

„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.	

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January 13, 2019 – The Baptism 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

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

- Jan. 14-18** — No Masses @ St. Fidelis, Fr. John not available (*Weekend Masses will be held*)
- Jan. 16-19** — March for Life in Washington D.C.
- Jan. 21** — Martin Luther King Jr. Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Jan. 21-23** — No Masses @ St. Fidelis, Fr. John not available
- Jan. 29** — Kansas Day — 158 years old
- Feb. 2** — Groundhog Day
- Feb. 2** — Presentation of the Lord — Blessing of Throats after Masses
- Feb. 3** — Boy Scout Sunday
- Feb. 3** — Super Bowl Sunday
- Feb. 10** — Confirmation @ 10:00 Mass
- Feb. 10** — World Marriage Day





The Baptismal DNA of the Lord

DNA is used to identify a person. Each person's DNA is unique, yet families share characteristics by genes from the same parental DNA. *Different, yet the same.* DNA offers an analogy for the Baptism of Christ being different and yet the same as our own baptism. We share in the spiritual DNA of Christ through baptism.

If we limit the concept of Baptism to our own baptism we will never correctly understand the Baptism of Christ. Why would the sinless Son of God receive baptism which frees one

of sin and makes one a child of God? Even the Evangelists appear uneasy in recounting this event in the life of Christ.

Mark tells of the baptism straightforward without comment. Matthew has John address the awkward situation, "I should be baptized by you." Christ then offers this explanation, "We must do this to fulfill all of God's demands." In today's gospel reading from Luke, the focus shifts to the Holy Spirit coming upon Jesus in prayer. Yet these three different accounts of the Baptism of the Lord all conclude with the same words from God the Father, "This is my beloved Son."

The fact that God the Father speaks at the baptism of Christ is significant. Only three times in the gospels does God the Father speak: at the baptism and the Transfiguration of

Christ in Matthew, Mark and Luke; and as Christ prepares for his passion in John's gospel. Each of these events offers an insight into the identity of Christ in relation to the Father and his mission from the Father.



JESUS' BAPTISM

The words from the Father are the key to the meaning of the baptism of Christ: Jesus is the Son of God, sent by the Father for our salvation. His baptism is the public proclamation that he has been anointed by the Father as Messiah to lead us on the path to salvation

which begins at baptism.

The baptism of Christ is the parental DNA of our own baptism. *Different, yet the same.* His baptism reveals his holiness and his mission; our baptism gives us a share in his holiness and commissions us as his disciples.

The opening prayer of today's Mass reflects on that *sameness in difference*: "Almighty ever-living God, at His baptism you revealed Jesus as your own beloved Son. Keep us, your children born of water and the Spirit, faithful to our calling."

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"I know God will not give me anything I can't handle. I just wish he didn't trust me so much." ~ *Mother Teresa*

Parish Staff

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Contributions January 5-6, 2018

ST. FIDELIS:

Adult 2850.00 Loose 1088.00
Repair Fund 686.00

ST. ANN:

Adult 462.00 Loose 201.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Adult 260.00 Loose 395.25
Candles 21.00

~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

January 14 — Kenny and Bertha Brungardt

January 22 (Tuesday) — Anita Braun, Marilyn Braun

ST. ANN

St. Ann Parish Potluck and Game Night!

After 6:30 p.m. Mass
Saturday, February 9, 2019
St. Ann Parish Hall



Join us for a fun evening of food and games.

Bring your Kids!
Bring your friends!
Bring a dish to share!

EVERYONE IS INVITED!

Christian Mothers / Altar Society

St. Fidelis Christian Mothers Dues

St. Fidelis Christian Mothers dues for 2019 are now due. 2019 dues will continue to be \$5.00. You may mail your dues to Teresa Shepherd, PO Box 324, Victoria, Kansas 67671 or use the envelope in your contribution box and drop them in the collection basket. If you have any questions about whether or not yours are paid, you can call Teresa at 785-735-9576. Thank you.

ST. BONIFACE

NOW FOR SALE
St. Boniface Parish
Cookbooks
COST: \$20.00

The 153-page cookbook has recipes along with many helpful hints and numerous inspirational quotes of faith throughout the book. Cookbooks can be purchased at Mass on Sundays, or by calling Carol at 785-735-9282.



The Parish Office will be closed Monday, January 21, for Martin Luther King Day.

A small child's coat
and an Elmo doll
were left in the Basilica of St. Fidelis
over the Christmas and New Year's
holidays.

