

*"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 Hours: 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:</b> Couples planning to marry must contact the Parish Office at least 6 months before the wedding date for marriage preparations.	<b>Baptisms:</b> All new parents are asked to complete a Baptismal Preparation class before their child is baptized. For information, please call the Parish Office.	<b>Hospital Visits:</b> To arrange for our pastor to visit someone in the hospital, please call the Parish Office.
<b>In-Home Mass:</b> Any homebound or hospice family interested in having Mass in their home should contact the Parish Office.	<b>Holy Communion Brought to Homebound:</b> 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.	<b>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:</b> <b>THURSDAYS</b> <b>10:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.</b> in St. Fidelis Church Chapel behind the main altar	

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## May 28, 2017 – 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

### 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

**May 29** — Memorial Day—PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**June 5** — Feast of St. Boniface  
**June 5-9** — Vacation Bible School  
**June 11** — St. Boniface Church 110th Anniversary celebration  
**June 14** — Flag Day  
**June 18** — Father's Day  
**June 21** — First day of Summer  
**July 4** — Independence Day—PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**July 26** — Feast of Sts. Ann and Joachim  
**Aug. 4-5** — Herzogfest  
**Aug. 15**— Assumption — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**Sept. 4** — Labor Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**Sept. 11** — Patriot Day  
**Sept. 14** — Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

“Go,  
 therefore,  
 and make  
 disciples of all  
 nations,  
 baptizing them  
 in the name of  
 the Father, and  
 of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”



(from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 28:16-20)



Our senior parishioners may recall that Memorial Day was in days past known also as Decoration Day since people went to the local cemetery on this special day to decorate their family graves with flowers.

Although this holiday was founded to remember those who died in the military, it has expanded to recall all our departed. It has become a secular All Souls Day. It is also celebrated as the beginning of the summer season with schools closed, ball parks open, and the lake beckoning. These fine customs should not obscure the primary reason for this day: to prayerfully remember those who have died in the defense of our freedom.

Memorial Day was first observed on May 30, 1868, by placing flowers on all the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers throughout the nation. The sheer numbers of those killed in that terrible war — 650,000 (which is more than WW1 and WW2 combined) — required burying the bodies where they fell rather than sending them home to family plots. This gave rise to national cemeteries and war memorials to pay tribute to those who died in the service of their country.

While Memorial Day is an occasion to honor the great sacrifices of those who died in battle to defend our freedom, it is also a call to work for peace in the midst of our war torn world. The prophet Isaiah envisioned a time when swords and spears would be turned into plowshares and pruning hooks. (Isaiah 2:4) As we remember in prayer our fallen soldiers, may we also pray for a day when it will no longer be necessary to build memorials to those killed in battle, a day when peace flowers among all nations.

*Heavenly Father, today we remember and honor the men and women of the Armed Services who have died in the defense of our freedom. They paid the ultimate sacrifice for the values we hold so dear.*

*In the words of Sacred Scripture,  
"There is no greater love than this,  
than to lay down one's life for a friend."  
It is was their devotion to God and country  
that gave them the strength to make that sacrifice.  
We beseech you Lord, to receive these servants of peace  
into your loving embrace and grant them eternal rest.  
We also remember the families of these great heroes  
who also suffered a great and painful sacrifice.  
Bless them with your consolation and peace.  
We offer this prayer confident that you grant  
the desire of those who seek your peace.*

*May our prayer for peace be answered in accord with your will.  
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace.  
Amen.*

## Parish Staff

### Pastor:

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

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### Housekeeping/Sacristan:

Darlene Dreiling

### Groundskeeper: Julius Dreiling

### Maintenance: Joe Brungardt

### Organists: Kathy Dreiling-Amrein

Lou Ann Hammersmith

### Choir Director: Kathy Dreiling-Amrein

### Technology Coordinator:

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## Council Members

### St. Fidelis Pastoral Council

Randy Leiker 259-1392 (Chair)

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Janea Dinkel 735-9529 (FamLife)

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John Schulte 735-9535

### St. Fidelis Finance Council

John R. Braun 735-2622

Harland Rupp 735-2206

Dave Juenemann 656-0647

### St. Boniface Pastoral Council

Carol Freitag 735-9282

Randy Huser 735-4836

Fred Tholen 735-4801

### St. Ann Pastoral Council

Helen Windholz 735-2293

Terry Riedel 735-9375

Jerry Nowak 637-5273

## Contributions May 20-21, 2017

### **ST. FIDELIS:**

Adult 1878.00 Loose 1119.44

### **ST. ANN:**

Adult 510.00 Loose 562.00

Coffee & Rolls 45.00

### **ST. BONIFACE:**

Adult 265.00 Loose 123.00

Candles 29.00

**May 30 (Tuesday)** — Jim and JoAnn Pfanenstiel

**June 5** — Anita Braun, Crystal Robben

## Ministry to the Elderly

The ministry to the elderly has been a success. We visit with some parishioners in their home once a week and we visit our parishioners that are in the Rest Homes in Hays and do a Communion Service at CedarView in Hays.

