

“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:

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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 Herzog, 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

www.StFidelisChurch.com / www.StBonifaceVincent.com

April 3, 2022 — 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

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

Apr. 10 — Passion (Palm) Sunday
Apr. 14 — Holy Thursday — PARISH
OFFICE CLOSED @ noon
Apr. 15 — Good Friday — PARISH
OFFICE CLOSED
Apr. 16 — Holy Saturday
Apr. 17 — Easter Sunday
Apr. 18 — Easter Monday — PARISH
OFFICE CLOSED
Apr. 24 — Fidelisfest
Feast of St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen
May 5 — National Day of Prayer

him, so that they could
have some charges to
bring against him.
Jesus bent down and
began to write on the
ground with his finger.
But when they continued
asking him, he straightened
up and said to them,
“Let the one among you
who is without sin be
the first to throw a stone
at her.”

Again he bent down
and wrote on the ground.
And in response, they went
away one by one, beginning

with the e
left alone
before him
straighten
to her, “A
are they?
condemne
“No one,
said, “Ne
condemn
from now
any more.

John 8:1-11



Misery and Mercy

Some people have difficulty with today's gospel story about the woman accused of adultery. They feel that it demeans women. Others like it because the hypocrisy of the Pharisees is exposed. But neither perspective focuses on the principal message of this gospel, which is not about the status of women nor the evil of the Pharisees. It's about the mercy of God offered to sinners. It's about us.

Some scriptural background will help place this gospel in proper perspective. The story is not in some of the early gospel manuscripts. Scholars agree that it was a real event in the life of Christ, but it presented a difficulty

are basic themes of Luke's gospel.

So what are we to learn from all of this? The lesson to reflect on was expressed well by St. Augustine, who said of this gospel passage that at the end of the story only two remained: misery and mercy. The woman and Christ: misery and mercy. This gospel story is about every sinner's need for the mercy of God. Not a frivolous mercy implying a free pass for any transgression, but a mercy which moves the sinner to repentance.

The main point of any gospel story is often the closing verse, the punch line. In today's gospel that verse is, "Go, and from now on do not sin any more."

Mercy offers forgiveness, but forgiveness is effective only in the repentant. Today's gospel message is not the unfair treatment of women nor the hypocrisy of the Pharisees, although both are very true. The lesson is that the mercy of God should move us to

a repentance which includes a firm intention to improve our life. Only then are we truly forgiven.

These final days before Holy Week focus on repentance as the fruit of our Lenten penance. This is an opportune time to examine our conscience and prepare for a good confession that we may know the mercy of Christ offered in the Sacrament of Penance.

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The one who angers you, controls you.



for the early church. The problem was the ready forgiveness of adultery which, along with murder, were the two gravest sins for the first Christians.

So the ancient copyists of manuscripts dropped it, or moved it to different gospels. Although we are in the liturgical year C when we read from Luke, today's gospel is taken from John. This passage is currently placed in John's gospel, but in the past it was found in the gospel of Luke. And that was done because the forgiveness of such a serious sin is more compatible with the compassion and mercy that

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Contributions March 26-27, 2021

ST. FIDELIS:

Envelopes 2790.00 Loose 949.00

Repair Fund 310.00

Endowment 25.00

ST. ANN:

Envelopes 1110.00 Loose 118.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Envelopes 810.00 Loose 115.00

Candles 32.00

Apr. 4 — Brenda Dreiling, Val Schumacher

Apr. 11 — Marilyn Braun, Kenny Brungardt

MINSTER 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 ****** PALM SUNDAY * SATURDAY, APRIL 9**

5:00 PM — John Braun, Pam Scheck

*** PALM SUNDAY * SUNDAY, APRIL 10**

10:00 AM — Adult Choir

*** HOLY THURSDAY * APRIL 14**

7:00 PM — Adult Choir

*** GOOD FRIDAY * APRIL 15**

1:00 PM — Adult Choir

*** HOLY SATURDAY * APRIL 16**

8:30 PM — Adult Choir

*** EASTER SUNDAY * APRIL 17**

7:00 PM — Jubilee Choir

*** EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ****** PALM SUNDAY * SATURDAY, APRIL 9**

5:00 PM — Keith Billinger, Deb Geschwentner,
Jane Wagner

*** PALM SUNDAY * SUNDAY, APRIL 10**

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

*** HOLY THURSDAY * APRIL 14**

7:00 PM — Mary Brungardt, Colleen Kuhn
Bertha R. and Kenny Brungardt (Adult Choir)

