

“Cathedral of the Plains”

“Pearl of the Prairie”

ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS

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.	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: THURSDAYS 10:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M. in St. Fidelis Church Chapel behind the main altar	

www.stfidelischurch.com

March 29, 2015 – Passion (Pal m) Sunday

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, Wal ker

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

- 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
- Apr. 6** — Easter Monday — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Apr. 6-10** — Capuchin Assembly — no daily Masses during this week
- Apr. 12** — Divine Mercy Sunday
- Apr. 12** — Card Party
- Apr. 22** — Administrative Professionals Day
- Apr. 22** — Earth Day
- Apr. 24** — Feast Day of St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen



Pilate answered: “Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?”

(from the Holy Gospel according to Mark 14:1-15:47)

**The Parish Office will close for the Easter holiday on the following days:
Holy Thursday @ noon, April 2 ♦ Good Friday, April 3 ♦ Easter Monday, April 6**



Trick Question! What is the premier feast of the liturgical year, the most solemn celebration of our Christian faith? Many Christians would probably say that Christmas is the cornerstone celebration of our faith. The birth of Christ is certainly a wonderfully joyous feast, but liturgically it is outranked by Easter and the Paschal Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil.

The Sacred Paschal Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of the Lord is the high point of the entire liturgical year. The saving work of our redemption was accomplished through the Paschal Mystery of the death and resurrection of Christ when by dying he has destroyed our death and by rising he has restored our life. The preeminence that Sunday has in the week, the Solemnity of Easter has in the liturgical year. The paschal Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of the Lord begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, continues with the Good Friday Passion of the Lord, and is completed in the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night and the Sunday Liturgy of the Lord's Resurrection.

While these liturgies of Holy Week celebrate the central truths of our faith, they are not simply historical reenactments of sacred moments in history. Christianity is an historical religion found on actual events which occurred in ancient Palestine. But the church's ancient tradition teaches that what happened once in these historical events has passed over into the "mystery" of the church's liturgical and sacramental celebration.

What the Paschal Triduum celebrates is not history but *mystery*. Such *mystery* can be misunderstood as in the popular vocabulary of an unknown event or an unsolvable puzzle. But the meaning of *mystery* in salvation history is a pattern of God's action that is to be repeated in our own lives in the spiritual realm of grace.

The Paschal Triduum celebrates not the physical events of history but the *mystery* of grace that they engender in our own lives. These liturgies do not "take us back" to the upper room or the path to Calvary. Their ultimate purpose is not to retrace or relive the last hours of Jesus' life; not to catch sight of him emerging from the tomb on Easter sunrise, although such reflections may be helpful in prayer and devotion.

These liturgies are based in what once happened to Jesus, but they celebrate what is happening now among us as a people called to conversion, gathered in faith, and animated by the spirit of holiness. They celebrate God's taking possession of our hearts at the deepest core, recreating us as a new human community in the image of the Body of Christ, a community rich in compassion, steadfast in hope, and dedicated to the pursuit of justice and peace.

This Holy Week and Easter Season we celebrate what is proclaimed at every Mass, The Mystery of Faith: "We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again."

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Avenge yourself: live long enough to be a problem for your children.

Parish Staff

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Janea Dinkel 735-9529 (FamLife)
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Contributions March 21-22, 2015

ST. FIDELIS:

Adult 2453.76 Loose 1087.00
Mission 688.00

ST. ANN:

Adult 398.00 Loose 452.00
Mission 316.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Adult 305.00 Loose 364.00
Mission 350.00

Money Counters

Mar. 30 — Anita Braun, Crystal Robben

Apr. 7 (Tuesday) — Bob and Phyllis Stramel, Dorothy Goetz

CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION

With Sympathy

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of **David "Dave" Kuhn**, who passed away on Monday, March 16, 2015. Services were held at the Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria, on Friday, March 20, with burial in St. Mary Catholic Cemetery, Russell.

Due to the Parish Office being closed at noon on Holy Thursday, April 2, items for the **APRIL 5 BULLETIN** need to be in **by NOON on Tuesday, March 31.**



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



The Senility Prayer

Grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway, the good fortune to run into the ones I do like, and the eyesight to tell the difference.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Scholarship Offered

The St. Fidelis Daughters of Isabella are offering a \$250 scholarship to a high school graduating senior.

