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THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS

. Pearl of the Prairie. ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH









Parish 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

Morning Coffee For residents of the tri-parishes. Call the Thursdays 9:00 a.m. at the Parish Office with the Pastor & friends Parish Office. Donations accepted.

Catholic Faith Education Office 785-735-9244

St. Fidel is Food Pantry

In-Home Mass, Holy Communion to Homebound Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements for these events

Weddings, Baptisms, Hospital Visits,

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 Herzoger, Cookbooks, Postcards, History Books.

BULLETIN ITEMS

Deadline is Wednesday at 11:00 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 18, 2021 — Third Sunday of Easter

Masses:

St. Fidel is, Victoria

Saturday — 5:00 pm

Sunday — 10:00 am

Monday — 7:00 pm

Tuesday through Friday — 6:45 am

St. Ann, Walker

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 **Include** prayers for vocations to religious life.

Confessions:

St. Fidelis: Mondays 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays 4:00 p.m.

St. Ann: Saturdays after Mass (Nov.-Apr.)

St. Boniface: Sundays 7:45-8:15 a.m. (Nov.-Apr.)

or by appointment (contact Parish Office)

Tri-Parish Prayer Line

Anyone wishing to request prayers for family or friends may call Teresa Shepherd (735-9576) to add their requests to the Prayer Line

Dates To Remember

Apr. 24 — Feast of St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

May 9 — Mother's Day

May 15 — Armed Forces Day

May 31 — Memorial Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

June 5 — Feast of St. Boniface

June 14 — Flag Day

June 20 — Father's Day

July 4 — Independence Day



"Everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled."

Luke 24:35-48



The Prayer Book of the Bible

Be still & know

→>>> that I am (700

There is a key verse in today's gospel. When the risen Christ appeared to his apostles he explained

the meaning of his death resurrection:

"Everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and in the psalms must fulfilled." (Lk 14:45) The *psalms* help us to understand the life and death of Christ.

The psalms are Semitic poetry, which is different from our poetry and require some background to be appreciated. The literary technique of the psalms is parallelism, a rhyming of ideas. It is a way of delving deeper into a concept by looking at it from more than one perspective, from different angles.

The basic theme of the psalms is praising God, and rabbis refer to the psalms as the Book of Praises. There different types of psalms: messianic, penitential, historical, etc. This wide variety offers a richness in prayer. There is a fitting psalm for every occasion. If you want to cry, there is a psalm; if you want to complain, there is a psalm; and if you want to rejoice, there are many psalms.

The significance of the psalms as prayer is evident in our liturgy. The book of psalms is the only book of the Bible from which we read at every Mass. Yes, there is a gospel reading at Mass, but from one of four gospels. At every Mass we pray a Responsorial Psalm, which is enhanced when it is sung. The word psalm is taken from

the Greek word meaning song.

The forcefulness of the psalms can be startling. Their vocabulary is often

blunt, even challenging God. The

psalms enter into the dynamic of faith and doubt. In the other books of the Bible, God speaks to us; in the

psalms we speak to God, and He speaks back to us. They are dynamic prayers. Ambrose said,

"The psalms are the gymnasium of the soul."

> The poet

laureate John Donne wrote, "The psalms foretell what we shall do and suffer and say." Dorothy Day said, "My strength returns to me with a cup of coffee and the praying of the psalms." C.S. Lewis wrote, "The most valuable thing the psalms do for me is to express the same delight in God which made David dance."

For a free ebook explaining the psalms, contact:

earl.meyer@capuchins.org

The psalms can enrich your prayer life. They "will set your soul in silence and peace as a child rests in its mother's arms." (Ps 131:2)

... and mirth

"When I was a boy the Dead Sea was only sick." ~George Burns

Parish Staff

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Darlene Dreiling

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Choir Director: Kathy Dreiling-Amrein

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Council Members

St. Fidelis Pastoral Council

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St. Ann Pastoral Council

Terry Riedel 735-9375 Jerry Nowak 637-5273 Bill Robben 806-669-5264

Contributions April 10-11, 2021

ST. FIDELIS:

Envelopes 1949.00 Loose 777.00 Repair Fund 40.00 Endowment 73.00

ST. ANN:

<u>Envelopes</u> 115.00 <u>Loose</u> 94.00 Hall Rent 75.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Envelopes 475.00 Loose 151.00 Candles 66.00

~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

April 19 — Patty Dreiling, Anne Schmidtberger

April 26 — Brenda Dreiling, Val Schumacher, Cora Schulte

With Sympathy

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of Alfred Alfonse "Al" Hammersmith of Hays, who passed away on Saturday, April 10, 2021. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at the Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria, on Tuesday, April 13, 2021, with burial in St. Fidelis Cemetery, Victoria.

