


„Beacon of Faith,  
ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

„Cathedral of the Plains,  
**THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS**

„Pearl of the Prairie,  
ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH



<b>Parish Office:</b>	601 10th Street, Victoria, KS 67671 • 785-735-2777 • Fax: 785-735-2779 <b>Hours:</b> 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, Baptisms, Hospital Visits, In-Home Mass, Holy Communion to Homebound:</b> Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements for these events.	<b>Morning Coffee:</b> Thursdays 9:00 a.m. at the Parish Office with the Pastor & friends
<b>St. Fidelis Thrift Shop:</b> Monday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday 10:00—2:00; Wednesday 10:00—3:30; Thursday 10:00—4:00 If these hours do not work to drop off donations, contact Jan at the Parish Office.		<b>St. Fidelis Food Pantry:</b> For residents of the tri-parishes. Call the Parish Office. Donations accepted. 
<b>BULLETIN ITEMS:</b> Deadline is <b>Wednesday at 11:00 a.m.</b> Please contact Connie at the Parish Office (sftch@ruraltel.net or 785-735-2777)		

**PLENARY INDULGENCE**—The faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence—a remission before God of the temporal punishment for a previously forgiven sin—by visiting a minor basilica. 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*, Salina Diocese newspaper

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## July 21, 2019 – 16th 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

**Aug. 9-10** — Herzogfest  
**Aug. 15** — Assumption (Holyday of Obligation) — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**Sep. 2** — Labor Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**Sep. 7-8** — Blessing of Seed Wheat  
**Sep. 8** — Grandparents’ Day  
**Sep. 11** — Patriot Day  
**Sep. 14** — Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
**Sep. 23** — First Day of Autumn  
**Oct. 3** — Feast of St. Francis of Assisi — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**Oct. 14** — Columbus Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED



Feast of Saints  
**ANN AND JOACHIM**  
Friday, July 26

“Mary has chosen  
the better part  
and it will not  
be taken from her.”

Luke 10:38-42





## A Vacation with the Lord

“Mary has chosen the better part, and it will not be taken away from her.” Those words of Christ in today’s gospel have puzzled many. Martha was laboring, while Mary was at leisure. Martha was industrious; Mary was courteous. Why is Mary’s part better?

Many workers will sympathize with Martha. It may seem that Mary duped Martha into working hard while she enjoyed the fruits of Martha’s labor. No denying that Martha was a good worker. Yet Mary’s task can be the more challenging. It is more difficult to care for people than to cater things. It is easier to bury oneself in private work, than to engage the concerns of others.

That is an analogy for the spiritual tension between our duty to work and our need to pray. The reason why we work is more important than the work itself, and prayer can give meaning to our work and our life. The mistake of Martha was not that she was busy, but that she was too busy. She seems to have lost sight of the meaning of her work.

This gospel does not deny that serving others is an integral part of Christian life. It insists, rather, that the deeper meaning of such service is to be found in one’s commitment to the Lord. “Whatever you do to the least of my children that you do unto me.” This gospel teaches that a personal relationship with the Lord is the one indispensable ingredient of faith.

The tension between Martha and Mary can be clarified by another gospel passage. When asked which is

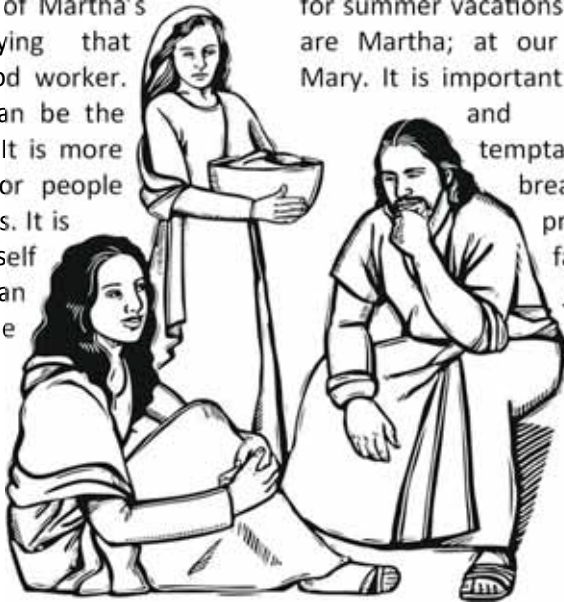
the greatest commandment, Christ answered that love of God is the first and the greatest commandment. Love of neighbor is the second commandment, and derives its meaning from the love of God. Busy workers are tempted to invert that order and place the second commandment first.

