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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 Herzoger, 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

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September 12, 2021 — 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES:

ST. FIDELIS, VICTORIA
Saturday — 5:00 pm
Sunday — 10:00 am
Monday — 7:00 pm
Tuesday through Friday — 6:45 am

ST. ANN, WALKER
Saturday — 6:30 pm — November - April
Sunday — 7:30 am — May - October

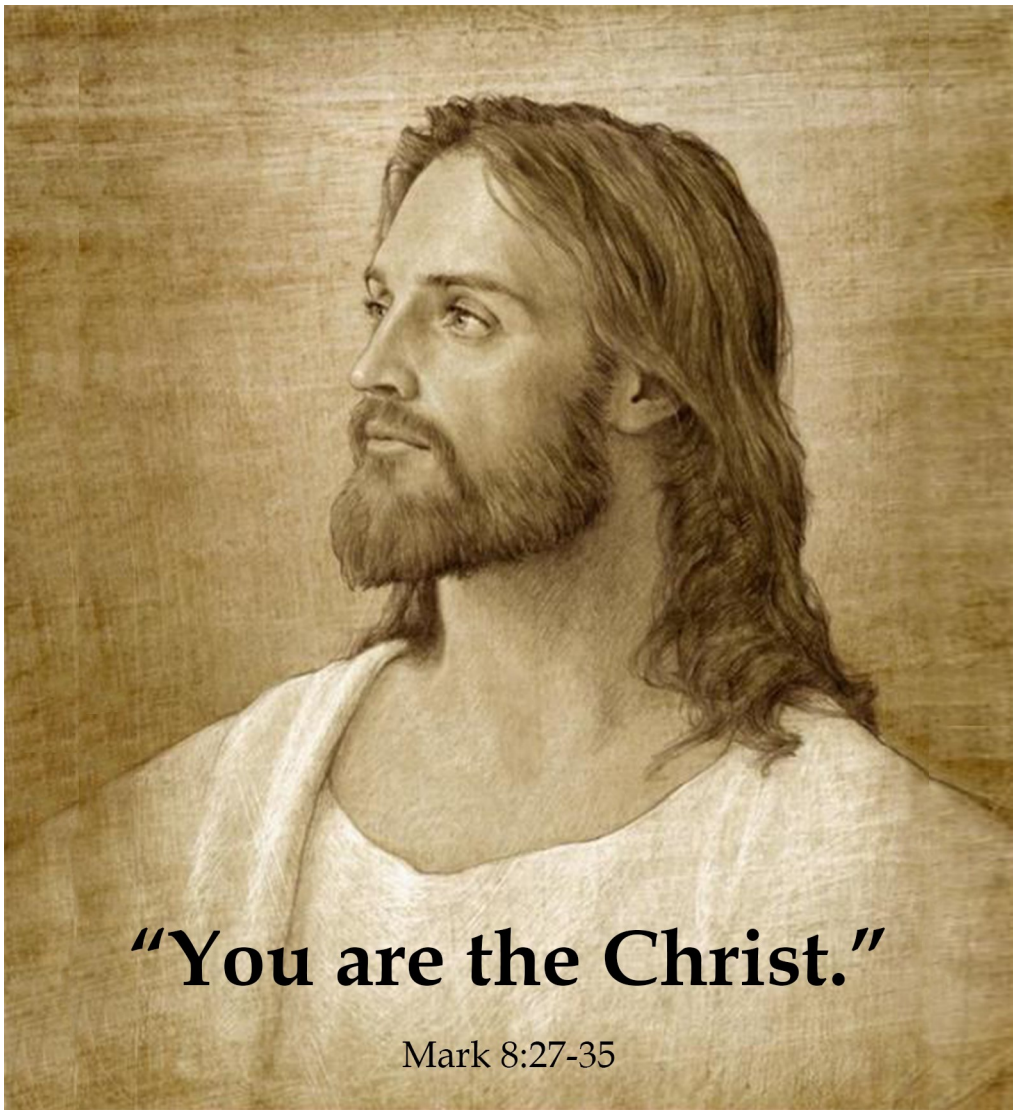
ST. BONIFACE, VINCENT
Sunday — 8:30 am — November - April
Saturday — 6:30 pm — May - October

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:
THURSDAYS • 9:30 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.
in St. Fidelis Chapel behind the main altar
Bishop Vincke asks each parish to Include prayers for vocations to religious life.

