

„Beacon of Faith,
ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

„Cathedral of the Plains,
THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS

„Pearl of the Prairie,
ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30-12:00 and 1:00-4:30 — Friday 8:30-12:00

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

WWW.STFIDELISCHURCH.COM

February 8, 2026—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Feb. 14—Valentine's Day

Feb. 16—President's Day

OFFICE CLOSED

Feb. 18—Ash Wednesday—Mass at 6:45a.m. and 7:00p.m.

March 26—Chrism Mass

OFFICE CLOSED

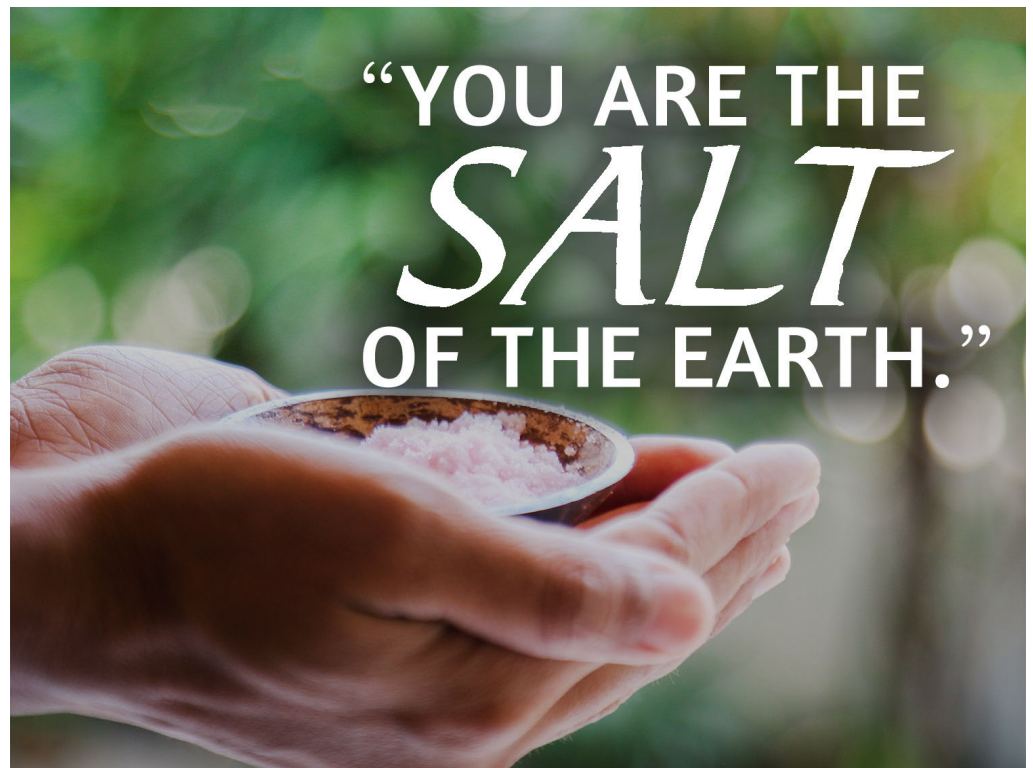
MARCH 29—Palm Sunday

FEB. 20—Stations of the Cross

St. Fidelis 5:30p.m.

St. Ann 7:00p.m.

FEB. 24-25-26 Immaculate Heart of Mary
Lenten Mission, Hays



Mass:

Feb. 18th

St. Fidelis

6:45 A.M.

7:00 P.M.



FRIARS' MIND

Fr. Curtis Carlson, OFM Cap.

Spiritual reading provides good content for prayer; and for the mind in general. The content informs, shapes, and guides us. What books should we read? The Bible, certainly, and books by or about Saints, and the classics of Christian spirituality. Some people make a point of reading a life of Christ and a life of a saint every year. Even secular biographies and autobiographies, and fiction, might be inspiring. I enjoy adventure stories where the characters gain courage and learn wisdom amidst their struggles.

There is a way of reading that I call "Hollow Reading". Do not expect too much, nor too little. Read a bit at a time. Pause as often as you are inclined to do. Mentally respond to, interact with, the text. If you do not understand, then either move on, or seek another source as a reference. If you do not understand, but want to understand, then "untie the knot" over a period of time of reflection. Whenever you encounter a Bible verse or passage, look it up to see the context and commentary.

