

„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:**

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**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

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## March 22, 2026—Fifth 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

### 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:

**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.)

### 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

**March 26**—Chrism Mass, **OFFICE CLOSED**  
**March 27**—Stations of the Cross  
St. Fidelis 5:30p.m./St. Ann 7:00p.m.  
Fish Fry, VFW, 5:00-7:30pm  
**March 29**—Palm Sunday  
**March 30-April 5**—Holy Week—see schedule  
**April 2**—Holy Thursday,  
**OFFICE CLOSED** at noon  
**April 3**—Good Friday, **OFFICE CLOSED**  
**April 5**—Easter  
**April 6**—Easter Monday, **OFFICE CLOSED**  
**April 12**—Divine Mercy Sunday

April 16—Liturgy Meeting, 5:45p.m.  
April 19—First Holy Communion



### Eucharistic Adoration in the chapel concludes on Holy Thursday, April 2, at 6:30p.m.

Eucharistic Exposition in our Adoration Chapel stops on Holy Thursday at 6:30pm so that our prayer can then be centered in the Basilica with the Holy Triduum services on Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter weekend. Following the 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will continue at the side altar of the Basilica until 10:00pm.

Adoration in the Adoration Chapel will resume as usual on April 7th. You may want to close the Chapel doors as the Capuchins will be using the Basilica April 6-10.





## Fr. Curtis Carlson, OFM Cap.

*The following is a portion of the Message of the Holy Father Leo XIV for Lent 2026, on the theme: "Listening and Fasting: Lent as a Time of Conversion":*

Lent is a time in which the Church, guided by a sense of maternal care, invites us to place the mystery of God back in the center of our lives, in order to find renewal in our faith and keep our hearts from being consumed by the anxieties and distractions of daily life.

Every path towards conversion begins by allowing the word of God to touch our hearts and welcoming it with a docile spirit. There is a relationship between the word, our acceptance of it and the transformation it brings about. For this reason, the Lenten journey is a welcome opportunity to heed the voice of the Lord and renew our commitment to following Christ, accompanying him on the road to Jerusalem, where the mystery of his passion, death and resurrection will be fulfilled. . . .

The willingness to listen is the first way we demonstrate our desire to enter into relationship with someone. In revealing himself to Moses in the burning bush, God himself teaches us that listening is one of his defining characteristics: "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry" (Ex 3:7). . . .

Our God is one who seeks to involve us. Even today he shares with us what is in his heart. Because of this, listening to the word in the liturgy teaches us to listen to the truth of reality. In the midst of the many voices present in our personal lives and in society, Sacred Scripture helps us to recognize and respond to the cry of those who are anguished and suffering. In order to foster this inner openness to listening, we must allow God to teach us how to listen as he does. . . .

Abstaining from food is an ancient ascetic practice that is essential on the path of conversion. Precisely because it involves the body, fasting makes it easier to recognize what we "hunger" for and what we deem necessary for our sustenance. Moreover, it helps us to identify and order our "appetites," keeping our hunger and thirst for justice alive and freeing us from complacency. . . .

However, in order to practice fasting in accordance with its evangelical character and avoid the temptation that leads to pride, it must be lived in faith and humility. . . . In this regard, I would like to invite you to a very practical and frequently unappreciated form of abstinence: that of refraining from words that offend and hurt our neighbor. Let us begin by disarming our language, avoiding harsh words and rash judgement, refraining from slander and speaking ill of those who are not present and cannot defend themselves. Instead, let us strive to measure our words and cultivate kindness and respect. . . . In this way, words of hatred will give way to words of hope and peace.

Finally, Lent emphasizes the communal aspect of listening to the word and fasting. The Bible itself underlines this dimension in multiple ways. . . . Likewise, our parishes, families, ecclesial groups and religious communities are called to undertake a shared journey during Lent, in which listening to the word of God, as well as to the cry of the poor and of the earth, becomes part of our community life, and fasting a foundation for sincere repentance. . . .