To claim, please call the Parish Office
at 785-735-2777.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Monthly Meeting

The Daughters of Isabella will meet on **Monday, January 14**, at the St. Fidelis Thrift Shop. A rosary will be prayed at 7:00 p.m., with the regular meeting following at 7:30.

The D. of I. area coordinator will visit and inspect the books. Officers and members are encouraged to attend.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP



All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 (**as of January 1**) are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2019 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship.

The local competition will be held **Sunday, January 27**, at the Victoria High School Gymnasium. The gym will open approximately at noon, and the contest will start at 1:00 p.m.

Participants are required to furnish proof of age (copy of birth certificate) and written parental consent. Entry forms will be distributed by the school.

For additional forms or information, contact Troy Schippers at 785-735-4625. All Knights of Columbus are invited/encouraged to attend the competition.



CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION CALENDAR

JANUARY CALENDER

Wednesday, January 16
 7:30 A.M. – March for Life trip begins!
 Youth and adults depart Victoria for D.C.
 6:30 – 7:30 P.M. – Grades 1-12
 Religious Education classes

Friday, January 18
 March for Life – Washington D.C.
 Watch LIVE on EWTN! See separate bulletin handout

Monday, January 21
 Religious Ed Office closed – Martin Luther King Day

Wednesday, January 23
 6:30 – 7:30 P.M. – Grades 1 – 12
 Religious Education classes

Wednesday, January 30
 5:15 – 6:15 P.M. – Jubilee Choir practice
 6:30 – 7:30 P.M. – Grades 1 – 12
 Religious Education classes

FEBRUARY CALENDER

Sunday, February 3
 10:00 A.M. Mass – Jubilee Choir sings

Wednesday, February 6
 2:30 – 3:15 P.M. – Kindergarten gathering
 6:30 – 7:30 P.M. – Grades 1 – 12
 Religious Education classes
 Sophomore Confirmation practice

Sunday, February 10
 10:00 A.M. Mass – Sacrament of Confirmation received by sophomore class at St. Fidelis

Wednesday, February 13
 6:30 – 7:30 P.M. – Grades 1 – 12
 Religious Education classes

Wednesday, February 20
 6:30 – 7:30 P.M. – Grades 1 – 12
 Religious Education classes

Sunday, February 24
 11:00 A.M. – First Communion parent and student meeting in PAC

Wednesday, February 27
 5:15 – 6:15 P.M. – Jubilee Choir practice



March for Life Media Coverage

Join us as we March for Life on January 18, 2019



Join our youth and adults via T.V. and social media as 27 of our parishioners from St. Ann, St. Boniface, and St. Fidelis March for Life in Washington, D.C. on January 18, 2019! (D.C. is in the Eastern Time zone and one hour ahead of Victoria, Vincent, and Walker.)



But, before they get to the March they will be attending the **Life is VERY Good** Youth Rally in Fairfax, Virginia, on Thursday evening for prayer, worship, singing, listening to amazing speakers, and the highlight – Eucharistic Adoration! Check out this awesome experience with tens of thousands of youth gathered to celebrate LIFE and their God-given uniqueness by visiting **the Life is Very Good Facebook Page:**

<https://www.facebook.com/livgarlington/>

March for Life schedule of events on Friday, January 18, 2019:

10:00 A.M. – CST / 11:00 A.M. ET – Musical Opening
 11:00 A.M. – CST / 12:00 P.M. ET – March for Life Rally Program
 12:00 P.M. – CST / 1:00 P.M. ET – The March for Life begins – it ends at the U.S. Supreme Court and U.S. Capitol.

Watch the March for Life on EWTN either on T.V. or online

To watch a LIVE streaming of EWTN online visit

<http://www.ewtn.com/multimedia/live.asp> then click on EWTN United States



EWTN Program Schedule:

Opening Mass of the National Prayer Vigil - Basilica of the National Shrine of Immaculate Conception

Thursday, January 17, 2019 4:30 P.M. CST

March for Life – Washington, D.C.

Friday, January 18, 2019 Begins at 8:00 A.M. CST; EWTN will have special programming devoted to coverage of the March for Life all day.

Jubilee Choir 2019 Practice dates and times



Practice dates

January 9

January 30

*Jubilee Choir will be singing the first Sunday of February, NOT the second Sunday of February.

February 27

*Jubilee Choir will have practice on 2-27th since 3-6th is Ash Wednesday.