This gospel has a timely message for summer vacations. At our work we are Martha; at our leisure we are Mary. It is important to take a break and relax. The temptation is to take a break from the practice of our faith, a vacation from the Lord. That would be missing a precious opportunity. Our leisure is a natural setting conducive to renew our priorities, to review our life, and to reflect in quiet prayer.

As Mary, choose the better part. Your summer rest will be more rewarding if it is not a vacation *from* the Lord, but a vacation *with* the Lord.

### ... and mirth

I’ve been to almost as many places as my luggage.” ~ Bob Hope



**Parish Staff**

**Pastor:**  
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**Maintenance:** Joe Brungardt

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Doug Kuhn 650-1058 (Bldgs & Grounds)  
John Schulte 735-2444  
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**St. Fidelis Finance Council**  
John R. Braun 735-2622  
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Carol Freitag 735-9282  
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Curt Wellbrock 259-6564

**St. Ann Pastoral Council**  
Terry Riedel 735-9375  
Jerry Nowak 637-5273  
Bill Robben 806-669-5264

**Contributions  
July 13-14, 2019**

Adult 2503.00 Loose 1219.11  
Peter’s Pence 38.00


**ST. ANN:**  
Adult 872.00 Loose 305.00  
Candles 123.00

**ST. BONIFACE:**  
Adult 255.00 Loose 153.00  
Candles 55.00  
Hall Rent 50.00

~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

July 22 — Ivan and Verda  
Werner

July 29 — Doris Weigel, Shirley  
Weigel



**CONGRATULATIONS**  
**Father Earl Befort**  
 on the  
**50th Anniversary**  
 of your  
**Priesthood**  
**4:00 p.m. Mass on Sunday, July 28, 2019**  
**at the Basilica of St. Fidelis**

**With Sympathy**

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of **Malinda Deel** of Hays, who passed away on Friday, July 5, 2019. Services were held at St. Ann Catholic Church, Walker, on Thursday, July 11, with burial in St. Ann Cemetery, Walker.

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of **David A. "Dave" Dreiling** of Schoenchen, who passed away on Tuesday, July 9, 2019. Services were held at the Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria, on Friday, July 12, with burial in St. Fidelis Cemetery, Victoria.

**Herzogfest St. Fidelis Booth**

The Herzogfest is fast approaching. St. Fidelis Parish will be serving beef and noodles this year. We decided to change things up a bit. If you are willing to donate a beef roast for the beef and noodles, we would greatly appreciate it. You may bring it to the office any time during regular office hours. The eggs have been provided and we have someone making the noodles.

There will not be a schedule of workers, but you may volunteer your time by helping to set up and take down and volunteering in the booth. Fr. John has rehearsal on Friday evening and on Saturday a wedding at 3:00, Mass in the park at 4:00 and Mass at St. Fidelis Church at 5:00 so help will be needed in the booth any time during Friday night or Saturday but especially during the hours he will be busy. You may just show up to help anytime.

Thank you in advance.



**Lunch Program**

St. Fidelis Parish offers a lunch program for any child in the 432 school district. Lunch is served Monday-Friday at 11:00 a.m. at the Parish Activity Center. There is no fee and registration. Just show up and share lunch with your friends. If anyone has visiting grandchildren, friends, etc. they are also invited to attend. The meal is prepared by Fr. John and served by him and volunteers.

I would like to thank everyone who donated towards the lunch program to help defray the cost. You are most appreciated. I would also like to thank all those who have come forward and volunteered to help serve the meal. You are also appreciated.

