

«Cathedral of the Plains»

«Pearl of the Prairie»

**ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS**

**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 Bertha Brungardt at 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 31, 2015 – THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

### 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 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 8-12 — Totus Tuus in Hays  
 June 14 — Flag Day  
 June 20 — Summer begins  
 June 21 — Father's Day  
 July 3 — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED in celebration of Independence Day  
 July 4 — Independence Day  
 July 26 — Feast of St. Ann



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.



# FRIARS' MIND

On this Trinity Sunday we Christians reflect on a God who is triune: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The atheist Richard Dawkins in his book, "The God Delusion," says that the Trinity is the total nonsense of Christians who believe in one God who is three persons, and defend this contradiction by calling it a mystery. They postulate an absurdity and then escape through the loop hole of a mystery.

He is right. He is also very wrong. If divinity is entirely within the realm of human logic, comparable to a higher level of mathematics, Dawkins has a point. But such a God is not the God of Christian faith. The God that atheists do not believe in, a God confined within human knowledge, Christians also do not believe in. Our God transcends the level of our existence. Comprehending the infinite God with a finite mind is a contradiction. St. Augustine said, "If you have understood, it is not God." Pascal wrote, "God alone can speak well of God."

So Christians speak of the Holy Trinity as a mystery of our faith. Such a mystery is not an unsolvable problem such as a murder mystery or an enigmatic person. It is a divinely revealed truth beyond our mind's ability to grasp fully, yet it gives a meaning and a pattern to our human life.

The great mysteries of the Christian faith—the Trinity, the Incarnation, and the Paschal Mystery of the death and resurrection of Christ—are not puzzles to be solved but divine truths to be relived in our own lives. Such mysteries were not discovered by clever humans, but were revealed to us by God to offer us a glimpse of divine life on which to pattern our own life and to give meaning to human existence which can often seem meaningless. Mary, the mother of Christ, followed the pattern of the Trinity in her own life: she accepted the Father's will and conceived the Son by the power of the Holy Spirit.

A triune God is a God of relationships. The life of love shared by the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit offers a vision of what human relationships can be. We know that we are made in the image of the triune God of love when we live in relationships where we love and are loved. The Trinity is ultimately a mystery of love which is a pattern for the mystery of love in our own lives.

Atheists, within their own limited framework, do have a logical consistency. But people of faith insist that there is more to life than analytical logic. Reason and faith are the two wings on which we can soar above a meaningless existence. Faith opens us to the mystery of love revealed in the Trinity of which St. John wrote, "God is love and whoever lives in love lives in God and God in him." (1Jn 4:16)

... and *mirth*

Politicians are like bananas: they come into office green, turn yellow, and end up rotten.

ST. FIDELIS PARISH Envelope and Loose Offertory Collections	
Budgeted Loose / Envelopes per week	\$ 5,145.19
Actual received Loose / Envelopes 5-24-2015	\$ 4,005.00
Budgeted Loose/ Envelopes year-to-date	\$ 241,823.93
Actual received Loose/Envelopes year-to-date 5-24-2015	\$ 242,388.09
OVER BUDGET	\$ 7,691.16

PARISH STAFF
<b>Pastor:</b> Fr. John Schmeidler, OFM, Cap. email: frjohncap@gmail.com
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<b>Groundskeeper:</b> Julius Dreiling
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COUNCIL MEMBERS
<b>St. Fidelis Pastoral Council</b> Randy Leiker 623-6965 (Chair) Andy Kuhn 639-2156 (Vice-Chair, B & G) LeeAnn Schmidtberger 735-9486 (Sec) Wilmer Dinkel 735-2747 (B & G) Janea Dinkel 735-9529 (FamLife) Peggy Fitzpatrick 735-8186 (RelEd) Gail Robben 735-2546 (Liturgy) Daren Lang 735-2855 (Finance) Bertha Brungardt 735-9490 (SOH)
<b>St. Fidelis Finance Council</b> Curtis Sander 735-2559 John R. Braun 735-2622
<b>St. Boniface Pastoral Council</b> Carol Freitag 735-9282 Randy Huser 735-4836 Mike Eckroat 623-9566
<b>St. Ann Pastoral Council</b> Helen Windholz 735-2293 Allen Hammerschmidt 735-2447 Jerry Nowak 637-5273

CONTRIBUTIONS MAY 23-24, 2015
<b>ST. FIDELIS:</b> <u>Adult</u> 2512.00 <u>Loose</u> 1493.00
<b>ST. ANN:</b> <u>Adult</u> 324.00 <u>Loose</u> 522.00 <u>Earthquake relief</u> 100.00
<b>ST. BONIFACE:</b> <u>Adult</u> 220.00 <u>Loose</u> 310.00 <u>Earthquake relief</u> 10.00 <u>Candles</u> 13.00

**MONEY COUNTERS**  
**June 1** — Jim and JoAnn Pfanenstiel  
**June 8** — Anita Braun, Crystal Robben

### Vestments for Ordained Deacons

If you would like to contribute towards priestly vestments for Deacon Andrew Rockers and Deacon Kyle Berens, who will be ordained in the Salina Diocese in May, you may do so at Messenger, 2512 Vine Street, Centennial Plaza, Hays (785-621-2085).

### 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.

### Knights of Columbus meeting Tuesday, June 9th, 7:30 pm



Community Assistance Center — 12th and Oak, Hays

### GARAGE SALE

Tuesday, June 2 • 8:00-11:00 am



### 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.

### St. Fidelis Pastoral Council Elections Change

The St. Fidelis Parish Council elections will not be held on the weekend of May 30-31. It will be held later in June. We are still in need of people who would like to serve on the Council. If you are interested, please contact Fr. John at the Parish Office.

