Beacon of Faith, St. Ann Catholic Church

·cathedral of the Plains.

THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS

Tearl 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

October 15, 2023 - 28th 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

 $\begin{array}{l} {\rm Saturday-6:30~pm-November\mbox{-}April} \\ {\rm Sunday-7:30~am-May\mbox{-}October} \end{array}$

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

Oct. 29 — Trick or Treat So Others Can Eat 1:00-4:00

Oct. 31 — Halloween

Nov. 1 — All Saint's Day (holy day of obligation) — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Nov. 2 — All Souls Day

Nov. 5 — Daylight Savings Time Ends

Put clocks back 1 hour

Nov. 7 — Election Day

Nov. 11 — Veterans Day

Nov. 22 — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED @

noon for Thanksgiving





Our Spiritual Dress Code

When you are invited to a special celebration, one of your first concerns is, "What will I wear?" You wonder if your attire will be appropriate. This is not empty vanity. What you wear says something not only about yourself, but also about your respect for others and the occasion they are celebrating.



So we have sympathy for the man in today's gospel. He was invited to the wedding celebration at the last minute. Apparently he thought he could come as he was. But then he is thrown out for not being properly dressed. It does not seem fair.

The gospel would be unfair if it were a lesson in proper attire. But the gospel is not about fashion. It is a parable about the kingdom of God. And the wedding garment of the gospel is the baptismal robe. That white garment worn at baptism is more than a garment. It is a symbol of our commitment to our faith. It is also a symbol of the condition of that commitment throughout life.

The historical setting of today's gospel was the persecution of the early church, when some did abandon their faith. They abandoned their baptismal robe. In this gospel being without a baptismal garment meant having denied the faith. The man in today's gospel parable was without the baptismal robe he had relinquished under persecution.

We modern Christians do not live

in a time of civil persecution. Yet we do live in a culture that is often hostile to faith. The pagan secular culture in which we are immersed, can erode one's faith in many subtle ways. We can stain our baptismal garment.

Dramatic total denials of faith are rare. More often faith is eroded gradually, like the accumulation of dust on furniture. One day you run your finger across a table top and are shocked at the amount of dust. In like manner, we absorb the unhealthy values of our secular culture gradually, imperceptibly.

To avoid such an erosion of faith, our Catholic tradition values daily prayer, frequent examination of our conscience, and regular confession.

We go for a regular checkup at the dentist and we service our car on schedule. How often have you changed the oil in your car since your last confession? We



Reconciliation

readily see soiled garments. Matters of faith are unseen and therefore more difficult to discern, and to remedy.

Our baptismal robe often needs to be laundered, but it never goes out of style. It is a commitment, not a fad. It is the required dress for the kingdom of God.

... and mirth

It was an emotional wedding; even the cake was in tiers.

Parish Staff

Pastor:

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Darlene Dreiling

Cemetery Groundskeeper:

Wilmer Dinkel

Maintenance: Ken Pfeifer

Organists: Kathy Dreiling-Amrein

Lou Ann Hammersmith

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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

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St. Ann Pastoral Council

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

Contributions October 7-8, 2023

ST. FIDELIS:

Envelopes 2470.00 Loose 1154.00 Repair Fund 150.00

ST. ANN:

Envelopes 1450.00 Loose 267.00 Capuchins 50.00 Cemetery 100.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Envelopes 765.00 Loose 152.00 Capuchins 60.00 Candles 11.00

~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

October 16 — Mary Brungardt, Janie Dinges

October 23 — Verda Werner, Bertha Brungardt

ST. FIDELIS ADULT CHOIR

Choir Practice

The Adult Choir will practice on Wednesdays, October 18 and 25, at 7:30 p.m.

They will sing Sunday, October 29, for the 10:00 o'clock Mass.

> Sunday Schedul e Rosary

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, OCTOBER 21

5:00 PM — John Braun

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

10:00 AM — Addison Ruder

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

5:00 PM — Connie Braun, Diane Gross, Teresa Shepherd, Jane Wagner

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

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

LECTORS\COMMENTATORS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

5:00 PM — Kathy Kuhn

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

10:00 AM — Shanna Dinkel

HOMEBOUND MINISTERS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18 — Diane Gross **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22**

10:00 AM — Kathy Amrein

MASS SERVERS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

5:00 PM — Brinly and Hadley L., Devyn H.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

10:00 AM — Abby B., Graycee H., Mya M.