*** GOOD FRIDAY * APRIL 15**

1:00 PM — Diane Gross, Kathy Kuhn, Connie Braun
Teresa Shepherd (Adult Choir)

*** HOLY SATURDAY * APRIL 16**

8:30 PM — Diane Gross, Jane Wagner, Debbie Staab
Keith Billinger (Adult Choir)

*** EASTER SUNDAY * APRIL 17**

7:00 PM — Janine Kisner, Yvonne Braun, Anne Dinkel
Bertha A. Brungardt (Jubilee Choir)

*** LECTORS\COMMENTATORS ****** PALM SUNDAY * SATURDAY, APRIL 9**

5:00 PM — Diane Gross, Kathy Kuhn

*** PALM SUNDAY * SUNDAY, APRIL 10**

10:00 AM — Teresa Shepherd, Shanna Dinkel

*** HOLY THURSDAY * APRIL 14**

7:00 PM — Teresa Shepherd

*** GOOD FRIDAY * APRIL 15**

1:00 PM — Allan Amrein, Karen Nowak

*** HOLY SATURDAY * APRIL 16**

8:30 PM — LeeAnn Schmidtberger

*** EASTER SUNDAY * APRIL 17**

7:00 PM — Dave Staab

*** HOMEBOUND MINISTERS ***

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6 — Jane Wagner

*** PALM SUNDAY * SUNDAY, APRIL 10**

10:00 AM — Bertha and Kenny Brungardt

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13 — Diane Gross

*** EASTER SUNDAY * SUNDAY, APRIL 17**

10:00 AM — Anne Dinkel

*** MASS SERVERS ****** PALM SUNDAY * SATURDAY, APRIL 9**

5:00 PM — Myah and Grace Y., Emma D.

*** PALM SUNDAY * SUNDAY, APRIL 10**

10:00 AM — Brooklyn, Brody, Broc N.

*** HOLY THURSDAY * APRIL 14**

7:00 PM — Levi W., Ethan S., Myah Y.

*** GOOD FRIDAY * APRIL 15**

1:00 PM — Levi W., Averi W.

*** HOLY SATURDAY * SATURDAY, APRIL 16**

8:30 PM — Easton W., Hadley L., Nicholas S.

*** EASTER SUNDAY * SUNDAY, APRIL 17**

10:00 AM — Gracyn and Claire S., Harper T.

Summer Lunch Program

We will again be offering the lunch program this summer. The starting date has not been decided for sure as of now.

If anyone would like to help with the program, contact Jan at the Parish Office.

Watch the bulletin for more details.

Fidelisfest

You should have received your Fidelisfest packet by now in the mail.

If you would like your donation items for the auction listed on the Website, bring them in as soon as possible or let Doug Kuhn know what you are donating.

Parishioner Update

Filling out and returning a Parishioner Information Form will help us communicate better with parishioners and with the Diocese. If you have not already received a form, one can be printed from our website at StFidelisChurch.com or you can contact the Parish Office to get a form.

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, Attention: Connie
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 493 families in our tri-parish database, we have received 257 updated Parishioner Information Forms back.

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

With Sympathy

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of **Michael "Todd" Alexander** of Hays, who passed away on Monday, February 14, 2022. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Saturday, March 26, 2022, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Hays, with inurnment in St. Fidelis Cemetery, Victoria.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

with Benediction

5:30 p.m.

Fridays of Lent

The Basilica of St. Fidelis

NO STATIONS ON GOOD FRIDAY.



LENT 2022

Kid's Corner April 3 - 9

5th Sunday of Lent 3 Read together John 11:21-27. What does Martha believe? 	4 Is there a kind note you can write about each of your family members? Hide the notes in places you know they will find them! 	5 Spring is a time of new life. Plant a few seeds in a clay pot and place it in a sunny spot. Water a bit each day and watch for new life to grow. 	6 "Let my words and my thoughts be pleasing to you, Lord, because you are my mighty rock and my protector." Psalm 19:14 	7 Invite family members to help find and collect small rocks. Then, fill a shallow bowl with water and take turns placing the rocks into the water as you pray (silently or aloud) for God's strength and protection. 	8 Read a verse or two from the Bible and then draw a picture about what you read. Try Psalm 23! 	9 When we visit someone lonely, we visit Jesus.
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Adult's Corner April 3 - 9

