

“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
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

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

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 2, 2023 — Passion (Pal m) Sunday

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 Remember

Apr. 16 — Card Party

Apr. 23 — First Holy Communion

Apr. 24 — Feast of St. Fidelis of
Sigmaringen

May 4 — National Day of Prayer

May 14 — Mother's Day
High School Graduation

May 20 — Armed Forces Day

May 28 — Pentecost Sunday

May 29 — Memorial Day — PARISH
OFFICE CLOSED

June 3 — FIDELISFEST

**“Amen, I say to you,
one of you will betray me.”**
Matthew 26:14-27:66



**The Parish Office will close for the Easter holiday
from Holy Thursday, April 6, @ noon
through Easter Monday, April 10.
HAVE A HAPPY EASTER!**



The Events of Holy Week



The gospel chronologies of Holy Week have minor variations. John's gospel places the Last Supper before Passover so that the Lamb of God dies on the cross as the lambs for Passover are slain in the temple. The sequence of the trials before the Sanhedrin and Pilate also varies, yet there is a general agreement on major events as follows.

Palm Sunday — Jesus enters Jerusalem triumphantly and returns to Bethany that evening.

Monday — Jesus returns to Jerusalem where he cleanses the temple, preaches, and leaves the city in the evening to return to Bethany.

Tuesday — Jesus goes again to the city of Jerusalem teaching the crowds the parables of the two sons and the seven brothers. He raises controversial issues such as: taxes to Caesar, the source of his authority, the nature of John's Baptism, the greatest commandment, the title Son of David, and the temple's destruction.

Spy Wednesday — The religious leaders plot against Jesus and Judas agrees to betray him for thirty pieces of silver. Jesus is anointed by a woman at Simon's house in Bethany.

Holy Thursday — After the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper, Jesus and the disciples go to Gethsemane where he is arrested and taken to the high priest for a trial before the Sanhedrin. Peter denies him, as predicted.

Good Friday — Judas returns the silver to the chief priests. The Sanhedrin hands Jesus over to Pilate to be tried for sedition. When Pilate offers a choice, the crowd chooses Barabbas over Jesus, yet the name Barabbas meaning "son of Abba" may offer a deeper message. After having Christ flogged and crowned with thorns Pilate presents him to the crowd as their King. But the crowd demands crucifixion and Pilate accedes. Jesus carries his cross to Calvary, is crucified between two criminals, entrusting his mother to John. Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus bury his body before sunset.

Holy Saturday — The Jewish Sabbath. Guards are set at the tomb. Women prepare spices and oils to bring to the tomb on Sunday.

Easter Sunday — The women find the tomb empty and report this to the disciples. Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene, to the other women, to two disciples on the way to Emmaus, to Peter, and to the disciples in the upper room with Thomas absent. A week later, Jesus comes again to the eleven disciples with Thomas present. Later he appeared to the disciples at the Sea of Galilee and on other occasions. Finally, he preaches to his followers on the Mount of Olives from which he ascended to heaven.

**"Hosanna to the Son of David;
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the highest."**

Parish Staff

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Contributions March 25-26, 2023

ST. FIDELIS:

Envelopes 3407.00 Loose 1146.00

ST. ANN:

Envelopes 315.00 Loose 194.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Envelopes 10.00 Loose 150.00
Candles 39.00

~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

April 3 — Mary Brungardt, Janie Dinges

April 11 (Tuesday) — Verda Werner, Bertha Brungardt

* 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

HOLY THURSDAY — APRIL 6
7:00 PM — Adult Choir

GOOD FRIDAY — APRIL 7
1:00 PM — Adult Choir

HOLY SATURDAY — APRIL 8
8:30 PM — Adult Choir

EASTER SUNDAY — APRIL 9
10:00 AM — Jubilee Choir

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

HOLY THURSDAY — APRIL 6
7:00 PM — Mary Brungardt, Kenny and Bertha R. Brungardt, Colleen Kuhn (Adult Choir sings)

GOOD FRIDAY — APRIL 7
1:00 PM — Kathy Kuhn, Connie Braun, Diane Gross, Michelle Geist (Adult Choir sings)

