

ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

„Cathedral of the Plains“
ST. FIDELIS CATHOLIC CHURCH

„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

Catholic Faith Education Office:
785-735-9244

Gift Shop Hours:
Monday-Thursday:
8:30-noon and 1:00-4:30
Friday: 8:30-noon

Weddings:
Couples planning to marry must contact the Parish Office at least 6 months before the wedding date for marriage preparations.

Baptisms:
All new parents are asked to complete a Baptismal Preparation class before their child is baptized. For information, please call the Parish Office.

Hospital Visits:
To arrange for our pastor to visit someone in the hospital, please call the Parish Office.

In-Home Mass:
Any homebound or hospice family interested in having Mass in their home should contact Bertha Brungardt at the Parish Office.

Holy Communion Brought to Homebound:
Holy Communion can be brought to homebound parishioners. Please contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know is unable to come to a Sunday Mass.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:
THURSDAYS
7:45 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.
in St. Fidelis Church Chapel behind the main altar

www.stfidelischurch.com

March 2, 2014 – 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses:

St. Fidelis, Victoria

Saturday — 5:00 pm
Sunday — 10:00 am
Monday, Wednesday — 7:00 pm
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday — 6:45 am

St. Ann, Walker

Saturday — 6:30 pm — November - April
Sunday — 7:30 am — May - October

St. Boniface, Vincent

Sunday — 8:45 am

Confessions:

at St. Fidelis — Mondays — 7:30-8:00 pm
or by appointment (contact Parish Office)

Tri-Parish Prayer Line

Anyone wishing to request prayers for family or friends may call Helen Windholz (735-2508) or Teresa Shepherd (735-9576) to add their requests to the Prayer Line

Dates To Remember

Mar. 5 — Ash Wednesday
Mar. 7 — World Day of Prayer
Mar. 9 — First Sunday of Lent
Mar. 9 — Girl Scout Sunday
Mar. 9 — Daylight Savings Time
Begins — Turn clocks ahead 1 hour
Mar. 17 — St. Patrick's Day
Mar. 17-21 — School Spring Break
Mar. 20 — Spring begins
Apr. 1 — April Fool's Day
Apr. 13 — Passion (Palm) Sunday
Apr. 17 — Holy Thursday — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED @ noon
Apr. 18 — Good Friday — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

“But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides.”

(from the Holy Gospel according to Mathew 6:24-34)



This Wednesday every Catholic church will be crowded. It is not a Holy Day of obligation, not a Feast Day, not a civil holiday. It is a work day in the middle of the week and people have busy schedules with little time for leisure. There is no social or parish or peer pressure to attend church this Wednesday. Yet there will be crowds, big crowds.

The message in church this Wednesday will not be pleasant. You will not be affirmed or thanked or assured that you are doing just fine as a good Christian. On the contrary, you will be challenged. You will be told that you need to pray, to fast, and to give alms. You will be told to repent, "Turn away from sin and be faithful to the gospel." You will be reminded in graphic terms of your mortality, "Remember that you are dust and to dust you will return." Yet this Wednesday people will flock to church and listen attentively to these unpleasant truths.

On Wednesday you will be reminded that you are a sinner, that you will die, and that you will face God in judgment. No alleluias on Ash Wednesday. Nothing nice or comforting will be given out: no palms, no Easter water, not even a bulletin. No bake sales, no coffee klatch, no social gatherings to swell the crowd. Your appearance, which you carefully preened earlier in the day to enhance your beauty, will be ruined with a smudge of ugly ashes. Yet there will be crowds, big crowds.

And Catholics will return to their workplace, to the market place, to their social circle with this Catholic stigma, a smudge of ashes on the forehead. A stigma respected, however grudgingly, by those of other faiths or no faith. A bold, proud stigma. It says in the power unique to symbols, "We mean business." Catholicism is a no-nonsense faith. We will not compromise our faith nor the practice of our faith to accommodate popular opinion. You will be marked as different from others. There may be awkward questions from curious unbelievers. This is not the way to enhance your social status. Yet there will be crowds, big crowds.

