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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

at the Parish Office (sftech@ruraltel.net or 785-735-2777)

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

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

November 19, 2023 — 33rd 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

Dec. 3— First Sunday of Advent

Dec. 6 — Feast of St. Nicholas

Dec. 8 — Immaculate Conception (holy day of obligation) — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

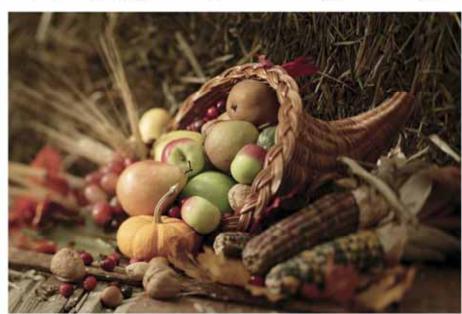
Dec. 22 — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED for Christmas Eve

Dec. 25 — Christmas Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Dec. 26 — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED for Christmas

Dec. 31 — New Year's Eve

Happy Thanksgiving



"Come, share your master's joy."

Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at 9:00 a.m. at The Basilica of St. Fidelis. Food will be blessed. Eucharistic Adoration will not be observed on Thanksgiving Day.

The Parish Office will be closed for Thanksgiving @ noon on Wednesday, November 22, and all day Thursday-Friday, November 23-24.



Thankful for Faith

On Thanksgiving Day we traditionally read the gospel of the ten lepers who were cured by Christ. Only one, a Samaritan, returned to give thanks. That Samaritan leper is offered as a model for our gratitude on Thanksgiving Day. The other nine lepers are a reminder of how often we fail to be grateful for our blessings.

On Thanksgiving Day the media will remind us to be thankful for our many blessings. We have more than enough to eat, while so many go hungry. We have comfortable homes, while many go homeless. We have good health care for our illnesses, while many are afflicted with no hope of proper care. These many blessings are for our material wellbeing.

We also have intangible human blessings for which to be thankful: family and friends, freedom and liberty, education, culture, the arts. These enrich us as human beings. Today we are also thankful for those blessings which make us more human. When the Samaritan leper took the time to return and give thanks he became a grateful person, a better person, a more human person.



But the gospel story does not end there. Christ then points out the most important reason for the leper to be thankful. "Stand up and go, your faith has saved you." He was to be thankful for the gift of faith. And we pause today to thank God for our faith, a faith that enriches our life, a faith that



makes us not only a more human person, but a more spiritual person, a disciple of Christ.

We are thankful for the graces we have received that enabled us to rise above our human weakness and follow, however imperfectly, the way of Christ. For the grace to help those in need, when we were tempted to be selfish. For the grace to forgive those who hurts us, when we were tempted to revenge. For the grace to pray, when we were tempted to despair. For the grace to serve, when we would rather be served. For the grace to be loyal to family and friends.

To express thanks for good food, good health, and good friends you need not come to church. You can do that during half time, sated with a full meal, while you nap in your easy chair. To thank God for the graces which have made us not only more human but more Christian, that we do better in a church pew. We celebrate these blessings best in the Eucharist, the memorial of the death resurrection of Christ. The word. Eucharist, means Thanksgiving.

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Good example is more irritating than bad example.

Parish Staff

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St. Fidelis Pastoral Council

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Contributions November 11-12, 2023

ST. FIDELIS:

Envelopes 3299.00 Loose 1307.00 Repair Fund 350.00 All Saints Day 125.00

ST. ANN:

Envelopes 230.00 Loose 97.00

ST. BONIFACE:

<u>Envelopes</u> 505.00 <u>Loose</u> 209.00 <u>Candles</u> 6.00

~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

November 20 — Marilyn Braun, Kenny Brungardt

November 27 — Stephanie Broyles, Ivan Werner

* Sunday

Rosary Schedule

1st - Christian Mothers 3rd - Daughters of Isabella 2nd - Knights of Columbus

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 (THANKSGIVING)

9:00 AM — Meagan Wellbrock

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

5:00 PM — Pam Scheck

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

10:00 AM — Adult Choir

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 (THANKSGIVING)

9:00 AM — Bertha R. and Kenny Brungardt, Kathy Kuhn Yvonne Braun

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

5:00 PM — Diane Gross, Jane Wagner, Carol Pfeifer, Jerry Schmidtberger

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26 — (Adult Choir sings)

10:00 AM — Connie Windholz, Yvonne Braun, Connie Braun, Colleen Kuhn, Jacquelyn Stoffel

LECTORS\COMMENTATORS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 (THANKSGIVING)

9:00 AM — LeeAnn Schmidtberger

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

5:00 PM — Allan Amrein

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

10:00 AM — Shanna Dinkel

HOMEBOUND MINISTERS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22 — Carol Pfeifer

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

10:00 AM — Yvonne Braun

MASS SERVERS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 (THANKSGIVING)

9:00 AM — Graycee H.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

5:00 PM — Devyn H., Hadley L.