3 No Condemnation Like Jesus, how might I forgive others instead of condemning them? <i>John 8:11</i>	4 Throwing the First Stone How can I be more understanding before judging others? <i>John 8:7</i>	5 God Is with Me How might I pay more attention to God's presence with me today? <i>John 8:29</i>	6 Blessed Are You! How might I praise and thank God in a special way today? <i>Daniel 3:52</i>	7 They Wanted to Stone Him How might I call on God to be with me in times of trouble? <i>John 8:58-59</i>	8 The Lord Is with Me Rejoice today for God's presence in you and in your life? <i>Jeremiah 20:11</i>	9 One Community How might I invite those outside or marginalized into our community? <i>John 11:52-53</i>
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**Sacrament of Confirmation
to be celebrated on
Wednesday, April 6, 2022
St. Fidelis Church
6:30 P.M.**

All are welcome to join!
Please keep the Confirmandi and families
in your prayers.



“Lord, You send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent. Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation as they listen to Your voice. Open their hearts to Your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work that You have begun in them.

“Make each of us an instrument of Your love. Teach us to appreciate what is holy in others, and to be patient with what we do not understand. Deepen our faith in the Gospel and help us to pass it on by our example. We pray that You will continue to guide us and sustain us. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.”



St. Joseph

Faithful Protector of Mother and Child

The infant Christ “came into our world in a state of great vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph” (PC 5). The humble and often hidden carpenter of Nazareth accompanied Mary in her pregnancy, assisted at the birth of the Messiah in a stable, presented Jesus in the Temple, fled with his family far from their homeland to protect them, and lovingly raised Jesus as his own son in the years to come.

While the angel of the Lord appeared to Mary to announce that she would bring forth the Savior of the world, it was revealed to Joseph in a series of dreams how God’s plans would be brought to fulfillment. As Pope Francis highlights, “God trusted Joseph, as did Mary, who found in him someone who would not only save her life, but would always provide for her and her child” (PC 5).

Dear St. Joseph,
help us to
imitate your
faithful trust and
courage.

Like every other human family, the Holy Family had to confront real and concrete challenges. Yet, “in every situation, Joseph declared his own ‘fiat’” (PC 3). His “yes” to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph’s devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us.

During this Year of St. Joseph, each of us can find in him “an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble” (PC, Intro). Joseph shows us how to say “yes” to life, despite our own fears, frailties, and weaknesses. For it is Joseph who was “chosen by God to guide the beginnings of the history of redemption. He was the true ‘miracle’ by which God saves the child and his mother” (PC 5).

May we, too, be miracles in the lives of those who are most in need, especially at the beginning and end of life. Dear St. Joseph, you who were “able to turn a problem into a possibility by trusting always in divine providence” (PC 5), help us to imitate your faithful trust and courage.

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The Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition

St. Ann, Walker, KS

Parish Hall

Saturday, April 9 - 4:00—8:30 P.M.

St. Boniface, Vincent, KS

Parish Hall

Sunday, April 10 - 9 A.M.—2 P.M.

St. Fidelis, Victoria, KS

Victoria VFW, 204 E Main St.

Sunday, April 10 - 5 P.M.—8:30 P.M.

Monday, April 11 - 3 P.M. —8:30 P.M.



*Scan this QR code to
watch the video
about Blessed Carlo
Acutis, **Servant of
God.***

**You can also view the video on the
NEWS tab of our website:
StFidelisChurch.com**



Thank you to our local
Knights of Columbus for
their monetary support in
providing a location to host this exhibition
in Victoria. Thank you to our tri-parishes
of St. Ann, St. Boniface, and St. Fidelis for
hosting this beautiful exhibition of
miracles and Christ's Presence in the
Eucharist.

The Eucharistic Miracles of the World exhibit is a traveling display featuring
56 beautiful panels that highlight some of the most powerful Eucharistic
miracles in the world. These Vatican-approved miracles have been created by
an Italian teenage, Servant of God Carlo Acutis. Carlo died from leukemia the
year after he completed this project.

Blessed Carlo Acutis

Blessed Carlo Acutis was born May 3, 1991.

He spoke his first words at 3 months.

By the age of 4, he showed a great interest in Jesus and the Virgin Mary.
Carlo held Jesus as his first priority. He and his mother brought food and
blankets to the homeless. He rounded up his friends to help with this.