If you or anyone you know would like a visit with communion or if you would like to volunteer for this ministry, contact Jan at the Parish Office.

## Get Vitals Checked on Tuesdays



St. Fidelis Parish will have a retired Registered Nurse do vitals checks at the Parish Activity Center in the Meal Site Room on **Tuesdays from 9:30-10:30 a.m.** beginning Tuesday, May 2. The service is free and open to anyone. She will do blood pressure, respirations, pulse, and weight checks. Thank you in advance for your participation in this new service being offered through the Family Life Office.

## Summer Food Program NOTICE CHANGE IN DATES

St. Fidelis Church is sponsoring a summer food program at the Parish Activity Center, 601 10<sup>th</sup> Street, **from May 30-August 22**. A free nutritious lunch will be served to any children from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. Please use the front entrance of the Parish Activity Center.



There are no enrollments or reservations required but if you are bringing a large group such as a day care group, please let us know that morning by calling 785-735-2777. For more information, contact Jan at the Parish Office.

## Mother Love Prayer Book

The Christian Mothers prayer book, "Mother Love", is available at the Gift Shop in the PAC. They are \$16.00.

## Pastoral Council Nominations

If anyone is interested in serving on the St. Fidelis Parish Council or if you want to nominate someone for a position, please contact the Parish Office at 785-735-2777. Thank you.

## Food Pantry

We take donations of paper goods and toiletries as well as perishable and non-perishable food items.

If you know of anyone who would benefit from the food pantry, please let them know it is available to anyone living within the Tri-parish area.

We also donate items to "Options", the domestic abuse and violence organization in Hays. We fill purses from the Thrift Shop with toiletry items to be given to women who use the shelter. Many times these women leave their abusive relationship with nothing.

## Thrift Shop Update

The St. Fidelis Thrift shop continues to be a success. If you have not been in the new location, stop in and check it out. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU TO THE VOLUNTEERS who take great pride in making it look so clean and organized.

We are always taking donations. The clothing items we do not sell are given to the Community Assistance Center or the Thrift Shop in Hays.

## CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION



# Youth Service Opportunities

### Vacation Bible School—Jesse Tree Journey

June 5—June 9 Victoria Elementary School—Please contact Jeanette Brungardt in the Religious Education Office for more info and to sign-up to help: 785-735-9244 / 785-639-5067.

### Religious Education Office—Parish Activity Center

The Religious Ed Office is already preparing for next school year! Mrs. Jeanette will be rearranging classrooms and desks, sorting supplies, creating activity books, and doing general preparation for the following school year. Contact Jeanette in the Religious Ed Office: 785-735-9244.

*(Her maternity leave begins June 27th so she will be out of the office for several weeks.)*

### Summer Lunch Program—Parish Activity Center

The Summer Lunch Program begins Tuesday, May 30, and will last through August 22, Monday—Friday. Volunteers do not need to RSVP or coordinate a date or time—please arrive at the PAC around 10:30 A.M. to help Father and Jan prepare for the kids to arrive at 11:00. If you do have questions please contact Jan Brungardt in the PAC: 785-735-2777.



# **V.F.W. MEMORIAL DAY SCHEDULE MONDAY, MAY 29, 2017**

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

## **CEMETERY VISITS**

**9.45 A.M. - ST. FIDELIS CEMETERY (AFTER MASS)**

**10:15 A.M. - SACRED HEART CEMETERY, EMMERAM**

**10:45 A.M. - ST. ANN CEMETERY, WALKER**

**11:15 A.M. - ST. BONIFACE CEMETERY, VINCENT**

**11:45 A.M. - HOLY CROSS CEMETERY, PFEIFER**

**V.F.W. AND LADIES AUXILIARY MEMBERS MEET AT THE V.F.W. HALL  
AFTER CEMETERY VISITS FOR LUNCH.**

**LET US NOT FORGET  
THOSE WHO SERVED  
THAT WE MAY LIVE FREE.**



# Parish Clean-Up Day

St. Boniface parishioners will clean up the parish grounds and buildings on **Saturday, June 3**, starting at 9:00 AM in preparation for the 110th anniversary celebration on June 11.