HOLY SATURDAY — APRIL 8
8:30 PM — Kathy Kuhn, Jane Wagner, Diane Gross, Keith Billinger (Adult Choir sings)

EASTER SUNDAY — APRIL 9
10:00 AM — Janine Kisner, Kenny and Bertha R. Brungardt, Michelle Geist (Jubilee Choir sings)

LECTORS\COMMENTATORS

HOLY THURSDAY — APRIL 6
7:00 PM — Allan Amrein

GOOD FRIDAY — APRIL 7 — Reading of the Passion
1:00 PM — Karen Nowak, Tammy Lichter

HOLY SATURDAY — APRIL 8
8:30 PM — LeeAnn Schmidtberger

EASTER SUNDAY — APRIL 9
10:00 AM — Dave Staab

HOMEBOUND MINISTERS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5 — Jane Wagner

EASTER SUNDAY — SUNDAY, APRIL 9
10:00 AM — Bertha and Kenny Brungardt

Due to the Parish Office being closed at noon on Holy Thursday, April 6, items for the **APRIL 9 BULLETIN** need to be in **by 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, April 4.**



Please call the Office at 785-735-2777 or email Connie at sftech@ruraltel.net with your bulletin articles.

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE
TOMORROW—Monday, April 3 | 7:30 p.m.
(after the 7:00 p.m. Mass)
at The Basilica of St. Fidelis

It can't happen here!
Yes, it can
HUMAN TRAFFICKING is
HUMAN SLAVERY



When: May 3, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

Where: Victoria High School Auditorium

Presenter: Sr. Margaret Nacke, CJS Ed.D

All high school students and adults are welcome.

Speaker Margaret Nacke, a Sister of St. Joseph of Concordia, KS., founded U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking ten years ago. It is a faith-based national network that offers education, supports access to survivor services, and engages in advocacy to end modern-day slavery. Recently Sister received the Radical Abolitionist Award from the S.O.A.P. project (Save Our Adolescents from Prostitution), a project committed to a survivor-centered approach to ending human trafficking. Sister Nacke has educated the public about the way people are bought, sold, and discarded as human beings.

(Free will offering.)

Sponsors: St. Fidelis Christian Mothers/Altar Society
Knights of Columbus St. Fidelis Council #1867

LITURGY COMMISSION

MEETING

The Liturgy Commission will meet on **Thursday, April 13, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.** at the PAC.

Committee Meeting Dates

Finance Council
4th Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Liturgy Committee
2nd Thursday @ 5:30 pm

Pastoral Council
1st Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

DAILY PRAYER FOR HOLY WEEK

Father of love, I am just beginning to realize how much you love me.
Your Son, Jesus, was humble and obedient. I ask you for the desire to become more humble so that my own life might also bear witness to you. Help me pass from my old life of sin to the new life of grace. Guide me in Your gentle mercy and your truth.
Strengthen my life by the example of Jesus. Help me to be with Jesus this week as he demonstrates again his total love for me.
Prepare me for the coming feast of the Resurrection of Jesus.
I ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

Veneration of the Cross on Good Friday

A cross will be displayed at the Communion Rail and everyone can then walk up the aisle and venerate the cross by bowing or genuflecting without touching the cross.

HOLY WEEK and EASTER SCHEDULE

Monday, April 3	7:00 p.m. Mass	St. Fidelis
	7:30 p.m. Communal Penance Service following Mass	
Tuesday, April 4	6:45 a.m. Mass	St. Fidelis
Wednesday, April 5	6:45 a.m. Mass	St. Fidelis
Holy Thursday, April 6	7:00 p.m. Mass (<i>Collection for the Poor</i>)	St. Fidelis
	8:00 - 9:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration	St. Fidelis
	<i>All tri-parish members and guests may reverence the Eucharist at anytime until 9:00 p.m.</i>	
	NO THURSDAY MORNING MASS and NO MORNING EUCHARISTIC ADORATION	
Good Friday, April 6	1:00 p.m. Services (<i>Holy Land Collection</i>)	St. Fidelis
	NO STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON GOOD FRIDAY	
Holy Saturday, April 7	8:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass	St. Fidelis
	CONFESSIONS 4:00 @ ST. FIDELIS	
Easter Sunday, April 8	7:00 a.m. Mass	St. Ann
	8:30 a.m. Mass	St. Boniface
	10:00 a.m. Mass	St. Fidelis

BLESSING OF FOOD: Food will be blessed at all Masses Easter Sunday morning.