By the age of 9, he became interested in computer programming
and bought college textbooks to teach himself how to code.

Carlo began a website that displayed the Eucharistic Miracles of the World.

When Carlo was 15, he was diagnosed with leukemia and in a very short time
was in much pain. A week after his diagnosis, on October 12, 2006, he died--
a year after completing his Eucharistic Miracles project.

Carlo Acutis was beautified in 2020.



New Cemetery Committee

St. Fidelis Church will be starting a Cemetery Committee. If you are interested in being on the committee, please contact Fr. Jim or Jan at the Parish Office.

ST. FIDELIS ADULT CHOIR

Practice Wednesdays

The adult choir will practice Wednesdays, April 6, 13, and 20, from 7:30-8:40 p.m.

Please come and join this exciting group. For more information call Kathy Amrein at 785-650-4371.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

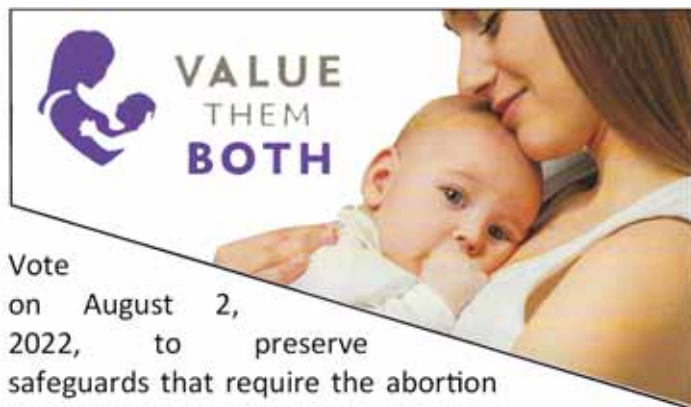
Monthly Meeting

The Daughters of Isabella will celebrate Mass together on **Monday, April 11, at 7:00 p.m.** for Queen Isabella Day.

A meeting will follow at 7:30 at the Thrift Shop.



FAMILY LIFE



Vote on August 2, 2022, to preserve safeguards that require the abortion industry to protect women with important clinic health and safety standards.

Committee Meeting Dates

Finance Council
4th Tuesday @ 5:30 pm

Liturgy Committee
2nd Thursday @ 5:30 pm

Pastoral Council
1st Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

*Three people can keep a secret —
if two of them are dead.*

~Ben Franklin

ST. BONIFACE

Cleanup Scheduled



St. Boniface spring cleanup has been slated for **Saturday, May 21**, (with Sunday, May 22, the finishing date, if needed). Please mark your calendar!!

ST. ANN

Christian Mothers Cleaning Center

St. Ann Christian Mothers will clean the Parish Center on **Saturday, April 2, starting at 9:00 a.m.**

Current Phone Numbers & Info

There will be a paper in the back of St. Ann Church to update current cell phone numbers of parishioners. Please fill this out so you can be contacted about current events.

AND, if you have not recently filled out and returned to the Parish Office a Parishioner Information Form, please do so. The forms are located near the paper for the updated phone list.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Initiation of New Members

The Knights of Columbus will hold an Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity for the initiation of new members into the St. Fidelis Council immediately following the **10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 10, 2022**. If you are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus, or if you know someone who would be a good candidate for membership, please contact John Braun at 785-623-0680.

THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS

27th ANNUAL FIDELISFEST

SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2022

MASS 10:00 AM

THIS YEAR THE
FIDELISFEST WILL BE
HELD IN THE GRADE
SCHOOL GYM AND ON
THE EAST SIDE OF
THE CHURCH.

AUCTION

SILENT 11:00-12:30

LIVE 1:00-FINISHED

ITEMS DONATED BY PARISHIONERS

AND LOCAL BUSINESSES

JASON SCHNEIDER, AUCTIONEER

FREE GAMES AND
BOUNCE HOUSE
FOR KIDS
11:00-2:00

RAFFLE

PRIZES: 1ST-\$2000 2ND \$1000

3RD THRU 6TH \$500

WINNERS ANNOUNCED AFTER AUCTION

TICKETS \$10 EACH; 7 FOR \$50; 16 FOR \$100

OPEN ALL DAY

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**HAMBURGERS
HOT DOGS**

BRATS

POP

COUNTRY STORE
11:00 UNTIL SOLDOUT
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PARISHIONERS!!! PLEASE BRING YOUR NEW DONATED AUCTION ITEMS AND COUNTRY STORE ITEMS TO THE PARISH OFFICE ANY TIME DURING OFFICE HOURS OR YOU CAN BRING THEM TO THE AUCTION SITE ON SUNDAY, APRIL 24, BETWEEN 8 & 11 AM. YOU MAY CALL JAN AT THE PARISH OFFICE FOR A MORE CONVENIENT TIME TO DELIVER YOUR ITEMS OR TO ARRANGE TO HAVE YOUR ITEM(S) PICKED UP.