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

TRI-PARISH PRAYER LINE
Anyone wishing to request prayers for family or friends may call Teresa Shepherd (785-735-9576) to add their requests to the Prayer Line

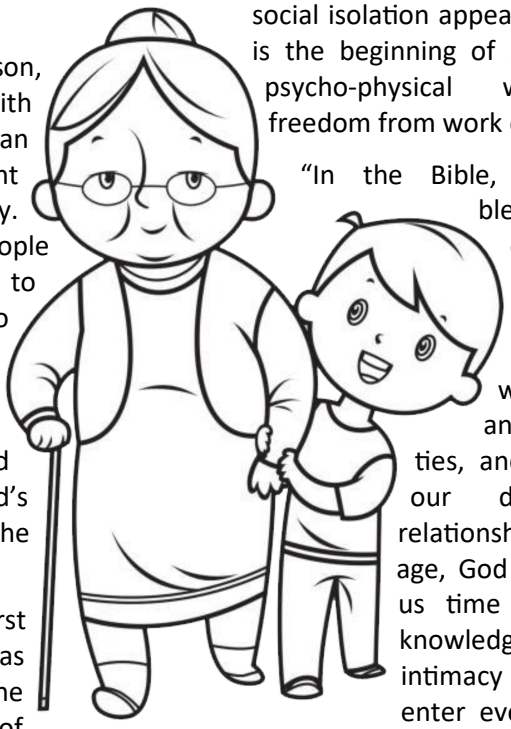
DATES TO REMEMBER
Sept. 17-18—VHS Homecoming
Oct. 4—Feast of St. Francis of Assisi — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Oct. 11 — Columbus Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Nov. 1 — All Saints Day (Not a holy day of obligation this year) — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Nov. 2 — Election Day
All Souls Day
Nov. 7 — Daylight Savings Time ends



Pope Francis on Grandparents

"Grandparents can play a pivotal role in ensuring that the faith is passed on to their grandchildren especially in our secularized societies. They are the indispensable generational link in educating their grandchildren and other young people in the faith."

"Nowadays, in the secular culture of many countries, current generations of parents may not have, in some aspects, the Christian formation and living faith that grandparents had received and which they can pass on to their grandchildren.,"



"The elderly person, who has lived the faith for many years, can become an instrument of salvation history. They are not only people whom we are called to assist and protect to safeguard their lives, but they can be actors in an evangelizing ministry, privileged witnesses of God's faithful love through the years."

"In the twenty-first century, old age has become one of the distinctive features of humanity. Over a period of just a few decades, the demographic pyramid — which once rested upon a large number of children and young people and had at the top just a few elderly people — has been inverted. The global population of people aged 60 years or over is more than double what it was in 1980, and those over the age of 80 is projected to triple by 2050."

"Not only the elderly but all of us, need a serious reflection to learn and to appreciate the value of old age. We need to change our parish mentality in order to respond to the presence of so many older people in families and communities and to appreciate the gifts that the elderly bring to the Church and society today. Life is a gift, and when it is long it is a privilege, for oneself and for others."

"Each season of life requires its own perspective. Advanced age is the time in which productive efforts diminish, strength declines, and the signs of illness, the need for help, and social isolation appear. Yet for many it is the beginning of a long period of psycho-physical well-being and freedom from work commitments."

"In the Bible, longevity is a blessing. It confronts us with our fragility, with our mutual dependence, with our family and community ties, and above all with our divine personal relationship. Granting old age, God the Father gives us time to deepen our knowledge of Him, our intimacy with Him, to enter ever more into His heart and surrender ourselves to Him. This is the time to prepare to deliver our spirit into His hands, definitively, with childlike trust."

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Asked why her grandmother went to church so often, a college student replied, "She's cramming for her finals."

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Contributions September 4-5, 2021

ST. FIDELIS:
Envelopes 4604.00 Loose 702.69
Repair Fund 733.00

ST. ANN:
Envelopes 2235.00 Loose 110.00
Tourists 10.00

ST. BONIFACE:
Envelopes 825.00 Loose 92.00
Candles 34.00

~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

Sep. 13 — Patty Dreiling, Anne Schmidtberger
Sep. 20 — Brenda Dreiling, Val Schumacher, Cora Schulte

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.

Seed Wheat Blessing

Seed wheat will be blessed during all Masses THIS weekend—September 11-12. Please place your wheat on the Communion railing before Mass.

Restoration Fund Update

As of September 7, we have received $331,544.90 towards the restoration fund for the Basilica of St. Fidelis. ***Thank you for your generosity.***

Mass At Holy Cross

Holy Cross Church in Pfeifer will host a Mass to commemorate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on **Sunday, September 12, at 3:00 p.m.** Celebrants will be Bishop Gerald Vincke and Father Reggie Urban. Music will be provided by Trilogy.

Seed wheat will be blessed.