I impart my heartfelt blessing upon all of you and your Lenten journey.  
From the Vatican, 5 February 2026, Memorial of Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr  
**POPE LEO XIII**

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### CONTRIBUTIONS MAR 7-8

#### **ST. FIDELIS:**

Loose 722.00 Envelopes 1908.00

Repair 30.00 Cemetery 1.00

Catholic Relief 165.00

#### **ST. ANN:**

Loose 139.00 Envelope 2055.00

Catholic Relief 150.00

Solemnity of Mary 100.00

#### **ST. BONIFACE:**

Loose 119.00 Envelopes 145.00

Catholic Relief 120.00 Candles 22.00



Scan the QR  
Code to go to  
our on-line  
Donate page.

**FINANCE COUNCIL**  
 Tuesday, Feb. 24 at 7:00pm  
**LITURGY COMMITTEE**  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday @ 5:45 pm

**PASTORAL COUNCIL**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday Every Other Month  
 Next Meeting: March 3

**\* Sunday Rosary Schedule \***  
 1<sup>st</sup> - Christian Mothers    2<sup>nd</sup> - Knights of Columbus  
 3<sup>rd</sup> - Daughters of Isabella    4<sup>th</sup> - 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](http://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 28**

5:00 PM — Pam Scheck

**SUNDAY, — MARCH 29**

10:00 AM — Adult Choir & Jubilee (Pam)

**HOLY THURSDAY, — APRIL 2 — ADULT CHOIR (Kay)**

**GOOD FRIDAY, — APRIL 3 — ADULT CHOIR (Kay)**

**\* EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS \***

**SATURDAY, — MARCH 28**

5:00PM — Kathy Kuhn, Anne Weber, Jody Dinkel  
 Connie Windholz, Jerry Schmidtberger

**SUNDAY, — MARCH 29**

10:00AM — Connie Braun, Yvonne Braun,  
 Teresa Shepherd, Bertha & Kenny Brungardt  
 ADULT/JUBILEE CHOIR

**HOLY THURSDAY, — APRIL 2 — ADULT CHOIR**

7:00PM — Anne Dinkel, Yvonne Braun,  
 Connie Windholz, Kenny & Bertha Brungardt

**GOOD FRIDAY, — APRIL 3 — ADULT CHOIR**

1:00PM — Marla Robben, Kathy Kuhn,  
 Jane Wagner, Michelle Geist

**\* LECTORS / COMMENTATORS**

**TWO LECTORS FOR THE PASSION**

**SATURDAY, — MARCH 28**

5:00 PM — Randy Leiker & Nicole Hunter

**SUNDAY, — MARCH 29**

10:00 AM — LeeAnn Schmidtberger & Shanna Dinkel

**HOLY THURSDAY, — APRIL 2**

7:00PM — Karen Nowak

**GOOD FRIDAY, — APRIL 3 TWO LECTORS**

1:00PM — Allan Amrein & Diane Gross

**\* MONEY COUNTERS \***

**MONDAY, MARCH 23**

Jerry Schmidtberger, Andrea Ottley

**MONDAY, MARCH 30**

Patty Dreiling, Anne Schmidtberger

Have you ever been to a Chrism Mass? The Chrism Mass is one of the most significant liturgies for a diocese as it symbolizes the unity between the bishop, clergy, and the faithful. During the Mass, the bishop blesses the holy oils used for the sacraments throughout the year. Additionally, the priests renew their vows. Our Chrism Mass is scheduled for Thursday, March 26th, at 11:30a.m. at the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Salina. Anyone can attend. I especially want to encourage our catechumens and candidates in the OCIA class to attend. Hope to see you there,



*+ Gerald L. Veneke*

**\* HOMEBOUND MINISTRIES \***

**WEDNESDAY, — MARCH 25** Carol Pfeifer

**SUNDAY, — MARCH 29**

10:00 AM — Kathy Amrein

**WEDNESDAY, — APRIL 1** Jane Wagner

**\* MASS SERVERS \***

**SATURDAY, — MARCH 28**

5:00 PM — Dalton S., Scarlett H., Hadley L.

