

*"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:</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 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	

[www.stfidelischurch.com](http://www.stfidelischurch.com) / [www.stbonifacevincent.com](http://www.stbonifacevincent.com)

## July 30, 2017 – 17th 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

### 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. 4-5** — Herzogfest  
**Aug. 15** — Assumption — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**Sept. 4** — Labor Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**Sept. 11** — Patriot Day  
**Sept. 14** — Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
**Sept. 22** — First Day of Fall  
**Oct. 4** — Feast of St. Francis of Assisi — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**Oct. 9** — Columbus Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**Oct. 31** — Halloween  
**Nov. 1** — All Saints Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**Nov. 2** — All Souls Day  
(Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed)

“The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.”



(from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 13:44-52)



# FRIARS' MIND

*Give me that old time religion, 'Tis the old time religion,  
And it's good enough for me.  
It was good for dad and mother; and it will do when I am dyin'  
'Tis the old time religion, and it's good enough for me.*

The song *Give Me That Old Time Religion* is credited to Charles Tillman (c. 1889) and it became a modern classic when it was featured in the movie *Sergeant York* (1941). It was more than the clever lyrics or the catchy tune that made it so successful. Its theme strikes a chord with many people who long for a simpler way of life and human values more clearly defined. That is true not only of modern social mores but even more so of religion. For many people the religion of yesteryear seemed more authentic.

Christianity and most of the world religions have undergone major reforms and theological development in recent times. Some have been efforts to reclaim their original spirit, others to find new ways to live their ancient faith. The results have been mixed, so criticism is warranted. The noted protestant theologian Richard Niebuhr, disappointed with changes within his own tradition, offered this critique of its modern theology: "A God without wrath has brought men without sin into a kingdom without judgment through the ministrations of a Christ without a cross."

The Second Vatican Council brought some changes to the practice of our Catholic faith. The guiding principles it offered were true to our roots, but some implementations were not as authentic. Our modern quest for "the new" is too easily overwrought. The distinguished theologian Cardinal Avery Dulles once quipped, "In my many years as a professional theologian I have learned that most new ideas in theology are wrong."

While there is much wisdom in these critiques of adapting the Christian faith to changing times, there is also a hidden danger. Nostalgia may be comforting, but it is not always correct. It has been said, tongue-in-cheek, that the major reason for the good old days is a poor memory. More importantly, the church cannot be a museum. It must be in the arena of life. Pope Francis uses the image of a field hospital to describe the mission of the church. Such facilities are not always in perfect order, in fact often quite hectic, but they do tend to the most basic needs of life.

The challenge to live one's faith in a rapidly changing world was captured well by Pope John XXIII in his opening address to the assembled bishops at the opening of the Second Vatican Council: "The substance of our ancient and unchanging faith is one thing; the manner in which it is to be lived and proclaimed in each age is another."

Jesus of Nazareth was also among those accused of distorting traditional faith. While it is true that he brought a fundamental change to the religion of his ancestors, the continuity of faith in the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob was not severed but enriched. His words in today's gospel on maintaining a constant faith in a changing world are timeless: "Every scribe trained in the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old." (Mt 13:52)

... and mirth

Some day we older folks will use cursive writing as a secret code.

## Parish Staff

### Pastor:

Fr. John Schmeidler, OFM, Cap.  
email: frjohncap@gmail.com

### Bookkeeper/Minister to the Elderly and Homebound/Thrift Shop/Food Pantry:

Jan Brungardt  
email: fidelis@ruraltel.net

### Catholic Faith Education Office:

Jeanette Brungardt, R.E. Coordinator/  
Youth Minister  
email: fidelisyouth@ruraltel.net  
Shirley Brungardt, email:  
sfreled@ruraltel.net

