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THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS

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ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH



Parish 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	Catholic Faith Education Office 785-735-9244
Weddings, Baptisms, Hospital Visits, In-Home Mass, Holy Communion to Homebound Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements for these events.	Morning Coffee Thursdays 9:00 a.m. at the Parish Office with the Pastor & friends	St. Fidelis Food Pantry For residents of the tri-parishes. Call the Parish Office. Donations accepted.
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 Some items available at Parish Office such as Herzoger, Cookbooks, Postcards, History Books.	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

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February 20, 2022 – Seventh Sunday in 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

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:

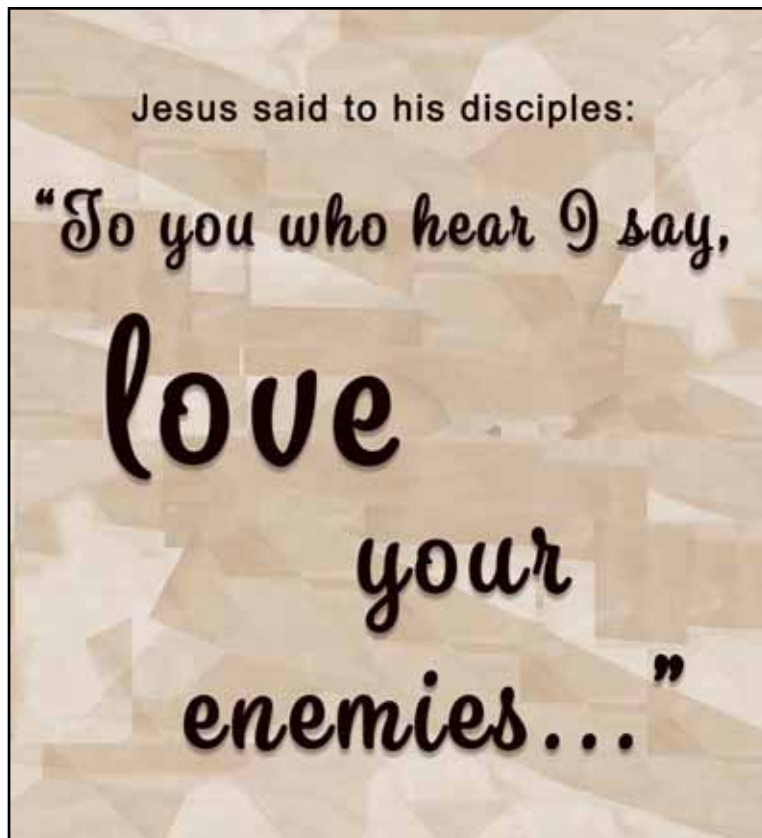
St. Fidelis: Mondays 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays 4:00 p.m.
St. Ann: After Mass
St. Boniface: Sundays 7:45-8:15 a.m. (Nov.-Apr.) After Mass (May-Oct.) or by appointment (contact Parish Office)


Tri-Parish Prayer Line

Anyone wishing to request prayers for family or friends may call Teresa Shepherd (785-735-9576) to add their requests to the Prayer Line

Dates To Remember

Mar. 2 — Ash Wednesday
Mar. 6 — First Sunday of Lent
Girl Scout Sunday
Mar. 11 — Stations of the Cross begin
Mar. 13 — Daylight Savings Time begins (clocks ahead 1 hour)
Mar. 17 — St. Patrick’s Day
Mar. 25 — Annunciation of the Lord
Apr. 1 — April Fool’s Day
Apr. 10 — Passion (Palm) Sunday
Apr. 14 — Holy Thursday — PARISH





The Parish Office will be closed Tomorrow—Monday, February 21, in honor of Presidents Day.



Love Your Enemy

The atheistic philosopher Fredrick Nietzsche did not like Jesus of Nazareth. And today's gospel is one of the major reasons. Nietzsche's basic theme was *The Will to Power*. He claimed that when Jesus taught his followers to love their enemies he encouraged them to be the miserable doormats of society, trampled on by their powerful oppressors.

The commandment of Christ to love our enemy is revolutionary. No other religion has anything remotely like it. Some even bless vengeance. But the gospel says, "Love your enemies and do good to those who hate you." That obviously goes against our natural instinct. So, why should we do good to those who hate us?

Today's gospel explains: "Then you will be children of God for He himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked." If we love our enemies we do as God does. But why is God good and loving to the ungrateful? The Book of Wisdom says that kindness to the wicked "turns their hearts from destruction and their malice to mercy."

Here Christianity is surprisingly practical. Loving our enemies has the power to free our enemies from their hatred and vengeance. It is often the only thing that can. Returning their hatred with hatred only escalates the war. Ignoring them entrenches a cold war. But when I love my enemies I not only lay down my own arms, I disarm my opponents. They no longer have an enemy. They can only fight with their own conscience.