Underline phrases, write in the margins of the book itself (unless the book belongs to someone else). My uncle Earl fills spaces around the book's text with his own words. Then, later on, you can re-read the underlined passages of a marked-up book.

Say a prayer when beginning and ending a reading session. Use a personally meaningful prayer card as a bookmark. Read a book along with your spouse or family, and discuss the content.

Use this Lent to begin a life-long habit of reading, or at least read one good spiritual book every Lent.

Suggestions:

Peter Kreeft: *Love is Stronger than Death. Everything you ever wanted to know about heaven, but never dreamed of asking. Heaven: The Heart's Deepest Longing.*

Emilie Griffith: *Doors into Prayer: An Invitation.*

Amy Wellborn: *Prove it! God.*

Bronwen McShea: *Women of the Church: What Every Catholic Should Know.*

Anthony Esolen: *How the Church Has Changed the World, Vol. I, Vol. II, Vol. III, and Vol. IV.*

Joseph M. Esper: *Saintly Solutions to Life's Common Problems.*

Marion Amberg: *Monuments, Marvels, and Miracles: A Traveler's Guide to Catholic America.*



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CONTRIBUTIONS

ST. FIDELIS:

Loose 984.00 Envelopes 3378.00
Repair 95.00 Cemetery 50.00
Solemnity of Mary 25.00

ST. ANN:

Loose 141.00 Envelope 855.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Loose 221.00 Envelopes 230.00
Candle 33.00



Scan the QR
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our on-line
Donate page.

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

PASTORAL COUNCIL
1st Tuesday Every Other Month
Next Meeting: March 3

*** 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 14

5:00 PM — Jerry S. & Rick C.

SUNDAY, — FEBRUARY 15

10:00 AM — Christie Sander

WEDNESDAY, — FEBRUARY 18 — ASH WEDNESDAY

7:00PM — Leroy Schmidtberger

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SATURDAY, — FEBRUARY 14

5:00PM — Jody Dinkel, Anne Weber,
Rick Colmenero, Keith Billinger

SUNDAY, — FEBRUARY 15

10:00AM — Connie Braun, Yvonne Braun, Marla
Robben, Kayleen Robben, Sandy
McAlonan

WEDNESDAY, —FEBRUARY 18 — ASH WEDNESDAY

6:45 AM —WILL ALSO DISTRIBUTE ASHES
Yvonne Braun, Jane Wagner, Becky
Scheck, Leroy Schmidtberger

7:00 pm — WILL ALSO DISTRIBUTE ASHES

Diane Gross, Keith Billinger, Jerry
Schmidtberger, Deb & Tony Gerschwentner

LECTORS/COMMENTATORS

SATURDAY, — FEBRUARY 14

5:00 PM — Becky Scheck

SUNDAY, — FEBRUARY 15

10:00 AM — Allen Amrein

WEDNESDAY, —FEBRUARY 18 — ASH WEDNESDAY

6:45 AM — Kathy Kuhn

7:00 PM — Karen Nowak

HOMEBOUND MINISTRIES

WEDNESDAY, — FEBRUARY 11 Diane Gross

SUNDAY, — FEBRUARY 15

10:00 AM — Anne Dinkel

WEDNESDAY, — FEBRUARY 18 Kathy Kuhn

Live In My Life

Lord,

I invite You to live in my life today.

Here is my face—Smile through it.

Here is my mouth—Speak to someone with it.

Here are my ears—Listen to someone with them.

Here is my heart—Love someone with it.

Here are my hands—Touch someone with them.

Here are my arms—Hug someone with them.

Here are my feet—Walk with them this day.

Amen.



MASS SERVERS

SATURDAY, — FEBRUARY 14

5:00 PM — Nicholas S., Luke T., Owen P.

SUNDAY, — FEBRUARY 15

10:00 AM — Micheal & Colin S., Addy S.