THANK YOU!!!!!!

Bishop's Annual Appeal: Call to Share

The mission of the Church is to go out and make disciples. The Salina Diocese has that same mission — to be disciples who make disciples through witnessing by faith, hope and love. The primary way that mission is funded is through the Bishop's Annual Appeal — Call to Share. Please prayerfully consider joining in the mission.

- Make your gift online at join.salinadiocese.org
- Mail a check to Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina (memo: Bishop's Annual Appeal – Call to Share) | P.O. Box 1696, Salina, KS 67402-1696
- Learn more at salinadiocese.org/office/catholic-foundation-for-diocese-of-salina

Chrism Mass

Chrism Mass will be held at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Salina on **Thursday, April 7, at 11:30 A.M.**, followed by a luncheon in the Hall of Bishops. Everyone is invited to attend.

Rural Life Day

Rural Life Day will be **Sunday, August 14**, with activities in the tri-parishes of St. Fidelis, St. Boniface, and St. Ann. If any parishioner is interested in the Msgr. John George Weber Century Farm Award, check the diocesan website (SalinaDiocese.org) under Rural Life for more information.

While farms in the West Central Deanery (of which our tri-parishes are members) are of primary interest, any family in the diocese qualifying for the Century Farm Award is welcome to apply.

Deadline for applications is August 1, 2022. For further information, contact Fr. Rich Daise at 785-625-7357 or frich@sacredheartcolby.com.

Value Them Both

The Kansas Primary Election slated for **August 2, 2022**, may be the most important election of our times. A **YES vote** for the "Value Them Both" legislation is critical and we need every registered voter of our Catholic Community to get out and **vote "YES"** next August.

Memorial Masses for Parents of a Deceased Child

There will be two Masses for Parents of a deceased child, one in the Western Deaneries (of which our tri-parishes are members) and one in the Eastern Deaneries, making it more accessible for all grieving parents to attend.

Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Vincke at both locations with the first Mass to be held on **Wednesday, May 11, at 2:00 p.m. in Colby** at Sacred Heart Church and the second Mass to be held on **Thursday, May 12, at 2:00 p.m. in Abilene** in St. Andrews Church.

There will be a luncheon immediately following Mass at both locations.

This replaces the Mother's Mass that has been held the past several years because of many requests to include the fathers.

Registration is available online at the diocesan website: SalinaDiocese.org. There is no fee to attend. Registration is not required but is greatly appreciated, as it helps us to plan this event. Walk-ups are welcomed on the day of the event.

Diocesan Men's Conference

The 2022 Diocesan Men's Conference will be **Saturday, August 13**. Former Swiss Guard and renowned Catholic speaker, Mario Enzler, will be the keynote speaker. More information to come.

Faith Magazine in Audio

Have you listened to *faith* magazine's "Discovering the Beauty of the Mass" audio version?

We're excited about this new series on the *From the Heart* podcast. Every article is being recorded and will be made available.

The next *faith* magazine — "Discovering the Beauty of the Eucharist" will be available later this month.

To tune in, visit go to fromtheheartssalina.com.



CATHOLIC DIOCESE
of SALINA

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

March 24, 2022

Dear faithful parishioners,

On Wednesday, March 23, we issued the enclosed Press Release on our Diocesan website and social media. Similar Press Releases were also issued in the Diocese of Dodge City and the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas.

What the Press Release doesn't say is how grateful I am to each of you, for your patience and understanding when I was away or unable to attend an event or meeting because of other commitments. I am also grateful to the people of the Diocese of Dodge City, who were incredibly welcoming and who continued to keep a strong faith during a difficult time.

My hope is that much good will come from our time together, and that a unique and enduring relationship will continue to grow between our two dioceses. I am overjoyed to once again be working alongside Bishop Brungardt and the other Kansas bishops to spread the Gospel message of Christ to the people of Kansas.

