumed our human nature. He was and remained a divine person, but took on our human nature in time. This event has transformed humanity. Since God was once man, humanity is forever changed, invited to share in the very life of God.

This gift of grace from God to share in divine life is one of the great treasures of our Christian faith. When Joan of Arc was asked by her critics if she was living in God's grace she replied, "If I am not, may it please God to put me in it; if I am, may it please God to keep me there. I desire nothing more." *Amazing grace!*

... and mirth

The vitamin for Christians is B1.

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Contributions April 20-21, 2024

ST. FIDELIS:

Envelopes 2977.00 Loose 761.00
Cemetery 180.00

ST. ANN:

Envelopes 720.00 Loose 99.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Envelopes 585.00 Loose 156.00
Candles 190.00

April 29 — Patty Dreiling, Anne Schmidtberger

May 6 — Brenda Dreiling, Sandra Dreiling

With Sympathy

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of **Vera Mary Hoffman** of Hays, Kansas, who passed away on Thursday, April 18, 2024. Services were held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Hays, on Monday, April 22, 2024, with burial in St. Ann Cemetery, Walker, Kansas.

* Sunday Rosary Schedule *

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 the Eucharistic or Lector ministries or if you are willing to volunteer for those ministries.

* CANTORS *

SATURDAY, MAY 4

5:00 PM — Christine Lang and Jackie Engel

SUNDAY, MAY 5

10:00 AM — Sheila Stone

* EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS *

SATURDAY, MAY 4

5:00 PM — Teresa Shepherd, Jane Wagner, Keith Billinger
Jerry Schmidtberger

SUNDAY, MAY 5

10:00 AM — Leroy Schmidtberger, Connie Windholz
Yvonne Braun, Michelle Geist

* LECTORS \ COMMENTATORS *

SATURDAY, MAY 4

5:00 PM — Marilyn Braun

SUNDAY, MAY 5

10:00 AM — LeeAnn Schmidtberger

* HOMEBOUND MINISTERS *

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1 — Jane Wagner

SUNDAY, MAY 5

10:00 AM — Kathy Amrein

* MASS SERVERS *

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1 — End of Year Mass

Graycee H., Mason M., Broc N.

SATURDAY, MAY 4

5:00 PM —

SUNDAY, MAY 5

10:00 AM —

Committee Meeting Dates

Finance Council

4th Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Liturgy Committee

2nd Thursday @ 5:30 pm

Pastoral Council

1st Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Sound System in Church Update

You may have noticed the temporary black speakers in the sanctuary. These will be used until we can replace the 15-year-old ones in our system, which have died. Hopefully, we will have the new ones in a few weeks.

NEEDED: ST. FIDELIS CHURCH HANDY MAN

A paid position for a parttime, hourly wage person is needed. This would involve changing light bulbs, mowing grass, helping with chores around the parish offices, and doing some minor repairs around church and PAC as needed. Flexible hours. If interested, please contact Fr. Jim.

Basilica Rosaries

Just to update you on the sale of The Basilica of St. Fidelis special rosaries that were designed in Italy and were available in time for last year's Fidelisfest. We ordered 200 rosaries and have now sold half of those—7 in just the past two weeks. They make great gifts.

This Sunday, April 28, is the last Sunday for Liturgy of the Word for Children.

The program will resume next school year.

Mass times change

NEXT weekend May 5-6

Saturday 6:30 pm - St. Boniface

Sunday 7:30 am - St. Ann

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY	APRIL 29
7:00 pm Paul Urban	
TUESDAY	APRIL 30
6:45 am	
WEDNESDAY	MAY 1
6:45 am Warren Wittman	
THURSDAY	MAY 2
6:45 am Marge Rome	
FRIDAY	MAY 3
6:45 am Bernice Birzer (anniv)	
SATURDAY	MAY 4
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Dan and Angie Billinger family living & deceased	
6:30 pm St. Boniface For the parishes	
SUNDAY	MAY 5
7:30 am St. Ann Virgil and Wilma Staab and Landry Robben	
10:00 am St. Fidelis Norman and Ramona Kippes and family	

Come one, come all

Everyone who has given so generously of their time and energy is invited to a potluck dinner on **Tuesday, May 7, at 6:30 p.m.** This includes all Christian Mothers/Altar Society members, funeral workers and dessert providers, and A Stitch and a Prayer group.



Weather permitting, we will be under the new awning at the back of the PAC. If Mother Nature doesn't cooperate, we will move inside.

Bring your favorite dish and enjoy good food, good friends, and a good time. Coffee and tea will be provided. For more information, please call Jane Wagner at 785-735-2587.