WEDNESDAY, — FEBRUARY 18 ASH WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM — **VOLUNTEERS PLEASE**

MONEY COUNTERS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Jerry Schmidtberger, Andrea Ottley

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Patty Dreiling, Anne Schmidtberger

**NO MASS THE MORNINGS OF FEB 9-12 AS
FR CURTIS WILL BE ATTENDING MEETINGS.**

MASS INTENTIONS

NO MASS FEB. 9-12 AS FR. CURTIS WILL BE AT MEETINGS

MONDAY..... FEBRUARY 9

7:00pm NO MASS

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 10

6:45am NO MASS

WEDNESDAY.....FEBRUARY 11

6:45am NO MASS

THURSDAY.....FEBRUARY 12

6:45 am NO MASS

FRIDAY.....FEBRUARY 13

6:45am Robert & Lila Hammerschmidt Family Living & Deceased

SATURDAYFEBRUARY 14

5:00 pm St. Fidelis Don & Betty Pfeifer Family Living & Deceased

6:30 pm St. Ann Linda+ & Wendelin+ Schoendaller and Anton+
& Anna+ Younger

SUNDAY.....FEBRUARY 15

8:30 am St Boniface LaVerne+ & Jacy+ Braun and Marlena Dinkel+

10:00 am St. Fidelis Peter+ & Agitha+ Quint

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"**.

\$110K
\$100K
\$90K
\$80K
\$70K
\$60K
\$50K
\$40K
\$30K
\$20K
\$10K
\$5K

\$106,132.51

!! 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 openings that need
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.*

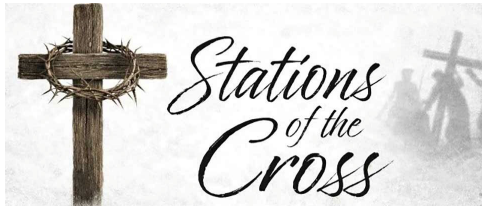
**"I see nothing materially of the most high Son of God
except His most holy Body and Blood."**

St. Francis of Assisi

Lenten and Easter Schedule



Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18th
St Fidelis
6:45a.m. & 7:00p.m.



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



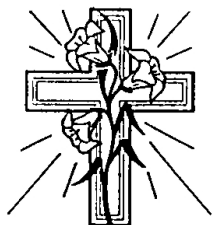
Palm Sunday, March 29th

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

ST. ANN



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

All are welcome to attend.
*Additional adorers/substitutes
welcome*

Open to Tri-Parish Community



**St. Ann Christian
Mothers Meeting**

**Thursday, Feb. 19
7:00p.m.
Parish Hall**

**All are welcome to
attend or join. Do not
need to be a Mom to
join.**

**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

April 25

Sunday's

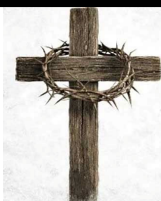
May 31

June 28

July 26

Aug 30

Sept 27



*Stations
of the
Cross*

**Every Friday beginning Feb. 20
through March 27 at 7:00p.m. at St.
Ann's. All are welcome to attend.**

ST. BONIFACE



**St. Boniface 24 Hr Eucharistic
Adoration
Feb. 21-22
8:00am-8:00am**

**Be watching for the sign-up
sheet at the back of church.**

**Additional adorers are welcome
at any time.**

**For questions,
please contact Karen.**



CHRISTIAN MOTHERS DUES

**St. Boniface
Christian Mothers
Membership dues of \$5.00
are payable to:**

**Gloria VonLintel
485-370TH Ave
Victoria, Ks 67671**

**May give/send to Gloria,
drop in collections,
or send to the Parish Office**

**Please make checks payable to:
St. Boniface Chrisitan Mother**



**Why did the teacher wear
sunglasses?**

**Because her students were so
bright!**

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

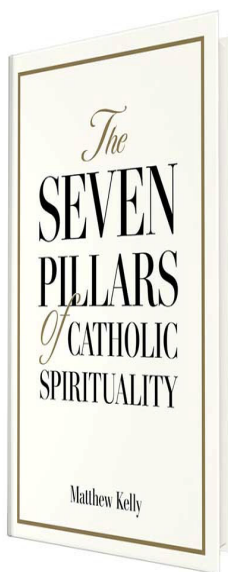
April 5

**Jubilee Choir will not sing
on Sunday, April 12th.*

April 19

The children's choir is for any child in 1st 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



Are you ready to delve further into your Catholic faith this Lent?