Love and prayers,

+ Gerald L. Vincke

Gerald L. Vincke
Bishop of Salina

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PRESS RELEASE — BISHOP JOHN BRUNGARDT

March 23, 2022

Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas today announced that Bishop John Brungardt will be resuming his duties as the Bishop of the Diocese of Dodge City. Bishop Brungardt does so after a 14-month period during which he stepped aside after an allegation of sexual abuse was made against him. Bishop Brungardt voluntarily withdrew from public ministry to facilitate the investigation of the allegation. During that period, the allegation was fully investigated by the Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI), following which civil authorities declined prosecution.

Following the KBI investigation, Church authorities conducted their own separate investigation of the allegation. The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith at the Vatican, has now determined that the allegation against Bishop Brungardt is not supported by the evidence and the case against him has been dismissed.

Bishop Brungardt has vigorously denied the allegation throughout, and he fully cooperated with both the civil and Church investigations. Throughout this entire 14-month period, Bishop Brungardt has been entitled to the presumption of innocence under both civil and Church law.

During Bishop Brungardt's voluntary absence, Bishop Gerald Vincke of Salina served as the Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Dodge City. Bishop Brungardt has expressed his gratitude to Bishop Vincke for his many months of service to the faithful of the Diocese.

Now that Bishop Brungardt will be taking up his duties again, he also expressed his appreciation for the thoroughness of both investigations and is eager to resume public ministry, "serving Almighty God and the good people of the Catholic Diocese of Dodge City." At the same time, Bishop Brungardt urges everyone "to pray for and listen to all victims of sexual abuse."

THE SHEPHERD

"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me. Just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep."
~John 10:14-15

April Is Child Abuse Prevention Month

We are called through scripture and teaching to protect the life and dignity of the human person.

Throughout the year, but especially in the month of April, we all are asked to increase awareness, to educate ourselves and the community, and to seek healing for those who have been so tragically impacted.

In order to prevent child abuse, we need to understand what it is.

Child abuse is when a child is intentionally harmed by an adult or another child—it can be over a period of time, but it can also be a one and done action. It can be physical, sexual, or emotional and it can happen in person or "on-line". It can also be a lack of love, care, and attention—this is called neglect.

Types of abuse can include:

- Bullying/cyberbullying
- Child trafficking
- Child sexual exploitation
- Domestic abuse
- Emotional abuse
- Grooming
- Neglect
- Non-recent abuse
- On-line abuse
- Physical abuse
- Sexual abuse



Child abuse, including child sexual abuse, has occurred throughout our society for many years. Child abuse is widespread. It cuts across all cultures, religious and socioeconomic groups. If you are worried about a child, it may be hard to know what to do. For more information on types of child abuse, how to spot the signs of child abuse, and what you can do to keep children safe, please go to <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-is-child-abuse/types-of-abuse>. If you need someone to talk to, or need immediate assistance, please use the contact information below.



Any allegation of the abuse of a minor may be reported to the
Kansas Protection Report Center
800.922.5330
KBI Crime Hotline
800.572.7463
or

ClergyAbuse@kbi.ks.gov
The Diocese of Salina fully participates in all criminal investigations related to abuse perpetrated by a member of the clergy or other church official.

For the safety of children and healing of those who have suffered abuse, the Diocese of Salina provides
Hotline: 866.752.8855 #1067
Website: www.reportandprotect.com
Email: reportabuse@salinadiocese.org
Reports will be responded to promptly by the Victim Assistance Coordinator.

*"Rescue me, Lord, from my foes,
for I seek refuge in you."
- Psalm 143:9*



Safe Environment Office
Diocese of Salina

To report an incident of sexual abuse and related misconduct by a Bishop or Religious Superior currently or in the past, the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Services provides
Hotline: 800.276.1562
Website: reportbishopabuse.org

All reports are confidential with the exception of those involving the abuse of minors which will be immediately reported by the Diocese to the proper authorities, as required by Kansas State Law and Diocesan Policy

NEWS AND NOTES

from the Safe Environment Office

Parenting can be tough, and caring for a child is one of the most important jobs a parent has, this includes keeping a child safe from harm. Unfortunately though our children don't come with instruction manuals. So as parents we need training. The more training we have the more prepared we will feel as we raise our children and the more able we are to handle upsets and surprises. Connecting on several levels with your children will go a long way in preventing abuse. See the list below for ways to connect with your child so when a situation does arise you are prepared to handle it. For more information and resources visit www.faceitabuse.org