**SUNDAY, — MARCH 29**

10:00 AM — Luke T., Graycee & Brynn H.

**HOLY THURSDAY, — APRIL 2**

7:00PM — Dalton S., Broc N., Ethan S.

**GOOD FRIDAY, — APRIL 3**

1:00PM — Dax L., Luke T., Rhett H.



*With Deepest Sympathy*

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of Richard Caudill of Reading, Ks, who passed away on March 1, 2026. Graveside services were held on March 9, 2026 at St. Ann Cemetery.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>MONDAY</b> .....	<b>MARCH 23</b>
7:00pm Eddie+ & Ruth+ Engel and Donna M Engel Families	
<b>TUESDAY</b> .....	<b>MARCH 24</b>
6:45am Floyd+ Dinkel (anniversary)	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> .....	<b>MARCH 25</b>
6:45am Rosemary B+ Dreiling	
<b>THURSDAY</b> .....	<b>MARCH 26</b>
6:45 am Joseph & Matilda Hammerschmidt Families L & D	
<b>FRIDAY</b> .....	<b>MARCH 27</b>
6:45am For The Parishes	
<b>SATURDAY</b> .....	<b>MARCH 28</b>
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Allen+ & Connie+ Dreiling Family	
6:30 pm St. Ann Larry+ Berens	
<b>SUNDAY</b> .....	<b>MARCH 29</b>
8:30 am St Boniface Jerry+ Freitag	
10:00 am St. Fidelis Seraphine+ Scheck	

\*L&D—Living and Deceased

# STAND STRONG, Saint Fidelis

"UPON THIS ROCK I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH" [MATTHEW 16:18]

## HELP US PRESERVE THE INTEGRITY OF OUR CHURCH

The exterior of our beloved church is in need of repair. This restoration project will help preserve the structure and beauty of our church for generations to come.



Mid-Continental Restoration Co., Inc. will be completing this work. The scope of the project includes:

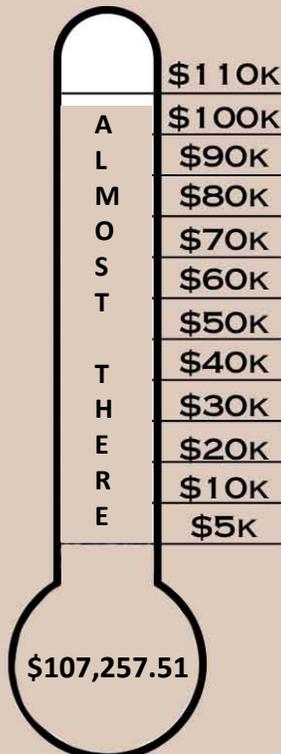
### Sealant Application to Vertical Joints in Stone Caps & Bands

All vertical head joints between coping stones and stone bands will be cut back and cleaned of any loose or foreign debris. These joints will then be resealed with new sealant, tooled to a neat and uniform appearance, and color-matched as closely as possible to the existing material.

### Tuckpointing Stone Mortar Joints

All mortar joints will be carefully inspected. Any that are found to be void, open, or defective will be repaired. All affected areas will be cleaned to remove any loose residue, and defective joints will be repointed using a non-staining, non-shrinking Type "N" masonry mortar. This mortar will be color-matched and tooled to blend seamlessly with the surrounding joints.

The total estimated cost for this vital work is **\$109,980**. We are asking for your generosity in helping us raise the necessary funds to complete these repairs. No amount is too small, and all donations are deeply appreciated. You can donate by dropping off at the Parish Office or by placing in the collection basket in a **separate envelope labeled "Building Repairs"**.



**!! If using blue repair fund envelopes, please notate Mid-Continental Restoration Inc (MCR) !!**

## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

### 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.

**PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE UNDER "MASS SCHEDULE" FOR CHANGES REGARDING WEATHER, HOLIDAYS, ETC."**



Please scan the picture below to join the Adoration GroupMe.