Thanks to the Knights of Columbus, you can!
They have generously bought each parishioner

Seven Pillars of the Catholic Faith

by Matthew Kelly.

These books will be available at both church entrances. Pick up your copy and begin reading ways you can enhance your spiritual life!

We will meet to discuss how this applies to each of us. Attend one session or all on Thursdays beginning February 19 at 6:30p.m. in the North Sacristy of St. Fidelis.

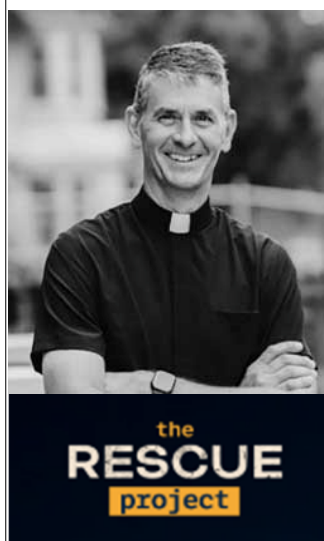
Suggested Readings:

Feb. 19th: Ch. 1, pgs. 5-38.

Feb. 26th: Ch. 2, pgs. 39-67.

March 5th: Ch. 3-4, pgs. 69-110

March 12th: Ch. 5-6, pgs. 111-134.



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)

*If you missed the
Eucharistic Conference,
you don't want to miss
this!*

SPAM

SPAM WARNING

*There have been recent reports of people receiving
texts and or email message supposedly from*

Fr. Curtis Carlson

*Please be aware that these are fake messages
asking you to click on a link or respond to text. DO
NOT CLICK ON THESE LINKS!!*

*If you are unsure, please call the parish office to
verify that the text or email or any phone message
that may have been left are legit.*

*This is true for any text, email, phone message you
may receive from anyone. Always verify with the
individual before clicking on a link, even if it looks*

PILGRIMAGE

11 Days: November 2-12, 2026

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

WITH SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO & BARI

VISITING: FLORENCE * ASSISI * SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO
BARI * MONTE CASSINO * ROME * VATICAN CITY

Hosted by

FR. DAMIAN RICHARDS

\$4479 FROM KANSAS CITY*

*Air/land tour price is \$3979 plus \$500 gov't taxes/airline surcharges

For More Information, Please Contact:

Fr. Richards

Tel: (785) 639-4365

Email: frdjrichards@gmail.com



DON'T MISS OUT! SIGN UP TODAY!



LENTEN MISSION

Lenten Parish Mission

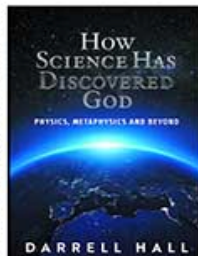
Heartland Parish Lenten Speaker

DARRELL HALL

Educator, Speaker & Christian Apologist
(Faith, Science, Suffering & Philosophy)

Travels from

Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada



Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

Hays, Kansas

Tuesday, February 24th

to

Thursday, February 26th

7:00pm to 8:30pm

Presentation One – How Science Has Discovered God

From the origin of the universe to the fine-tuning of life itself, modern science reveals striking evidence of design and purpose. This presentation engages listeners with compelling scientific, philosophical, and theological arguments that point to an intelligent, loving Creator.

Presentation Two – Divine Dilemma: The Challenge of Suffering and Evil in a World Created by God

If God is good, loving, and all-powerful, why is there suffering and evil? This talk confronts one of the deepest challenges to Christian faith, offering a reasoned and hope-filled response grounded in theology, philosophy, and human experience.

Presentation Three – The Scandal and Power of Forgiveness: Love, Mercy, and the Heart of God

Forgiveness lies at the heart of the Christian life, yet it is often the hardest command to live out. Drawing from Scripture and Christian experience, this presentation explores how forgiveness reveals the very heart of God and has the power to heal, free, and transform lives today.

DIOCESE

Discerning a Call to the Permanent Diaconate?

The Diocese of Salina invites men who are prayerfully considering a vocation as a Catholic Permanent Deacon, and any interested spouse, to attend an upcoming Diaconate Information Presentation.