## 110TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. BONIFACE CHURCH VINCENT, KANSAS

**SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 2017**

**MASS WITH BISHOP EDWARD WEISENBURGER AT 3:00 P.M.**

THE MASS WILL HAVE ENGLISH, GERMAN, AND LATIN SINGING  
AND WILL BE TELEVISED IN THE PARISH HALL FOR THE OVERFLOW CROWD.

**GERMAN MEAL AT 5:00 P.M. IN THE PARISH HALL AND OUTSIDE TENT**

**TOURS OF THE CHURCH,  
THE REMODELED PRIEST HOUSE, THE FORMER SISTERS' HOUSE, AND THE NEW PARISH HALL  
FROM NOON-2:30 P.M. AND FROM 4:00-7:00 P.M.**

**ROSARY OF THANKSGIVING FOR 110 YEARS AT 7:00 P.M.**

THE PARISH CHILDREN WILL OPERATE A COUNTRY LEMONADE STAND  
AND GIVE OUT COOKIES THROUGHOUT THE DAY.

**STANDS OF HISTORY AND PICTURES WILL BE IN FRONT OF EACH BUILDING,  
AS WELL AS MEMORABILIA ON DISPLAY IN THE PARISH HALL,  
INCLUDING THE ORIGINAL SCROLL FROM 1907 WHEN THE PARISH WAS FOUNDED.**

*THERE WILL BE NO 8:45 A.M. MASS AT ST. BONIFACE ON THIS DAY.*



**The Mass on Memorial Day,  
Monday, May 29,  
will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m.  
There will not be a 7:00 p.m. Mass  
and no evening Confessions.**

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE  
CLOSED TOMORROW  
IN OBSERVANCE OF  
MEMORIAL DAY.**

**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

**THURSDAY MORNING COFFEE** is held at the Parish Office at 9:30. Come and join Fr. John, other parishioners, and friends at the Parish Office for a cup of coffee and a snack.



**BULLETIN ITEMS**—The deadline for bulletin articles is **Wednesday at 11:00 a.m.** Please contact Connie (sftech@ruraltel.net or 785-735-2777) at the Parish Office if you have an item for the bulletin.



**St. Fidelis Food Pantry**

Parish Activity Center (PAC) • 601 10th St. • 785-735-2777

**ST. FIDELIS THRIFT SHOP** 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. If these hours do not work to drop off your donations, contact Jan at the parish office.

**ST. ANN**

**Pastoral Council Nominations**

St. Ann Parish is accepting nominations for Pastoral Council for the 2017-2020 term. Jerry Nowak's term as council member will expire at the end of June. Jerry is eligible and willing to accept a second term. If there are other parishioners who are 18 or older and are interested and willing to accept a nomination, please call Father John at 735-2777.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>MONDAY</b> .....	<b>MEMORIAL DAY</b> .....	<b>MAY 29</b>
9:00 am	Gilbert Kuhn	
<b>TUESDAY</b> .....		<b>MAY 30</b>
6:45 am	Elmer and Edna Schulte	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> .....		<b>MAY 31</b>
6:45 am	Verlin, Patty, and Stephan Dreiling	
<b>THURSDAY</b> .....		<b>JUNE 1</b>
6:45 am	Doris Westhusin	
<b>FRIDAY</b> .....		<b>JUNE 2</b>
6:45 am	Katie Scheck	
<b>SATURDAY</b> .....		<b>JUNE 3</b>
5:00 pm	St. Fidelis Robert and Lydia Sander family	
<b>SUNDAY</b> .....	<b>PENTECOST SUNDAY</b> .....	<b>JUNE 4</b>
7:30 am	St. Ann Imelda and Max Sander	
8:45 am	St. Boniface Wilma Hoffman	
10:00 am	St. Fidelis Willie and Bertha Pfeifer	
	Heraldine Kreutzer	

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**\* Sunday Rosary Schedule \***

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

**MINISTER SCHEDULE**

**CANTORS**

**Saturday, June 3, 5:00 PM** — Marilyn Braun  
**Sunday, June 4, 10:00 AM** — Leroy Schmidtberger

**MINISTERS**

The ministry schedule continues to be on a volunteer basis. Please sign the schedule by the north entrance or come to the sacristy before Mass to see if anyone is needed.