~Jan Brungardt

**COMMUNITY**

**Ellis St. Mary CYO**  
**Community Fried Chicken Dinner**  
**Sunday, July 28, 2019**

Knights of Columbus Hall, 1013 Washington St., Ellis, KS  
**10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. or until sold out**

**COME EARLY**

Pan-fried Chicken dinner includes Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Vegetable, Coleslaw, Dinner Roll, and Dessert  
**Ages 5-9: \$5.00; Ages 10 & over: \$10.00**



Thank you to everybody who has supported our youth from St. Fidelis, St. Ann, and St. Boniface. We hope to thank you personally and to see you at the Watermelon Feed, at Herzogfest, on Saturday, August 10, following the 4 P.M. Mass.

## Religious Education and Youth Ministry Calendar of Events

### AUGUST CALENDAR

#### Wednesday, August 7

Enrollment for Religious Ed – K–12  
Time: 1 P.M.—7 P.M.

#### Thursday, August 8

Enrollment for Religious Ed – K–12  
Time: 1 P.M.—7 P.M.

#### Friday, August 9, and

#### Saturday, August 10

CYO fundraiser booth at Herzogfest

#### Saturday, August 10

Following 4:00 P.M. Mass at Herzogfest: Free watermelon feed sponsored by CYO

#### Monday, August 12

6:00 P.M. – Religious Ed Committee Meeting at PAC’s Meal Site Room

#### Friday, August 16

St. Fidelis Altar Servers deadline to request off dates September 7

through December 29 Email [Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net](mailto:Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net)

#### Wednesday, August 21

Altar Servers schedule emailed for September 7 through December 29

### SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

#### Wednesday, September 4

First day of Religious Education classes

## Religious Education Enrollment dates

for Kindergarten through 12th grade:

### August 7th and August 8th

Time: **1 P.M.—7 P.M.**

Looking ahead: Grades 1–12 will continue to gather on Wednesday evenings from 6:30–7:30 P.M. The first night of religion classes is on

Wednesday, **September 4th <-CORRECTED date\***

## Kindergarten catechist needed:

\*Share the Catholic faith with joy twice a semester on a Wednesday (and early release day), from 2:20–3:15 P.M.

Please contact Jeanette Brungardt in the Religious Ed Office to apply.  
[Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net](mailto:Fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net)  
785-639-5067

# Childrens Ministries

If you would like further information on any of the following ministries please reach out to Jeanette Brungardt in the Religious Education Office. Sign-up information will also be available at the time of Enrollment for religion classes, on 8-7th and 8-8th.

## Liturgy of the Word for Children

### Pre-K through 3rd grade

Begins Sunday, September 15. LWC is held during the 10 A.M. Mass at St. Fidelis Basilica.

## Jubilee Choir

### Second grade and older

Practices and sings on average once a month at St. Fidelis Church. Directed by Mrs. Becky Scheck.

## Altar Servers Ministry (for St. Fidelis only)

### Fourth grade and older

Children in fourth grade and older are invited to be altar servers at the Basilica of St. Fidelis. A summer training session was offered in July, BUT if there is still an interest from any youth in 4th grade or older, than another 2-part training session will be offered in September or at the time of the child's availability. Jeanette's happy to train at any time throughout the year!

## Jr. Catholic Youth Organization

### 6th—8th grade

This organization is for grades 6 - 8 of the 2019-2020 school year. As of now, Jeanette Brungardt is Jr. CYO sponsor. Over the past few years Jr. CYO participants have provided service within the community at events such as Trick or Treat so Others Can Eat, Christmas caroling, delivering care packages to the home bound (during Christmas time), assisting at K. of C. fish fries, as well as fun/leisurely activities such as monthly swing dancing, dinners, fellowship, and last but not least every year Jr. CYO members are invited to attend the diocesan sponsored Jr. CYO camp at Rock Springs 4-H Camp on Memorial Day weekend.

## Catholic Youth Organization

### 9th—12th grade

This organization is for grades 9 - 12 during the 2019-2020 school year and is sponsored by Amanda Truan and Jeanna Wellbrock. Activities that the current CYO are active in include: attending the National Catholic Youth Conference (for the very first time!) this November, the CYO Ski Trip in December, attending the March for Life in D.C. (next trip will be in January of 2021—we do not plan to attend in January of 2020), and gatherings of fellowship: dinner, dodge ball, etc. throughout the year.

