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**THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS**

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**ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH**



<b>Parish Office</b> and Catholic Faith Education Office:		601 10th Street, Victoria, KS 67671 • 785-735-2777 • Fax: 785-735-2779 <b>Hours:</b> 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.		<b>ST. FIDELIS GIFT SHOP</b> Located in the Parish Office at 601 10th Street, Victoria	
<b>ST. FIDELIS THRIFT SHOP</b> – 503 Main Street, Victoria Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday 10:00-2:00; Wednesday 10:00-3:30; Thursday 10:00-4:00		<b>BULLETIN ITEMS</b> Deadline is <b>Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.</b> Please contact Connie at the Parish Office (sftech@ruraltel.net or 785-735-2777)	

**PLENARY INDULGENCE**—The faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence—a remission before God of the temporal punishment for a previously forgiven sin—by visiting a minor basilica. To obtain a plenary indulgence during a pilgrimage to a basilica, one must participate in any sacred rite or recite the Lord’s Prayer or the profession of faith while there, then go to Confession and Communion, and pray for the intention of the pope. ~ taken from *The Register*, Salina Diocese newspaper

[www.stfidelischurch.com](http://www.stfidelischurch.com)

## August 25, 2024 – 21st 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

### 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:

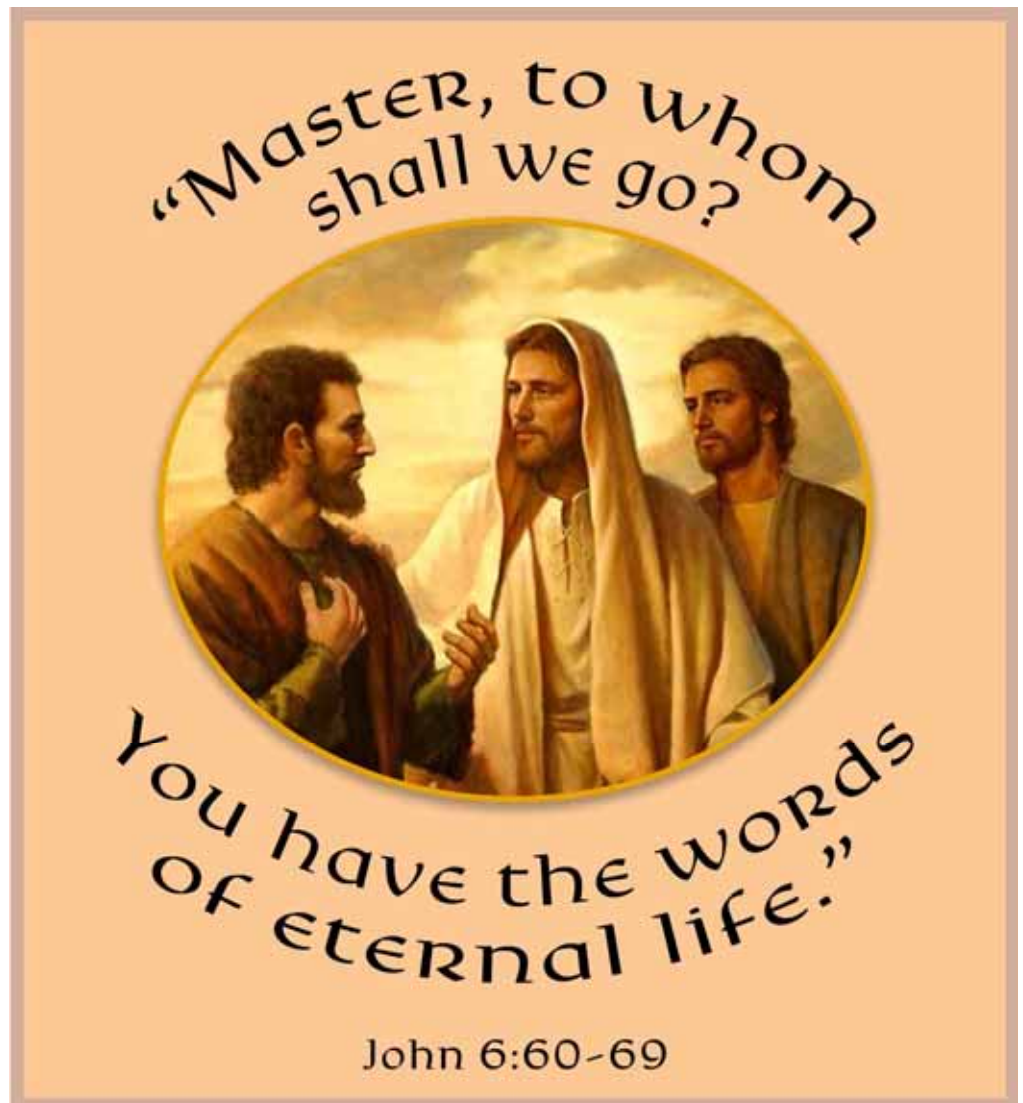
**St. Fidelis:** Mondays 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays 4:00 p.m.  
**St. Ann:** After Mass  
**St. Boniface:** Sundays 7:45-8:15 a.m. (Nov.-Apr.); After Mass (May-Oct.)  
 or by appointment (contact Parish Office)

