

Beacon of Faith,
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.	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 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.	BULLETIN ITEMS: Deadline is Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. Please contact Connie (sftech@ruraltel.net or 785-735-2777) at the Parish Office.	

www.stfidelischurch.com / www.stbonifacevincent.com

June 10, 2018 – 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 • 10:00 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 15 — No Mass @ St. Fidelis
June 17 — Father's Day
June 18-22 — Vacation Bible School
June 21 — First Day of Summer
July 4 — Independence Day—PARISH OFFICE CLOSED — Mass 8:00 a.m.
July 4 — No lunch program today
July 26 — Feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne
July 27 — Last day for lunch program
Aug. 3-4 — Herzogfest
Aug. 5 — No Mass at St. Boniface
Aug. 15 — Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation) —PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Sept. 3 — Labor Day—PARISH OFFICE CLOSED



~ Matthew 3:20-35 ~



The Unforgivable Sin

Today's gospel refers to the sin against the Holy Spirit as the one unforgivable sin, which confuses many good people. This sin is referred to not only in the gospels but also in the Letter to the Hebrews and the First Letter of Saint John.

The gospel passages are: "Anyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but anyone who speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come." (Mt 12:32) "All sins and blasphemies will be forgiven. But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven, but is guilty of an eternal sin." (Mk 3:30) "Whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but anyone who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven." (Lk 12:10)

The other references are: "It is impossible for those who have shared the Holy Spirit and then have fallen away to come to repentance again." (Heb 6:6) "If we sin deliberately after receiving knowledge of the truth there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins." (Heb 10:26) "There is such a thing as deadly sin about which I do not say that you should pray." (1 Jn 5:17)

What is this sin against the Holy Spirit and why is it unforgivable? In the context of the gospel passages it was the sin of the Pharisees in attributing the work of the Holy Spirit in Jesus' miracles to the power of Satan. That was their blasphemy against the Holy Spirit. The sin against the Holy Spirit in the larger context is denying the power of the Holy Spirit, limiting the possibility of God's grace, refusing to be forgiven.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says "there are no limits to the mercy of God, but anyone who deliberately refuses to accept his mercy by repenting, rejects the forgiveness of his sins and the salvation offered by the Holy Spirit. Such hardness of heart can lead to final impenitence and eternal loss." (#1864)

St. Thomas Aquinas gave three examples of this unforgivable sin: *despair*, which consists in thinking that one's own malice is greater than God's mercy; *presumption*, expecting glory without merit or pardon without repentance; and *obstinacy*, hardened resistance to grace.

The unforgivable sin of blasphemy against the Holy Spirit does not consist of evil words. It is the refusal to accept the salvation which God offers through the Holy Spirit. This sin cannot be forgiven in this life or in the next because it is the radical refusal to be converted. This is not a punishment that God inflicts on the sinner, but a refusal of the sinner to accept God's mercy. It is not what God does to the sinner, but what the sinner does to himself.

"Lord, grant me the grace of final repentance and a peaceful death."

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"Obscure passages in the Bible don't bother me. It's the ones I understand that trouble me." - Mark Twain

Parish Staff

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Contributions June 2-3, 2018

ST. FIDELIS:

Adult 3799.00 Loose 1378.16
Repair Fund 601.00

ST. ANN:

Adult 1217.00 Loose 284.00
Coffee & Rolls 44.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Adult 325.00 Loose 339.00
Candles 35.00

~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

June 11 — Bertha and Kenny Brungardt

June 18 — Anita Braun, Marilyn Braun

With Sympathy

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of **Margaret "Peg" (Linenberger) Lawrence** of Gypsum, who passed away on Friday, May 25, 2018. Services were held at the Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria, on Thursday, May 31. Cremation was chosen.

Recent windy conditions have caused flower arrangements and ornaments at St. Fidelis Cemetery to be strewn across the cemetery and surrounding ground. Please visit your family graves and pick up items that belong to you. Thank you.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Monthly Meeting

The Daughters of Isabella monthly meeting will be **Monday, June 11**, starting at 7:00 p.m. with a Rosary and the regular meeting to follow, all at the St. Fidelis Thrift Shop.

ST. ANN

St. Ann Dates to Remember:

- ◆ St. Ann Christian Mothers are sponsoring a parish hall and gym floor cleaning beginning at 9:00 a.m. on **Saturday, June 23**. Bring your own mop and bucket.