April 10

Singing dates:

January 13

February 3

March 10

April 14 — Palm Sunday

April 21 — Easter Sunday

May 5 — First Communion

Thank you Knights of Columbus, Council # 1867



Our local Knights of Columbus, council #1867, has very generously given to our youth attending the March for Life. A sizable donation of \$200 per youth has been made by our local Knights of Columbus, comprised of local Catholic men: fathers, grandfathers, friends, uncles, neighbors, etc. who see the awesome worth in each of our youth and his/her participation in celebrating life this January in D.C.!

We are very grateful for our local Knights of Columbus support and wish to say "thank you!" to each and every one of you for your generosity.



A copy of the altar servers schedule for St. Fidelis was e-mailed to parents of altar servers on January 4. Please contact Jeanette Brungardt if you did not receive a copy of this schedule.

[Happy New Year to you all and thank you for all of your timely responses and patience while I completed the schedule over the Christmas Break!]

Jeanette B. Email: Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net



CYO Ski Trip 2018

What memories were made by all at our CYO Ski Trip in Colorado! Twenty youth and eight adults formed new friendships and strengthened existing ones; we discovered more about each other and what unites us: car dances, card games (most importantly WINNING card games ☺), good food, fresh clean mountain air, a love for our kids!, our faith, and the list goes on and on.... It was a trip of laughter, fellowship, and beautiful memories! Thank you to the many folks who pulled this trip off and made it possible: to Father John for your unwavering support, to our CYO Sponsors: Jenna Wellbrock and Amanda Truan, to the adults who chaperoned the trip, to the ladies of St. Boniface who made the most amazing soups for dinner, and last but not least thank you to the youth who brought their gifts and smiles along for the ride! You are each such a blessing! Happy New Year to you all! God Bless.

♥ Jeanette Brungardt



PICTURED AT RIGHT—Seniors on ski trip, left to right:
 (top row) Thomas Leiker, Wyatt Dreiling, Cooper Windholz,
 Morgan Braun, Walker Braun, and Jacob Schroeder; and
 (front row) Ally Dinkel & Kali Weber.

Diocese of Salina World Marriage Day SAVE THE DATE!

Men, treat your wives to a night out on World Marriage Day—**Sunday, February 10, 2019**—at St. Mary Queen of the Universe Catholic Church, Salina. The evening will begin with Mass at 4:00 p.m. (optional) followed by a social hour, dinner, speaker, and live entertainment by Salina's Les Lankhorst from 5:00-9:00.



Les has headlined with the Salina Symphony, created and starred in his annual solo Christmas show at Salina Community Theatre, performed various times at the Smoky Hill

River Festival, and was especially honored to headline the Great Bend Jazz Festival as well as the Little Apple Jazz Festival in Manhattan, Kansas, and the list goes on.

Join other married couples to celebrate the beauty of faithfulness, love, sacrifice, and joy in married life.

The event to sponsored by the Office of Family Life.

Roe v. Wade Anniversary

Tuesday, January 22, is the Anniversary of Roe V. Wade, the Supreme Court case that legalized abortion. This day is to be observed as a day of penance and prayer for the right to life. Please pray for all those at the March for Life.

Catholic Charities 60th Anniversary

On January 29, 1959, Catholic Charities was officially incorporated and began providing care for underserved children and families in the Salina Diocese. Please join Bishop Jerry Vincke and the Catholic Charities staff for the 60th Anniversary Celebration, "Cherishing Our Past. Strengthening Our Future." The evening will include refreshments, tours, and a short program to honor the great accomplishments made during the past 60 years.

60th Anniversary Celebration

Tuesday, January 29, 2019

5:00-6:30 p.m.

Catholic Charities, 1500 S. 9th Street, Salina

SOUP LUNCHEON



Sunday, January 27 • 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Homemade Soups: Chili, Green Bean & Dumpling,
and Chicken & Noodle



**Homemade Bread, Pies, and
Desserts**



\$8.00 Adults • \$4.00 age 5-10

Free age 4 & under

\$10.00 Quart Carry Out

Senior Center, Gorham, Kansas

Sponsored by Gorham Daughters of Isabella

Don't forget to stop by and check out their Country Store!

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.

Cathedral of the Plains Charitable Fund Meeting

The Cathedral of the Plains Charitable Fund, Inc. will have its semiannual meeting at 8:00 p.m., on **Thursday, January 31, 2019**, at the Parish Activity Center in Victoria. All members are invited to attend.