These one-hour session will provide an overview of:

- The ministry of the permanent diaconate
- Formation and academic requirements
- The application and discernment process

Information Session Schedule

(All sessions begin at 10:00a.m.)

Manhattan	March 7—St. Thomas More Parish
Salina	March 21—Diocesan Chancery
Oakley	March 28—St. Joseph Parish
Hays	April 25—Immaculate Heart of Mary

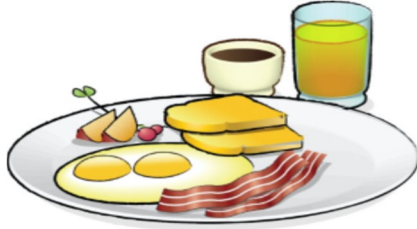
Men who feel the Lord may be calling them to serve His Church through the permanent diaconate are warmly encouraged to attend.

Applications are due June 1. No applications will be accepted after this date.

For more information: www.salinadiocese.org

CYO

SAVE THE DATE!



Free Will Offering

Victoria CYO Breakfast
February 22
8:00am-12:00pm
Victoria Elementary School
Biscuits & Gravy, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, and Fruit, Drink

Bake Sale available as well!

VFW

V.F.W. **Soup Dinner**

SUNDAY, February 15
V.F.W. Hall, Victoria
11:00 to 2:00 pm

Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup
Homemade Green Bean Dumpling Soup
Homemade Chili Soup
Hot Dog, Dessert, and Drink

Free Will Offering if eating at VFW
Carry out 22-oz. Soup - \$10.00
Carry out Hot Dog - \$2.00

Pop and beer can be purchased at the Bar Window



COMMUNITY

SOUP LUNCHEON

PROVIDED BY
DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

SENIOR CENTER, GORHAM, KS

\$8 - PER PERSON
\$5 AND UNDER FREE
\$15 - QUART

CHILI
GREEN BEAN & DUMPLING
CHICKEN & NOODLE

HOMEMADE BREAD, PIES AND DESSERTS
EAT IN OR TAKE OUT
DON'T FORGET TO STOP BY AND
CHECK OUT THE COUNTRY STORE

Ladies,
Let the guys cook in
February!!



APRIL 18, 2026
IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH
HAYS, KS

Family, a
Domestic Church

PRESENTED BY



COUPLE \$64
CHILDCARE \$5/CHILD

Register by March 2 to grab
an Early Bird discount



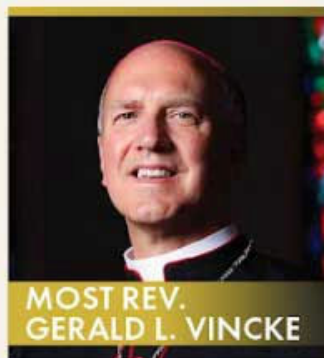
REGISTER
HERE

QUALITY TIME | DYNAMIC SPEAKERS | CHILDCARE
MASS + ADORATION + CONFESSION

TOGETHERINHOLINESS.ORG/SALINA

CELEBRANT:

FEATURING:



MOST REV.
GERALD L. VINCKE



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

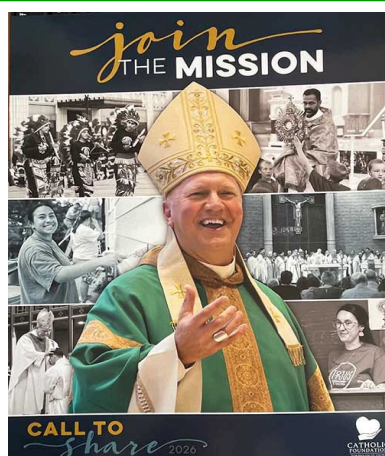
Kirsten@forlifeandfamily.org

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

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

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SAVE the DATE!
July 31 (evening)
August 1 (all day)
FHSU Campus



Call to
Share
Annual
Appeal

Kick-off
Weekend

Feb 8-9



Bulletin Announcements

Kick-off Weekend
February 7-8, 2026

Here are bulletin announcements that you
can use for Bishop's Annual Appeal 2026. If
you have any questions or need
additional/specific announcements, please
contact torrie.gregg@salinadiocese.org.