There will be a social in the school building following the Mass.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Monthly Meeting

Daughters of Isabella members will meet at the St. Fidelis Thrift Shop on **Monday, September 13, at 7:00 p.m.** for a rosary. The meeting will follow at 7:30.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Rel Ed Raffle Tickets for Sale

The Knights of Columbus have Religious Education raffle tickets for sale. Prizes are 1-$30,000, 1-$10,000, 4-$5,000, 8-$2,000, and 8-$1,000. Contact John Braun at 785-623-0680 or Harland Rupp at 785-623-1368 to purchase tickets.

MONTHLY MEETING

The Knights of Columbus will hold their monthly meeting on **Tuesday, September 14, at 7:30 p.m.** at the St. Fidelis Thrift Shop.

ADULT CHOIR

Choir Practice

The St. Fidelis Adult Choir will have practice on **Wednesday, September 15**, from 7:00 until 8:45 p.m. in the choir loft. They will sing for the Victoria High School Alumni Mass at 4:00 p.m. on **Saturday, September 18**.

COMMITTEE MEETING DATES

FINANCE COUNCIL 4th Tuesday @ 7:00 pm	**PASTORAL COUNCIL** 1st Tuesday @ 7:00 pm
LITURGY COMMITTEE 2nd Thursday @ 5:30 pm	

YOUTH MINISTRY / CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION

Religious Education and Children's Ministry Schedule

SEPTEMBER

Sunday., September 12

10:00 A.M. Mass—First Sunday of Liturgy of the Word for Children

Wednesday, September 15

5:15—6:15 P.M.—Jubilee Choir practice in St. Fidelis Church

6:30—7:30 P.M.—Religious Ed classes

8th grade: "Catholic Morality & Ethics" parent and student orientation

Sunday., September 19

10:00 A.M. Mass—Jubilee Choir sings & Catechetical Sunday

Wednesday, September 22

6:30—7:30 P.M.—Religious Ed classes

9th grade Confirmation—parent and student orientation

Wednesday, September 29

6:30—7:30 P.M.—Religious Ed classes

Letter to the Parishioners of St. Fidelis

I want to share with you the good news that the parish has received a bequest of approximately one million dollars. Most of it is in securities. However, I plead with you to maintain your present level of giving. This gift would be a tragedy if you thought your donations are not needed.

We have always administered the parish on what you have given. That will not change. There will be no extravagant use of this money.

Rather, it should be put to work on interest for the next rainy day. We are still in the process of completing very costly renovations. We have also inherited a very wonderful church, along with the obligation to maintain it. These are some priceless treasures. Responsible stewardship in all of this would dictate that we have reserve contingency funds to help with whatever might need to be done to maintain the church should there be an emergency.

Each generation of Catholics have their own obligation to shoulder the load of passing on our rich deposit of faith and the heritage we have received. Let us not drop the ball now. Please continue to support your parish as you have so well in the past.

God bless one and all

Fr. Jim

*** Sunday Rosary Schedule ***

1st - Christian Mothers
2nd - Knights of Columbus
3rd - Daughters of Isabella
4th - Family Life

MINISTER SCHEDULE

CANTORS

Saturday, Sep. 18, 4:00 PM — Adult Choir
Sunday, Sep. 19, 10:00 AM — Jubilee Choir

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, Sep. 18, 4:00 PM — VHS Alumni
Sunday, Sep. 19, 10:00 AM — Kenny and Bertha R. Brungardt

LECTORS \ COMMENTATORS

Saturday, Sep. 18, 4:00 PM — VHS Alumni
Sunday, Sep. 19, 10:00 AM — Yvonne Braun

HOMEBOUND MINISTERS

Wednesday, Sep. 15 — Kathy Kuhn
Sunday, Sep. 19, 10:00 AM — Anne Dinkel

MASS SERVERS

Saturday, Sep. 18, 4:00 PM — VHS Alumni
Sunday, Sep. 19, 10:00 AM — Abby B., Sienna S., Lauren K.

Saturday, Sep. 25, 5:00 PM — Myah, Grace Y., Ryker K.
Sunday, Sep. 26, 10:00 AM — Brooklyn, Brody, & Broc N.

RCIA CLASSES WILL BEGIN SOON

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church?

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults – is the process by which a person can study Sacred Scripture and explore the teachings of the Catholic Church through classes that are offered in an environment free of pressure and among others who have similar questions in this point in their lives.

For more information, please call Shirley Brungardt at the Parish Office at 785-735-9244.

2021 Bishop's Annual Appeal

CALL TO Share

PLEDGED/RECEIVED TO DATE

PARISH	GOAL	PLEDGED	RECEIVED	#of Donors
Walker	5,000.00	15,325.00	15,325.00	12
Vincent	2,000.00	750.00	750.00	7
Victoria	15,000.00	17,190.00	14,905.00	59

As of September 7, 2021,
$1,829,999.46 has been pledged and $1,708,625.83 has been received toward the $1.85 million goal of the Annual Appeal.