The personal application of this gospel is not about politics or war. It is about our own interpersonal conflicts. A partner in marriage has been called *the intimate enemy*. When spouses have a falling-out any small issue can escalate dramatically, but a small act of love can disarm.

Children can also experience *the intimate enemy* when siblings fight among themselves. As do parents dealing with a rebellious teenager, or adult children estranged from their parents. A feuding neighbor can also be such an enemy.

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The right words to repair these rifts are difficult to find. But an act of kindness can break the ice of mistrust. When such enemies are in need of assistance, a helping hand can erase an old animosity. *Love your enemy* is the only effective way to defuse these situations.

Nietzsche is not alone in promoting reliance on power to rule others. Many in modern society fail to realize that loving one's enemy, properly understood, is much more effective than the dominance of power to achieve what everyone desires most, peace.

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Don't fear the enemy that attacks you, but the false friend that hugs you.

Parish Staff

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Contributions February 12-13, 2022

ST. FIDELIS:

Envelopes 2065.00 Loose 668.95
Repair Fund 242.00
Endowment 5.00

ST. ANN:

Envelopes 670.00 Loose 242.00
Coffee & Rolls 138.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Envelopes 360.00 Loose 129.00
Candles 40.00 Hall Rent 50.00

Feb. 22 (Tuesday) — Marilyn Braun,
Kenny Brungardt
Feb. 28 — Cora Schulte, Ivan Werber

ADULT CHOIR

Practice

The St. Fidelis Adult Choir will practice on Wednesday, February 23, from 7:30-8:45 p.m. The Choir will sing at the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, February 27.

* 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, February 26

5:00 PM — Pam Scheck

Sunday, February 27

10:00 AM — Adult Choir

* EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS *

Saturday, February 26

5:00 PM — Carol Pfeifer, Mary Brungardt, Jane Wagner

Sunday, February 27

10:00 AM — Michelle Geist, Yvonne Braun, Bertha R. and Kenny Brungardt (Adult Choir)

* LECTORS \ COMMENTATORS *

Saturday, February 26

5:00 PM Allan Amrein

Sunday, February 27

10:00 AM — LeeAnn Schmidtberger

* HOMEBOUND MINISTERS *

Wednesday, February 23 — Carol Pfeifer

Sunday, February 27, 10:00 AM — Yvonne Braun

Committee Meeting Dates

Finance Council
4th Tuesday @ 5:30 pm

Liturgy Committee
2nd Thursday @ 5:30 pm

Pastoral Council
1st Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

THANK YOU!



How can I thank you enough for all your prayers, encouragement, cards, notes, get wells, and other indications of your caring during my past and continuing infirmity.

The number of these expressions has been overwhelming—even from the youth of the parishes. Each of you has provided me with courage and strength.

Bless all of you. I can only respond to you through my own prayers, Masses, and offerings of my suffering for you. There is certainly a spiritual bond in all of this which is a gift of God's very goodness.

It is a wonderful thing that I will never forget.

Fr Jim

ST. FIDELIS THRIFT SHOP

Collecting Shoes to Help Humane Society

The St. Fidelis Thrift Shop is collecting shoes to help the Hays Humane Society raise funds for their services. This fundraiser replaces the usual Souper Bowl the Humane Society sponsored in previous years.

Shoes can be taken to the Thrift Shop during open hours or brought to the Parish Office. The shoes will be cleaned and then taken to the Humane Society.

If you would like to participate in this event, please do so by Saturday, March 5.



Road Work on Cathedral

As you may be aware, Cathedral Avenue is getting a "facelift". Work on the street is scheduled to begin on Monday, February 28. As work progresses, parking on the west side of the church may not be available. However, access to the church's north parking lot should not be affected.

The street construction is expected to last until September and will be completed in stages, starting at the south end from 6th Street to 7th Street. Next will be 7th Street to 10th Street, and finally 10th Street to 13th Street.

Those Darn Fake Emails!

Please be aware of fake emails saying they come from Fr. Jim or other staff members. DO NOT CLICK on any links within the emails. Call Fr. Jim or the staff member first to make sure that the email did indeed come from them.

To All Parishioners

Everyone listed in our tri-parish database who has NOT returned an updated Parishioner Information Form within the past 2 months should have received a letter and a copy of the form in the mail. If you haven't, please contact the Parish Office.

Filling out and returning the form will help us communicate better with parishioners and with the Diocese.

You can put the updated form in the collection basket during weekend Masses (*attention: Connie*) or bring it to the Parish Office or mail it to: Basilica of St. Fidelis, 601 10th Street, Victoria, Kansas 67671.

If you have any questions about filling out the form, please call Connie at the Parish Office (785-735-2777).

Out of 495 families listed in our tri-parish database, we have received 123 updated information forms back.