The applicant must be a Catholic female whose grandmother, mother, sister, aunt, etc. is a member of the local D. of I. Circle.

Contact JoAnn Berens at 785-639-1948 for an application. **The deadline to apply is Wednesday, April 1.**

Monthly Meeting

Daughters of Isabella members will meet on **Tuesday, April 7**, at the K. of C. Hall. There will be a Divine Mercy rosary said at 7:00 p.m. A meeting will follow. Please bring your rosaries.

Calendar of Events

Palm Sunday, March 29 — Jubilee choir sings @ 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, April 1 — K-6 Mass @ 2:30 p.m.

K-6 classes follow until **4:00 p.m.**

Wednesday, April 1 — 7-12 Classes @ 7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 5 — Jubilee Choir sings @ 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, April 8 — K-6 Class - 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 8 — 7-11 Classes @ 7:30 p.m.

NO SENIOR CLASS

Sunday, April 12 — Jubilee choir sings @ 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, April 15 — K-6 Class - 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 15 — 7-11 Classes @ 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 19 — First Communion, Jubilee Choir sings @ 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, April 22 — K-6 Class - 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 22 — 7-11 Classes @ 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 29 — Last day for K-6 Class - 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 29, Closing Service for 7-11 @ 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 10, Jubilee Choir sings @ 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, May 10, Last gathering for Liturgy of the Word

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.

Monthly Meeting

The Knights of Columbus will meet **Tuesday, April 14**, at 7:30 p.m.