QR Code where parishioners can
make their gift online



appeal.givecfd.org

Option 1 -

The Bishop's Annual Appeal supports the mission of the Church beyond what any single parish can do alone. Through the Appeal, ministries that pass on the faith to our youth, support and care for our clergy, and strengthen families across the diocese are made possible. Our parish is asked to take part in this shared mission with a goal of \$_____. We invite you to prayerfully consider supporting the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Give online at appeal.givecfd.org.

Option 2 -

Each year, our parish joins with others across the diocese to support the ministries made possible through the Bishop's Annual Appeal. These ministries help form the faith of our youth, support and care for our clergy, and strengthen families throughout our diocesan community. Our parish goal this year is \$_____. We invite you to take part in this shared effort by supporting the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Give online at appeal.givecfd.org.

Option 3 -

Your generosity through the Bishop's Annual Appeal helps carry out the mission of the Church across our diocese. Through your support, faith is passed on to the youth of our diocese, our clergy are strengthened, and families are supported at every stage of life. These ministries help form disciples, support parish life, and serve communities across north-central and northwest Kansas. We invite you to join the mission by supporting the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Give online at join.givecfd.org.

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.

Tri-Parish

Cards & Games Party

Sunday, February 8 ~ 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Parish Activity Center (north entrance)



*Everyone is invited.
Pick up a friend and
come join the fun!*

*You are welcomed
to bring a snack of
any kind for
everyone to enjoy.*

LET'S PLAY!

- Pinochle
- Farkle
- Dominos
- Phase 10 and more

Lots of Luck!



Spelling Bee Winners

Congratulations to our Spelling Bee winners, Lily Karlin, Collin Schippers, Maverick Scherrer, and Danny Clark. They will represent our school at the Beach-Schmidt Performing Arts Center in Hays on Monday, February 9th in the Ellis County Spelling Bee. We wish them the best of luck!



Hays Public Library Bookmobile Spring Dates

Monday, Feb. 2	
Victoria Elementary	2:45pm-4:00pm
Saturday, Feb. 21	
Victoria Park	1:00pm-2:00pm
Monday, March 2	
Victoria Elementary	2:45pm-4:00pm
Saturday, March 21	
Victoria Park	1:00pm-2:00pm
Monday, April 6	
Victoria Elementary	2:45pm-4:00pm
Saturday, April 18	
Victoria Park	11:30am-12:30pm
Monday, May 4	
Victoria Elementary	2:45pm-4:00pm
Saturday, May 16	
Victoria Park	11:30am-12:30pm

PRAYER FOR AN END TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Loving God,
We pray for all victims of human trafficking,
That they may find freedom, healing, and hope.
Open our eyes to see the injustice ,
Strengthen our hearts to respond with
compassion,
And guide our actions to protect the dignity of
every person.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION MONTH

February is Human
Trafficking
Awareness Month, a
time to recognize
and respond to a
serious in justice that
violates the dignity of

the human person. Human trafficking exploits millions of
people worldwide through force, fraud, or coercion,
often targeting the most vulnerable.

As Catholics, we are called to defend the sanctity of all
human life and to stand with those who suffer. By
praying, learning the signs of trafficking, and supporting
efforts that protect and restore survivors, we help
witness to Christ's love and justice in the world.

February 2026

From the Diocese



As we prepare to enter the sacred season of Lent, the practice of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving aim to deepen our faith and relationship with God.

Many people begin thinking first about what to give up. Fasting can be, and certainly is, a powerful way to grow in discipline and detach from distractions. But Lent is not about aimless suffering. It is not about suffering for the sake of pain.

Lenten suffering is purposeful. It is about saying "no," so that you can say "yes."

"Yes" to Jesus and the ways He wants to be more present in our lives. "Yes" to following Him with greater trust and love.

"Yes" to loving your neighbor. "Yes" to helping those in need.

"Yes" to seeing ourselves as one with the lowly. "Yes" to bearing another's burden.

Lent is a time to evaluate if we are loving God above all, and if we are loving our neighbor as ourselves. How is our fasting benefiting our neighbor? Do we skip a meal and donate the money saved to the hungry? Do we give up a TV show and spend that time sitting with the lonely? God wants us to accept suffering out of love for others, not suffer for vainglory. He doesn't want us to destroy ourselves. He wants us to order ourselves rightly.