Parish Council Elections

St. Fidelis will have Parish Council elections in May. If you would like to run for the St. Fidelis Parish Council, please contact Fr. Jim, any St. Fidelis parish council member listed in the bulletin, or Jan at the Parish office.

Mass & Confession Times Changing at St. Ann and St. Boniface

St. Boniface and St. Ann will be switching Mass and Confession times starting **the weekend of May 1 and 2**.

Mass at St. Boniface will be at 6:30 p.m. on Saturdays with Confessions following Mass.

Mass at St. Ann will be at 7:30 a.m. on Sundays with Confessions following Mass.

Holy Hour for Vocations

Bishop Gerald Vincke has asked that each parish have a Holy Hour to pray for vocations to religious life. We will honor this request by asking you to participate in Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday mornings from 9:30 until 11:30 to pray for vocations.

Adoration is held in the Chapel behind the main altar in the Basilica of St. Fidelis.

Committee Meeting Dates

Finance Council 4th Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Liturgy Committee 2nd Thursday @ 5:30 pm Pastoral Council 1st Tuesday @ 7:00 pm

Tri-Parish

Cards & Games Party

If you are interested in starting up the Cards & Games Parties on a regular basis (every month or every two months), please call Connie at the Parish Office (785-735-2777). Once we see what kind of interest there is in starting this, a date for the first gathering will be announced in the bulletin.

In the past, we played Pinochle or other games such as Farkle or Phase 10 and participants were invited to bring a snack for everyone to enjoy.

Restoration Fund

As of April 12, we have received \$81,695 towards the restoration fund for the Basilica of St. Fidelis. Of that amount, \$68,105 was donated by 85 parishioners and \$13,590 was donated by 43 friends of St. Fidelis.

Thank you for your donations.

SCRIPTURE

What is scripture?
Where do I find scripture?
Who can explain scripture to me?
How can I make it a part of my everyday life?

If you are interested in getting answers to these questions, the Family Life Committee would like to hear from you. Spend time with family and/or friends expanding the scope of your understanding of scripture. Do this in your home and treat it as a night out. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office at 785-735-2777. Give your name and let us know you are interested. If enough people respond positively, this project will hopefully start in the future.

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.

A special thank you to Mrs. Becky Scheck, our second grade catechist, and the Jubilee Choir:

Mrs. Scheck, our second grade catechist, has blessed our Religious Education program for over twenty years. She *loves* the Eucharist and she *loves* her students! She is passionate about each child's faith formation. I often overhear her teaching the children about kindness, fairness, and love.

She is constantly seeking new ways to engage the children while teaching them about the Catholic faith, to love their neighbor, and to love God!

Thank you to the Jubilee Choir for sharing your angelic voices today. The Jubilee Choir is also led by Mrs. Becky Scheck and Mrs. LouAnn Hammersmith, the Jubilee Choir's pianist.

The Office of Religious Education wishes you all a blessed and joyful summer!









"May you always know the peace of Jesus, the light of His love, and the joy of His life within you."

Zeek Dinges
Verlin Dreiling
Grayson Holmes
Dax Leikam
Mya Mauch
Kinsley Orr
Sage Schwien
Konnor Vonfeldt
Amya White
Alivia Windholz

The second grade class received the Sacrament of First Communion today, April 18, 2021, at the Basilica of St. Fidelis during the 10:00 A.M. Mass

Check out the NEWS page on the Basilica's website www.StFidelisChurch.com

There are pictures of the cleaning that was done to prepare the church for Holy Week and Easter services.

High School Students Wanting To Visit Homebound, Elderly

A group of high school girls would like to visit our homebound, shut ins, and elderly. They will come once a week at a time that is convenient for you. They also may even bring a cooked meal for you.

Please consider welcoming these girls into your home for a visit. They will do this until the end of the school year, and maybe longer if it works out.

If you would like a visit, please contact Jan at the parish office.

SUNDAY AND HOLY DAY MASS OBLIGATION

The dispensation given for all Catholics from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass will remain in effect until it is safe to lift it. The dispensation from Sunday Mass obligation continues because the Church does not want to place a moral burden on those who should not attend Sunday Mass because of age or health conditions.

However, Catholics are still obliged to keep the Commandments, including the Commandment to keep holy the Lord's Day. Families who choose not to attend Mass should conduct a Liturgy of the Word in the home. Individuals and families should spend additional time in prayer, pious devotions, and spiritual reading on Sunday. Younger adults who are least at risk from the virus should take advantage of the opportunity to participate in person at Mass and to receive Holy Communion if they are properly disposed. If those in good health are attending other large social gatherings, they should also be participating at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on Sundays.

For those attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days, we expect to continue social distancing and the wearing of masks in church.

LOST & FOUND

A small silver bracelet was found in the Basilica of St. Fidelis during Holy Week or around that time. To claim, please call the Parish Office at 785-735-2777.