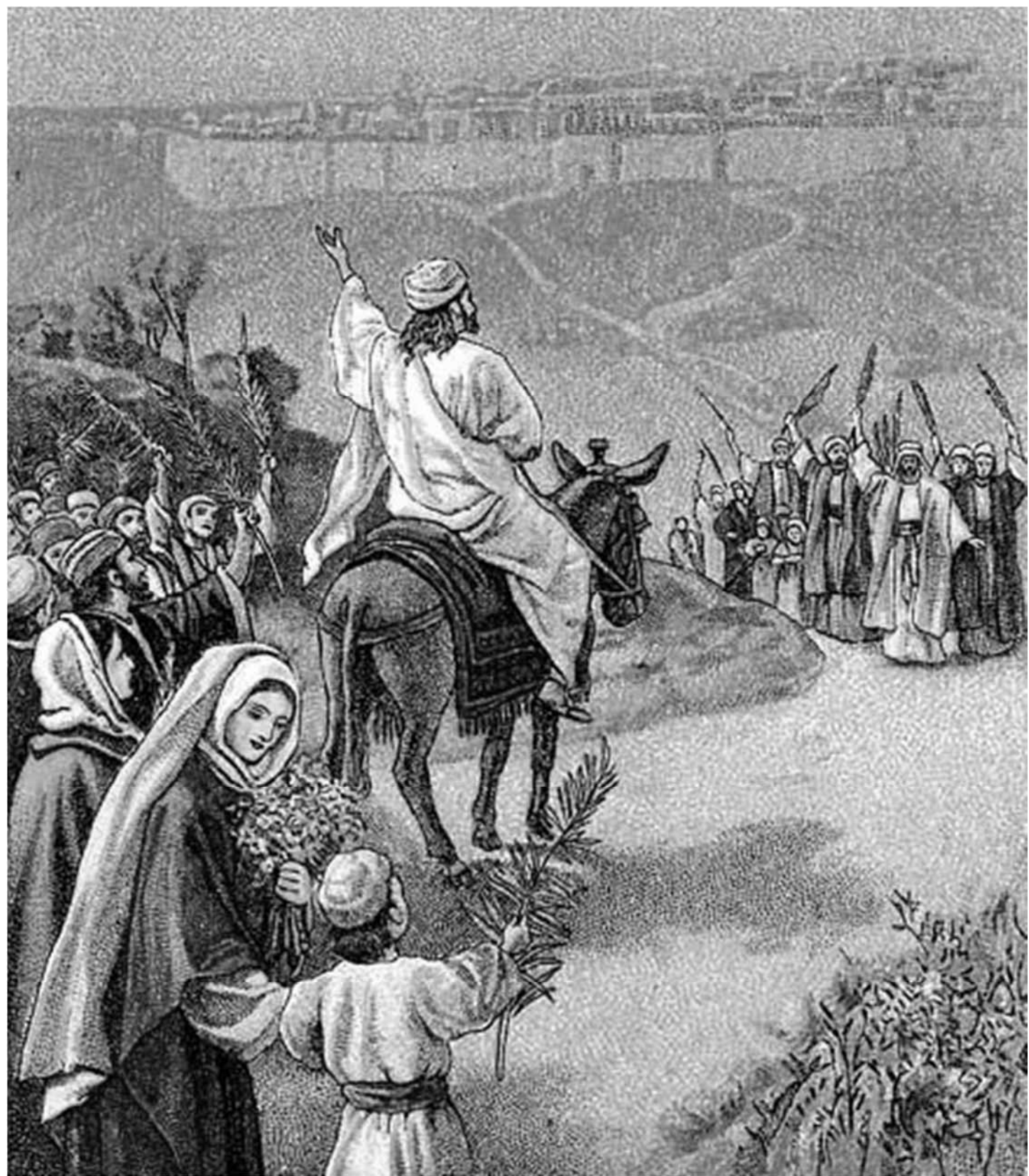
ST. BONIFACE

Rain Mass and Blessing of Fields

The annual Rain Mass and Blessing of Fields and Pastures at St. Boniface will be **Friday evening, April 10**, at 6:30. Supper will follow on the church grounds with the Knights of Columbus preparing the meat.

Please bring a salad or a dessert.

All are welcome.





Procession of the Palms
Sponsored by the Ellis County Ministerial Alliance

3pm Palm Sunday, March 29

**Procession begins at 13th & Ash
 in front of St. Joseph's Church, Hays**

Everyone will congregate outside for prayer and blessing of the palms.

Then proceed on a 10 block processional to celebrate Palm Sunday, Jesus' Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem.

All are welcome to this multi-denominational celebration!



HOLY WEEK and EASTER SCHEDULE

Monday, March 30	7:00 p.m. Mass.....	St. Fidelis
	7:30 p.m. Confessions.....	St. Fidelis
Tuesday, March 31	6:45 a.m. Mass.....	St. Fidelis
Wednesday, April 1	7:00 p.m. Mass.....	St. Fidelis
Holy Thursday, April 2	NO THURSDAY MORNING MASS or EUCHARISTIC ADORATION	St. Fidelis
	7:00 p.m. Mass (Collection for the Poor)	St. Fidelis
	8:00 - 10:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration	St. Fidelis
	<i>All tri-parish members and guests may reverence the Eucharist at anytime until 10:00 p.m.</i>	
Good Friday, April 3	1:00 p.m. Services (Holy Land Collection).....	St. Fidelis
Holy Saturday, April 4	8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass	St. Fidelis
Easter Sunday, April 5	7:30 a.m. Mass	St. Ann
	8:45 a.m. Mass	St. Boniface
	10:00 a.m. Mass.....	St. Fidelis

BLESSING OF FOOD: Food will be blessed at all Masses Easter Sunday morning.

RICE BOWLS: Rice Bowls may be brought to church on Holy Thursday and placed in boxes that will be located by the Communion rail. Please do not put them in the collection basket.

HOLY THURSDAY COLLECTION: The collection will go to our special fund for the assistance of those who are less fortunate than we are.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION: We will take up the annual Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land. Makes a direct impact on the Christians living in the Holy Land and helps maintain the Christian shrines. Pope Francis has asked all Catholics to support the Christians in the Holy Land by "preserving the past—shaping the future" of the Holy Land



CAPUCHIN ASSEMBLY

The Capuchins will meet at the Friary the week after Easter. Therefore, there will be

No Masses Monday-Friday, April 6-10.

No Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday, April 9.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER SERVICE

The Divine Mercy Prayer Service will be held at **3 p.m., Sunday, April 12**, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Hays. The hour will include Eucharistic Exposition, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in song, litany of prayers, and meditation.