HOLY THURSDAY COLLECTION: The collection will go to the Cemetery Funds for each church. Be sure to use your envelopes to designate which church's Cemetery Fund it should go to.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION: We will take up the annual Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land. Your financial contribution helps to support the struggling Christian community and to protect Christianity's holiest places.

Tri-Parish Cards & Games Party

SUNDAY, APRIL 16 • 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
- Skip-Bo
- Phase 10
- Farkle
- Dominos
- Rummikub

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.

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

We are looking for people willing
to have their feet washed
during the
7:00 p.m. Holy Thursday
Mass on April 6.



We are also
looking for people to carry
up the Holy Oils
during the
Holy Thursday Mass.

Special Lent/Easter Intentions

This year we would like to extend the opportunity to have your special intentions or prayers for a loved one offered up during our weekend and daily Masses during Lent and the Easter Season.

Please put your special intention(s) in a sealed envelope marked **"SPECIAL EASTER INTENTION"** to keep it confidential. The envelope can be put in the collection basket during Mass or brought to the Parish Office.

Your intention will be put in a basket near the altar to be included in the Mass blessings.

Please call the Parish Office at
785-735-2777 if you are interested in
helping with these ministries.

Tour Guides Needed

Spring and Summer are approaching. That means more people wanting to tour the Basilica.

Tours are offered for larger groups and usually take place in the late morning or early afternoon.

We can provide you with a history book to get you started as a tour guide. You can also observe a current guide to help you learn the process; however, you are welcome to tell your own personal stories related to the church. The more you do the tours, the easier and more fun it can be.

**If you are willing to help, please call the
Parish Office at 785-735-2777.**

Easter Decorating Fund

With Lent and Easter right around the corner, we are asking for donations towards the Basilica's Easter Decorating Fund.

Please put this special contribution in an envelope marked **"EASTER DECORATING FUND"** and place it in the collection basket during Mass or bring it to the Parish Office.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Rose Ann Dreiling at 785-735-4455. Thank you in advance and have a blessed Easter season.

St. Fidelis 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.

CONFIRMATION

Wednesday evening, March 22, 2023

The Basilica of St. Fidelis

A meal, catered by Fork That Bakery, was served at the Victoria V.F.W. Hall after Confirmation for the confirmed and their families.



TOP ROW: Wyatt Griff, Yvonne Braun, Averi Windholz, Father James Moster, Brody Nowak, Bishop Jerry Vincke, Gracyn Schippers, Joseph Robben, John Braun

MIDDLE ROW: Benjamin Dome, Lauren Klein, Wyatt Dorzweiler, Jillian Schmidt, Levi Wellbrock

BOTTOM ROW: Leeya Martinez, Juliana Dinkel, Camri VonFeldt, Kenlee Winter, Sienna Schmeidler



Bishop Gerald Vincke and Fr. Jim Moster, pastor, present the “laying on of hands” during the Confirmation ceremony at the Basilica of St. Fidelis.

**Tickets can be purchased
at the Parish Office**

GENDER AND THE THEOLOGY OF YOUR BODY

**Basilica of St. Fidelis
Catholic Church**

**April 24, 2023
7:45 - 9:15 P.M.**

900 Cathedral Ave., Victoria, KS 67671

Questions? Call 785-639-5067 or e-mail
Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net

WHAT IS THE MEANING OF SEX, GENDER, AND THE HUMAN BODY?

The truth of masculinity and femininity are being questioned like never before.

Discover how your body as a man or woman reveals your identity and calling.