This group will be used to announce closures and will also serve as a platform to request substitutes as needed.

If you need assistance joining the group, please contact Andrea

Schmidtberger at 785-656-2208.

SCAN ME!



If you would like assistance scanning/downloading the GroupMe app, please stop at the Parish Office.

**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**



**St. Fidelis has 1 adorer opening that needs filled. If interested or have questions, please contact Jane Wagner at 785-735-7029.**

*Times needed:*

**Wednesdays 2:30am-3:30am**

**Substitutes are needed as well. Substitutes are not a full time commitment but are very much appreciated. If interested in subbing, please contact**

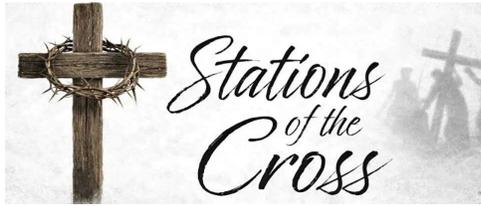
**Jane Wagner at 785-735-7029.**



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

**All are welcome to attend. Additional adorers/ substitutes welcome Open to Tri-Parish Community**

## Lenten and Easter Schedule



**Stations of the Cross**  
**Feb. 20th-March 27th**  
**(every Friday except Good Friday)**  
**St. Fidelis 5:30p.m.**  
**St. Ann 7:00p.m.**  
**(followed by 1hr adoration)**



**Communal Penance Service**  
**St. Fidelis**  
**March 23rd after 7p.m. Mass**

### Palm Sunday



St. Fidelis	Sat, March 28th	5:00p.m.
St. Ann	Sat, March 28th	6:30p.m.
St. Boniface	Sun, March 29th	8:30a.m.
St. Fidelis	Sun, March 29th	10:00a.m.



**Holy Week March 30th-April 5th**

Monday	St. Fidelis	7:00p.m.
Tuesday	St. Fidelis	6:45a.m.
Wednesday	St. Fidelis	6:45a.m.
Holy Thursday	St. Fidelis	7:00p.m.
Good Friday Service	St. Fidelis	1:00p.m.

### EASTER



**Easter Vigil**    **Sat, April 4th**    **St. Fidelis**    **8:30p.m.**

**Easter Sunday**    **Sun, April 5th**

	St. Ann	7:30a.m.
	St. Boniface	8:30a.m.
	St. Fidelis	10:00a.m.

# Jubilee Choir

**Practice dates:**

January 7 & 28  
February 4 & 25  
March 4 & 25\*

*\*Brief practice on March 25th following religion, with adult choir in choir loft.*

**April 1, 8, and TBD\***

*\*TBD Practice date and time during the week of April 13 - 17.*



**Singing dates:**

January 11  
February 8  
March 8  
March 29  
April 5

*\*Jubilee Choir will not sing on Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>.*

April 19

*The children's choir is for any child in 1<sup>st</sup> grade and older. By singing in the Jubilee Choir children participate fully in the Mass and help our parish encounter Christ with joy and faith. Please contact Jeanette to sign your child up & to receive the detailed parent letter issued to choir families regarding the upcoming practice and singing times and dates. The invitation for them to join is always open!*

Jeanette Brungardt cell: 785-639-5067  
reledyouth@stfidelischurch.com



**The Rescue Project**  
St Boniface Hall  
6:30pm-8:00pm (ish)  
Begins Wednesday,  
April 15 thru May 13.

Be prepared to be  
totally captivated!  
(through video education)



Capuchin Franciscans—  
Province of St. Conrad

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[www.capuchins.org](http://www.capuchins.org)

DIGITAL EVANGELIZATION:

