

ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

“Cathedral of the Plains”
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	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.
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.	Hospital Visits: To arrange for our pastor to visit someone in the hospital, please call the Parish Office.
		EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: THURSDAYS 10:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M. in St. Fidelis Church Chapel behind the main altar

www.stfidelischurch.com

February 22, 2015 – First Sunday of Lent

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 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

- Feb. 28-Mar. 1** — Anointing of the Sick after all Masses
- Mar. 6** — World Day of Prayer
- Mar. 8** — Girl Scout Sunday
- Mar. 8** — Daylight Savings Time begins (move clocks ahead one hour)
- Mar. 16-20** — School spring break
- Mar. 17** — St. Patrick's Day
- Mar. 26** — Chrism Mass @ Sacred Heart Church in Salina
- Mar. 29** — Passion (Palm) Sunday
- Apr. 1** — April Fool's Day
- Apr. 2** — Holy Thursday — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED @ noon
- Apr. 3** — Good Friday — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Apr. 5** — Easter Sunday



**“This is the time of fulfillment.
The kingdom of God is at hand.
Repent, and
believe in the gospel.”**

(from the Holy Gospel according to Mark 1:12-15)



The Scriptural readings for Lent are foundational to this season. The weekday and Sunday readings of Lent are in two parts. The first part runs from Ash Wednesday through week three. During this time the gospel readings are taken from the synoptic gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke while the Old Testament readings are chosen to correspond to the gospel message. The theme of this first part of Lent is a call to conversion where the readings speak of beginning anew by fasting, prayer, and almsgiving; of forgiveness, justice, love, and holiness of life.

The readings of the second half of Lent, the fourth week through Spy Wednesday of Holy Week, are taken from the Gospel of John (4:43-13:38). These readings about the ministry of Christ are not about the details of his life but the mystery of Christ as the Son of God who offers eternal life to all who believe in him. Christ is presented as the one who gives life to his faithful followers through his victorious confrontation with death.

These two groups of readings form the united message of Lent that repentant sinners are offered new life in Christ. The purpose of the first part of Lent is to bring us to repentance by removing our self-deceit about the quality of our lives as disciples of Jesus. These scriptural passages are meant to trouble us, to confront our illusions about our lives which often fail to conform to the demands of a disciple of Christ.

At the midpoint of Lent there is a shift in the readings from the ethical to the theological message of Christ. The first part of Lent places us in need of a savior and the readings of the second half of Lent answer that need for salvation in the person of Jesus. In the gospel of John, Jesus is the One who can save, but save only those who know their need for salvation. Jesus saves only those who know that they cannot save themselves. Having realized our weakness and powerlessness during the first half of lent, the readings in the second part of Lent offer us the object of our prayers for salvation: Jesus, the eternal Son of God.

These scripture readings present Lent as the difficult ascent to the mountain of Easter through repentance and renewal of our baptismal commitment. Listening prayerfully to the Word of God we are led to the new life of Easter, a life more faithful to the promises we made at baptism, which is our hope for life eternal.

There is a paradox here in that our Lenten experience may be more effective if we fail in our Lenten resolutions than if we succeed! The purpose of our Lenten practices is not to prove our virtue, but to bring home to us our radical need of a salvation that we cannot achieve on our own but only through Christ.

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That warm tingling feeling when you fall in love is the result of common sense leaving your body.

Parish Staff

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Lou Ann Hammersmith

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- Randy Leiker 623-6965 (Chair)
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- Helen Windholz 735-2293
- Allen Hammerschmidt 735-2447
- Jerry Nowak 637-5273

Contributions February 14-15, 2015

ST. FIDELIS:

Adult 2699.00 Loose 1020.00

ST. ANN:

Adult 259.00 Loose 363.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Adult 313.00 Loose 149.00