Take time to ask the Lord: "What do You desire for me this Lent? Who do You desire for me to love more deeply?" He may lead us to something, somewhere, or someone unexpected. May we have the courage to say "yes" to wherever He is leading. He longs to draw near. May we trust Him with our life.

+ Gerald J. Vande

NEIGHBORS NEAR & NEIGHBORS FAR:

Black & Indian Mission

Your financial support of the Black and Indian Mission Office enables us to help form children in the faith, educate young people, and build hope – a hope often so hard to find in the areas our missionaries serve.

—Upcoming Events—

— 2/2

Groundhog Day

— 2/6-8

Engaged Encounter Weekend
Victoria

— 2/9-12

Priests Continuing Formation Days

— 2/14

St. Valentine's Day
St. Andrew's School Auction
Abilene 6p.m.

— 2/18

Ash Wednesday

— 2/21

Sacred Heart School Carnival
Colby, 10:30a.m.

— 2/22

Rite of Election
Sacred Heart Cathedral,
Salina, 3p.m.



To Give:

Anytime during the month of February, place an envelope in your Parish Collection labeled "Black and Indian Mission"

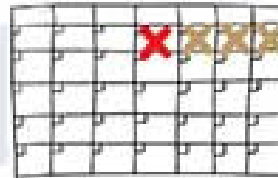
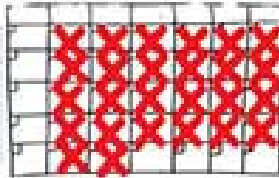
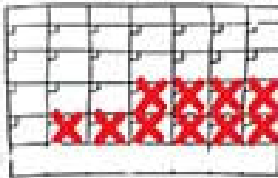
Together, let us be disciples of Jesus on mission!

ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday is on February 18th this year. It is the first day of Lent! Ash Wednesday is NOT a holy day of obligation (you don't have to go to Mass that day). If you do go, you will see the priest bless ashes, and then he will use them to trace crosses on people's foreheads. This reminds us that we will die someday, which will let us rise up with Christ and go to Heaven!



DID YOU KNOW? : SUNDAYS ARE "WHY-EASTERS," SO THEY ARE NOT COUNTED IN THE 40 DAYS OF LENT!



= 40!

PRAYER



growing closer
to God through
purposeful
prayer & silence

FASTING



helps us
practice self-
control and
love for others

ALMSGIVING



giving to
others and
practicing the
beatitudes

This Lent...



I am praying for: _____

ex: For my Family/Friends, Our Father before Bed, For Pope Leo, For People who are Sick, For More Peace, Go to Adoration

I am giving to: _____

ex: Hugging Friends More, Donating Money to People in Need, Helping Clean the House, Smiling at People More

I will fast from: _____

ex: From Candy, From Arguing with My Siblings, From TV, From Soda, From Complaining too Much



EVERYONE DESERVES CARE AND PROTECTION

ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA

Birthday: 1869
Country: Darfur, Sudan
Feast Day: February 8th
Patronage: Sudan, Human Trafficking



St. Josephine was born in Sudan, but she was sold away as a slave. She ended up in Italy, and stayed with an order of Conossian Sisters. St. Josephine didn't want to leave! After legal proceedings, she was allowed to stay and became a nun!

ST. JOSEPHINE WENT THROUGH MANY BAD THINGS WHEN SHE WAS A SLAVE, SHE COULDN'T EVEN REMEMBER HER BIRTH NAME

THE PEOPLE WHO BOUGHT AND SOLD HER NAMED HER "BAKHITA" WHICH MEANT "FORTUNATE ONE"

WHEN SHE BECAME CATHOLIC, SHE PICKED THE NAME "JOSEPHINE" WHICH MEANS "GOD WILL ADD"

St. Josephine saw God's goodness in everything, including the bad! She was gifted with the grace to see God's plan for her written throughout her life. One time, she said she would thank the people who abducted her, because without them, she would not have become Christian and a nun!



We can all be like St. Josephine.
May God give us the grace to see Him in all things, even the bad, and may we rejoice in our neighbors who help lead us to Heaven!



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