JASON EVERT

is a bestselling author of more than fifteen books, and has brought the message of chastity to more than two million people on six continents. He and his wife Crystalina run the ministry Chastity Project and its website, chastity.com



CHASTITY.COM

Tickets can be purchased online or in person at the parish office.
Please visit <https://chastity.com/events/> or scan the QR code.



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www.stfidelischurch.com

You Are Invited

Celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation can be a most blessed experience. Yet, there are a number of reasons why we don't take advantage of this Sacrament.

Fear, shame, bad experiences of the past, or a long time since the last reception of the Sacrament are all possible reasons for struggles with this Sacrament.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is God's gift to us, and he invites us to come to him in the Sacrament of Confession. Prayer, a good examination of conscience, and a bit of encouragement to give it a new try can truly change our lives and will unquestionably renew our faith.

If you are feeling hesitant or having difficulty approaching the Sacrament, simply share your feelings with the Confessor. He will help put you at ease and guide you through the Sacrament.

A communal Penance Service will be celebrated at the Basilica on **Monday, April 3, 2023, after the 7:00 p.m. Mass**. You will find an examination of conscience based on the 7 deadly sins below.

An Examination of Conscience

The following list of capital sins, root sins, from our tradition, with the fears that cause them and the symptoms they manifest, may help us examine our lives in a way that is more meaningful. For most of us who do not have death-bringing choices to confess, the recognition of one or two of these root areas of concern will be the best way to admit our sinfulness, and help us discover the areas of our lives that need the most attention, and most need the healing touch of God's grace.

Because God's call from fear to love is always a painful journey involving the cross and death, most of us want to choose an easier way to new life. Most of us want Easter without Good Friday. All sin is an attempt to avoid the cost. All sin is substitution for real growth and real joy. Our tradition says the following are some of our most common substitutions.

1. PRIDE

When we:

- Fear that we do not measure up;
- Fear that we are not as good as others;
- Fear that we will be found out;
- Fear the brokenness that is in us, and have never learned to forgive it;
- Fear the weakness that is in us;
- Choose false pride for the quiet love and respect for self.

Symptoms of false pride are:

- We demand too much of self and others;
- We give in to the "tyranny of the should" always saying what we or others "should" or "should not" have done;
- We judge ourselves and others too quickly and too harshly;
- We are vain about appearance or a particular gift;
- We have to be first;
- We have to be center;
- We believe our way is the only way;
- We brag too much;
- We exaggerate too much;
- We dominate and need to control.

2. GREED/COVETOUSNESS

When we:

- Fear that people will not love us for who we are;
- Fear that we will be judged;
- Fear that we will not be safe;
- Fear that God will not provide; we give in to greed and covetousness, we cover our insecurities in our own eyes and in the supposed feelings of others with material possessions.

Symptoms of greed are:

- We become too attached to possessions;
- We allow our possessions to own us, not us them;
- We work too hard;
- We keep too fast a pace;
- We do not keep holy the Lord's Day and do not make room for God in our life;
- We hoard money;
- We do not share enough with the poor;
- We might give in to stealing or dishonestly;
- We have no time for God or prayer;
- We have "strange gods before us" as the first commandment warns can happen;
- We do not have time for parents or family.

3. LUST

When we:

- Fear being intimate in the true sense;
- Fear to trust another;
- Fear to entrust ourselves to another; we substitute lust, we give in to lust.

Symptoms of lust are:

- We turn people into objects;
- We use people;
- We lie to ourselves about relationships;
- We focus on pleasure rather than joy;
- We substitute physical intimacy for real loving intimacy;
- We turn to adultery or fornication;
- We turn to pornography;
- We give in to sensuality;
- We allow sexuality to turn us inward rather than to relationship;
- We never learn to trust.

4. ANGER

When we:

- Fear being hurt;
- Fear being controlled;
- Fear not being liked;
- Fear being judged;
- Fear being found out;
- Fear being taken for granted; we turn to anger at self, others and God.

Symptoms of anger are:

- We are impatient with self;
- We are impatient with others;
- We are unforgiving of self and others;
- We are unable to pray;
- We lack gentleness;
- We feel that we have been cheated;
- We have an impetuous spirit;
- We curse or use bad language;
- We use God's name improperly and without respect;
- We are impetuous on the roads and highways;
- We can become cold and cynical.