Candles 49.75

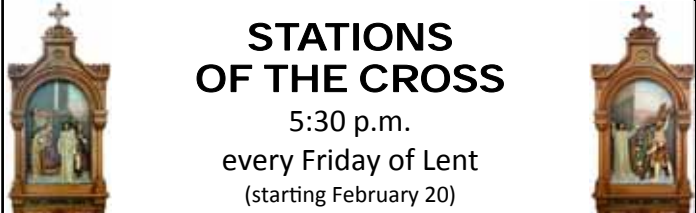
Money Counters

Feb. 23 — Randy Leiker, Tina Rajewski

Mar. 2 — Mary Brungardt, Det Younger

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be administered after all Masses the weekend of **February 28-March 1**.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

5:30 p.m.
every Friday of Lent
(starting February 20)

Congratulations to the Confirmation Class of 2015

Devyn Dorzweiler, Madisyn Gerhardt, Ashlyn Hammerschmidt, Sienna Hockersmith, Bryant Karlin, Olivia Knoles, Julia Nowak, Karly Oberle, Cody Pfeifer, Tanner Rome, Sara Schippers, and Hanna VonLintel were confirmed last Sunday, February 15th, at the Basilica of Saint Fidelis during the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Bishop Edward Weisenburger presided at the celebration of the Sacrament.

RCIA

Today, during the 10:00 a.m. Mass at the Basilica of St. Fidelis, the candidates for Initiation into the Church will celebrate the Rite of Sending. During this Rite the sponsors will present their candidates to the parish and the candidates will sign the Book of Elect which will be presented to Bishop Weisenburger later in the afternoon at the Rite of Election at St. Nicholas Church in Hays.

Please continue to pray for our candidates—Chaylee Lix, Amber Schaf, and Ken Schoenrock—as they continue to journey into full initiation into the Catholic Church.

ST. FIDELIS PARISH Envelope and Loose Offertory Collections	
Budgeted Loose / Envelopes per week	\$ 5,145.19
Actual received Loose / Envelopes 2-8-2015	\$ 3,714.00
Budgeted Loose/ Envelopes year-to-date	\$ 169,791.27
Actual received Loose/Envelopes year-to-date 2-8-2015	\$ 188,935.09
OVER BUDGET	\$ 19,143.82

St. Fidelis Thrift Shop

St. Fidelis Thrift is always accepting donations. Thrift Shop hours are Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday from 10-2, Thursday from 10-4, Wednesday from 10-3:30 and 5-8. If these hours do not work for you to drop off your donations, contact Jan at the parish office.

CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION

Calendar of Events

Wednesday, February 25 — K-6 Classes 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 25 — 7-11 Classes @ 7:30 p.m.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Day of Recollection

The St. Fidelis Daughters of Isabella will sponsor a Day of Recollection for the ladies of all three parishes on **Saturday, March 14**, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the 1867 Memorial Hall. Presenter will be Father John Schmeidler. All D. of I. members are asked to bring a salad for the luncheon. A Mass to fulfill your Sunday obligation will follow.

Please **R.S.V.P. by Tuesday, March 10**, to Bertha Brungardt (785-735-9478) or Norma Keenan (785-735-2877). You do not need to be a D. of I. member to attend. There is no charge.

Yearly Dues

Daughters of Isabella dues are now due. Please mail \$15.00 to Wilma VonLintel, PO Box 33, Victoria, Kansas 67671.

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 6 and March 20**.

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 5:00 p.m. on the days of the Fish Fries.



CAN OF FOOD DONATION

D. of I. members are asked to bring a can of food to the bake sale. These will be taken to the State Convention.

Christian Mothers/Altar Society

Dues Are Due

Just a reminder that your Christian Mother's dues of \$5.00 are now due. Please drop them in the collection basket or drop them off at the Parish Office if you have not already done so. Thank you!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Needing a Place to Gather? If you are looking for a place to host a reception, baby or bridal shower, family reunion, or a get-together, 1867 Memorial Home in Victoria is available for you to rent. For more information, call Jeff at 785-650-1640.