SUNDAY. NOVEMBER 26

 ${f 10:00~AM}$ — Wesley S., Ethan and Alice S.

Committee Meeting Dates

Finance Council 4th Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Liturgy Committee

2nd Thursday @ 5:30 pm

Pastoral Council 1st Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Due to the Parish Office being closed for the Thanksgiving holiday, items for the

November 26 bulletin are due

by 10:00 am TOMORROW—Monday, November 20.

Items can be brought into the Parish Office or contact Connie at 785-735-2777.

Thank you!

Mass Intention Scheduling

We are changing the scheduling time for Mass intentions. Currently, the 2024 Mass Intention book is open and a number of Masses are already scheduled but there are plenty of dates still available.

We will open the 2025 Mass Intention book next year around October or November 2024. The exact date will be announced in the bulletin in 2024.

At this time, the stipend for Masses is still \$10.

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 at 785-735-2777.

Fr. Jim will also come to your home and offer the anointing of the sick or confessions.

Christmas Food Boxes

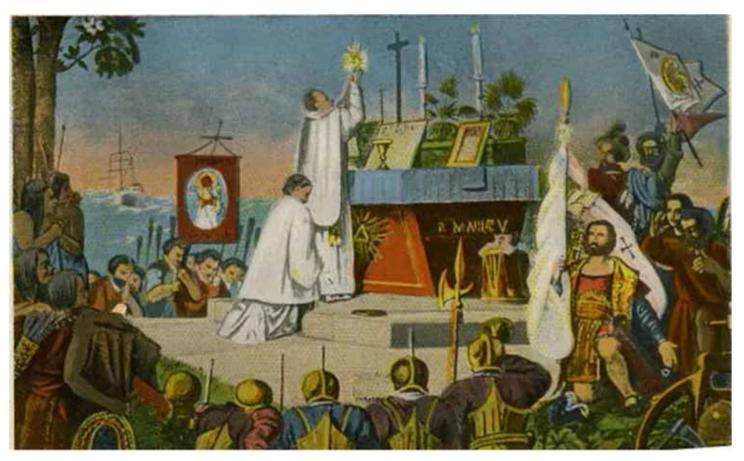
The Family Life Committee is preparing for the Tri-Parish Christmas Food Boxes for families in need.

If you wish to donate, we are asking for cash donations only. That way we can purchase the same food items for all the boxes.

You may drop your monetary donation in the collection basket at Mass or bring it to the Parish Office. Please mark it as "Christmas Food Boxes".

More information will be provided in future bulletins.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS PROJECT!



In 1565, nearly 60 years before Plymouth, a Spanish fleet came ashore and planted a cross in the sandy beach to christen the new settlement of St. Augustine. To celebrate the arrival and give thanks for God's providence, the 800 Spanish settlers shared a festive meal with the native Timucuan people.

Thanksgiving is a celebration in gratitude to God for the many blessings we received. As we approach our celebration this year, how about sharing a donation to your parish.

OOPS!

A Thank You in last week's bulletin had the wrong volunteers listed. Below is a corrected Thank You.



We want to thank the following for volunteering their time to help get the cement slab completed on the north side of the Parish Office where the picnic tables will be placed:

Rose Ann and Clete Dreiling, Bob Schmidtberger, Rick Wellbrock, Curt Kuhn,

Cooper and Georgia Jones,

Jerry, Issac, and Noah Dreiling, Andy Wellbrock, Frank Dreiling, Buddy Kuhn, Wilmer Dinkel, Kaylee and Rachel Kuhn, and John Braun.

LITURGY COMMISSION

There will be no Liturgy Commission meeting in November. The next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday**, **December 14, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.** at the PAC.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

30 Days of Cash Giveaway Winners

Winners of the 2023 Knights of Columbus 30 Days of Cash Giveaway thus far are (the first 25 winners receive \$100 a day):

- 1. Kami Weber
- 2. Anita Braun
- 3. Betty Younger
- 4. Angie and Steve Dorzweiler
- 5. Joe Roth (Russell)
- 6. Lane Kisner
- 7. Ethel Younger
- 8. Armella Schippers

- 9. Jerry Brungardt
- 10. Vera Galliart
- 11. Patrick Zwenger
- 12. Michael K. Brungardt
- 13. Jared Windholz
- 14. Curtis Wellbrock
- 15. John Schippers

Mark Your Calendar for "Mark"

Did you know The Gospel of Mark is the shortest of the four Gospels? Learn more about his writings which will be read on Sundays of the liturgical year beginning this Advent.