On Ash Wednesday, Catholics will wrestle with the unpleasant truth that we are all sinners in need of repentance and forgiveness. We need redemption. And we admit that we cannot do it ourselves. We need God's grace. So we come to church for this ancient ceremony asking for a new grace to live a new life, a better Christian life.

Ash Wednesday is about a human truth, a spiritual truth, an eternal truth. These truths are often unpleasant. Yet there will be crowds, big crowds.

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A little boy, on hearing in church that we came from dust and will return to dust, said to his mother, "You better check under my bed. I think someone is either coming or going."

Parish Staff

Pastor:

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Council Members

St. Fidelis Pastoral Council

- Randy Leiker 623-6965 (Chair)
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- Bertha Brungardt 735-9490 (SOH)
- Andy Kuhn 639-2156 (B & G)
- Peggy Fitzpatrick 735-8186 (RelEd)
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- Daren Lang 735-2855 (Finance)
- Janea Dinkel 735-9529 (FamLife)

St. Fidelis Finance Council

- Curtis Sander 735-2559
- Gina Oberle 735-9331
- Deb Dreiling 735-2662
- John R. Braun 735-2622

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- Carol Freitag 735-9282
- Randy Huser 735-4836
- Mike Eckroat 623-9566

St. Ann Pastoral Council

- Kevin Schmeidler 735-2205
- Helen Windholz 735-2293
- Allen Hammerschmidt 735-2447

Contributions February 22-23, 2014

ST. FIDELIS:

Adult 3883.00 Loose 1050.75
Repair 20.00

ST. ANN:

Adult 194.00 Loose 253.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Adult 340.00 Loose 122.00
Candles 21.00

Money Counters

Mar. 3 — Anita Braun, Crystal Robben

Mar. 10 — Bob and Phyllis Stramel, Dorothy Goetz

With Sympathy

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of **Maurine Lucille (Burton) Riedel**, who passed away on Sunday, February 16, 2014. Services were held at St. Ann Catholic Church, Walker, on Friday, February 21, with burial in St. Ann Cemetery, Walker. She was the sister-in-law of Bob and Shirley Brungardt of St. Ann Parish.

Liturgy Schedule

The St. Fidelis Liturgy schedule for Lent and Easter is available at the entrances of the church. If I have your email address I can send it to you that way. Thanks, Jan

St. Fidelis Parish Envelope and Loose Offertory Collections	
Budgeted Loose / Envelopes per week	\$ 5,415.19
Actual received Loose / Envelopes 2-16-2014	\$ 4,933.75
Budgeted Loose/ Envelopes year-to-date	\$ 184,116.46
Actual received Loose/ Envelopes year-to-date 2-16-2014	\$ 169,720.90
UNDER BUDGET	\$ 14,395.56

Lenten Scripture Reflections

The Passion Narratives of the four Gospels

Fr. Earl Meyer OFM^{Cap}

The Sundays of Lent

March 9, 16, 23, 30, April 6

4:00 to 5:00 pm

at the Capuchin Center for Spiritual Life
Please bring a Bible

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

5:30 p.m.

every Friday of Lent
(starting Friday, March 7)



ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

MASS SCHEDULE AT ST. FIDELIS CHURCH

7:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

You may bring your old palms and place them in containers located at the entrances to the churches.

Statement of Penance, Fasting, Abstinence

The Church's teaching and discipline regarding penance:

1. **Abstinence** means not eating meat. The obligation of abstinence begins at the age of 14 years.
2. **Fasting** means eating only one full meal a day with the other two meals being without meat and together not equaling a full meal. The obligation of fasting begins at the age of 18 years or with the 18th birthday and ends at the age of 60 or with the 60th birthday.
3. **Both Ash Wednesday and Good Friday** are days of both abstinence from meat and fasting, days of self-denial, and mortification.
4. **Other Fridays of Lent** are days of abstinence from meat.
5. **Other Fridays of the Year** outside Lent are to be observed as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of penance or self-denial.
6. **All Weekdays of Lent** should also be considered days of penance. A self-imposed observance of the traditional practice of fasting (allowing meat at only the full meal) is strongly recommended along with the other forms of penance mentioned above.