Knights of Columbus

Council #1867

2015 LENTEN FISH FRY

5:00 — 7:00 p.m.

on the Fridays of

March 6 and March 20

1867 Memorial Home, Main Street, Victoria



Membership Dues

Just a reminder to all Knights of Columbus Members to please send in your yearly membership dues. Knights of Columbus meetings take place the second Tuesday every month at 7:30 p.m. Hope to see you there.

DIOCESE

Cursillo in Christianity is an encounter with self, Christ, and others. It is a method to develop, live, and share spirituality in any area of human life where Christians want to dedicate their lives to God. If you are interested in a means of personal growth in living what is fundamental for being a Christian, and encouraging one another in proclaiming the best news of the best reality that God in Christ loves us, please prayerfully consider attending a weekend.

The next weekend events are: **Men's February 26-March 1, 2015; Women's March 19-22, 2015.** Location: Victoria, Kansas, Spiritual Life Center.

For more information contact Patricia Dusin at 785-302-1220, or patriciad@ruraltel.net.

LITURGY

Adult Choir

PRACTICE: Wednesdays, March 4, 11, and 25 at 7:30 p.m. in preparation for the Easter Season.

COMMUNITY

GIRL SCOUT COOKIE SALE

JANUARY 31 – MARCH 8, 2015

NEW Gluten Free Trios

Thin Mints, Shortbread, Thanks-A-Lot, Cranberry Citrus Crisps, Lemonades, Peanut Butter Patties, Caramel deLites, and Peanut Butter Sandwich

\$4 a package or donate a Cookie Share to the Victoria Food Pantry, Military, or other approved organization.

If you are not contacted by a local girl scout member, contact a Victoria Leader – Laurie McQuade 785-639-3397; Dawn Wasinger 785-735-8148; Primrose Hockersmith 785-35-8182.

Thank you for supporting the Girl Scout Cookie Sale.



Job Application

Sacred Heart School in Colby, Kansas, is accepting applications for a building principal to start in the 2015-2016 school year. **Applications will be accepted until February 28.** Interviews will be conducted the first part of March. Please contact the school for an application or for more information: 785-460-2813.

Ellis St. Mary's CYO

Community Fried Chicken Dinner Sunday, February 22

**Knights of Columbus Hall, 1013 Washington St, Ellis, KS
10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. or until sold out**

Pan Fried Chicken dinner includes Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn & Green Beans, Coleslaw, Dinner Rolls, and Dessert
Ages 5-9: \$5.00; Ages 10 & over: \$10.00

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.



All American Breakfast

Sunday, March 1 — 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
American Legion, Hays

Advanced ticket sales benefit the Cancer Council of Ellis County. For tickets, please call the Cancer Council office at 785-625-6653.

Still Gathering Box Tops, Tabs, and Receipts

Victoria Elementary School is still collecting **Box Tops**, **Pop Tabs**, and **McDonald's receipts**. The school can earn classroom supplies and money for their activity fund with the Box Tops and McDonald's receipts. The Pop Tabs are delivered to Topeka to the Ronald McDonald House where they are recycled, and the money raised goes to help with the cost of operating the house.

*They will turn in **Box Tops** at the end of February, and the **Pop Tabs** will be delivered to Topeka over Spring Break.* These items can be dropped off at the school, or you can give them to any elementary school student.

Thanks for all your help in collecting all these items!

Host Families Needed

Jan (called Honza by friends and family) is from the Czech Republic. He is a Catholic young man who is interested in attending church with his host family. His mother taught English at a school, so his English is very good. He loves sports, and reading, and would love an opportunity to live in America and learn more about life here. Jan is needing a family to host him this next school year. He would arrive in August, and stay until the end of next school year.

The host family provides a bed, meals, friendship, understanding, and a genuine desire to share the American way of life with a student from overseas. The students are covered by their own medical insurance, and have their own spending money for their personal expenses. Approved families can view online student applications and select the student that best matches their own family.