### 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

**Aug. 28** — Opening Mass for Rel. Ed.  
**Sept. 2** — Labor Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**Sept. 7** — Blessing of Seed Wheat  
**Sept. 14** — Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
**Sept. 15** — Mass at Holy Cross Church  
**Sept. 15** — Catechetical Sunday  
 Liturgy of the Word for Children begins during 10:00 a.m. Mass  
**Oct. 4** — Feast of St. Francis of Assisi — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**Oct. 4-5** — VHS Homecoming





## To Whom Shall We Go?

For the past five weeks we have been reading from the gospel of John on the presence of Christ in the Eucharist and today we come to the final climactic passage.

Christ told the crowds, "The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world. For my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink." Some in the crowd asked rhetorically, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" And

Eucharist. It can be misleading to portray Christ in the Eucharist as the infant of Bethlehem or the victim on Calvary. The Christ who is truly and bodily present in Holy Communion is the risen Christ.

The presence of the risen Christ in the Eucharist means that the bread is the body of Christ, not as textured flesh and bone, but as the identity of the person. The consecrated wine is the blood of Christ, not as an anatomical fluid, but as the very life of the person. "This is the cup of my blood," can be properly understood as, "This is the cup of my life." Receiving Communion is a commingling of the life of Christ with our own life. "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him."

The Eucharist unites our person with the person of Christ, which satisfies our spiritual hunger. We do not hunger for an image of God, or a symbol of God, or a reminder of God. We hunger for God. Holy Communion satisfies that hunger because the risen Christ is truly present in the Eucharist.

Christ asked his disciples, "Will you also leave me?" Note carefully St. Peter's reply, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." That was the promise of the Eucharist: "Whoever eats this bread will live forever."

## ... and mirth

The French eat snails because they don't like fast food.



they walked away. Christ then asked his apostles if they would also leave. Peter responded, "To whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

Some have suggested that Christ was speaking symbolically and the Eucharist is only a reminder of the Body and Blood of Christ. The early Christians did not believe in such symbolism, and the Catholic Church has never taught that the Eucharist is merely symbolic.

The Catholic Catechism says that Christ is "truly, really, and substantially present in the Eucharist, body and blood, soul and divinity." Christ is present bodily, but not physically. A spiritual body, not a physical body. It is the Risen Lord who is present in the

## Parish Staff

### Pastor:

Fr. Jim Moster, OFM, Cap.  
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### Secretary/Bookkeeper:

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### Cemetery Groundskeeper:

Wilmer Dinkel

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Lou Ann Hammersmith

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### Technology Coordinator:

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## Council Members

### St. Fidelis Pastoral Council

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### St. Ann Pastoral Council

Bob Brungardt 735-4410

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## Contributions AUGUST 17-18, 2024

### ST. FIDELIS:

Envelopes 3581.00 Loose 623.00

Repair Fund 350.00

Cemetery 151.00

### ST. ANN:

Envelopes 445.00 Loose 212.00

Catholic Charities 120.00

Cemetery 50.00

### ST. BONIFACE:

Envelopes 155.00 Loose 95.00

Catholic Charities 10.00

Candles 20.00



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

## Seed Wheat

will be blessed at all Masses the weekend of September 7-8.

At St. Fidelis, please place your jars on the Communion railing.



### \* 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

### 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, AUGUST 31**

5:00 PM — Christi Saner

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

10:00 AM — Leroy Schmidtberger

### \* EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS \*

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 31**

5:00 PM — Carol Pfeifer, Jerry Schmidtberger, Randy Leiker, Kathy Kuhn

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

10:00 AM — Yvonne Braun, Janine Kisner, Connie Braun, Jacquelyn Stoffel

### \* LECTORS \ COMMENTATORS \*

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 31**

5:00 PM — Diane Gross

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

10:00 AM — LeeAnn Schmidtberger

### \* HOMEBOUND MINISTERS \*

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28** — Carol Pfeifer

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

10:00 AM — Kathy Amrein

### \* MASS SERVERS \*

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 31**

5:00 PM —

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

10:00 AM —

### \* money counters \*

**AUGUST 26** — Jerry Schmidtberger, Andrea Ottley

**SEPTEMBER 3 (Tuesday)** — Patty Dreiling, Anne Schmidtberger

### Committee Meeting Dates

Finance Council

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Liturgy Committee

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday @ 5:30 pm

Pastoral Council

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

## With Sympathy

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of **Norman J. Brungardt** of Liberal, Kansas, who passed away on Sunday, June 4, 2023. An inurnment was held on Thursday, August 15, 2024, in St. Fidelis Cemetery, Victoria.