5. GLUTTONY

**Lord, forgive my capital sins
and heal me.**



When we:

- Fear to face ourselves;
- Fear to face our problems;
- Fear dealing with others;
- Fear being overwhelmed; we turn to gluttony/drunkenness.

Symptoms of gluttony are:

- We eat too much;
- We eat too often;
- We eat to solve problems;
- We turn to drugs or alcohol;
- We commit "adultery with the bottle" gaining strength, courage, and meaning in life in food or drink or drugs rather than in relationships.

6. ENVY/JEALOUSY

When we:

- Fear not looking good;
- Fear being judged;
- Fear we are missing out;
- Fear life is passing us by; we turn to envy or jealousy.

Symptoms of envy are:

- We have a suspicious spirit;
- We criticize too much;
- We entertain sinful desires;
- We feel cheated;
- We "covert" neighbors' success;
- We put others down;
- We gossip too much;
- We give in to slander.

7. SLOTH/LAZINESS

When we:

- Fear the cost of trying;
- Fear hard work;
- Fear the cost of relationships;
- Fear failure;
- Fear being hurt; we turn to sloth.

Symptoms of sloth are:

- We withdraw from life;
- We set no ideals;
- We quit before we finish;
- We set no goals;
- We never reach out;
- We do not use talents for God or others.

Prayer of Re-dedication and Commitment to Growth

Heavenly Father, Creator, and Friend, I trust in your understanding, your acceptance, and your love. Thank you for the gift of forgiveness. Teach me to be as forgiving of myself as you are of me. Teach me to be as gentle with myself as you are with me. I commit myself to trying to improve my life for you and for others. Help me to be open to your grace. I pray through Jesus Christ.



Victoria Community Easter Egg Hunt

Hosted by the Basilica of St. Fidelis' Office of Religious
Education and Youth Ministry

Age groups: 0-1 years; 2-3 years; 4-5 years;
6-7 years; 8-9 years

**Where: Meet in the St. Fidelis Church parking lot
between St. Fidelis Church and Victoria Elementary School**

Time: 1:00 P.M.

Date: Saturday, April 8, 2023

Parents don't forget your cameras!

**A special photo op will be available for our little ones, ages 0-1,
as this is their First Easter!**

**Thank you to the individuals and businesses who lend their
support by volunteering or generously giving monetary donations
to make this Easter Egg Hunt possible.**



St. Fidelis Church



**Victoria
Lumber**



**Robben
Oil**

FIDELISFEST

SATURDAY, JUNE 3RD, 2023

A Fundraiser for The Basilica of St. Fidelis

Victoria, Kansas



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

4:00 - 5:00 PM	CATHOLIC MASS THE BASILICA
5:00 - 6:00 PM	CHURCH TOURS THE BASILICA
4:00 - 7:00 PM	GERMAN WEDDING DINNER V.E.S. CAFETERIA
4:00 - 8:00 PM	KEEPSAKE STORE, BAKE SALE, & KID'S' GAMES V.E.S. GYM
5:00 - 11:00 PM	BEER & BRAT GARDEN BEHIND THE FRIARY
8:00 PM	RAFFLE DRAWING - \$3,000 IN PRIZES! V.E.S. GYM

FREE DANCE & ENTERTAINMENT: BEHIND THE FRIARY

KATHY AMREIN & MARGARET GIFFORD
KARL MEIS
BERNIE SCHULTE
BOB DREILING
TOM PFEIFER
LOCAL JAM SESSION

*A limited number of tickets will be sold
at the door during the event.*

Please purchase tickets for dinner
in advance at the
Parish Activity Center
or call 785-735-2777.

MEAL TICKETS

\$15 ADULTS

\$7 CHILDREN 6-12 YRS

FREE CHILDREN
5 AND UNDER

Memorial Mass for Parents Who Have Lost a Child

The Memorial Mass for parents who have lost a child will be held in two locations this year to better accommodate those wishing to attend. Mass will be held at **St. Joseph's Church in Oakley on Wednesday, May 10, at 2:00 p.m.** and at **St. Edward's Church in Belleville on Thursday, May 11, at 2:00 p.m.** A reception will follow both Masses.