- C** **CALL FOR HELP :** We can all use a helping hand sometimes. Reach out for help when you or your family needs it. No matter what is going on in your life or the lives of your family members, it is helpful to be prepared with local hotline information in case of a crisis or emergency.
- O** **OFFER ONE ON ONE OPPORTUNITIES:** Schedule one on one time with each of your children - even if only for 5-10 minutes each day. Normalize that it is okay to not be happy all the time. Help your child take note of the times that you and your family are happy. It is normal to have good days and bad days.
- N** **NAVIGATE YOUR NETWORKS:** Use community resources like schools, libraries, neighbors and more to connect to people and places that can provide support to your family. Many are available through online platforms.
- N** **NOTICE TRIGGERS AND TAKE BREAKS:** Learn which behaviors and words that might help you identify your child's impending meltdown or tantrum. Remember, children and teens react (in part) based on what they see from the adults around them. When you are calm, you provide the best support.
- E** **EAT TOGETHER:** Family meals create opportunities for sharing about the day, catching up, and discussing highlights and struggles. Get your kids involved in preparing meals, not just eating the meals you prepare. Cooking together can bring a family together.
- C** **CARE FOR YOURSELF:** Caregivers cannot pour from an empty cup, so it is important to take care of yourself too. Practice self-care. Listen to your favorite song, read, meditate, or enjoy your favorite activity. When we can take time to care for ourselves, we are in the best form to care for those we love.
- T** **TAKE TIME TO TALK:** Find time to talk with your child about their friendships, what they enjoy doing, and what they want to do when they grow up. Instead of asking questions like, "how was your day", try asking questions like, "what was your favorite part of today?" or "if you could do today over, what would you change?"

The church is the Body of Christ. All members of the Church are linked to one another. We ALL have a responsibility to ensure the safety of children in our parishes, schools, families and local communities. The Diocese of Salina has taken great strides in fulfilling our promise to protect children, educate our communities, and bring healing to those who have suffered abuse.

Are there people who sit next to you at mass each week who do not currently minister to minors, but could benefit from being educated on how to protect children? Please encourage them to contact the Safe Environment Office - 785-827-8746.

The more people who are educated on child sexual abuse, the safer our children will be!

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SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM



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All those who minister to children or young people on a regular basis are to be educated about the nature of child sexual abuse, how to report it, and strategies for prevention.

The Diocese of Salina currently uses a program called CMGCONNECT, a web-based, on-line training program (along with an integrated background check) that specializes in helping churches, schools, and religious organizations create safe environments for children and youth. High School students in grades 9-12 who work with other minors on a regular basis will do their own training through CMGConnect, which covers safe and appropriate ways to interact with other children.

BEFORE beginning any ministry with children in your parish or school, you must have Safe Environment Training and it must be current (taken within the last 5 years).

For more information, and to get instructions on how to log into CMGConnect, please contact the **Safety Coordinator** of your parish or school.

*"Pope Francis has made it clear that the Church must hold the protection of minors amongst her highest priorities."
Fr. Federico Lombardi, SJ*



The Safety Coordinator of our Parish/School is:

Jeanette Brungardt

Office: 785-735-9244

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Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The pandemic hit particularly hard the Christians in the Holy Land. Most of them depend on pilgrimages to work. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is also necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

APRIL HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERT

Slavery is far from over as pimps and traffickers sell people and buyers continue to buy. It is a worldwide, criminal business of which we all need to work.

U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking is a 501 c (3) organization, 2039 N. Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131. (sistersagainstrafficking.org)

A LITTLE CHUCKLE

Those Pesky Ten Commandments

Murphy showed up at Mass one Sunday and the priest almost fell down when he saw him. He'd never been to church in his life. After Mass, the priest caught up with him and said, "Murphy, I am so glad ya decided to come to Mass. What made ya come?"

Murphy said, "I got to be honest with you Father. A while back, I misplaced me hat and I really, really love that hat. I know that McGlynn had a hat just like mine and I knew he came to church every Sunday. I also knew that he had to take off his hat during Mass and figured he would leave it in the back of church. So, I was going to leave after Communion and steal McGlynn's hat."

The priest said, "Well, Murphy, I notice that ya didn't steal McGlynn's hat. What changed your mind?"

Murphy replied, "Well, Father, after I heard your sermon on the 10 Commandments, I decided that I didn't need to steal McGlynn's hat after all."