ST. BONIFACE

St. Boniface Workday

St. Boniface will have a workday on **Sunday, April 25**, following Mass. Grounds maintenance and deep spring cleaning of the buildings. Lunch will be provided.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Free Online Membership Extended

Men can continue to join the Knights of Columbus Order online for free by using the promo code MCGIVNEY2020 at kofc.org/joinus through June 30.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

REMINDER: Dues Are Due

Daughters of Isabella dues of \$20 are now due. *Please make your check payable to "Daughters of Isabella".* They may be mailed to Kathy Kuhn, P.O. Box 395, Victoria, Kansas 67671.

Queen Isabel I a Day Mass

Daughters of Isabella members are invited to attend Mass tomorrow—Monday, April 19, at 7:00 p.m.—at the Basilica of St. Fidelis in honor of Queen Isabella Day. Members are asked to sit up front as a group.

D. of I. Mother-Daughter Mass and Breakfast Sunday, May 2 @ 10:00 a.m.

Members will gather together for Mass. A breakfast will follow at the V.F.W. Please R.S.V.P to JoAnn Berens (785-639-1948) or Deb Geschwentner (785-735-4226).

Healthy Ways to Strengthen Family Relationships

- Show your love to your children.
- Set boundaries.
- Listen and empathize.
- Share your thoughts and feelings.
- Spend time together as a family.
- Pray together.

Child Abuse Prevention Month

During this month of April, let us continue our efforts to strengthen our family relationships and prevent child abuse before it happens.

APRIL HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALFRT

Sexual exploitation of children has flourished during the pandemic. Classes online opened the door wide to predators and their grooming tactics.

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

Mother's Mass for Grieving Moms

A Mother's Mass for grieving moms that have experienced the death of a child at any time from conception to adulthood is scheduled for **Thursday**, **May 13**, **@ 2:00 p.m.** at Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish in Concordia, Kansas.

Moms wanting to attend can register on the Salina Diocese website at the following link:

https://salinadiocese.org/events/

If for some reason you don't get registered, you can still attend; it just helps to have numbers ahead of time to prepare.

2021 Bishop's Annual Appeal



PLEDGED/RECEIVED TO DATE

PARISH	GOAL	PLEDGED	RECEIVED	#of Donors	
Walker	5,000.00	10,325.00	8,075.00	11	
Vincent	2,000.00	610.00	610.00	5	
Victoria	15,000.00	14,615.00	9,975.00	46	

As of April 13, 2021,

\$1,541,661.21 has been pledged and \$1,346,991.56 has been received toward the \$1.85 million goal of the Annual Appeal.

COMMUNITY



Speaker Al Kresta

Well-known Catholic speaker and author Al Kresta looks at all of life through the lens of Scripture and the teaching of the Catholic Church,

providing a daily conversation — personal, authentic, human — about the things that matter most. Tune in to Kresta in the afternoon from 3:00-5:00 p.m. weekdays. The call-in number is 877-573-7825.



Faith of our Fathers!

Listen to Divine Mercy Radio Spring Care-a-Thon Tuesday-Friday, April 27-30

Radio @ 105.7 — Phone app — Echo — @dvmercy.com — Live on Facebook & YouTube

OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO THE TRI-PARISHES: Wednesday, April 28

9:00 am — Nathaniel Binversie — Founder of Exodus 90 1:00 pm — Deacon Brian McCaffrey — Call to the Priesthood

Thursday, April 29

2:00 pm — Geoff Andrews — Update on Catholic Schools

Friday, April 30

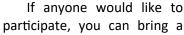
9:00 am — John Cuddeback — Man of the Household

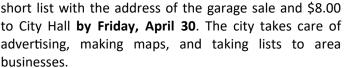
Wedding Ring Set Found MESSAGE FROM CITY HALL:

When picking up trash on Monday, April 12, city employees found a wedding ring set on Dolorosa Street. To identify, call City Hall at 785-735-2259.

City-Wide Garage Sale

The City-Wide Garage Sale will be held on **Saturday**, **May 8**.





If you have questions, call City Hall at 785-735-2259.

Remember to Save Those Box Tops & Tabs

Be sure to sign up online to enroll in the **Dillons Community Rewards**, and each time you swipe your Dillons Plus Shopper's Card, USD 432 automatically earns a rebate. Last year Dillons gave USD 432 \$1,788.78!!

Also keep saving those **Box Tops** and **Tabs**! Remember to download the Box Tops app and scan your store receipts. The school has collected \$638 so far and they have until June 30 to see how much more they can collect for this school year. Every Box Tops counts! Their 201 pounds of **Tabs** were recycled, and they were able to give the **Ronald McDonald House** in Topeka a check for \$52.26.

If you have any of these items be sure to give them to any elementary school student or staff member, or you can drop them off at the school. Thanks again for all your help!