**Two silkworms entered
a race, but they ended up
in a tie.**

Please Help Us Update Our Records

In order to update our records, please let the Parish Office know if you have changed your address or use a P.O. Box. Also, if you only have a cell phone, we would like that number also.



**DAYLIGHT
SAVINGS TIME
BEGINS
NEXT SUNDAY.**

**Be sure to turn your
clock AHEAD one hour
next Sunday morning,
March 9.**

Volunteer Opportunity: Cookbooks

Another volunteer opportunity at the parish office will begin around the first week of February. We have ordered 1,000 of Sharing Our Best cookbooks. The cookbooks are printed at Northwestern Printers in Hays but they are put together here at the PAC. We also are having 1,000 copies of Towers of Heavenly Recipes reprinted. These will also be put together by volunteers. This is an assembly line process but you may come in for an hour or an entire day to help with the books. We will also work some evenings for those of you who cannot help during the day. Hopefully, we can finish the entire process in 2 months. If you have time to help out, call Jan at the Parish Office.

**W A N T E D
s t u f f**

We are in need of items for St. Fidelis Thrift Shop. We will take just about anything you may have which you no longer use such as dishes, decorating items, appliances (small and large), furniture, clothing, toys, games, puzzles, silverware, utensils, tools, sporting good items, towels, bedding, blankets, computers, craft items, etc. We cannot sell mattresses and prefer not to have televisions. You may bring your items to the parish office or to the Thrift Shop.

THANK YOU!!!

“Seniors on the Go”

Fr. John is planning a trip to St. Louis **Tuesday-Friday, May 6-9**. If interested, please fill out your name, phone number, and email address in the form provided below and return to the office or drop it in the collection basket at Church.



The cost for sharing a double room is \$450 and the cost for a single room is \$550. Lunch and dinner are not included in this price. Breakfast is offered by the hotel.

Possible sight options include Grants Farm, Brewery Tour, the Arch, Our Lady of the Snows, the Cathedrals, Zoo, Art Museum, Science Center, History Museum, and more.

Please respond by Wednesday, March 12.

SENIORS ON THE GO TRIP MAY 6-9, 2014

Date: _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Number of People Going: _____

Room (circle one): Single Double



My wife said,
“Watcha doin’ today?”
I said, “Nothing.”
She said, “You did that
yesterday”
I said, “I wasn’t finished.”

ST. ANN

Christian Mothers Meeting

The annual meeting of St. Ann Christian Mothers will be held **Saturday, March 8**, after the 6:30 p.m. Mass at the Parish Hall.

Christian Mothers/Altar Society

Regular Business Meeting

The regular business meeting of the Christian Mothers/Altar Society members will be held **Tuesday, March 11**, at 7:00 p.m. in the North Sacristy of St. Fidelis Church.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus

Council #1867

2014 LENTEN FISH FRY

5:00 — 7:00 p.m.

on the Fridays of

March 7, March 21, and April 4

K. of C. Hall, Victoria



CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, March 5 — Ash Wednesday — K-6 Mass @ 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 5 — Mass @ 7:00 p.m. — **NO 7-12 Classes**

Friday, March 7 — K-6 Mass @ 7:40 a.m.

Sunday, March 9 — Jubilee Choir @ 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, March 12 — 7-12 Classes @ 7:30 p.m.

March 17 - March 21 — Spring Break — **NO K-12 Classes**

Wednesday, March 26 — 7-11 Classes @ 7:30 p.m.

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Catholic Community Annual Appeal

Many thanks to everyone that gave to the Catholic Community Annual Appeal. Today you will have an opportunity to make a gift during Mass if you have not yet done so.

Vocations

“Thus should one regard us, as servants of Christ.” Are you being called to serve the Lord and others in the consecrated life or priesthood? Call Father Jarett Konrade at 785-539-7496 or email at vocations@salinadiocese.org.