Report allegations of the abuse of a minor to the
Department of Children and Families
800.922.5330
KBI Crime Hotline
800.572.7463

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If you suspect abuse of a minor by church or school personnel, in addition to contacting civil authorities, the diocese provides a confidential Hotline: 866.752.8855 ext.1067
Website: reportandprotect.com
Email: reportabuse@salinadiocese.org
Reports will be responded to promptly by the Victim Assistance Coordinator

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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 a confidential
Hotline: 800.276.1562
Website: reportbishopabuse.org

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The Diocese of Salina complies with Kansas laws regarding reporting suspected abuse to civil authorities and cooperates with civil authorities investigating reports of suspected abuse by all persons, including but not limited to Church Personnel.



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Questions regarding reporting should be directed to the Safe Environment Office
Diocese of Salina -785.827.8746

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*"God is light; and in him there is no darkness.
If we walk in the light, as he is in the light,
we have fellowship with one another."
1 John 1:5-7*



Asking for Motherly Advice

The next issue of Faith magazine will feature Mary and motherhood. One of the articles will feature advice from mothers around the diocese. If you have any advice for mothers on parenting tips, cooking, cleaning, balancing work and home, budgeting, self-care, keeping faith a priority, etc. please email Katie Hamel at Katherine.greenwood@salinadiocese.org by April 7.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time.

Retreats for: post-abortive women and men, couples, grandparents, former abortion workers, anyone affected by the pain of abortion. **Next retreat June 2-4, 2023.**

Confidential, email rachelsvineyard@salinadiocese.org
or call 1-877-I-GRIEVE (1-877-447-4383).

SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM



DIOCESE OF SALINA

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

Email: Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net



Job Posting

Pregnancy and Adoption Specialist/ Licensed Therapist

Hays Catholic Charities is hiring a Pregnancy & Adoption Specialist/Licensed Therapist at our Hays office. This exciting role encompasses both therapy duties and pregnancy and adoption case management. We are looking for a compassionate, driven, and organized individual to support those in need across northern Kansas. To learn more and apply, visit ccnks.org/careers.

DIAPER NEEDS

Did you know? Since July 1, Catholic Charities has distributed 1,112 boxes of diapers to low-income families across the Diocese's 31-county service area. That's over 100,000 individual diapers!

Our warehouse is currently running low on Size 6 diapers. If you want to help babies in need, you can drop off boxes of diapers at any of Diocese's three Catholic Charities locations or have them shipped to 1500 S. 9th Street in Salina, Kansas 67401 and we'll send them where they are needed most.

Hays Building Project

An incredibly generous local family recently donated a 9,000 sq. ft. building on Centennial Blvd. in Hays to Catholic Charities! We are redeveloping this incredible gift into our new western Kansas headquarters.

Our Hays office serves 16 western counties in the Salina Diocese. This donated building will serve as an anchor of hope for families in need across this area for years to come!

Our team is currently working on an application for Community Service Tax Credits to help fund this project and is looking for anyone who may be interested in utilizing these. If you are interested, we will need pledge letters by April 21. Visit www.ccnks.org/haysproject or contact Eric Frank at efrank@ccnks.org.

FROM THE HEART PODCAST

Tune in to our newest episodes of Season 2 of Three Bald Guys! This series features Geoff Andrews, Bill Meagher, and Fr. Jarett Konrade, who will talk about evangelization, education, and more! Be sure to check out the latest episodes! "From the Heart Catholic Podcast" can be found on the diocese website (<https://SalinaDiocese.org>) and anywhere you listen to podcasts. Happy listening!

April Is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Throughout the year, especially during this month of April, all are asked to increase awareness, to educate ourselves and the community, and to seek healing for those who have been so tragically impacted by child abuse. We must heed God's call to care for the most vulnerable among us and continue our efforts as we promise to protect, pledge to heal.