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

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Hands-Only / 15th Annual



Sign Up for **FREE** Training

Saturday, February 28, 2015

2 Sessions:
9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

HaysMed
Center for Health Improvement Gym
2500 Canterbury Drive ~ Hays KS

Training is open to people 8 and older.

Friends and Family
CPR course is not for professional certification.



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To register, call Debbie McLaren
1-800-248-0073 x. 5500 or (785) 623-5500
or register on-line at
www.haysmed.com/cprregistration

Victoria Schools Calendar



Monday — February 23

AIM period—students will have directed study
 3:30 pm HS girls basketball practice
 5:00 pm HS boys basketball practice

Tuesday — February 24

AIM period—students will have directed study. 7th
 Grade girls will meet in Mrs. Kori Braun's office
 4:30 pm HS basketball vs. Osborne

Wednesday — February 25

Community Ambassador's @ Hays for select students
 AIM period—students will have directed study. Stuco
 officer meeting in Mr. Dronberger's room
 3:30 pm HS boys basketball practice
 5:00 pm HS girls basketball practice

Thursday — February 26

AIM period—Students will have directed study
 3:30 pm HS girls basketball practice
 5:00 pm HS boys basketball practice

Friday — February 27

AIM period—students will have directed study
 3:30 pm HS boys basketball practice
 5:00 pm HS girls basketball practice

~ **FIRST SESSION**
IS TODAY ~



Lenten Reflections Gospel of Mark

Sundays of Lent
February 22, March 1, 8, 15, 22

4:00-5:00 pm
Capuchin Center for Spiritual Life
Fr. Earl Meyer OFM Cap

HERE WE GO AGAIN!

The reprinted, corrected copies of the **“Faith and Courage...100 Year Legacy”** St. Fidelis Centennial History/Directory Book have arrived.

I will be at the Parish Office for a half hour after the 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses next weekend—February 28 and March 1

so those in the tri-parish who posed for a picture for the directory part of the book can pick up their free copy. You may also pick up your free copy at the Parish Office any time during office hours.


We will hold on to the reprinted books until the end of March, at which time we will start selling them for \$20 a copy to anyone who wants one; so please come in by March 31 if you are entitled to a free copy.

You are welcome to keep your original copy (there were printing errors but the history information is still all in it) or you may bring it back in and we will try to sell it.

Thank you for all your patience with the process of getting this book completed.

Now that it is done, arrangements will be made to place the book in the Centennial time capsule and get the time capsule sealed into the Centennial monument on the west lawn of the church. The intention is for the time capsule to be opened in 50 years.

Thank you, Connie Windholz.

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. 

PLENARY INDULGENCE GIVEN WHEN VISITING A BASILICA

The faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence by visiting a minor basilica. An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment for a previously forgiven sin. 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*, the Salina Diocese newspaper

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY	FEBRUARY 23
7:00 pm Justin and Dennis Denning	
TUESDAY	FEBRUARY 24
6:45 am Victor Dinkel	
WEDNESDAY	FEBRUARY 25
7:00 pm St. Fidelis Martina Schmidtberger (anniv) Rosemary Dreiling and Carolyn Samples	
THURSDAY	FEBRUARY 26
6:45 am St. Fidelis Leslie Ann Mason	
FRIDAY	FEBRUARY 27
6:45 am Joseph G., Anna (anniv), and Art Stegman	
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 28
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Alvin and Celeste Schmidtberger Severin and Rosie Suppes	
6:30 pm St. Ann For the parishes	
SUNDAY	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
8:45 am St. Boniface	MARCH 1
10:00 am St. Fidelis Lance Lang	

*** Sunday Rosary Schedule ***

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

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 28, 5:00 pm

<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
	The new minister schedule was not ready in time for bulletin printing. Please refer to your copy of the schedule or volunteer where needed.		
<u>Lector</u>			
<u>Comm.</u>			

Sunday, March 1, 10:00 am

<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
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<u>Lector</u>			
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