Committee Meeting Dates

Finance Council 4th Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Pastoral Council

Liturgy Committee 2nd Thursday @ 5:30 pm

1st Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Opportunity to View "The Chosen"

Family Life Committee is once again sponsoring an opportunity to view and discuss the series entitled "The Chosen". The first episode of Season 3 will be shown Tuesday, October 17, starting at 7:30 a.m., in the north sacristy of the church and will continue at that time on Tuesdays into December.

If not attending Mass, please enter by the northeast door. If interested in watching Seasons 1 and 2, please contact Stephanie Broyles (785-735-4747) or Jane Wagner (785-735-2587).

> No Mass on Tuesday, October 17, due to Fr. Jim being away

October through December 2023 **Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers Schedule**

The October-December 2023 schedule for lectors and extraordinary ministers is available online at StFidelisChurch.com on the Mass Schedule page. There are also printed copies at the north entrance of The Basilica of St. Fidelis.

If you are unable to serve on the day scheduled, please find a substitute.

World Mission Sunday

The Church celebrates World Mission Sunday worldwide on October 22.

Pope Pius XI instituted World Mission Sunday in 1926, and the first worldwide collection occurred the following year. World Mission Sunday is an effort of the entire Church to help over 1,100 dioceses that cannot sustain themselves because they are too poor, young, or actively persecuted.

Until 1908, the Church in the United States was a mission territory. We relied on this fund to build our churches and seminaries and support our clergy and religious. Today many foreign missions rely on our generosity to sustain the Church, which is an instrument of God's love and mercy, His hope and peace.

	St. Fidelis Financial Summary				
<u>INCOME</u>	10/1/2023	<u>EXPENSES</u>	10/1/2023		
Bequests & Donations		Church Repair & Maintenance	\$229.23		
Church Tours	\$100.00	Clergy			
General Funds	\$3,130.00	Automobile Expense	\$1,076.00		
Jubilee Choir	\$100.00	Living Allowance	\$450.00		
Religious Education	\$500.00	Salary	\$1,076.00		
Repair Fund	\$455.00	СУО	\$330.35		
Royalty	\$154.73	Employees			
Tourist Donations	\$765.23	Benefits	\$1,124.12		
Candles	\$318.00	Mass/Wedding Pay	\$95.00		
Collections		Payroll	\$16,655.07		
Envelopes	\$11,361.00	Facilities & Equipment			
Loose	\$4,171.00	Janotorial Supplies	\$209.85		
Gift Shop	\$305.00	PAC Maintenance	\$27.37		
Miscellaneous	\$15.00	Pest Control	\$283.00		
Mission Parishes	\$2,000.00	Grounds, Landscaping	\$1,062.57		
Religious Ed Fees	\$80.00	Herzogfest			
Use of Buildings	\$750.00	Insurance	\$3,938.83		
TOTAL INCOME:	\$24,204.96	Music Ministry	\$107.05		
		Office			
ROSARY TOTALS		Accounting	\$749.00		
Income	\$121.00	Subscriptions	\$123.37		
Expense	\$0.00	Postage, Mailing Service	\$45.97		
		Religious Education			
		Background Checks	\$152.00		
		Events	\$32.78		
		Supplies	\$332.83		
		Textbooks/Curriculum	\$303.84		
		Sanctuary Supplies			
		Candles/Votives	\$8,321.19		
		Utilities			
		Church	\$3,565.08		
Gross Income:	\$24,325.96	PAC	\$756.50		
Total Expenses:	\$41,114.79	Worship Materials	\$67.79		
Net Income:	-\$16,788.83	TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$41,114.79		

St. Fidelis Cemetery Financial Summary						
INCOME	10/1/2023	<u>EXPENSES</u>	10/1/2023			
Bequests & Donations	\$500.00	Maintenance	\$303.20			
TOTAL INCOME:	\$500.00	Payroll	\$806.09			
		TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$1,109.29			
Gross Income:	\$500.00					
Total Expenses:	\$1,109.29					
Net Income:	-\$609.29					

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.

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.

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.

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.

YOUTH MINISTRY / CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION

Trick or Treat

SO OTHERS CAN EAT!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29 | beginning at 2:00 PM

Youth groups will go door to door in Victoria to collect nonperishable items such as food, toiletries, household cleaners, baby items, etc. for the Ellis County Community Assistance Center in Hays.

