


„Beacon of Faith,  
ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

„Cathedral of the Plains,  
**THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS**

„Pearl of the Prairie,  
ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH



<b>Parish Office:</b>	601 10th Street, Victoria, KS 67671 • 785-735-2777 • Fax: 785-735-2779 <b>Hours:</b> Monday-Thursday 8:30-12:00 and 1:00-4:30 — Friday 8:30-12:00	<b>Catholic Faith Education Office:</b> 785-735-9244
<b>Gift Shop Hours:</b> Monday-Thursday: 8:30–noon and 1:00–4:30 Friday: 8:30–noon	<b>Weddings, Baptisms, Hospital Visits, In-Home Mass, Holy Communion to Homebound:</b> Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements for these events.	<b>Morning Coffee:</b> Thursdays 9:00 a.m. at the Parish Office with the Pastor & friends
		<b>St. Fidelis Food Pantry:</b> For residents of the tri-parishes. Call the Parish Office. Donations accepted. 
<b>St. Fidelis Thrift Shop:</b> Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday 10:00–2:00; Wednesday 10:00–3:30; Thursday 10:00–4:00 If these hours do not work to drop off donations, contact Jan at the Parish Office.		<b>BULLETIN ITEMS:</b> Deadline is <b>Wednesday at 11:00 a.m.</b> 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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## May 24, 2020— The Ascension of the Lord

### 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 — 8:45 am

### Eucharistic Adoration:

**THURSDAYS • 9:30 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.**  
in St. Fidelis Chapel behind the main altar

### 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

**June 5** — Feast of St. Boniface  
**June 14** — Flag Day  
**June 21** — Father’s Day  
**July 4** — Independence Day (PARISH OFFICE CLOSED July 3)  
**July 26** — Feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne  
**September 7** — Labor Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**September 11** — Patriot Day  
**September 12-13** — Blessing of Seed Wheat at all Masses  
**September 14** — Exaltation of the Holy Cross



MONDAY  
MAY 25, 2020

MEMORIAL  
DAY

THEY SERVED US WITH HONOR. LET US HONOR THEM NOW.

MASS AT 9:00 A.M. IN THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS

Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic and Governor Laura Kelly’s latest news release, the Victoria V.F.W. Post #1751 will not visit local cemeteries this year. They will place flags at St. Fidelis Cemetery in recognition of deceased veterans, and encourage Emmeram, Walker, Vincent, and Pfeifer to display their flags.

**The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, May 25,  
in observance of Memorial Day.**

**No 7:00 p.m. Mass that day and no scheduled confessions.**



## Don't Just Stand There. Do Something!

After Christ had ascended to heaven the angel said to the stunned Apostles, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand there looking up at the skies?" In modern terms, "Don't just stand there. Do something." The Ascension of the Lord was a demanding transition for the Apostles and the early church.



Transitions are always a challenge. You might recall the uneasy feeling you had after a graduation, or a wedding, or a family funeral. You suddenly realized that you were now on your own. Responsibilities formerly borne by others, suddenly fell to you. You had to begin a career, a home, a family of your own.

Previous to his Ascension, Christ was physically present to the disciples. They could listen to him, ask him questions, follow his lead. But the Ascension was an apprehensive transition of faith because the responsibility of the church was suddenly theirs.

Every Christian in each generation inherits that same challenge. There is such an *Ascension Moment* in the life

of all believers when each one of us has to make our inherited faith our own faith. You might recall such a moment in your own life — perhaps when you went away to school or moved away from home or the death of a parent. You suddenly realized that your faith was no longer supervised by others. The practice of your faith was now your own personal responsibility.

We have inherited a rich legacy of faith from our parents, our grandparents and our parish. But that inheritance is not automatic. A transition moment comes, an *Ascension Moment*, when that heritage of faith must become our own. Yet we are not entirely alone nor abandoned. We are supported by the example of others, especially those who gather in our parishes each week as we encourage each other.

Although Christ was no longer physically present to the Apostles after his Ascension, he was present in other ways: in the words of Scripture, in the grace of the sacraments, and above all by the gift of the Holy Spirit, the guiding light of the church. If the Ascension of the Lord was an unsettling challenge for the disciples, the promise of the Holy Spirit was a reassuring comfort.

This is the season of transitions: graduations, weddings, and now the post-coronavirus new world. In the seasons of each life there are many transitions in faith. The words of the Lord to his disciples before his Ascension offer us assurance as we face such challenges: "Behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

## ... and mirth

Some people have a clean conscience because the never use it.

### Parish Staff

#### Pastor:

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#### Bookkeeper/Minister to the Elderly and Homebound/Thrift Shop/Food Pantry:

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#### Housekeeping/Sacristan:

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#### Groundskeeper: Julius Dreiling

#### Maintenance: Joe Brungardt

#### Organists: Kathy Dreiling-Amrein Lou Ann Hammersmith

#### Choir Director: Kathy Dreiling-Amrein

#### Technology Coordinator:

Connie Windholz  
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### Council Members

#### St. Fidelis Pastoral Council

Peggy Fitzpatrick 735-8186 (Chair)  
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#### St. Fidelis Finance Council

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#### St. Boniface Pastoral Council

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Kathy Huser 735-4193

#### St. Ann Pastoral Council

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

### Contributions May 17, 2020

#### **ST. FIDELIS:**

Envelopes 5073.00 Loose 986.00  
Endowment 195.00  
Repair Fund 350.00

#### **ST. ANN:**

Envelopes 1505.00 Loose 15.00

#### **ST. BONIFACE:**

Envelopes 445.00 Loose 40.00

## Summer Lunch Program

St. Fidelis will begin the lunch program on Tuesday, May 26, when the school finishes their lunch program. It will be across the street from the school on the north side of the Parish Activity Center.