In The Hood

Every 3rd Thursday at 6p.m. CST

Good Morning Good People

Join us to celebrate a joyful Palm Sunday

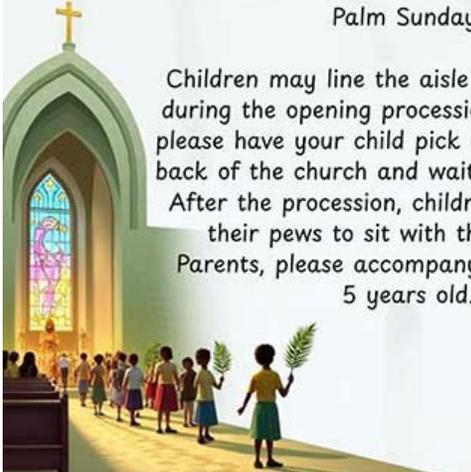
## Palm Sunday Mass

Sunday, March 29, 2026,  
10:00 A.M. Mass

Basilica of St. Fidelis Catholic Church  
Victoria, Kansas

All children are invited to help celebrate  
Palm Sunday!

Children may line the aisle and wave palms during the opening procession. Before Mass, please have your child pick up a palm in the back of the church and wait for instructions. After the procession, children will return to their pews to sit with their families. Parents, please accompany children under 5 years old.



# THANK YOU!



New lights have been placed in the adoration chapel. We would like to THANK Sandy & Aleck McAlonan for purchasing the lights, and KayLee & Jordan Robben for installing them. They have been a wonderful addition to the chapel.

**Communal Penance Service**  
Basilica of St. Fidelis  
Monday, March 23rd  
7:30p.m.  
(after the 7:00p.m. Mass)



## ST. ANN



Every Friday through March 27 7:00p.m.

St. Ann

All are welcome to attend.



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

All are welcome to attend.  
Additional adorers/  
substitutes welcome

Open to Tri-Parish Community



Christian Mothers Mass  
For  
Christan Mother Members & Families  
Living and Deceased

March 21st  
St. Ann's at 6:30pm.

After Mass, Fr. Curtis will have a special prayer.

Members, please sit in the front two pews for Mass.

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

**All are welcome to join.**

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

2026



Saturday's

Dec 27, 2025

Jan 31

Feb 28

March 25

Sunday's

May 31

June 28

July 26

Aug 30

April 25

March 21—Christian Mothers Mass Living & Deceased  
April 15—Spring Walker Elves Project—details to follow  
April 25—Potluck after Mass—time change celebration  
June 11—Christian Mothers Meeting, 7pm, Walker Hall  
July 26—Tri-Parish art contest Grades Pre-K thru 12  
—Mass honoring St. Ann & Joachim—potluck

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



### Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

Serving:

**Deep Fried Pollock, Fried Noodles and Beans,  
Coleslaw, Baked Potatoes, Bread, and Drink**  
\$15 for adults/ \$5 children ages 6-12/ children 5 &  
under FREE

**Friday— March 27**

**5:00-7:30p.m. or until food is gone**

**Victoria VFW**

Home Delivery available by calling Leroy  
Schmidtberger at 785-639-3570.

## DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA



### Lenten Bake Sales

Daughters of Isabella is hosting bake sales in  
conjunction with the Knights of Columbus Fish  
Fry at the VFW Hall during Lent on March 27.  
Members are asked to please bring their baked  
goods or cash donation to the  
VFW Hall between  
4:00-5:00p.m. on March 27.

## CAPUCHINS

# JOB OPENING



**The Capuchins at  
St. Fidelis Friary  
seek an ongoing cook for the  
friary.**

**Preferably, supper Mon, Tues,  
Wed, Fri, and Sun; lunch Thurs  
and Sat. Or at least five or six days a week.  
Position to begin May 1, 2026. Please call  
Fr. Curtis at 785-735-2777.**

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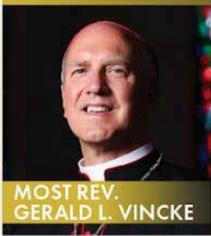
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**CELEBRANT:**