Join your fellow parishioners on Tuesday, **December 5, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.** in the North Sacristy of St. Fidelis Basilica.

This is a series, but there will be a short break during the holidays. Come share the Word of God and gain a better understanding of the Sunday Gospels.

For more information, please contact Stephanie Broyles (785-735-4747) or Jane Wagner (785-735-2587).

Sponsored by the Family Life Committee.

A LITTLE CHUCKLE

Did you hear about the guy who drank invisible ink? He's at the hospital waiting to be seen.

Christian Mothers/Altar Society

A Stitch and A Prayer Is in Need of Thread, Material, Etc.

A Stitch and a Prayer needs material and sewing thread to complete the many projects on their list. If you have denim, twill, etc. suitable for making bags, flannel



for receiving blankets, spools of thread to donate, or are interested in being part of this group, please contact Jane Wagner (785-735-2587). Please, no double knits or jean scraps. Thanks in advance for any donation.

Save The Date

St. Fidelis Christian Mothers/Altar Society will celebrate the upcoming Advent/Christmas season with a potluck on **Tuesday, November 28, 6:00 p.m.**, at the VFW Hall.

Funeral workers and dessert providers, participants in *A Stitch and a Prayer*, and all Christian Mother members are invited.

Bring your favorite dish and enjoy the evening. Coffee, tea, and tableware will be provided. Mark your calendars.

A freewill offering will be accepted to defray the cost of renting the VFW.

Opportunity to View "The Chosen"

Family Life Committee is sponsoring an opportunity to view and discuss the series entitled "The Chosen". Season 3 will continue to be shown **Tuesday mornings 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).

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Faith Magazine and The Register

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 our website or heart-reacted to 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/office/communications/com-pub-drive/

Advent Family Challenge from the Diocese

We will do our second annual Advent Family Challenge. Please make sure you are keeping an eye on our website and social media for more information. https://salinadiocese.org/office/family-life/advent-family-challenge/

- Pick one night a week during Advent for a family night. Clear your schedule, put the phones in the other room, turn off the TV, make and share a meal together, and then play a game as a family.
- 2) Pray the Novena for Marriage and Families with us. Each day (December 22nd – December 30th), we will send out the daily prayer through social media and on our website so your family can join with families all over our diocese praying together for marriages and families.
- 3) Go to Mass together as a family on the Feast of the Holy Family (December 30th)

In Need of Eucharistic Ministers

St. Fidelis Parish is in need of more Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist (Eucharistic Ministers).

Eucharistic Ministers are scheduled for weekend and Holy Day Masses.

If you are willing to help with this ministry, please contact the Parish Office at 785-735-2777.

We will arrange for training before you start ministering.

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.

Lost & Found

- A black jacket was found in church on Sunday morning, November 12, 2023.
- A Sunday Missal in a nice zippered cover was found in the vestibule of the Basilica of St. Fidelis on Thursday, August 17, 2023.
- Long sleeved Victoria Knights shirt found in shopping bag on radiator by the bathrooms in the Basilica of St. Fidelis around August 1, 2023. Looks new.
- A tall, insulated Stanley cup with plastic straw found near the north entrance of the Basilica of St. Fidelis on Saturday, July 15, 2023.

To claim, please call the Parish Office at 785-735-2777.

IF NO ONE CLAIMS THESE ITEMS SOON, SOME OF THEM WILL BE TAKEN TO THE THRIFT SHOP.

YOUTH MINISTRY / CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION





YOUTH MINISTRY / CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION



Box of Joy ~ Thank you!

All 75 shoeboxes were packaged because of your generosity! Thank you to everyone who donated their time or treasure! Thank you to the high school youth and CYO who packaged them, thank you to the children and parishioners who grabbed a shoebox, personally shopped, and filled it; thank you to the children in kindergarten and first grade who made homemade Christmas cards to fill many of them and thank you to those who gave monetary or physical donations! You ALL made 75 gifts possible for children who otherwise would not have received one!



Jubilee Choir will NOT have practice on Wednesday, November 22, due to the Thanksgiving Break.