A LITTLE CHUCKLE

Someone Cares

Being a little older, I am very fortunate to have someone call and check on me every day. He is from India and is very concerned about my car warranty.

Rental Assistance Program

There is currently a program called the Kansas Emergency Rental Assistance (KERA) available to assist renters who are experiencing financial difficulties due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The program is designed to decrease evictions and increase housing stability by assisting eligible households with rental assistance and home energy costs (electricity, gas, water, wastewater, trash removal, and internet). The KERA program is being administered through the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation. For more information, please visit the website at www.kshousingcorp.org.

Victoria Schools Calendar



All events/activities are subject to change.

Monday — April 19

7th-8th Grade math state assessments

Lunch Menu: Ham slice, scalloped potatoes, green beans, corn bead, mixed fruit, salad, milk

Guided Personal Study (GPS) — Grade check/start activity

3:30 pm JH/HS track practice

4:00 pm JV softball vs. TMP @ Russell. Depart 2:20

4:00 pm JV baseball vs. TMP @ Russell. Depart 2:20

4:00 pm HS softball/baseball practice at Russell

Tuesday — April 20

7th-8th Grade math state assessments

Lunch Menu: Sloppy Joe, curly fries, steamed peas, orange slices, salad, milk

Guided Personal Study (GPS) — Finish activity

3:00 pm HS track meet at Plainville. Depart 1:15 pm

3:30 pm JH track practice

4:00 pm HS softball vs. Minneapolis @ Russell. Depart 2:30

4:00 pm HS baseball vs. Minneapolis @ Russell. Depart 2:30

Wednesday — April 21

7th-8th Grade math state assessments

Lunch Menu: Chicken leg, mashed potatoes, gravy, dinner roll, corn, pears, salad, milk

Guided Personal Study (GPS) — Students will have directed study 3:30 pm HS track practice

4:00 pm HS softball/baseball practice at Russell

Thursday — April 22

9:00 am JH track meet at LaCrosse. Depart 7:30 am

Lunch Menu: Pulled pork nachos, black bean salad, steamed carrots, cantaloupe, salad, milk

Guided Personal Study (GPS) — Students will have directed study 3:30 pm HS track practice

4:00 pm HS softball/baseball practice at Russell

Friday — April 23

Lunch Menu: Pizza, tater tots, California blend, fruit salad, apple crisp, salad, milk

Guided Personal Study (GPS) — Students will have directed study 3:00 pm HS track at Osborne. Depart 12:30

3:30 pm JH track practice

4:00 pm HS softball vs. Ellis @ Russell. Depart 2:30

4:00 pm HS baseball vs. Ellis @ Russell. Depart 2:30

Saturday — April 24

6:00 pm Prom at VFW

The Eucharistic Minister, Lector, and Cantor schedules can be found on the Mass Schedule page of the church website at StFidelisChurch.com.

* Sunday Rosary Schedul e * 1st - Christian Mothers 2nd - Knights of Columbus 3rd - Daughters of Isabella 4th - Family Life

MINISTER SCHEDULE

CANTORS

Saturday, Apr. 24, 5:00 PM — Hannah Schmidt Sunday, Apr. 25, 10:00 AM — Meagan Wellbrock

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, Apr. 24, 5:00 PM — Jane Wagner Sunday, Apr. 25, 10:00 AM — Bertha R. Brungardt

LECTORS \ COMMENTATORS

Saturday, Apr. 24, 5:00 PM — Marilyn Braun Sunday, Apr. 25, 10:00 AM — Anne Dinkel

HOMEBOUND MINISTERS

Wednesday, Apr. 21 — Kathy Kuhn Sunday, Apr. 25, 10:00 AM — Yvonne Braun

Mass on St. Fidelis YouTube Channel Go to www.StFidelisChurch.com

and click the link on the *Home Page* to view a Mass.

CURRENTLY, Sunday Mass is uploaded to YouTube along with some weekday Masses that are recorded when possible.

MASS INTENTIONS				
MONDAY	APRIL 19			
7:00 pm Anna Sander				
Daughters of Isabella Queen Isabella Day Mass				
TUESDAY	APRIL 20			
6:45 am Albert Rohleder				
WEDNESDAY	APRIL 21			
6:45 am Albert and Almeda Hoffman				
THURSDAY	APRIL 22			
6:45 am Kenny Robben				
FRIDAY	APRIL 23			
6:45 am For the parishes				
SATURDAY	APRIL 24			
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Alfred J. and Ottilia Kuhn family				
6:30 pm St. Ann Wendelin and Linda Schoendaller				
SUNDAYFOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	APRIL 25			
8:30 am St. Boniface Jacy Braun				
10:00 am St. Fidelis Dan & Angie Billinger family living & deceased				

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