Please drive to the north door to pick up your lunch. We will have take-home lunches until all the Covid-19 restrictions are lifted and then we will have a place for the kids to eat here if they choose. You may pick up your lunch from 11:00 – 11:30.

The lunch program will run through the end of July, unless there is a need to continue it the remainder of the summer.

Any questions, please call Jan at the PAC Center at 785-735-2777. There is no registration or cost. All Victoria children are encouraged and invited to participate.

*The best part about life?  
Every morning  
you have a new opportunity  
to become  
a happier version of yourself.*

### ST. BONIFACE

#### St. Boniface Parish Meeting

**Tuesday, May 26, at 7:00 p.m.**

with multiple topics including Herzogfest.

Bring your lawn chair!!

We'll be on the north side of the church!

### DIOCESE

#### MAY HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERT

Working together to combat human trafficking is the only way to end it.

**U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking** ([sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org)). \*\*USCSAHT is a 501(c)3 organization. 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131

### COMMUNITY

#### Commodities

Government surplus commodities will be available once a month until the end of the year. Times and dates will be posted in the St. Fidelis Church bulletin and at the banks in Victoria.



## City Garage Sales and Spring Clean Up



The **city-wide Garage Sale** originally scheduled for April has been moved to **Saturday, May 30.**

The city's **Spring Clean Up** has also been rescheduled to:

**Friday, May 29 — 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, May 30 — 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, May 31 — 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**



*No tires, appliances with Freon, and no household hazardous waste will be accepted.*

## Box Tops and Tabs for School

Be sure to sign up online to enroll in the **Dillons Community Rewards** then each time you swipe your Dillons Plus Shopper's Card, USD 432 automatically earns a rebate. Last year Dillons gave USD 432 \$1,585.06!!

Keep saving those **Box Tops** and **Pop Tabs!** Remember to download the Box Tops app and scan your store receipts. The school has collected \$440 so far and has until June 30 to see how much more they can collect for this school year! Every Box Tops counts!

The **Pop Tabs** will be delivered to the **Ronald McDonald House** in Topeka this summer! Last year Victoria Elementary had a total of 165 pounds of tabs, and they were able to donate a check of \$75.

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!



# Weekly Mass with Fr. John on Youtube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIknLwQ0Jgk3uBIFGB1Fkyg>

OR go to [www.StFidelisChurch.com](http://www.StFidelisChurch.com) and click the link on the *Home Page* or *Mass Schedule Page* to view a Mass.

## Guidelines for Masses Celebrated in Church During the Coronavirus Pandemic

### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday Mass: 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday through Friday: 6:45 a.m.

Confessions: Mondays after 7:00 p.m. Mass.

### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Weekend Masses for the tri-parishes of St. Fidelis, St. Ann, and St. Boniface will be celebrated in the **Basilica of St. Fidelis only** with a revised schedule.

Saturday Masses: 3:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses: 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

### EXEMPT FROM ATTENDING

*You are still exempt from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass, so if you are sick or feel uncomfortable attending in crowds, you are encouraged to remain at home and observe the Mass on Internet or television.*

### CAUTIONARY GUIDELINES

Cautionary guidelines due to the Coronavirus will be in effect at Masses. Participants are asked to help wipe down the pews after each Mass to prepare it for the next Mass. Disinfectant supplies will be provided. If necessary, some pews may be closed off to help maintain the 6-foot social distancing requirements.

### HOLY COMMUNION

For Communion there will be one line up the center aisle and you will need to return via the side aisles. Remember to keep 6 feet apart.

### MISSALETTES

Missalettes will not be available at the Masses.

### ST. BONIFACE AND ST. ANN TITHING

Please remember to put your tithing in your Sunday donation envelopes (or in a regular envelope with your Name and Church written on the front) so your Church will get credit.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

## FIRST RESPONDERS APPRECIATION BARBEQUE

SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH - 2020

11 A.M. TO 2 P.M.



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### ALL ELLIS COUNTY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCILS

- For all active & retired responders and their families
- Frontier Park east shelter house, Hays
- Serving hamburgers, hot dogs, brats, & refreshments
- In case of bad weather event will be moved to Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Activity Center, Hays

### MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY.....	MAY 25
7:00 pm For the Parishes	
TUESDAY.....	MAY 26
6:45 am For the Poor Souls	
WEDNESDAY.....	MAY 27
6:45 am For the Sick and Dying	
THURSDAY.....	MAY 28
6:45 am For the Parishes	
FRIDAY.....	MAY 29
6:45 am For the Poor Souls	
SATURDAY.....	MAY 30
3:30 pm St. Fidelis Wilfred and Viola Robben family Wendelin and Linda Schoendaller	
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Florence Kuhn Elmer and Edna (Anni) Schulte	
SUNDAY.....	PENTECOST SUNDAY..... MAY 31
8:30 am St. Fidelis For the Sick and Dying	
10:00 am St. Fidelis Bernie Dome and Brenda Dome Luff	

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