With a tear in his eye the priest gave Murphy a big smile and said; "After I talked about 'Thou Shalt Not Steal' ya decided you would rather do without your hat than burn in Hell?"

Murphy slowly shook his head. "No, Father, after ya talked about 'Thou Shalt Not Commit Adultery' I remembered where I left me hat."



The Sunflower Polka Club is hosting a two-day polka event featuring the most famous Julie Lee Band including Wes Windholz on **Saturday, April 9**, from 1:00-7:00 p.m. Julie Lee will play again on **Sunday, April 10**, from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at St. Michael's Parish Center, LaCrosse. For more information, call 620-897-7778.



Divine Mercy Sunday

A Divine Mercy Prayer Service will be held at **3:00 p.m., Sunday, April 24, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church.**

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 1930s. When Pope John Paul II canonized Saint Faustina April 30, 2000, he declared the Sunday after Easter to be Divine Mercy Sunday and an official feast day of the Church.

Everyone is encouraged to pray the novena to the Divine Mercy, which begins on Good Friday. Leaflets on this novena are in the brochure rack of the IHM Church. CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD BEGINNING AT 2 p.m. This prayer service is sponsored by Divine Mercy Radio.


"Healing" Meetings

The Center for Life Experience, Inc., 103C East 27th St., Oak Plaza, Hays, hosts meetings for various support groups. RSVP by email to info@cflhope.org or call for information (785-259-6859). All meetings are in-person and held at the Center unless otherwise indicated.

Below are the schedules for upcoming meetings:


- **NAMI Connections:** Monday, April 4, 7:00-8:30 p.m. regular meeting (in-person or online). Hosted by NAMI Hays. For more info, email hunter@namikansas.org or art@namikansas.org.
- **Healing After Loss:** Tuesday, April 5, 10:00 a.m. regular meeting.
- **Healing After Loss of Suicide:** Wednesday, April 6, 5:45 p.m. dinner; 6:30 p.m. regular meeting

Trinity Lutheran Church
is pleased to present a
Benefit Bar-B-Q for:



Sunday, April 24th, 11pm-2pm

Free will donations will be accepted
Menu includes: first-rate smoked meats, baked beans, creamy coleslaw, potato salad, and a variety of delectable desserts!
All proceeds will benefit Options!



Munjoy K. of C. Fish Fry

Knights of Columbus Council, Munjoy, will host a Lenten Fish Fry on **Friday, April 8, from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m.** at the Munjoy School Building. Fried Fish, Noodles and Beans, and Grebbel will be served. Dine-in or carryout will be available.



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

Monday — April 4

FCCLA State Leadership Conference

Tuesday — April 5

FCCLA State Leadership Conference

3:00 pm HS track @ Ellis

4:00 pm HS BSB & SB @ Ellsworth

Wednesday — April 6

8:00 am Spring pictures and sports pictures

2:20 pm School dismissed/PLC

4:00 pm Shooting team practice HCSC

Thursday — April 7

2:30 pm School dismissed

3:00 pm JH quad @ Victoria

Friday — April 8

3:00 pm HS track @ Hoxie

4:00 pm HS BSB & SB @ Sacred Heart

Saturday — April 9

Prom and Project Prom

Sunday — April 10

8:30 am GS breakfast fundraiser

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.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

for the April 17 bulletin
10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 12

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

Thank you!



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY	APRIL 4	
7:00 pm Kenny Brungardt		
TUESDAY	APRIL 5	
6:45 am For the parishes		
WEDNESDAY	APRIL 6	
6:45 am Mass intention for "William"		
THURSDAY	APRIL 7	
6:45 am Francis "Red" Walters family		
FRIDAY	APRIL 8	
6:45 am		
SATURDAY	APRIL 9	
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Isabell and Severin Scheck and family and Gilbert and Jeneice Rohr		
6:30 pm St. Ann Robert J., Hubert, and Jo Sander		
SUNDAY	PALM (PASSION) SUNDAY	APRIL 10
8:30 am St. Boniface James and Marian Rajewski		
10:00 am St. Fidelis Leonard and Josepha Dome family living & deceased		

LOST & FOUND

A prayer book was left in a front pew of the Basilica of St. Fidelis around the weekend of March 19-20. To claim, please call the Parish Office at 785-735-2777.

Please patronize those who advertise in our bulletin.

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

Contact Connie @ 785-735-2777

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