### *With Sympathy*

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of **Henrietta A. "Hank" Kuhn**, who passed away on Friday, May 15, 2015. Services were held at the Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria, on Friday, May 22, with burial in St. Fidelis Cemetery, Victoria.

### DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

### MONTHLY MEETING

The Daughters of Isabella will hold their monthly meeting on **Tuesday, June 2**, starting with bingo at 7:00 p.m. followed by a meeting at 7:30 at the K. of C. Hall.

## Sister City Visitors from Germany

Two families from Kubelstein, Germany, Victoria's Sister City, will be visiting here **June 1 thru June 5**.

A welcoming open house and social will be hosted by the city and community to celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this union on **Thursday, June 4**, at the VFW Hall in Victoria. The social hour will begin at 6:00 p.m., followed by a short exchange presentation between the two cities and the Basilica of St. Fidelis at 7:00. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

There will be snacks, finger foods, chips, dips, relish, cookies, etc. furnished. Beverages can be purchased at the VFW Canteen. If you like to dance, Wes Windholz's polka band will play from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Our German guests will also be at the Library Bar and Grill on Tuesday, June 2, from 6-8 pm to dine, meet and greet friends.

Let's give our German friends a hearty and warm welcome to our city.



### ST. ANN

### Pastoral Council Nominations

St. Ann Parish is accepting nominations for Pastoral Council for the 2015-2018 term. Helen Windholz's term as council member will expire at the end of June. Helen 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.

### Ellis St. Mary's CYO

### Pan Fried Chicken Dinner

Sunday, May 31, 2015

Knights of Columbus Hall, 1013 Washington St., Ellis, KS  
10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. or until sold out  
(extra supplies have been ordered)

Buffet style dinner includes Pan Fried Chicken, Homemade Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Dinner Rolls, and Dessert

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

### EVERYONE WELCOME!

There will be 10-, 16-, and 24-piece buckets of chicken with sides or no sides to go.

Call 785-259-3992 to place your order.



# St. Boniface Day Celebration and

## Mass of Thanksgiving

All area parishes are invited to celebrate with us The Feast of St. Boniface with a Mass of Thanksgiving for the rain. Mass will be at 7 pm at Vincent on Friday, June 5th - The Feast of St. Boniface. The K of C will serve hamburgers, brats and refreshments on the church grounds following the Mass.

Bring a salad or dessert. A rosary will conclude the evening.

“We must always give thanks.”

### THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

The Fidelisfest was once again a success thanks to all of those who helped in anyway. The final proceeds will be printed in the bulletin once we have all the bills paid.


## Victoria Community Blood Drive

Nex-Tech Network Operations  
801 Hiway 40  
Monday, June 15  
8:30 am-4:15 pm

Visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) or call 1-800-RED-CROSS to schedule your appointment.

### LUNCH PROGRAM

St. Fidelis Church and the St. Fidelis Thrift Shop are sponsoring a summer food program at the Parish Activity Center, 601 10<sup>th</sup> Street, beginning June 1. A free nutritious lunch will be served to any children from 11:00 a.m. – noon 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.

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. 

#### COOKS WANTED

Brother Joseph, the cook at the friary, will be out of town from June 14-July 5. The Friars are looking for volunteers to cook one meal a day for them. You may cook the meal at home and just drop it off at the friary. You do not need to stay and serve the meal. Anyone interested, please contact Fr. John at the Parish Office or at 785-766-5344

### MASS INTENTIONS

<b>MONDAY</b> .....	<b>JUNE 1</b>
7:00 pm Richard Rohleder	
<b>TUESDAY</b> .....	<b>JUNE 2</b>
6:45 am Everett Braun Leland Schumacher	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> .....	<b>JUNE 3</b>
7:00 pm Ventura Sander (anniv)	
<b>THURSDAY</b> .....	<b>JUNE 4</b>
6:45 am Valerian Hammerschmidt Paul Unrein	
<b>FRIDAY</b> .....	<b>JUNE 5</b>
6:45 am Norman and Yvonne Schumacher Charles Guercio family living and deceased	
<b>SATURDAY</b> .....	<b>JUNE 6</b>
2:00 pm St. Ann Victoria North and Nathan Flax 3:00 pm St. Fidelis Shannon Wilson and Aaron Werth 5:00 pm St. Fidelis for the parishes	
<b>SUNDAY</b> .....	<b>BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST</b> ..... <b>JUNE 7</b>
7:30 am St. Ann Imelda (anniv) and Max Sander 8:45 am St. Boniface Wilma Hoffman 10:00 am St. Fidelis Willie and Bertha Pfeifer Eddie and Stella Sander and family	

#### \* 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

### LITURGY SCHEDULE

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 5:00 PM

Cantor	Ministers	Servers	Greeters
Lydia/Christie Sander	Kathy Kuhn Debbie Staab	Audrey Staab Morgan Staab	Fritz / Anita Braun
<b>Lector</b>	Randy Leiker	Alexis Truan	Leroy / JoAnn Braun
Shanna Dinkel	Brenda Robben Det Younger		
<b>Comm.</b>	Ivan / Verda Werner		
Marilyn Braun			

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 10:00 AM

Cantor	Ministers	Servers	Greeters
Kevin Juenemann	Ken Brungardt Michelle Geist	Ally Dinkel Brady Dinkel	Ron / Gloria Braun
<b>Lector</b>	JoAnn Pfanenstiel	Brooklyn Nowak	Chris / Bertha Brungardt
Yvonne Braun	Janine Kisner Colleen Kuhn		
<b>Comm.</b>	Tammy Dome Becky Scheck		
Cora Schulte			



**St. Fidelis Food Pantry**

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