Second grade parents:
First Reconciliation
parent meeting is
Wednesday, November 29,
at 6:30 P.M.
(2nd graders will attend
religion class as usual.)



Christmas Pageant invitations have been sent home with all kindergarten and first grade children enrolled in religion at St. Fidelis. Please RSVP for your child by Wednesday, November 29. Questions? Please contact Jeanette Brungardt at Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net or 785-639-5067. The Christmas Pageant will be held on Christmas Eve at the 5:00 P.M. Mass.

St. Fidelis Altar Servers Ministry

Parents, please kindly reply by November 20th to the e-mail sent out regarding the upcoming schedule and your child's availability to serve.

There will be two trainings offered for new altar servers. All children in 3rd grade and older are welcome! Children should attend both trainings. Please RSVP to Jeanette Brungardt at 785-639-5067 if your child is attending:

Servers training: Wed., 11/29th at 3:20 P.M. Thurs., 11/30th at 3:20 P.M.

Religious Education Calendar:

Mon., November 20: St. Fidelis Altar Servers—parents, please submit child's availability for the upcoming schedule

Wed., November 22: No Religious Ed classes & no Jubilee Choir practice — Thanksgiving Break

Wed., November 29: Christmas Pageant RSVP's due to Jeanette (Kindergarten & 1st grade invited to participate)

3:20—4:15 P.M.—Altar Servers Training part 1

6:00-6:30 P.M.-Jubilee Choir practice

6:30—7:30 P.M.—1st—12th grade Religious Education classes

6:30 P.M.—2nd grade First Reconciliation parent meeting (students attend religion class) Location: TBA

7:30 P.M.—Catechist gathering at PAC, following religion classes

Thurs., November: 30: 3:20—4:15 P.M.—Altar Servers Training part 2

Sun., December 3:Second grade students receive Sacrament of First Reconciliation, following 10 A.M. Mass at St. Fidelis Wed., December 6: 6—6:30 P.M. Jubilee Choir practice

6:30—7:30 P.M. 7th—12th grade Advent Reconciliation & Eucharistic Adoration

6:30—7:30 P.M.—1st—12th grade Religious Education classes

Sunday, December 10: 10:00 A.M. Mass—Jubilee Choir sings



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November 28 – December 1.

Of particular interest for the tri-parishes are:

Tuesday, November 28 8:00 am - Fr. Fred Gatschet

Wednesday, November 29 12:00 pm – Fr. Curtis Carlson

Thursday, November 30
7:00 am – Bill Meagher
9:00 am – Fr. Gale Hammerschmidt
2:00 pm JoAnn Seaman

Friday, December 1

10:00 am – Bishop Gerald Vincke
4:00 pm – Scott & Clare Stramel

Full schedule at dymercy.com. For trivia and pledges call 785-621-4110. Listen on radio, computer, phone app, or Alexa. Live on Rumble, Facebook, and YouTube.

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Commodities to Be Distributed

Commodities will be available for pickup on Monday, November 27, at 2:00 p.m. at the Parish Office, 601 10th Street. Please use the north entrance.

REMINDER: Commodities are on a first-come, first-served basis. According to Government commodity regulations we are not allowed to hold boxes back for specific individuals.

However, we do have a Food Bank and can provide food boxes through that. We just ask that you call ahead for Food Bank boxes so you do not have to wait while we prepare a box for you. Contact us at 785-735-2777 for a Food Bank box.

FCCLA Looking for Shoes

Do you have shoes that you can't wear, but are in good shape? If so, you can donated them to the Victoria FCCLA chapter shoe drive for needy individuals of all ages. Gently worn or new shoes can be dropped off at the high school any time or at home games. This drive will run until Thanksgiving. Thank

you for supporting this community service project.



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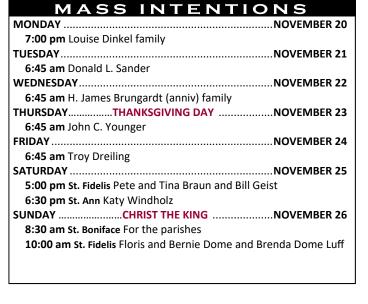
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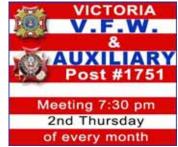






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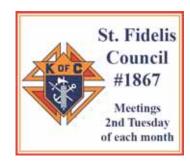


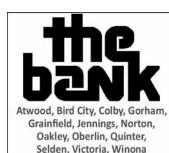


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