Church, Chat, and Coffee



Come by the north sacristy **Tuesday mornings** following Mass for a cup of Joe, and if you can, stay and chat. If time does not permit you to visit, just grab a cup to go. Coffee will be ready and to-go cups available. We look forward to sharing some Java and conversation together.

*"This place is beautiful!!
God is good! ♥ ☺"*

Comment by visitor to The Basilica of St. Fidelis
April 13, 2024

Christian Mothers/Altar Society

Mass and Meeting

St. Fidelis Christian Mothers/Altar Society will meet after Mass on **Monday, May 6**, in the north sacristy. Since May is the month of Mary, please join us in the front pews for the **7:00 p.m. Mass** to honor and pray for Mary's guidance for us to be loving and patient women, filled with faith, hope, and joy!

Any woman that would like to join us as a prospective member, please know that you are welcome!

ST. ANN

Potluck after Mass

St. Ann Christian Mothers will sponsor a potluck after the **6:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday, April 27**. This is before the Mass time changes to Sunday mornings on May 5.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Mother Daughter Mass and May Crowning

The St. Fidelis Daughters of Isabella want to notify members that the Mother-Daughter Mass and May Crowning has been moved to **Sunday, May 19**. It had originally been scheduled for May 5.

COMMUNITY



"Come, Follow Me"

Tune into Divine Mercy Radio's Spring Care-a-thon April 30 - May 3 where we will learn what it means to be a follower of Jesus.

Of particular interest for our Tri-Parishes will be Thursday's event with Jacob Schroeder:

Tuesday, April 30

7:00 am – Ethan Lang

8:00 am – Fr. Fred Gatschet

1:00 pm – Corrina Hudsonpillar & Katie Platten

2:00 pm – Dr. Nick Compagnone

Wednesday, May 1

7:00 am – George Toman

4:00 pm – Bishop Gerald Vincke

Thursday, May 2

7:00 am Jacob Schroeder

Friday, May 3

8:00 am – Bill Meagher

4:00 pm – Sr. Mary Agnes & Sr. John Marie

Full schedule at dvmercy.com. For trivia and pledges, call 785.621.4110. Listen on radio, computer, phone app, or Alexa. Live on Rumble, Facebook, and YouTube.

Memorial Mass for Those Who Have Lost a Child

Registration for the Memorial Mass for parents who have lost a child is now open. Masses will be held on **Tuesday, May 7, at 2:00 p.m.** at St. Thomas More Parish in Manhattan and on **Wednesday, May 8, at 2:00 p.m.** at Sacred Heart Parish in Plainville.

Please register for this event on the diocese's website: <https://salinadiocese.org/events>. A reception will follow both Masses.



NATIONAL DAY of PRAYER
PRAY WITH AMERICA
Lift up the Word. Light up the world. -2 Samuel 22:29-31

Date: Thursday May 2, 2024
Time: 12:00-1:00pm
Place: VFW Ballroom
2106 Vine St.

Let's come together as a nation to pray for our nation!

APRIL Human Trafficking Alert

There is no more pernicious abuse of power than human trafficking. This modern-day slavery is a crime that takes all of us, working together, to eradicate. **Alliance to End Human Trafficking**—Founded and supported by **U.S. Catholic Sisters, 7575 Grand River Ave. 1-1009, Brighton, MI 48114.**

April Is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Did you know... What is happening in the diocese to protect children?

- Training is provided for all adults and youth to identify warning signs and develop strategies for maintaining a safe environment for all.
- A designated Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to receive reports and accompany victims through their journey.
- A volunteer independent Review Board assists the bishop in the review of cases and makes recommendation for moving forward.
- A Safe Environment Coordinator assists parish and school personnel with training and background screenings for anyone who may have access to children.
- An audit is conducted by an independent firm to evaluate implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*. Findings are incorporated with those of other dioceses and made available in an Annual Report.

Job Opportunity Accountant—Salina, KS

The Chancery Office is recruiting a full time Accountant.

This finance professional assists the Controller in managing the financial resources of the Diocese and benefits plans for employees. The person would be able to demonstrate their personal initiative, professionalism, advanced computer skills, and attention to detail. The applicant would be known for always exercising discretion and confidentiality. The person right for us would be motivated by the mission of the Catholic Church

The time might be right for you to make a change. For a confidential inquiry, to talk about this job, to request a full job description, call Kim Hoelting, 785-342-0819 or email a resume or inquiry to kim.hoelting@salinadiocese.org.

A LITTLE CHUCKLE

You Just Can't Help Dumb

A dumb guy is in the bathroom and his wife shouts, "Did you find the new shampoo I got you?"

He answers, "Yes, but I'm not sure what to do. It's for dry hair, and I just wet mine."

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