**MOST REV. GERALD L. VINCKE**

**Together In Holiness**

**FEATURING:**



**RENZO AND MONICA ORTEGA**

**Together In Holiness is a marriage conference that inspires spouses to grow together in holiness and empowers parents to form their children in the Catholic Faith.**

**Registration is now open!**  
**For More Information, contact:**  
**Kirsten Zimmerman, Conference Coordinator**  
**832-779-1070**  
**Kirsten@forlifeandfamily.org**

**Early Bird Couples: \$54/Early Bird Individual: \$35**

- ◇ Early Bird pricing ends March 2
- ◇ A box lunch & light breakfast included for each adult registrant
- ◇ On-Site Childcare (2-12yrs): \$5/child
- ◇ Scholarships for couples & individuals are available

**20th Annual Women's Spirituality Conference**  
**Guest Speaker: Sarah Hart—"The Gift of You: Living as the Beloved"**

**REGISTRATION FORM**

Register below or online at

<https://bit.ly/WomSpConf>

Childcare provided.

Please print legibly.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I need childcare : Yes \_\_\_ Ages \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Registration Fees	Adult	Student
Early Registration (by March 10)	\$45	\$20
Regular Registration (Mar 11-April 10)	\$50	
Late Registration (after April 10)	\$55	

Make checks payable to **Thomas More Ladies**  
Memo: Women's Conference.

Mail registration forms to:  
Women's Conference  
2900 Kimball Ave.  
Manhattan, KS 66502

The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Spirituality Conference is held at the St. Thomas More Parish Center located at 2900 Kimball Ave., Manhattan. 785-776-5151  
Sponsored by the Women's Groups of St. Thomas More and Seven Dolores Catholic Churches

**Schedule for the Day-Saturday, April 18, 2026:**

Continental Breakfast /Gather 8:30a.m. – 9:00a.m.  
Introduction and Presentation 9:00a.m. to Noon.  
Lunch Break Noon to 1:00p.m.  
Presentation resumes 1:00p.m. to 2:30p.m.



Parish Center is behind the Church. Drive to the BACK parking lot.

**Registration DEADLINE: April 10, 2026**

Questions? Email :  
Rosie Rundell at [kansas.rosie@yahoo.com](mailto:kansas.rosie@yahoo.com) or  
Alysia Bauman at [office@stmmanhattan.com](mailto:office@stmmanhattan.com)

# Celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday

## Prayer Service

3 p.m. - Sunday - April 12

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church - Hays  
Confessions begin at 2 p.m.



## Novena begins Good Friday

Sponsored by: **Divine Mercy**  
105.7 HAYS

*"The soul that will go to Confession and receives Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins."*

The hour will include Eucharistic Exposition, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in song, litany of prayers and meditation. Jesus entrusted Saint Maria Faustina with the task of spreading the message of his Divine Mercy through a series of visions and interior locutions in the 1930's.

Everyone is encouraged to pray the novena to the Divine Mercy, which begins on Good Friday.

### DIOCESE

# JOIN THE DIOCESAN CHOIR

*Chrism Mass*

MARCH

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Please contact [psauers@shcathedral.com](mailto:psauers@shcathedral.com) or the Sacred Heart Cathedral office for more information on joining the choir



## Dementia & Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Groups

### Zoom Meetings

2nd Thursday of every month

2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Contact Micki at [maacarmstrong@gmail.com](mailto:maacarmstrong@gmail.com) for Zoom link info

### In-Person Meetings

4th Thursday of every month

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Center for Health Improvement 2500 Canterbury Dr. Hays, KS

To attend please email Jill at [jill@adiffmindsetassoc.org](mailto:jill@adiffmindsetassoc.org)

785-269-1928 [www.adiffmindsetassoc.org](http://www.adiffmindsetassoc.org)  
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**\$50/ TICKET**

**ELLIS COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS**

5:30 pm Cash Bar and Silent Auction Opens  
5:45- 6:15 pm Line Dance Lessons by FHSU  
6:30 pm Buffet Dinner  
7:30-10:30 pm Wes Cossman Band & Dancing

**APRIL 25**  
**5:30- 10:30 PM**

Buy a ticket, support the community, and enjoy a Night To Remember! All proceeds go toward local dementia respite and caregiver support programs.