Youth Ministry/Catholic Faith Ed

JUNE CALENDAR

Monday, June 18 — Friday, June 22

Vacation Bible School, "A Wilderness Adventure Through the Sacraments"

Fundraiser for Felix Howard

St. Ann parishioner, Nichole Howard, needs our help. Her 15-year old son, Felix—a twin to Isaac—has had a previous surgery in California at 9 years old for an AVM brain aneurysm. Now he is scheduled at Stanford University Hospital in Talo Alto, California. They will travel on June 8 and Felix's first brain surgery will be June 11. This is one of possibly four he may have to have. They will have to remain there a full month or longer. They need monies to pay lodging, eating, etc.

They would appreciate any donations to help financially. Donations can be sent to Nichole's mother, Mrs. Marilyn Schrant Joy, originally from Walker. Her address is 2142A 260 Avenue, Hays, Kansas 67601. To help with expenses, Marilyn is also making bierocks for \$20 a half dozen or \$40 a dozen. You can call the home phone 785-628-1835 to make arrangements for the bierocks to be made fresh.

We thank you for any help that can be given and also prayers for the family.



St. Fidelis Church is sponsoring a summer food program at the Parish Activity Center, 601 10th Street, beginning June 3.

A free lunch will be served to any children from 11:00-11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday.

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. This program is for any children.

It is not a government program.

There are no forms to fill out.

Just have the kids show up between 11:00 and 11:30 for lunch.

Thanks!!





June 18th—June 22nd
8:30 A.M.—11:30 A.M. daily
 Drop-off and pick-up at the tin gym/
 auditorium

To the families of our Wilderness Campers:

You are invited to join us on Friday, June 22nd, for the following activities:

8:30 A.M.—Children’s Wilderness Mass (outdoors)
 9:30 A.M.—Children’s concert/performance in the tin gym (auditorium)
 10:00 A.M.– 11:00 A.M. —**Wilderness Party** will include games, snacks, drinks, and a coloring contest for a FREE C.D. (one prize per grade level) which will include the songs and dances from the entire week at VBS.

The time for our Vacation Bible School is here! Parents please remember to send your child with their Participant Registration Form on the first day of the VBS: June 18th! A letter has been mailed to all families who registered with last minute information and reminders.

Between 8:15 - 8:30 A.M. daily: please drop your child off at the tin gym (on the auditorium side). Children will gather here for the opening and closing assemblies! Please plan on picking your child up from the tin gym/auditorium at 11:30 A.M. (NOT at VES).

Immediately following the VBS, at 11:30 A.M., lunch will be provided by Jan, Fr. John, and the volunteers with the Summer Lunch Program to all children who wish to eat lunch at the Parish Activity Center.

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JUNE HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERT

Predators are at work throughout the year—summer is no exception. Learn more about human trafficking/modern day slavery so that you can be more alert to trafficking situations. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking (sistersagainstrafficking.org).**

**Catholic Charities of Northern Kansas
 7th Annual Baby Bottle Fundraiser**

Fill a baby bottle with loose change, cash, or checks.
 Return bottles to church
 the weekend of June 23-24.
 Your donations are appreciated!
ALL money stays local.

**Salina Diocese Men’s Conference
 Register Today**

Catholic Men of the Salina Diocese, join us for our Seventh Annual Salina Diocese Men’s Conference, “Men of God,” August 11, 2018, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays. If you have sons who are in Junior High, High School, or older, please bring them. Archbishop Charles Chaput, renowned author, and John Martignoni are this year’s speakers. Featured talks will include: “Marriage and the Eucharist: The Two Shall Become One” and “Living the Word of God.” To register online or for more information go to salinadiocese.org or call 785-827-8746, ext. 17.

Midwest Catholic Family Conference

“Defend Your Family Like Your Life Depends on It.”
 Come to the Midwest Catholic Family Conference **August 3-5** in Wichita, Kansas, and hear Dr. Morse, founder of the Ruth Institute, speak on the breakdown of the family and gender ideology. Find her books on marriage, family, and human sexuality, along with other amazing Catholic materials in our hall with over 75 vendors. Save up to \$30 with **early bird registration by July 16**. Register online at catholicfamilyconference.org or call 316-618-9787. Email questions to info@catholicfamilyconference.org.

VICTORIA VFW POST 1751

Please call in advance if you would like the Club Room to be open on Friday evenings.

If you are looking for a place to gather for Receptions, Weddings, Anniversaries, Family Reunions, Class Reunions, Dances, First Communions, or any type of get together, the VFW has a full kitchen that can be used if needed. For more information to rent the Hall, please call Harland or Edna at 785-623-1368 or 785-735-2206.

“Healing” Meetings

The Center for Life Experience, 2900 Hall Street, Hays

For information on these groups, contact

Ann Leiker at 785-259-6859 or email ccfpc@ruraltel.net.