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of **Fr. Gilmery Tallman, O.F.M. Cap.**, who passed away on Wednesday, August 14, 2024. Fr. Gilmery was the pastor for St. Fidelis, St. Ann, St. Boniface, and Holy Cross from 1983 to 1986. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on at the Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria, on Monday, August 19, 2024, with burial in St. Joseph Cemetery, Hays, Kansas.

## Spam Warning Again

Once again there are reports of people receiving texts, voice mail, or email messages supposedly from Fr. Jim Moster or parish staff.

Please be aware that these could be fake messages. DO NOT CLICK ON ANY LINKS OR RESPOND TO THE MESSAGE.

If you are unsure, please call the Parish Office to verify the legitimacy of any text, email, or phone message you may have received.

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

There will not be any weekday Masses on **Friday, September 13, and Monday, September 16, through Friday, September 20.**

Mass intentions for those days will be rescheduled.

Fr. Jim will be on vacation during this time.

### MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY** ..... **AUGUST 26**

7:00 pm Val Schumacher

**TUESDAY** ..... **AUGUST 27**

6:45 am

**WEDNESDAY** ..... **AUGUST 28**

6:45 am

**THURSDAY** ..... **AUGUST 29**

6:45 am Lindy Schmeidler

**FRIDAY** ..... **AUGUST 30**

6:45 am Louis Birzer

**SATURDAY** ..... **AUGUST 31**

5:00 pm St. Fidelis Leo and Rita Billinger family living and deceased

6:30 pm St. Boniface For the people

**SUNDAY** ..... **22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** ..... **SEPTEMBER 1**

7:30 am St. Ann Paul and Bill Schrant, Paul and Dolores Flax, and Patricia Anschutz

10:00 am St. Fidelis Eddie Meder and Jennifer Lehmann

## Word on Fire Bishop Barron's Pivotal Players Series

Let's party with the saints! You are invited to meet some of the sons and daughters of the church who have influenced the Catholic faith and see how they could impact your life. Join in the fun every Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the north sacristy for a video and discussion. Come to all sessions or pick your favorites.

For more info call Jane Wagner at 785-735-7029 or Stephanie Broyles at 785-735-4747.

### PIVOTAL PLAYERS SCHEDULE 2024

September 10.....	St. Augustine of Hippo
September 17.....	St. Catherine of Siena
September 24.....	St. Thomas Aquinas
October 1.....	St. Francis of Assisi
October 8.....	St. Benedict of Nursia
October 15.....	St. Ignatius of Loyola
October 22.....	Michelangelo or Flannery O'Connor
October 29.....	Fulton J. Sheen or St. John Henry Newman

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## YOU ARE CHOSEN!

Season 4 of the Chosen is here! Join us! We will begin on Tuesday, September 10, at 7:30 a.m. in the north sacristy of The Basilica of St. Fidelis.

### CHOSEN SEASON 4 SCHEDULE 2024

September 10.....	Episode 1: Promises
September 17.....	No Mass—Father Jim OOT
September 24.....	Episode 2: Confessions
October 1.....	Episode 3: Moon to Blood
October 8.....	Episode 4: Calm Before
October 15.....	Episode 5: Sitting, Serving, Scheming
October 22.....	Episode 6: Dedication
October 29.....	Episode 7: The Last Sign
November 12.....	Episode 8: Humble

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## Hearing Assists Available for Use During Mass in The Basilica

St. Fidelis has wireless hearing assists with adjustable volume that connect directly to the church's sound system. They are available at the Parish Office. Just pay a small deposit which will be refunded upon its returned.

If you have personal Bluetooth hearing aids that are controlled from your cell phone, you can download the **WaveCAST Audio Receiver app by Williams Sound LLC**. While in church—*when the sound system is turned on*, click the WaveCAST icon and select the church's "HearingAid" wi-fi option. The password is also "hearingaid". You can control the volume, etc. from the individual hearing aid program already on your phone.

## Please, Please, Please Pick Up Your Pictorial Directory!

Below is a list of the families whose books are at the Parish Office waiting to find their permanent home. Maybe a family member or friend can come by during office hours to pick yours up for you.