◆ 1344 Fairground Rd, Hays, Ks ◆ <https://www.adiffmindsetassoc.org/>

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(Last loads end at 5:30 PM)

**2026 Dates**

- January 15<sup>th</sup>
- February 19<sup>th</sup>
- March 19<sup>th</sup>
- April 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>
- May 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>
- June 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>
- July 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>
- August 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>
- September 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>
- October 1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>
- November 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>
- December 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>

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Register by the first Friday of the month

Delivery will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday (Hays) between 1:30-4:00PM

Delivery will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday (Ellis & Victoria) between 1:30-4:00PM

**More information?**

- 785-623-2800
- www.firstcallelliscounty.com
- 607 E 13<sup>th</sup> St, Hays, KS 67601

### Hays Public Library Bookmobile Spring Dates

**Monday, April 13**  
Victoria Elementary 3:00pm-4:00pm

**Saturday, April 18**  
Victoria Park 11:30am-12:30pm

**Monday, May 4**  
Victoria Elementary 2:45pm-4:00pm

**Saturday, May 16**  
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## 2026 Commodities Distribution:

2:30pm at the Parish Office Kitchen

**1st Come, 1st Serve**  
(according to government commodity regulations we are not allowed to hold boxes back)

**March 23rd**  
**May 18th**  
**July 27th**  
**September 28th**  
**November 23rd**

THE VICTORIA COMMUNITY COALITION INVITES EVERYONE TO COME TOGETHER WITH NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS TO

### ST. JOHN'S PLACE

#### GAME DAYS

2ND & 4TH MONDAYS OF THE MONTH  
PLAY CARDS OR BOARD GAMES  
AND ENJOY SOME FRIENDLY CONVERSATION.  
2:00 - 4:00 PM (OR LATER)

#### COFFEE TIME GATHERINGS

1ST & 3RD THURSDAYS OF THE MONTH  
10:00 - 11:00 (OR LATER)  
ENJOY SOME COFFEE AND FRIENDLY CONVERSATION.  
PLEASE USE THE NORTH LOBBY ENTRANCE.

## YOU'RE INVITED! Preschool-Kindergarten ROUND UP

WHEN: March 23rd @ 6:00pm

WHERE: VES Cafeteria

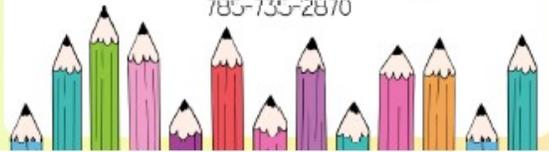
WHAT TO BRING:

Your child entering Preschool or Kindergarten

- Kindergartener must be 5 by August 31st
- Preschooler must be 4 by August 31st

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Please call the office if you have any questions:

785-735-2870



LET'S UNITE FOR A BETTER TOMORROW

## COMMUNITY MEETING

COME AND VOICE YOUR PRIORITIES FOR  
WHAT'S NEXT AT ST JOHN'S PLACE:  
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SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER,  
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REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

APRIL 12, 2026 | 11:15 AM  
ST JOHN'S PLACE  
(USE NORTH ENTRANCE)

Come join PTO for a fun night of FREE BINGO!  
All ages are welcome. Popcorn and drinks will be provided.

**SATURDAY  
MARCH 28TH  
6:00-8:00**

**VES  
Cafeteria**

**Will be taking free will donations!**

### USD 432 VICTORIA SCHOOLS

- March 23: Preschool & Kindergarten Round-Up 6:00pm
- March 23: JH Track Practice starts
- March 26: Spring Pictures
- March 29: VES Annual Breakfast Fundraiser



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