

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, call Shirley Brungardt at 735-9244.

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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

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

www.stfidelischurch.com

May 25, 2014 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

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

May 26 — Memorial Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

May 29 — Ascension Thursday — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

June 5 — Feast of St. Boniface

June 7 — Dedication of the Basilica of St. Fidelis

19th Annual
**FIDELISFEST
TODAY**

- ◆ Mass 10:00 a.m.
- ◆ German Wedding Dinner 11:00 a.m.
- ◆ Country Store 11:00 a.m.
- ◆ Kids' Games 11:00 a.m.
- ◆ Auction 1:00 p.m.
- ◆ Musical Entertainment
- ◆ Hamburgers, Brats, Beer, Pop
- ◆ Raffle winners announced after Auction

Come and enjoy a wonderful meal and an afternoon of fun.

New to the Fidelisfest this year is the seating for the auction. You will not have to sit on the bleachers. There will be tables and chairs on the gym floor and the auction items will be along the walls of the gym. Also, for the kids, there will be FunCycles from noon until 3:00 p.m. There is no charge to the kids for the FunCycles, bounce house, games, or sno cones. All kids entertainment and games are free.



Today's gospel says not once but twice that those who love Christ will keep his commandments. "Whoever observes my commandments is the one who loves me." And again, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments."

While a sincere love of God includes keeping God's commandments, the inverse is not necessarily true. Keeping the commandments does not prove love of God. We can obey the commandments for reasons other than love of God, for less honorable reasons, even for the wrong reasons. Some people have a high moral code without any religious motivation. They just want to do the right thing. Many people are morally correct for fear of punishment, or for the approval of others, or for the rewards of a good reputation. Shame, fear, and pride can be motives for good conduct, at times they can be the more compelling motives.

The reality is that all of us have mixed motives. We act out of love of God and love of neighbor, but also out of fear, shame, and pride. Growth as a Christian means purifying our motives so that love of God becomes the primary motive guiding our life. We become an authentic Christian when we follow the teachings of Christ, and the gospel ideals, not from fear of punishment or shame, but simply for love of God and love of Christ.

"Whoever observes my commandments is the one who loves me" suggests that obedience can cultivate love. Christ also said, "If you keep my commandments, you will live in my love." Here obedience does not simply follow from love, but obedience also fosters love of God and neighbor. Such obedience is formative in love.

There is a development in the process of Christian living. In the beginning stages, we observe the commandments for fear of punishment, or shame. Gradually we realize that such observance is good for us and we observe the commandments willingly. And finally, living the commandments generates a love of God that makes observing them a joy.

In like manner, children are first compelled to do certain things, such as reading books, playing a musical instrument, or attending church. In doing these things they absorb their value and come to realize how they enrich their life. And finally, they enjoy doing them. First, I eat vegetables because my mother says I have to. Next, I eat vegetables because I know they are good for me. Finally, I eat vegetables because I like them.

The two great commandments of Christ are love of God and love of neighbor. Love is the substance of these commandments, and love motivates the keeping of these commandments. The complex relationship between law and love, between the love of God and observing God's commandments, is summed up well in an old saying: "Love is as love does, not as love says."

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Women who carry a little extra weight live longer than men who mention it.

Parish Staff

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Connie Windholz
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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)
Wilmer Dinkel 735-2747 (Liturgy)
Daren Lang 735-2855 (Finance)
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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

May 17-18, 2014

ST. FIDELIS:

Adult 2538.50 Loose 1311.78

ST. ANN:

Adult 141.00 Loose 324.00
Hall Rent 100.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Adult 255.00 Loose 244.00
Candles 40.00

Money Counters

May 27 (Tuesday) — Gladys Pfeifer, Arlene Pfeifer

June 2 — Doris Weigel, Shirley Weigel



Congratulations



The parishes offer their congratulations to **Tyson Ryley Nickelson** and **Allison Richene Benoit** who were married at The Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria, on Saturday, May 17, 2014.

St. Fidelis Pastoral Council Elections

Three St. Fidelis Pastoral Council positions are up for election this year. Those agreeing to run for election are Doug Kuhn, Daren Lang, Randy Leiker, Tammy Lichter, and LeeAnn Schmidtberger .

Election will be held during Masses on the weekend of May 31-June 1. Newly-elected members will take office during the July 2014 meeting.