Monthly Meeting

Daughters of Isabella members will meet on **Tuesday, March 4**. Members will view D. of I. scrapbooks starting at 7:00 p.m. followed by the regular meeting at 7:30.

Bake Sale with Fish Fries ALL D. OF I. MEMBERS:

The Daughters of Isabella will have a Bake Sale during the Knights of Columbus Fish Fries on the **Fridays of March 7, March 21, and April 4**.



All members are asked to please bake up your best goodies and bring them or a cash donation to the K. of C. Hall between 3:00 and 4:30 p.m. on the days of the Fish Fries.

COMMUNITY

St. John's Victoria Nurse Practitioner Clinic

208 Marc Wagner Drive, Victoria

785-735-2627 Fax: 785-735-2617

Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Monday-Friday


8:00 a.m. - noon Saturday

Providing routine health care for ages 6 months and older, including acute urinary tract infections, sore throats, ear infections, bronchitis, pap smears, all physicals.



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Delores Schmeidler**



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hours!!

St Fidelis

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Hours: Mon 10 am-8 pm
Tues, Fri, Sat-10 am-2 pm
Wed 10 am-2 pm
and 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Thurs 10 am- 4 pm

Clothes
Toys
Household Items
Jewelry
Furniture
Kitchen items

St. Francis Church, Munjor
Annual Parish Supper
Sunday, March 2 * 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Munjor School Gymnasium

Menu—Traditional German Wedding Meal: Roast beef, stewed chicken noodles, mashed potatoes and gravy, coleslaw, vegetable, dessert, and drink.

Adults: \$10.00; Children (5-12): \$5.00; 4 & under: free

Country Store with many baked items.

Drawing for prizes.

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

HOST FAMILIES are needed for high school exchange students for the 2014-2015 academic year. The students will arrive in mid-August 2014 and will attend local high schools. Approved families may choose from online applications.

For more information, please call Kori Braun at 785-735-4161.



Prayer Hour for Our Nation

A "Prayer for Our Nation" prayer hour will be held **every third Tuesday** of the month from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at St. Fidelis Church.

Lighthouse Catholic Media CDs

How deep is your faith?? If you are ready to deepen your faith, a good way to start is to listen to the nationally known Catholic speakers. You can take the speaker home with you on one of the CDs you will find in the vestibule of St. Fidelis Church. You can download it to your MP3 player or listen to it in the car CD player while you drive, or find time to listen to it together with the family. Listen and learn, then share it with someone you thought of as you were listening to it. Grow in Faith—Share your Faith! Questions? Call Jan at the Parish Office.

A number of Lighthouse Catholic Media CDs are available in the vestibule at the west entrance of St. Fidelis Church. A \$3.00 donation is requested for each CD and can be placed in the slot near the CDs.

Victoria Schools Calendar 

Monday — March 3

Mr. C. Braun and select students to Hesston for an FCCLA meeting. Departure time: TBD. Return is after school on Monday

AIM period—Students will have directed study
 4:00 pm HS baseball practice at Russell

TBA—KSHSAA Boys BB Sub-State 1st round @ Burrton

Tuesday — March 4

AIM period—Students will have directed study. 7th Grade boys will meet in Mrs. Kori Braun's office
 4:00 pm HS baseball practice at Russell

Wednesday — March 5

AIM period—Students will have directed study
 2:20 pm PLC early dismissal
 4:00 pm HS track practice
 4:00 pm HS baseball practice at Russell

Thursday — March 6

AIM period—Students will have directed study
 TBA—KSHSAA Boys BB Sub-State 2nd round @ Burrton
 3:30 pm HS track practice
 4:00 pm HS baseball practice at Russell
 7:00 pm Speech class

Friday — March 7 — End of 3rd Quarter

TBA—JH Music Festival @ LaCrosse for select students with Mr. Schiltz
 NCK Tech welding competition @ Beloit
 LifeTouch Spring Individual Pictures
 Registration deadline for April ACT test
 AIM period—Students will have directed study
 TBA — KSHSAA Girls BB Sub-State 2nd round @ Burrton
 3:30 pm HS track practice
 4:00 pm HS baseball practice at Russell

Saturday — March 8

TBA—KSHSAA Boys & Girls BB Sub-State Championship @ Burrton

Sunday — March 9

Daylight Savings Time begins

Community Assistance Center — 12th and Oak, Hays

GARAGE SALE

Tuesday, March 4 • 8-11 a.m.




MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY	MARCH 3
7:00 pm Robert Dinges (anniv)	
TUESDAY	MARCH 4
6:45 am Albert Rohleder	
WEDNESDAY	MARCH 5
7:30 am Helen Brungardt (anniv)	
7:00 pm Marlene Dinkel	
THURSDAY	MARCH 6
6:45 am Angela Brungardt Jacobs (anniv)	
FRIDAY	MARCH 7
7:40 am Al Basgall	
SATURDAY	MARCH 8
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Richard and Florence Gerstner family living and deceased Dr. Joseph Brungardt	
6:30 pm St. Ann For rain Alvin Kuhn, Ray Kuhn, and Mike Dreiling families living and deceased and Bob Weigel	
SUNDAY	MARCH 9
8:45 am St. Boniface Helen Schumacher and Alice Freitag	
10:00 am St. Fidelis Derek Dreiling	



Coffee and cookies will be served after the **Thursday 6:45 a.m. weekday Mass** in the north sacristy of St. Fidelis Church. Come and enjoy some good conversation with the priest and your fellow parishioners.

Liturgy of the Hours Evening Prayer begins at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays (before the 7:00 Mass). A special prayer book is required and will be provided for the participants. We invite everyone to join in this special prayer. 

* Sunday Rosary Schedule *

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

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Wednesday , March 5, 7:30 am

<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Becky Scheck	Mary Brungardt Fran Robben	Shirley will assign	6th grade
<u>Lector</u>	Ivan / Verda		
Det Younger	Werner Jane Wagner		
<u>Comm.</u>	Det Younger		
Linda Kenne	Dianne Crawford		

Wednesday , March 5, 7:00 pm

<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Leroy Schmidtberger	Diane Gross Janine Kisner	Caden Oberle Karly Oberle	Katie Bellendir
<u>Lector</u>	Wanda Kuhn	Dalton Stout	Fritz / Anita Braun
Yvonne Braun	Jamey Roth Bertha A.		
<u>Comm.</u>	Brungardt		
Angie Roth	Kathy Kuhn Tom Tholen		

Saturday , March 8, 5:00 pm

<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
John Kenne	Debbie Staab Melissa Schmidt	Hanna Radke Audrey Staab	George / Mary Ann
<u>Lector</u>	Wanda Karlin	Morgan Staab	Dinkel Carol Pfeifer
Amorette Windholz	Teresa Shepherd Brenda Robben		
<u>Comm.</u>	Regis / Wilma		
Connie Dreiling	VonLintel		

Sunday, March 9, 10:00 am

<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Jubilee Choir	Estelle Kuhn Michelle Geist	Jacob Schroeder	Leroy / JoAnn Braun
<u>Lector</u>	Ken / Bertha	Jessica	Yvonne Braun
Shanna Dinkel	Brungardt Mark / Danita	Schroeder Michael Wohler	
<u>Comm.</u>	Schroeder		
Stephanie Broyles	Leroy Schmidtberger		

BULLETIN ITEMS

The deadline for bulletin articles is Wednesdays by noon. Please contact Connie (sftech@ruraltel.net or 785-735-2777) at the Parish Office if you have an item for the bulletin.

Food Pantry Donations

For those of you who travel, if you have the toiletry items that are in the hotel rooms that you do not use, such as shampoo, soap and lotion, we will take them for our food pantry.

The food pantry is always taking donations. We can always use any kind of food, but we also take shampoo, soap, toothpaste, and toothbrushes.

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St. Fidelis Food Bank

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