HEALING AFTER LOSS OF SUICIDE is an organization offering family members and friends of those who have lost a loved one to suicide a place to connect with others who are dealing with this highly specialized grief recovery process. The group will eat supper at 5:00 p.m. **Wednesday, June 13**, at China Garden, 2503 Vine St., Hays. They will then gather at 7:00 in The Center for Life Experience.

HEALING HEARTS is a program providing support for immediate family members who are healing from the death of a child in their lives. It is where parents, grandparents, and siblings can connect with others who understand the journey toward healing after the loss of a child. The group will meet on **Thursday, June 14**, at 7:00 p.m. in The Center for Life Experience.

Hays K. of C. Cash Giveaway

St. Joseph’s Knights of Columbus Council #1325, Hays, is sponsoring their annual fundraiser—31 Days of Cash Giveaway—from **July 1 to July 31, 2018**. A \$25 donation per ticket is asked and only 400 tickets will be sold.

One ticket will be drawn every day in July. Winners will be notified daily. Every ticket will be included in all 31 separate drawings. You could win multiple times! The cash payouts are as follows:

- July 1-28 will be \$125 each day
- July 29 will be \$250
- July 30 will be \$350
- July 31 will be \$1,500

Contact Irvin Leiker at 785-628-1984 or Roger Rife at 785-623-1852 for your tickets. Tickets are also available at the St. Joseph Parish Office, 215 W. 13th St., Hays.

**KEEP PRAYING! BRING YOUR ROSARY
OUR NATION IS IN NEED OF PRAYER**

Prayer hour **every 3rd Tuesday** of the month from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Basilica of St. Fidelis.

Please enter through the north door. We all sit together. The church is too big to be scattered.

You are never late. Join us whenever you get there.

All are welcome!



**Ellis St. Mary CYO
Community Fried Chicken Dinner
Sunday, June 17, 2018**

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, Vegetable, Coleslaw, Dinner Roll, and Dessert

Ages 5-9: \$5.00; Ages 10 & over: \$10.00

*Those who expect to reap the
blessings of freedom,
must, like men, undergo the
fatigue of supporting it.*

~Thomas Paine



Walking

I have to walk early in the morning, before my brain figures out what I’m doing.

I joined a health club last year, spent about 400 bucks. Haven’t lost a pound. Apparently you have to go there.



First Care Clinic

Hours are:

Monday - Thursday

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Friday 8:30 AM - Noon

Phone: **785-735-3710**

There will be no Mass said at the Basilica of St. Fidelis on Friday, June 15.

Fr. John Schmeidler will be unavailable.



Tri-Parish

Cards & Games Party

*** TODAY ***

Sunday, June 10

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Parish Activity Center (north entrance)

Everyone is invited.

*Pick up a friend and come
join the fun!*

LET'S PLAY!

- Pinochle
- Farkle
- Dominos
- Rummikub
- Phase 10

There will be snacks.

*You are welcomed to bring a snack
of any kind for everyone to enjoy.*

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.



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, Wednesday from 10-3:30, Thursday from 10-4. If these hours do not work to drop off your donations, contact Jan at the parish office.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY	JUNE 11
7:00 pm Jerome and Irene Windholz family	
TUESDAY	JUNE 12
6:45 am Fran Glimes	
WEDNESDAY	FEAST OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
6:45 am Ronald Lee Leiker	JUNE 13
THURSDAY	JUNE 14
6:45 am Edwin and Laurentine Schmidtberger Andrew J. and Miriam Wasinger	
FRIDAY	JUNE 15
NO MASS; FR. JOHN WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE	
SATURDAY	JUNE 16
5:00 pm St. Fidelis William P. and Catherine Dreiling and Alfred Kuhn	
SUNDAY	ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
7:30 am St. Ann Mary, Gerard, Ron, and Leon Hammerschmidt and Frank Riedel	JUNE 17
8:45 am St. Boniface Lavern Braun, Andrew Dinkel, Don Dinkel, Wendelin Braun, Kenny Robben, and Chuck Robben	
10:00 am St. Fidelis Leona Rohleder	

* Sunday Rosary Schedule *

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

MINISTER SCHEDULE

CANTORS

Saturday, June 16, 5:00 PM —

Sunday, June 17, 10:00 AM —

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, June 16, 5:00 PM — Emma Rae & Ethan R., Brinly L.

Sunday, June 17, 10:00 AM — Ashlyn & Kaitlyn W., Jessica S.

Saturday, June 23, 5:00 PM — Jarron S., Juliana D., Taylor A.

Sunday, June 24, 10:00 AM — Shelby S., Wyatt G., Kenlee W.

Eucharistic Ministers\Lectors

These ministries are on a volunteer basis. Please sign up by the north entrance or come to the sacristy before Mass to see if anyone is needed.