LITURGY

ADULT CHOIR

PRACTICE: Every Monday evening after the 7:00 Mass in May in preparation for the Dedication Mass on June 7.

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, feel free to call Jeff at 785-650-1640.

ST. ANN

SAINT ANN PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

St. Ann Parish is accepting nominations for Pastoral Council for the 2014-2017 term. Kevin Schmeidler's 2nd term as a council member will expire at the end of June. Nominees must be registered parishioners of St. Ann and 18 years or older. If you are interested and willing to accept a nomination please call Father John at 735-2777 or visit with one of the current council members.

Memorial Day Mass Water Blessed

Memorial Day Mass for **Monday, May 26, is at 9:00 a.m.** at St. Fidelis Church. Water will be blessed at this Mass so please bring a container to transport water from the church to the grave site.

Should you forget a container or should you need a container, we will have some available for \$1. A printed prayer will also be available that you are able to pray at the grave site.



Memorial Day Cemetery Visits

The schedule for visits to the surrounding cemeteries on **Memorial Day, Monday, May 26**, led by V.F.W. members is as follows:

- approx. **9:45 a.m.** St. Fidelis Cemetery, Victoria (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 V.F.W. Auxiliary members and spouses will gather for lunch at the V.F.W. Hall following the cemetery visits.

Dedication of The Basilica of St. Fidelis SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2014 10:30 a.m. Mass Dinner follows at noon in the Victoria Grade School

ST. FIDELIS PARISH Envelope and Loose Offertory Collections	
Budgeted Loose / Envelopes per week	\$ 5,415.19
Actual received Loose / Envelopes 5-18-2014	\$ 3,850.28
Budgeted Loose/ Envelopes year-to-date	\$ 249,098.74
Actual received Loose/Envelopes year-to-date 5-18-2014	\$ 223,443.53
UNDER BUDGET	\$ 25,655.21



They served us with honor.

Let us honor them now.

MEMORIAL DAY, MONDAY, MAY 26

HELP NEEDED!!!

**Ladies, Gentlemen, and Students
of St. Fidelis Parish:**

On **Saturday, June 7, 2014**, we will celebrate the Dedication of the Basilica of St. Fidelis. Once again we are asking you to please help out by furnishing a dessert that will serve at least 18 people.

The German meal will be catered and we are planning for 1,000 people. We will need help with serving on the food line, cutting and serving desserts, tending the beverage table, clearing tables, and trash removal. Please take time to sign up or call the Parish Activity Center if you would like to help in any of these areas.

You can bring the desserts to the Grade School Cafeteria either on Friday, June 6, or Saturday morning, June 7, before the Mass.

Signup sheets will be available at all entrances of the church on **Saturday and Sunday, May 24-25**, and on **Saturday and Sunday, May 31-June 1**.

**Please, please, take time to sign-up!
We will need your help!**

Due to the Parish Office being closed for Ascension Thursday, May 29, items for the **June 1 bulletin** need to be called or brought into the Parish Office **by NOON Tuesday, May 27.**



Please call the Office at 785-735-2777 or email Connie at sftech@ruraltel.net with your bulletin articles.

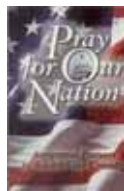
COMMUNITY

Salina Diocese Men's Conference Register Today

The Diocese of Salina is sponsoring a third annual diocesan men's conference, "Shepherd Me, O God", on **Saturday, August 9**, at St. Mary Queen of Angels Parish, Russell. Please attend and bring your sons who are in high school or older. Two nationally known speakers—Matt Fradd, author of *"Delivered-True Stories of Men & Women Who Turned from Porn to Purity"*, and Deacon Ralph Poyo, who is the founder of New Evangelization Ministries—are this year's speakers. Men of the Dodge City Diocese are also invited, so register early to reserve a seat. To register online or for more information go to www.salinadiocese.org or call 785-827-8746, Ext. 40.

Commodities to Be Distributed

Government surplus commodities will be distributed on **Tuesday, June 17**, at 1:30 p.m. at the Parish Activity Center. Please enter using the Meal Site room door.



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.

Job Opening @ Via Christi

Via Christi Village Hays is seeking applications for the position of Director of Spiritual and Mission Care. This person is responsible for organizing and directing mission and spiritual care for residents and staff. Interested applicants may apply online at www.via-christi.org.