## DIOCESE

### 2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal



#### PLEGGED/RECEIVED TO DATE

PARISH	GOAL	PLEGGED	RECEIVED	#of Donors
Victoria	13,200.00	13,500.00	10,480.00	66
Vincent	1,000.00	265.00	265.00	4
Walker	5,600.00	7,170.00	5,503.32	10

As of July 16, 2019,

\$1,685,824.98 has been pledged or received toward the \$1.4 million goal of the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

## JULY HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERT

July 30 is WORLD DAY AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS. Let's fight against human trafficking, which is a global epidemic.. **U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking** ([sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org)).

## COMMUNITY



### Victoria Recreation Swimming Party

**Monday, July 22, 2019**

7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Victoria City Pool

This is for all USD 432 kids of all ages up to 6<sup>th</sup> grade as of last year.

**\* ALSO \***

**Fall Sports forms need to be turned in by Thursday, August 1, 2019**

**ST. ANN**



**St. Ann Parish  
BREAKFAST  
SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2019  
after 7:30 a.m. Mass**

**COMMUNITY**

**Commodities to Be Distributed**

Government surplus commodities will be distributed on **Tuesday, July 23**, at 1:30 p.m. at the Parish Activity Center, 601 10th Street. Please use the north entrance.



**Cathedral of the Plains Charitable Fund Meeting**


The Cathedral of the Plains Charitable Fund, Inc. will have its annual meeting at **1:00 p.m. on July 28, 2019**, at the Parish Activity Center in Victoria. Board of directors will be elected, the annual treasurer's report will be presented, and regular board business will be conducted. All members are invited to attend.

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 So, if a cow doesn't produce milk, is it a milk dud or an udder failure?

MASS INTENTIONS	
<b>MONDAY</b> .....	<b>JULY 22</b>
7:00 pm Bernard J. and Viola Billinger	
<b>TUESDAY</b> .....	<b>JULY 23</b>
6:45 am	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> .....	<b>JULY 24</b>
6:45 am	
<b>THURSDAY</b> .....	<b>JULY 25</b>
6:45 am Frances Elaine King	
<b>FRIDAY</b> .....	<b>FEAST OF STS. JOACHIM AND ANNE</b> .....
6:45 am	
<b>SATURDAY</b> .....	<b>JULY 27</b>
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Joe Pfeifer Art VonFeldt	
<b>SUNDAY</b> .....	<b>17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> .....
7:30 am St. Ann Wilfred and Viola Robben James and Jane Robben	
8:45 am St. Boniface	
10:00 am St. Fidelis Robert J. Sander Hubert and Jo Sander	

* 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

**MINISTER SCHEDULE**  
**CANTORS**

**Saturday, July 27, 5:00 PM** — Hannah Schmidt  
**Sunday, July 28, 10:00 AM** — John Braun

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Saturday, July 27, 5:00 PM** — Mackenzie H., Emma D.  
**Sunday, July 28, 10:00 AM** — Gracyn & Claire S., Lauren K.  
**Saturday, Aug. 3, 5:00 PM** — Jarron & Jillian S.  
**Sunday, Aug. 4, 10:00 AM** — Brody & Brooklyn N., Averi W.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**Saturday, July 27, 5:00 PM** — Karie Younger, Phyllis & Bob Stramel, Diane Gross, Teresa Shepherd, Jane Wagner, Joan Steinkuhler  
**Sunday, July 28, 10:00 AM** — Kenny Brungardt, Bertha R. Brungardt, Norma Keenan, Melissa Schmidt, Yvonne Braun, Connie Braun, Bertha A. Brungardt

**LECTORS \ COMMENTATORS**

**Saturday, July 27, 5:00 PM** — Annie Dinkel, Kathy Kuhn  
**Sunday, July 28, 10:00 AM** — Connie Dreiling, Det Younger

**GREETERS**

**Saturday, July 27, 5:00 PM** — Katie Bellendir, Pete & Tina Baun  
**Sunday, July 28, 10:00 AM** — Doug Oberle family, Patty Dreiling