Pilgrimage to Greece

You are invited to travel to Greece and Ephesus (Turkey) with Fr. Reggie Urban on a 10-day pilgrimage in honor of St. Paul from **September 18-28, 2019**. This is complimentary to the St. Paul in the New Testament course that Fr. Reggie is teaching in January, February, and March at St. Nicholas of Myra Catholic Church in Hays, although each is a separate experience.

Registration is due by February 19. Brochures with an included sign-up form are available in the St. Nicholas Church entrance/narthex/office. Call Fr. Reggie (620-617-1403) if you have any questions.

Census Bureau Announces Job Openings for 2020 Census

The U.S. Census Bureau is hiring workers for temporary jobs available in **Victoria, Kansas and Surrounding Areas!** Starting in January 2019, in advance of the 2020 Census.

The 2020 Census Jobs website is now accepting applications for various positions. We need a large and diverse workforce to assist with recruitment, office management, information technology, and census enumeration. Due to our great need for workers and our variety of positions, we are encouraging job seekers, students, retirees, and persons with other full or part-time jobs to apply.

Applicants will be placed in a pool of 2020 Census positions for which they qualify, as jobs become available in their area.

For more information, please visit the <https://www.2020census.gov/jobs> page or call 1-855-JOB-2020 (562-2020). Applicants may also contact the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 for TTY/ASCII.

The United States Census is an equal opportunity employer.

For job related information/interviews you may contact:

Marq Youngblood

Box Tops & Pop Tabs for VES

Victoria Elementary School is still collecting **Box Tops and Pop Tabs**. If you have any of these items be sure to give them to any elementary school student or staff member, or you can drop them off at the school.

The school is also a part of the Dillons Community Awards Program and you can sign up online to enroll. Each time you swipe your Dillons Plus Shopper's Card, USD 432 automatically starts earning a rebate.

Victoria Recreation Adult Open Gym

Due to lack of interest Open Gym will be discontinued effective immediately.

Single and Beyond

Single and Beyond is an ecumenical Christian social group for divorced, widowed, and single people located in or near Hays. Their mission is to provide friendship, support, and understanding to one another. Contact Nancy at 785-432-0533 or singleandbeyond@gmail.com. There will be a food and fellowship gathering on **Wednesdays, January 16 and 30**, at Vernie's Hamburger House, 527 E. 17th St., Hays, at 6:00 p.m. All singles welcome; bring a friend.

Victoria Schools Calendar



Monday — January 14

Lunch Menu: Hamburger, oven fries, steamed sweet peas, strawberries, cake, salad, milk

AIM period—Students will have directed study

3:30 pm JH basketball practice: Girls at VES. Boys in Tin Gym

3:30 pm HS girls basketball practice

5:00 pm HS boys basketball practice

7:30 pm BOE meeting

Tuesday — January 15

Lunch Menu: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, peaches, dinner roll, salad, milk

AIM period—Students will have directed study

3:30 pm JH basketball practice: Girls at HS. Boys at VES

4:45 pm HS boys basketball vs. Otis-Bison @ Hoisington Winter Jam. Depart 2:35 pm

6:30 pm HS girls basketball vs. Russell @ Hoisington Winter Jam

Wednesday — January 16

Lunch Menu: Pulled pork nachos, black bean salad, fresh broccoli, pineapple, salad, milk

AIM period—Students will have directed study

3:30 pm JH basketball practice: Girls at VES. Boys at Tin Gym

3:30 pm HS boys basketball practice

5:00 pm HS girls basketball practice

Thursday — January 17

LifeTouch winter sports pictures during AIM

Lunch Menu: Beef and vegetable stew, cinnamon bread, saltine crackers, cantaloupe, salad, milk

AIM period—Students will have directed study

3:30 pm JH basketball practice: Girls at Tin Gym. Boys at VES

3:30 pm HS girls basketball practice

5:00 pm HS boys basketball practice

TBA—Hoisington Winter Jam Tournament

Friday — January 18

Lunch Menu: Goulash, potato triangle, green beans, mixed fruit, salad, milk

AIM period—Students will have directed study

3:30 pm JH basketball practice: Girls at VES. Boys at Tin Gym

3:30 pm HS boys basketball practice

5:00 pm HS girls basketball practice

TBA—Hoisington Winter Jam Tournament

Saturday — January 19

TBA—Hoisington Winter Jam Tournament



First Care Clinic

Hours are:

Monday – Thursday

8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Friday 8:30 AM – Noon

Phone: **785-735-3710**