Thank you to all who have already returned their updated information.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Raffle to Benefit Hays ARC Park

The Saint Fidelis Knights of Columbus Council is holding a Raffle of four (4) quarters of processed beef. A \$20 donation results in one ticket. All proceeds will benefit the Hays ARC Park.

Tickets are available from Troy 785-735-4625, Leroy 785-639-3570, Harland 785-623-1368, John 785-623-0680 or other Knights of Columbus.

The drawing will be held on March 4, 2022, at the K. of C. Fish Fry. Need not be present to win.

LENTEN YARD CROSSES

The Knights of Columbus will be providing wooden crosses in the yards of people that would like to have one during the Lenten season.

At a cost of \$20, the Knights will install and remove the cross.



Crosses will be installed on Saturday morning, February 26, prior to Ash Wednesday. If you choose, you may decorate the cross with a ribbon or cloth, but nothing that would permanently mark or damage the cross.

Crosses will be removed on the Saturday after Easter, the morning of April 23.

The Knights will install crosses in the county as well as the City of Victoria.

If you are interested, please contact John Braun (785-735-2622), Harland Rupp (785-623-1368), Randy Leiker (785-259-1392), or Leroy Schmidtberger (785-639-3570) or pick up a sign-up slip and a flag in the west vestibule of the Basilica of St. Fidelis. You are asked to place the flag in your yard where you want the cross installed.

The sign-up slips and payment can be given to one of the Knights listed above or brought into the Parish Office. All proceeds will go towards a Pro-Life initiative to purchase a sonogram machine for a crisis pregnancy center.



SOUP LUNCHEON
VFW Hall, Victoria, KS
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2022
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

MENU:

- Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup
- Homemade Green Bean Dumpling Soup
- Homemade Chili Soup
- Sloppy Joe Sandwich
- Hot Dog
- Dessert and Drink

MEAL \$8.00

Includes Soup, Sandwich, Dessert, and Drink

MEAL \$5.00 for Children 10 and under

Carryout available.



Attention Adults!

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Hays, is offering *Ora et Labora: Pray and Work*, an experience of building community and assisting our neighbors in the area with tasks such as painting, cleaning the garage, lawn work, etc.

They will have a guest speaker, share meals, pray and build friendships.

When: Evening of March 31-April 2, 2022.

Registration deadline: March 1, 2022. Register on-line at Immaculate Heart of Mary website (ihm-church.com).

Questions: Call Sister Beverly @ 785-625-7339.



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

Monday — February 21

No school
 Presidents Day

Tuesday — February 22

Wednesday — February 23

Vision and hearing tests 11th, 9th, and 7th Grades

Thursday — February 24

KSHSAA substate quarterfinals

Friday — February 25

ACT registration deadline for April 2 test
 KSHSAA substate quarterfinals

Saturday — February 26

9:00 am Tin gym-Basketball Clinic/Victoria Rec

A LITTLE CHUCKLE

Coincidences!

An old man walked into a bar and sat down next to a woman. He ordered a glass of champagne. The woman said, "Hey! I just ordered a glass of champagne too!"

He replied, "Hmm. What a coincidence!"

He said "I'm here to celebrate."

She said, "Hey, I'm celebrating too!"

He replied, "Hmm. What a coincidence!"

She asked, "What are you celebrating?"

He said, "Well, I have 7 hens that I've been trying for years to get to lay eggs, and today they finally did."

She said, "My husband and I have been trying for years to have a baby and today my gynecologist told me I'm pregnant!"

He replied "Hmm. What a coincidence!"

She said "Can I ask you what you did different to get them to start laying?"

He said "Well, I changed roosters."

She replied with a smile, "Hmm. What a coincidence!"

Lent will begin with Ash Wednesday on March 2

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 Jan at the Parish Office. Fr. Jim will also come to your home and offer the anointing of the sick or confessions. Contact Jan at the Parish Office.

MASS INTENTIONS		
MONDAY.....	PRESIDENTS' DAY	FEBRUARY 21
7:00 pm	Ventura Sander and the Berens family	
TUESDAY.....		FEBRUARY 22
6:45 am	Norman Karlin	
WEDNESDAY.....		FEBRUARY 23
6:45 am	Louise and Jonah Schmidtberger	
THURSDAY.....		FEBRUARY 24
6:45 am	For the parishes	
FRIDAY.....		FEBRUARY 25
6:45 am		
SATURDAY.....		FEBRUARY 26
5:00 pm	St. Fidelis Carol Billinger	
6:30 pm	St. Ann Edwin and Ruth Engel and Jane Penka	
SUNDAY.....	EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	FEBRUARY 27
8:30 am	St. Boniface LaVern Braun and Jacy Braun	
10:00 am	St. Fidelis Anita J. Lang and Deceased Family Members	

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Single Ad = \$20.00, Quarterly Ads = \$60.00, Monthly Ads = \$100.00, Weekly Ads = \$300.00
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