April Human Trafficking Alert

Slavery is not a relic of the past. It is alive today and generates billions of dollars while at the same time ruining the lives of those involved. Learn more about human trafficking. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking**, 7575 Grand River Rd., Suite 109, Brighton, MI 48114.

Bishop's Annual Appeal



We are on our way to our appeal goal this year. As of March 24, 2023, we have raised \$1,305,866 from 2,326 donors. What a great start!

Our parish goals for this year are \$21,600 for St. Fidelis, \$1,300 for St. Boniface, and \$18,500 for St. Ann.

Your gift, regardless of size, helps us reach these goals and supports ministries and programs across the diocese, including members of our parishes. If you have not yet given to the appeal but would like to, you can return your pledge card at any time in the offertory; mail it to Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 1696, Salina KS 67402; or give online at join.salinadiocese.org.

We are so excited about the level of participation from some of our parishes towards the Bishop's Annual Appeal – Call to Share. A special shout out to St. George Church in Munden with 38% participation rate! Rounding out the top five are:

St. Mary Church, Downs: 37%
 St. Anthony Church, Miltonvale: 32%
 St. Wenceslaus Church, Wilson: 32%
 Holy Ghost Church, Sharon Springs: 30%

Keep up the good work! We wonder which parish will end the year with the highest participation rate! Wouldn't it be great if we could get 100% participation across the board?

Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.

The pandemic hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. In these

times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you 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 or www.custodia.org.

Diocese Gathering List of Trusted Professionals

Are you an estate planning attorney, accountant, financial planner, wealth manager, insurance advisor, etc.? The Catholic Foundation for Diocese of Salina is currently developing a list of resources for members of our diocese to help in creating their Catholic legacy. If you are one of these trusted professionals, please send us an email — development@salinadiocese.org — with your contact information so we can include you on this list of professionals that are aligned with Catholic values and beliefs.

Family Night Enrichment Opportunity Families on Fire Book

If you are looking for something for Family Enrichment you need to look into this book. It is packed full of great family games and family night activities. The book is an 80-page book featuring 28 family night activities that you will love.

Books can be purchased at the Salina Diocese Family Life office or by going to this link: <https://konradekreations.myshopify.com/collections/books/products/families-on-fire-book>.

A LITTLE CHUCKLE

Who Will Make the First Move?

A captain notices a light in the distance, on a collision course with his ship.

He turns on his signal lamp and sends, "Change your course, 10 degrees west."

The light signals back, "Change yours, 01 degrees

east."

The captain gets a little annoyed. He signals, "I'm a US Navy captain. You must change your course, sir."

The light signals back, "I'm a Seaman First Class. You must change your course, sir."

Now the captain is mad. He signals, "I'm an aircraft carrier. I'm not changing my course."

The light signals back a final message: "I'm a lighthouse. Your call."

COMMUNITY

Victoria Elementary School Activity Breakfast!

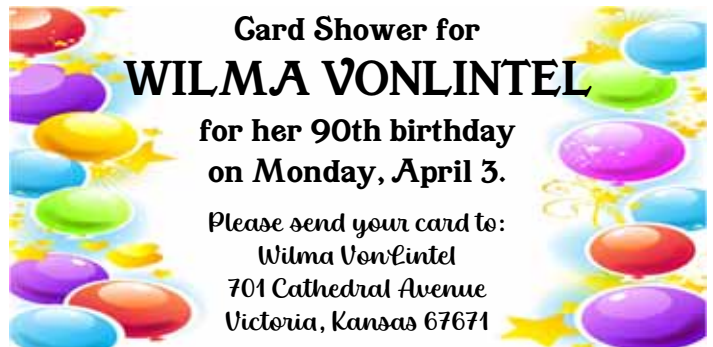
SUNDAY, APRIL 2

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

\$8.00 a person

SERVING: Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage Links, Biscuits & Gravy, Hash Browns, Coffee or Orange Drink

Helps support school activity account that pays for class trips, school supplies, etc.