You can place your items on your porch.

Please indicate that they are for

"Trick or Treat So Others Can Eat".



We apologize if your items are missed. You can drop them off at the Parish Office during business hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30-noon and 1:00-4:00 and Friday 8:30-noon.

YOUTH MINISTRY / CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION





Check back in the bulletin for updates on how the CYO is progressing towards their goal.

Mark your calendars: St. Fidelis CYO is hosting a breakfast at Victoria Elementary School on Sunday, October 29th from 8:30 A.M.—12 P.M.

Dear Parishioners,

This November, 28 youth and chaperones with St. Fidelis' CYO are making a pilgrimage to the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indiana, the largest youth ministry event in the nation. The total cost for each person to attend is approximately \$900. It will cost about \$25,000 to get all 28 of them there!

For three days their faith will be energized by the Holy Spirit: they'll hear Him in the words of renowned Catholic speakers but also during the silence of awe-filled and breathtaking liturgies; Mass with tens of thousands of other youth plus hundreds of priests and other religious AND a breathtaking and Spirit-filled hour of Eucharistic Adoration; plus so much more!

If you would like to donate specifically to their pilgrimage to NCYC, please remit your donation with the form below and know that every bit helps them!

We thank you wholeheartedly for your support!



NCYC Sponsorship Form

Please remit this receipt with your payment to Basilica of St. Fidelis Parish Office or you can drop the payment in the collections basket at any of the tri-parish Masses. If you have any questions please contact Jeanna Wellbrock at 785-259-6564. Please make checks payable to St. Fidelis CYO.

Tier 1 \$150 Cost of trans	sportation Donor or business name:	
Tier 2 \$300 Cost of lodg	ng/hotel Mailing address:	
Tier 3 \$450 Cost of mea	s + lodging	
Tier 4 \$600 Remaining a	mount owed Please initial here: if you prefer your donation remains anonymous	
Tier 5 \$900 Cost of one	full sponsorship	
Other amount \$	(Every donation helps! Thank you SO much!)	

Stewardship for Children Week 2

Who is God's steward? Jesus himself, called twelve men to follow him AND become his disciples. Stewards are just like Jesus' disciples; they help to do His work here on earth. There is much work to be done on Jesus' behalf.

"Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things." Colossians 3:2

YOU are God's steward!
At home activity: When your parents brought you to be baptized, you became a member of the Church. You were called by name. Look for your Baptismal certificate and ask your parents to tell you these things:
Date of Baptism: Church name: Priests name: Your god parents names: Something special about your Baptism:

Prayer:

Thank you Jesus for my life and for giving me every day to work and play. Please teach me to give and share with others the gifts you have given me. May I always do all I do the way You would want me to do it. Amen.



St. Fidelis Parish Breakfast

Sunday, October 29 8:30 AM – 12 PM Victoria Elementary School Sausage and gravy, biscuits, eggs & donuts Free will donations accepted

PROCEEDS GO TO ST FIDELIS' CYO & NCYC
PILGRIMAGE

"I am not capable of doing big things, but I want to do everything, even the smallest of things, for the greater glory of God.

~St. Dominic Savio (age 15)



BUFFET-STYLE GERMAN MEAL

DINE IN OR TAKE OUT; QUARTS AVAILABLE

\$15/adult (14 & up); \$8/ 6-13 yr old; 5 & under FREE Menu and Country Store:

Galuskies | Sausage & Kraut | Creamed Dumplings with Potatoes Fried Noodles/Cooked Beans | Cole Slaw | Cake | Drink

Sunday, October 15 10:30 am - 1:30 pm (or until food is gone)

St. Boniface Parish Hall

Proceeds will go towards upkeep of church & grounds RSVP appreciated but not required by 10/7/2023

Karen 785-735-4682 (text or call)

Teri 785-735-7097 (text or call)

Edie 785-735-4238 (call only)

Tri-Parish Pictorial Directory

THE REMAINING DATES PICTURES WILL BE TAKEN ARE:

Monday, October 16

2:00 - 8:36 p.m. at the Parish Office

Tuesday, October 17 2:00 - 8:36 p.m.

at the Parish Office

Wednesday, October 18

2:00 - 8:36 p.m. in the North Sacristy

As of now, the above dates are filled; however, because of the great turn out, we have another day available for pictures at the Parish Office:

MONDAY, OCTOBER 30, FROM 2:00 TO 8:36 P.M.