*We will hold on to your copy until the end of September 2024. After that date, they will be put in the St. Fidelis Gift Shop to be sold.*

### EXTRA DIRECTORIES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE ST. FIDELIS GIFT SHOP FOR \$5.00 EACH.

<b>ST. BONIFACE</b>	4. Herl, Clint and Ashley
1. Eckroat, Micheal and Stephanie	5. Ptacek, Richard and Kimberly
<b>ST. FIDELIS</b>	6. Schmidtberger, Robert and Diane Cohan
1. Bucher, Marcus and Megan	7. Schulte, Kyle and Charlotte
2. Dinkel, Terry and Naomi	8. VonFeldt, Scott and Rachel
3. Dreiling, Cletus and Norrine Buchholz	

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## Lost & Found

- A gold chain necklace was found in the candle donation box in The Basilica of St. Fidelis on Friday, August 16.
- Blue Sippy Cup found in the center front south side in The Basilica of St. Fidelis the weekend of July 20-21.
- A pair of black sunglasses were found in The Basilica of St. Fidelis the week of July 7-13.

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

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## DIOCESE

### AUGUST Human Trafficking Alert

Pornography is prevalent and destructive and a feeder to trafficking. American children begin viewing pornography at an average age of 11. Is your child or grandchild one of the statistics?. **Alliance to End Human Trafficking**—Founded and supported by **U.S. Catholic Sisters, 7575 Grand River Ave. 1-1009, Brighton, MI 48114.**

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### K. of C. Religious Ed Raffle Tickets

The Knights of Columbus Charities Aid Foundation has their Kansas State Council 2024 Religious Education Fund Raffle tickets for sale again at \$100 each.

Prizes are: one \$30,000 prize, one \$10,000 prize, six \$5,000 prizes, nine \$2,000 prizes, and eight \$1,000 prizes. Need not be present to win.

The local St. Fidelis K. of C. has 13 tickets to sell. To purchase one, contact Harland Rupp at 785-623-1368.

Money raised is used to support our Religious Education program.

### Knights of Columbus St Fidelis Council #1867

#### Report of Fundraising and Charitable Donations 7/1/2023 to 6/30/2024

**Fundraising:**

Herzogfest .....	\$ 10,642.40
Tootsie Rolls (DSNWK) .....	994.00
Lenten Crosses (St. Fidelis) .....	2,135.00
30 Days of Cash Raffle .....	6,200.00
Fish Fries .....	3,973.36
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 23,944.76</b>

**Donations:**

Herzogfest Committee .....	\$ 3,739.00
DSNWK (Tootsie Roll proceeds) .....	1,000.00
St Fidelis Church (Lenten Crosses) .....	2,135.00
St Fidelis Food Pantry .....	1,250.00
Advent Books for Parishes .....	500.00
Xmas Baskets .....	250.00
Pastor Xmas Stipend .....	300.00
Bulletin Ads .....	300.00
NCYC Trip Donation (CYO) .....	4,000.00
Adopt a Seminarian .....	1,000.00
Victoria Community Coalition .....	5,000.00
Capuchin Province of Mid America .....	500.00
Divine Mercy Radio .....	1,500.00
Catholic Charities .....	500.00
K of C State (Pennies from Heaven donation) .....	500.00
K of C Scholarship .....	500.00
K of C Free Throw Contest .....	165.00
TMP ACE Auction .....	250.00
A Different Mindset .....	250.00
FCCLA (Nationals Attendants) .....	1,100.00
VHS Prom Hall Rent .....	200.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 24,939.00</b>

## COMMUNITY

### Divine Mercy Radio's 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Appreciation Banquet

**6:00 p.m. | Saturday, September 7**  
Rose Garden Banquet Hall, Hays

and  
**5:00 p.m. | Sunday, September 8**  
City Limits Convention Center, Colby

**Cost is \$55 if purchased on or before Sunday, August 18.** After August 18, if tickets are still available, the cost is \$60. The cost includes appetizers and drinks including adult beverages. Guest speaker is the entertaining and informative Joe Heschmeyer, staff apologist for Catholic Answers Live. He will talk on "Pope Peter" in Hays and "What's the Big Deal about Mary?" in Colby.

To purchase tickets, send your check, along with which banquet you will attend (Hays or Colby).

**Banquet Reservations**

**Divine Mercy Radio**

**108 E. 12<sup>th</sup> St., Hays, KS 67601**

785.621.4110

or visit [dvmercy.com/banquet](http://dvmercy.com/banquet).

*No tickets will be sold after September 1.*



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