Jesus entrusted Saint Maria Faustina with the task of spreading the message of his Divine Mercy through a series of visions and interior locutions in the 1930s. When Pope John Paul II canonized Saint Faustina April 30, 2000, he declared that the Sunday after Easter be Divine Mercy Sunday and an official feast day of the Church.

Everyone is encouraged to pray the novena to the Divine Mercy, which begins on Good Friday. Leaflets on this novena are in the brochure rack of the church. CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD DURING THE SERVICE. This prayer service is sponsored by Divine Mercy Radio 88.1.



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.

**Victoria Elementary School
Breakfast**

Sunday, March 29, 2015

8:30 am - 12:00 pm

\$5.00 per person



Serving:

Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage,
Bisquits & Gravy, Hash Browns
& Coffee or Orange Drink



The need is constant.
The gratification is instant.
Give blood.™

**Victoria Community
Blood Drive**

Nex-Tech Network Operations, 801 Hwy 40

Tuesday, April 14
9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Visit www.redcrossblood.org or
call (800) RED CROSS to
shedule your appointment!

American Red Cross

redcrossblood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS

**Victoria Schools
Calendar**



Monday — March 30

- KCA Jr. Science Assessments
- FCCLA Blood Drive
- AIM period—students will have directed study
- 3:30 pm JH/HS track practice
- 4:00 pm HS baseball practice at Russell
- 7:30 pm BOE Workshop

Tuesday — March 31

- KCA Jr. Science Assessments
- AIM period—students will have directed study
- 3:30 pm HS/JH track practice
- 4:00 pm HS baseball practice at Russell
- 6:30 pm CPL Honor's Banquet. Mr. Moeckel and select students will attend. Departure time is 5:40

Wednesday — April 1 — 2:20 PLC Early Dismissal

- KCA Jr. Science Assessments
- AIM period—students will have directed study. STUCO meeting in Mr. Dronberger's room
- 2:20 pm Early dismissal for PLC
- 4:00 pm HS track practice/JH track practice
- 4:00 pm HS baseball practice at Russell

Thursday — April 2

- KCA Jr. Science Assessments
- AIM period—Students will have directed study
- 3:30 pm HS track meet at LaCrosse. Depart at 1:55
- 4:00 pm HS baseball practice at Russell

Friday — April 3 — No School (Good Friday)

Ireland Pilgrimage

Fr. Joseph Kieffer with Fr. Tony Neusch will be leading a pilgrimage to Ireland from **September 16-26, 2015**. If you are interested in this trip and would like a brochure, please email Fr. Kieffer at joek321@hotmail.com or call him at 785-738-2851. The **deadline for registration is June 15, 2015**.

Engaged Couples Retreat

Engaged Couples are invited to a one day retreat—*God's Plan for a Joy-Filled Marriage*. It offers a refreshing and positive vision of marriage and marital love. It helps couples fully embrace God's glorious plan for their marriage, love, and human sexuality. The seminar is based on Pope John Paul II's revolutionary insights found in his *Theology of the Body*.

Date & Time: Saturday, May 2, 2015, at 8:15 a.m.

Location: Immaculate Heart of Mary, Hays—Upper Room
PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED by April 24, 2015. To register or questions please contact Susan at 785-625-7339 or skisner@ihm-church.com or Nancy at nurban76@gmail.com.

Victoria Community Easter Egg Hunt

WHEN: Saturday, April 4, 2015

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

WHERE: Meet in the parking lot between the Basilica of St. Fidelis and the Victoria Grade School.

AGE GROUPS: 0-1 years, 2-3 years, 4-5 years, 6-7 years, and 8-9 years



Cameras welcome.

There may be an appearance by the Easter Bunny.

City-wide Garage Sale

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2015


If anyone wants to participate, try to get a short list and \$7.00 to city hall by **Friday, April 3**.



LAND SALE

St. Joseph Church, Hays, will be selling 66.3 acres of inherited, prime crop land that borders the city of Hays on **Monday, April 6, 2015**. Farmland Auction is donating their services in memory of Larry Brenner and Dale Simoneau for this sale. Contact Farmland Auction at 785-628-2851 for details. The money from this sale will be used to help finance the parish renovation and building project.