DIOCESE

Wedding Anniversary Masses

Mark your calendars! Bishop Vincke and the Diocese of Salina wish to honor all couples celebrating their 1st wedding Anniversary and ALL OTHER wedding anniversaries ending in 0 or 5 in 2021.

Masses will be celebrated at **3:00 p.m. on October 24 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Hays**, and at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 7, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton Church, Salina.

Registration online at salinadiocese.org or by calling the Family Life Office at 785-827-8746.

COMMUNITY

Victoria Rest Home

Community Meeting - 6:30 pm
Tuesday, September 14, 2021

The new owner of the Victoria St. John's Rest Home will hold an open house and public meeting to gain community input on use of the building and grounds. Jeff Pfeifer will open the rest home to the public at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 14, for anyone interested in walking through the facility. The community meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. at the rest home.

Mr. Pfeifer wants input on potential uses for the property, concerns regarding needed changes to the property, and unique features of the property that should be preserved.

Participants will have the opportunity to provide input on prioritization of the suggestions received during the meeting. Comments and input can also be provided by messaging or posting on Facebook @savetheresthome or by emailing to 006pfeifer@gmail.com or sending them to: Save the Rest Home LLC., P.O. Box 94, Victoria, KS 67671.

"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@cflehope.org or call for information (785-259-6859). All meetings are in-person.

Below are the schedules for upcoming meetings:

- **Healing After Loss**: Tuesday, September 21, 5:45 p.m. Community supper, 6:30. Discussion Topic: "Why Words of Comfort Feel So Bad"
- **Healing After Loss of Suicide**: Wednesday, September 22, 5:45 p.m. Dinner 6:30. Discussion Topic: "Why Words of Comfort Feel So Bad".

SEPTEMBER HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERT

Thank about it...some children are not in school because they are being trafficked. Once they are found, in order to be helped to become survivors and thrivers, they need proper housing—very much lacking in the U.S.

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

COMMUNITY

The Doctor Is In

Divine Mercy 105.7 HAYS

The Doctor is In is hosted by Dr. Ray Guarendi, who brings to the program a wealth of academic credentials and personal life experience. He deals with personal problems, family issues, and professional questions. Listeners love his fun approach and practical advice! Tune in at noon on Tuesdays-Thursdays. The call-in number is 877-573-7825.

Victoria Schools Calendar

KNIGHTS SQUIRES

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

Monday — September 13
- 3:00 pm Tennis vs Osborne/Hays High JV
- 4:00 pm JH Volleyball @ LaCrosse
- 7:00 pm BOE meeting

Tuesday — September 14
- 4:00 pm HS Volleyball @ Norton

Wednesday — September 15
- 1:00 pm Dane G Hansen Scholarship Test
- 8:00 pm Homecoming Bonfire

Thursday — September 16
- 3:00 pm Tennis @ Ellsworth
- 4:00 pm Cross Country @ Sand Plum Course, Victoria
- 4:30 pm JH Volleyball vs Central Plains
- 6:30 pm JH Football vs Central Plains

Friday — September 17
- ACT Registration deadline for the October 23 test
- 2:45 pm Homecoming Pep Rally
- 4:00 pm Homecoming Parade
- 6:15 pm VHS Homecoming Crowning
- 7:00 pm HS Football vs Trego

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY ..... **SEPTEMBER 13**
7:00 pm Lawrence Brungardt Jr.
TUESDAY.....**EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**..... **SEPTEMBER 14**
6:45 am Herman and Anita Weber family
WEDNESDAY ..... **SEPTEMBER 15**
6:45 am Tom and Gary Weigel
THURSDAY..... **SEPTEMBER 16**
6:45 am Milton Schmidt family living and deceased
FRIDAY..... **SEPTEMBER 17**
6:45 am Jennifer Lehmann and Edward Meder
SATURDAY..... **SEPTEMBER 18**
No 5:00 pm Mass today at St. Fidelis
4:00 pm St. Fidelis Elmer and Mary Francis Dreiling
Alumni Mass with recognition of Deceased Members
6:30 pm St. Boniface Farron Leiker
SUNDAY.....**25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**..... **SEPTEMBER 19**
7:30 am St. Ann Paul and Dolores Flax
10:00 am St. Fidelis Paul and Dorothy Goetz

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 Eucharistic or Lector ministry.

Please look on an inside page of this bulletin for the regular minister | cantor | server schedule.

Mass at the Basilica of St. Fidelis
on Saturday, September 18,
will be at **4:00 p.m.**
There will NOT be a 5:00 Mass.
There will NOT be any scheduled confessions

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