SIGN UP NOW!

You can schedule online:

- 1) Go to UCDIR.com
- 2) Click the "Photography Appointment Scheduling Login" button
- 3) To login, use Church Code = KS155
- 4) Password = photos

OR

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.

Any parishioner who has their picture taken will receive a free 8 x 10 photo and a parish pictorial directory.

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If you would like to have a group picture of your church organization in the Pictorial Directory, please contact the Parish Office at 785-735-2777 to make arrangements.

DIOCESE

October Human Trafficking Alert

The sales in the trafficking business today dwarfs the numbers involved in the slave trade of the past. Billions of dollars are generated today using people as products to be bought and sold in a global market. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking**, 7575 Grand River Rd., Suite 109, Brighton, MI 48114.

Holy Land Classic Journey

Fr. Daryl Olmstead will be leading a pilgrimage to Israel **May 14-23, 2024**. The cost of the trip from Denver or Kansas City is \$4,396.00.

If you would like more information, please contact Fr. Daryl at St. Boniface Parish (785-373-4455) or stbonifacechurch@wilsoncom.us. He can send you a brochure by mail or by email.

Support for The Register and Faith

If you have ever laughed at one of Bishop Vincke's stories in his monthly e-news; if you have ever read a story in faith magazine and been brought to tears; if you have ever clipped out a photo of your grandchild in The Register; if you have ever tuned into The Three Bald Guys while on a drive, if you have ever checked out an event on the diocesan website or heart-reacted a social media post, please consider making a gift to support the annual Communications and Publications Drive.

You can do so by using the enclosed envelope in the October issue of The Register or the November issue of Faith. Or you can make a gift online at salinadiocese.org.

A LITTLE CHUCKLE

Adultery is a sin. You can't have your Kate and Edith, too.

COMMUNITY

'Ask a Priest': Divine Mercy Radio

If you have a question about the Catholic Faith, or if you've been asked a question about a Catholic Church teaching and you're stumped on how to respond, now you have a way to get your question answered anonymously from Fr. Fred Gatschet, Vicar General for the Diocese of Salina. Just go to dymercy.com and click

on the "Ask-a-Priest" banner. There, you can submit your question which will be answered on an upcoming episode of the Double-Edged Sword Program on Divine Mercy Radio. Check back often for upcoming showtimes.



You can scan the QR Code to go directly to the "Ask-a-Priest" page on their website.

Meet Your School Board Candidates

Everyone is invited to come and meet the candidates running for the Victoria School Board on **Sunday, October 22, at 11:00 a.m.** in the elementary school cafeteria. Coffee and rolls will be available. The event is sponsored by the Victoria Community Coalition.

St. Catherine's Christian Mothers Katharinenstadt's Essenfest German-Style Cook-Off

Sunday, October 22 | 11:00 - 1:00

Kennedy Middle School Cafeteria, 1309 Fort St.

ENTRY COST: Enter a GERMAN FOOD for a chance to win a Cash Prize! There is no entry fee.

Cash Prize for the top 3 People's Choice Award. Deadline to register is October 18.

TASTER COST: \$5 per person. You can purchase at the door. Taste all entries!

Call/text Sarah Shubert for registration Cell: 785-656-2399

There will also be a Bake Sale, Polka Music, and a 50/50 Raffle!!

Proceeds will be donated to local charities.

Thank you for advertising in our bulletin!



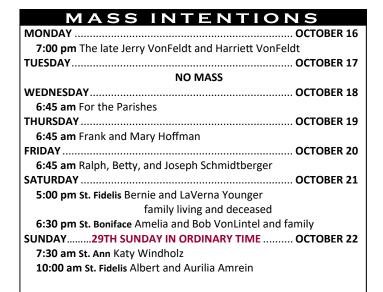




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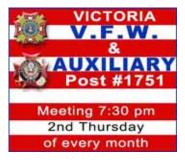


Please patronize those who advertise in our bulletin. Single Ad = \$20.\mathbb{\mathbb{Q}}, Quarterly Ads = \$60.\mathbb{\mathbb{Q}}, Monthly Ads = \$100.\mathbb{\mathbb{Q}}, Weekly Ads = \$300.\mathbb{\mathbb{Q}} — To place an ad, contact Connie @ 785-735-2777











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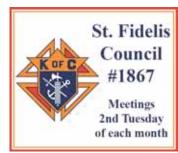






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