MAKE IT A GREAT ROUND
At The 13th Annual VICTORIA HERZOGFEST GOLF TOURNAMENT
APRIL 11, 2015 ~ RUSSELL GOLF COURSE
BEGINNING AT 8:00 AM
4 PERSON SCRAMBLE
\$50.00 PER PERSON
CONTACT:
RUSSELL GOLF COURSE
AT 785-483-2852
FOR REGISTRATION
FOOD AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
PRIZE MONEY AWARDED

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

HISTORY BOOKS

THOSE IN THE TRI-PARISH WHO POSED FOR THE DIRECTORY PART OF THE BOOK, PLEASE PICK UP YOUR REPRINTED, CORRECTED COPY OF

"Faith and Courage...100 Year Legacy"

the St. Fidelis Centennial History/Directory Book

BY TUESDAY, MARCH 31.

After that day, we will start selling them for \$20 a copy to anyone who wants one.

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.

Are You Interested in Volunteering to Visit the Homebound?

We are looking for volunteers who might be interested in visiting our Tri-Parish parishioners who are homebound or are residents in rest homes or nursing homes. The amount of time spent with these individuals would be at your discretion.

If you are interested in this type of ministry, please contact either Father John Schmeidler or Bertha Brungardt at the Parish Activity Center (785-735-2777). If we are unavailable when you call, please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

This would be a good way for anyone wanting to do service hours for their organization. Thank you in advance for your interest.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY	MARCH 30
7:00 pm Rich and Barbara Weber (anniv)	
TUESDAY	MARCH 31
6:45 am Mildred Wellbrock	
WEDNESDAY	APRIL 1
2:30 pm St. Fidelis Children's intentions	
7:00 pm St. Fidelis Frank and Mary Hoffman	
THURSDAY	HOLY THURSDAY
7:00 pm St. Fidelis Leland Schumacher	APRIL 2
Ida and Simon Goetz	
Alma Goetz Meyers	
FRIDAY	GOOD FRIDAY
1:00 pm St. Fidelis Alphonse and Sophie Dreiling	APRIL 3
SATURDAY	HOLY SATURDAY
8:00 pm St. Fidelis James R. Kuhn	APRIL 4
SUNDAY	EASTER SUNDAY
7:30 pm St. Ann Bernice Riedel Hillman	APRIL 5
8:45 am St. Boniface Father Callistus	
10:00 am St. Fidelis Donald Sander	
Rose Pfeifer family living and deceased	

*** Sunday Rosary Schedule ***

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

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 2, 7:00 pm

<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Adult	Marge Rome	Noah Dreiling	Rick / Marla
Choir	Randy Leiker	Wyatt Dreiling	Robben
<u>Lector</u>	Michelle Geist	Lane Kisner	Charlotte Weber
Kathy Kuhn	Janine Kisner		
	Anne Dinkel		
<u>Comm.</u>	Dianne Crawford		
Marilyn Braun	Mary Brungardt		

Good Friday, April 3, 1:00 am

<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Adult	Ken / Bertha	Ally Dinkel	Francis / Helen
Choir	Brungardt	Brady Dinkel	Windholz
<u>Lector</u>	Katie Bellendir	Bryan Dome	Joan Wellbrock
LeeAnn Schmidtberger	Gib / Carol Billinger		
<u>Comm.</u>	Yvonne Braun		
Cora Schulte	Becky Scheck		

Holy Saturday, April 4, 8:00 pm

<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Trilogy	Danita / Mark Schroeder	Madisyn Gerhardt	Mark / Danita Schroeder
<u>Lector</u>	Jane Wagner	Jacob Schroeder	Ron / Jane Wagner
Amorette Windholz	Tom Tholen	Jessica Schroeder	
<u>Comm.</u>	Amorette Windholz	Schroeder	
Shannon Radke	Det Younger		
	Teresa Shepherd		

Easter Sunday, April 5, 10:00 am

<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Children's	Randy Leiker	Ashlyn Pfeifer	Chris / Kristy
Choir	Anne Dinkel	Ashlyn Windholz	Joan Wellbrock
<u>Lector</u>	Tammy Dome	Windholz	
Shanna Dinkel	Bob / Phyllis Stramel	Katelyn Windholz	
<u>Comm.</u>	Mary Brungardt		
Connie Dreiling	Fran Robben		