Card Shower for WILMA VONLINTEL
for her 90th birthday on Monday, April 3.
Please send your card to:
Wilma VonLintel
701 Cathedral Avenue
Victoria, Kansas 67671

A Very Important Project CHILD CARE

The Victoria Community Coalition, Inc. (VCC) is now moving forward on the Child Care portion of the St. John's Project. We are in need of volunteers who would be willing to work with the officers to gain more information from local and state Child Care affiliates regarding child care provision and requirements. We have a grant due on May 15, 2023, and your help is needed. If you have any interest at all in the well-being, growth, and care of the children in our community, please contact Nancy Piatt, committee chairperson, at 785-656-2793.

Garage Sale for VCC

The city-wide garage sale will be held on Friday and Saturday, May 5 and 6. The Victoria Community Coalition (VCC) will hold a garage sale at St. John's Place to raise money for more architectural fees for the design of the Community Center section of the building. **You Can Help! If you have items you would like to get rid of, donate them to the VCC.** We will even come and pick them up. No TV's or clothing, please. Call Marilyn Braun at 785-735-4968, Nancy Piatt at 785-656-2793, Jim Dreiling at 785-766-3666, Brenda Dreiling at 785-735-4141, or Jeff Pfeifer at 913-904-8618.

We would love to hear from you!

Divine Mercy Sunday

A Divine Mercy Prayer Service will be held at **3:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 16**, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Hays. 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 on 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 can be found at the entrances of the tri-parish churches. Confessions will be heard at St. Mary's beginning at 2:00 p.m. This prayer service is sponsored by Divine Mercy Radio.

Victoria Schools Calendar



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

Sunday — April 2

8:30 am—12:00 noon VES activity breakfast

Monday — April 3

ELA 10th KCA testing April 3-5

PowerScheduler Workshop Kori and Michelle April 3-5

6:30 pm Play practice

Tuesday — April 4

3:00 pm HS track @ Ellis

4:00 pm HS softball vs Ellsworth

4:00 pm Russell/Victoria baseball @ Russell vs Ellsworth

6:30 pm Play practice

Wednesday — April 5

Tentative SADD speaker—GPS

2:20 pm PLC early dismissal

Thursday — April 6

2:30 pm School dismissed

3:00 pm HS track @ Hoxie

3:00 pm MS track @ Victoria (Quad)

6:30 pm Play practice

Friday — April 7

NO SCHOOL—EASTER BREAK

4:00 pm HS softball vs Salina Sacred Heart

4:00 pm Russell/Victoria baseball @ Russell vs Salina Sacred Heart

Sunday — April 9

NO SCHOOL—EASTER BREAK

QUESTIONS ABOUT MEMORY LOSS?

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- » Listen to community's experiences
- » Help identify needs & gaps in resources
- » Increase community engagement
- » Learn about Alzheimer's Association resources

Tuesday, April 4th
6:30pm

Ascension Living Via Christi Village
Heritage Room
2225 Canterbury Dr.
Hays, KS

To Register:
Call 1-800-272-3900

Visit alz.org/CRF to explore additional
education programs online and in your area.

Fidelisfest Meal Tickets

available at the Parish Office
starting Monday, April 3

Adults \$15
Ages 6-12 \$7
Under 5 FREE

Meal will be served on Saturday, June 3,
4:00 -7:00 p.m.
Victoria Elementary School Gym

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true friends tell you the truth.
In happy times,
true friends celebrate with you.
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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY	APRIL 3	
7:00 pm Ralph, Betty, and Joseph Schmidtberger		
TUESDAY	APRIL 4	
6:45 am Elmer and Dottie Grabbe		
WEDNESDAY	APRIL 5	
6:45 am Kimberly Kelly family		
THURSDAY	HOLY THURSDAY	APRIL 6
7:00 pm		
FRIDAY	GOOD FRIDAY	APRIL 7
1:00 pm		
SATURDAY	HOLY SATURDAY	APRIL 8
8:30 pm St. Fidelis Robert Sander		
SUNDAY	EASTER SUNDAY	APRIL 9
7:30 am St. Ann Gilbert and Jeneice Rohr family		
8:30 am St. Boniface James and Marian Rajewski		
10:00 am St. Fidelis Hilary D. Dreiling		

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