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

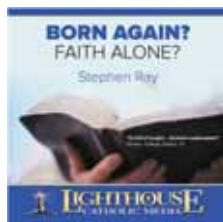
HOST FAMILIES are needed for high school exchange students for the 2014-2015 academic year. The students will arrive in mid-August 2014 and will attend local high schools. Approved families may choose from online applications.

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



Born Again? Faith Alone?

In one of his most focused talks to date, Stephen Ray discusses salvation, the authentic biblical understanding of being "born again", and how we are saved by faith, but not "faith alone". With great humor and doctrinal depth, he goes all the way back to Abraham to show that we are saved by faith and obedience to all that Christ demands of us.



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.

PROJECT WARM EMBRACE 2014

Quilts, Blankets & Afghans for Kansas Foster Children

The Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF) West Region, in partnership with Saint Francis Community Services, Inc., is requesting donations of new handmade quilts, blankets, and afghans. Project Warm Embrace provides these items to Kansas foster children at the time they enter into the custody of DCF. Quilt makers, quilting guilds, community organizations, churches, senior groups, youth groups, and any other interested parties are invited to help.

To participate or to receive project guidelines, please contact:

Diane Kuhn
Hays DCF Service Center
300 Broadway
Hays, KS
785-628-1066 ext 218



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Wed., June 4, 2014

6:00 p.m. - Healthy Snacks

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Limited to the first 50 respondents.

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Mass Intentions

As you may have read in the Register, there has been a change in the cost of Mass stipends. The stipend for each Mass intention is \$10 and this took effect May 1. If you read the Register article, you will also note that a stipend is intended for the priest as a gift and not the parish, and you will note that the priest may only accept as many Mass stipends as he can fulfill in one year's time. Presently we are accepting Mass stipends beyond this one year limit. In fact we are accepting stipends up to 10 years into the future. Although I cannot foresee reasons as to why these intentions would not be fulfilled in the future, it is not a good policy to accept something that far in the distant future where this intention may not be fulfilled. Therefore, intentions may only be scheduled one year in advance.

At this time we are scheduling Mass intentions for the years 2014 and 2015. In the fall when we receive our 2016 calendar we will begin to schedule Mass intentions for 2016. The Masses already scheduled into the future will remain in our books to be fulfilled, but we will not add new ones to this list.

Please note that if you want more mass intentions said then the parish may fulfill, we can still fulfill your mass intentions through masses said through the Capuchin Province.

If this information is not clearly understood, you may call Fr. John or Jan in the office for further clarification. Thank you for your understanding and for accepting any inconveniences this may cause you.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Monthly Meeting

The Daughters of Isabella will meet on **Tuesday, June 3**. The program will begin at 6:45 p.m. at St. Fidelis Church for a study of the windows and statues. The regular meeting will begin at 7:30 at the K. of C. Hall.

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*Sharing Our Best Cookbook,
Towers of Heavenly Recipes,
Religious Articles,
Die Herzoger, and more*



Coffee and cookies are 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. 

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY	MEMORIAL DAY	MAY 26
9:00 am	Susie Klein	
TUESDAY		MAY 27
6:45 am	Richard R. and Mary E. (Arnold) Staab family	
WEDNESDAY		MAY 28
7:00 pm	John T. Newman	
THURSDAY		MAY 29
6:45 am	Neola Schmidtberger Leo and Hubertine Stramel family	
FRIDAY		MAY 30
6:45 am	Leonard (Doc) Bell	
SATURDAY		MAY 31
3:00 pm	St. Fidelis Jessica Calhoun and Brad Younker wedding	
5:00 pm	St. Fidelis Jan Smith Lorene, Samuel, Theresa, and Vince Guercio	
SUNDAY	SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	JUNE 1
7:30 am	St. Ann Iva Dortland (anniv)	
8:45 am	St. Boniface For rain	
10:00 am	St. Fidelis Richard Rohleder	

* Sunday Rosary Schedule *

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

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 31, 5:00 pm

Cantor	Ministers	Servers	Greeters
	The ministers schedule was not ready in time for the bulletin printing.		
Lector	PLEASE VOLUNTEER FOR THE MINISTRIES WHERE NEEDED.		
Comm.	THANK YOU!		

Sunday, June 1, 10:00 am

Cantor	Ministers	Servers	Greeters
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Lector	PLEASE VOLUNTEER FOR THE MINISTRIES WHERE NEEDED.		
Comm.	THANK YOU!		

St. Fidelis Food Bank

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