### Housekeeping/Sacristan:

Darlene Dreiling

### Groundskeeper:

Julius Dreiling

### Maintenance:

Joe Brungardt

### Organists:

Kathy Dreiling-Amrein

Lou Ann Hammersmith

### Choir Director:

Kathy Dreiling-Amrein

### Technology Coordinator:

Connie Windholz

email: sftch@ruraltel.net

## Council Members

### St. Fidelis Pastoral Council

Randy Leiker 259-1392 (Chair)  
Andy Kuhn 639-2156 (Vice-Chair, B & G)  
LeeAnn Schmidtberger 735-9486 (Sec)  
Janea Dinkel 735-9529 (FamLife)  
Peggy Fitzpatrick 735-8186 (RelEd)  
Doug Kuhn 650-1058 (Bldgs & Grounds)  
Donna Juenemann 735-9700 (Liturgy)  
John Schulte 735-9535

### St. Fidelis Finance Council

John R. Braun 735-2622  
Harland Rupp 735-2206  
Dave Juenemann 656-0647

### St. Boniface Pastoral Council

Carol Freitag 735-9282  
Randy Huser 735-4836  
Fred Tholen 735-4801

### St. Ann Pastoral Council

Helen Windholz 735-2293  
Terry Riedel 735-9375  
Jerry Nowak 637-5273

## Contributions July 22-23, 2017

### **ST. FIDELIS:**

Adult 2058.00 Loose 2351.00  
Missions 50.00

### **ST. ANN:**

Adult 231.00 Loose 170.00

### **ST. BONIFACE:**

Adult 283.00 Loose 43.00

July 31 — Dianne Crawford,  
Marilyn Braun

Aug. 7 —

## With Sympathy

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of **John Younger**, who passed away on Sunday, July 16, 2017. Services were held at the Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria, on Friday, July 21, with burial in St. Fidelis Cemetery, Victoria.

### Parish Serving Noodles & Beans at Herzogfest Booth

St. Fidelis Parish will be serving only noodles and beans at the Herzogfest. We will not have sign up sheets to work the booth so we are asking that you stop by at your convenience and offer your help at YOUR PARISH BOOTH.

### Pledge Forms

Pledge forms: you may return the pledge form you received in the mail by dropping them off at the office, in the mail, or putting them in the collection basket at Mass.

### Summer Food Program

St. Fidelis Church is sponsoring a summer food program at the Parish Activity Center, 601 10<sup>th</sup> Street, **from May 30-August 22**. A free nutritious lunch will be served to any children from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. 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.



### Get Vitals Checked on Tuesdays

St. Fidelis Parish will have a retired Registered Nurse do vitals checks—blood pressure, respirations, pulse, and weight—at the Parish Activity Center in the Meal Site Room on **Tuesdays from 9:30-10:30 a.m.** The service is free and open to anyone. This service is being offered through the Family Life Office.



## Religious Ed Enrollment Dates

For the 2017—2018 school year:

Wednesday, August 2nd  
Thursday, August 3rd

Hours of registration on both days are:  
**9 A.M.—12 P.M. & 1 P.M.—5 P.M.**

Registration is open to all families with children in grades K - 12

Location: St. Fidelis Religious Education Office

Parish Activity Center - 601 10th Street, Victoria, KS 67671

QUESTIONS?

Please contact Jeanette Brungardt at 785-735-9244  
or by e-mail: [FidelisYouth@ruraltel.net](mailto:FidelisYouth@ruraltel.net)

### Youth Service Opportunities

#### Summer Lunch Program Parish Activity Center



The Summer Lunch Program began **Tuesday, May 30, and will last through August 22**, Monday-Friday. Volunteers do not need to RSVP or coordinate a date or time—please arrive at the PAC around 10:30 A.M. to help Father and Jan prepare for the kids to arrive at 11:00. If you do have questions, please contact Jan Brungardt in the PAC: 785-735-2777.

### Religious Ed Committee Meeting

The Religious Ed Committee meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, August 8, at 7:00 P.M.**

This meeting will include our new members for 2017—2020!

Please meet in the PAC's Meal Site Room.



**Cathedral of the Plains Charitable Fund Meeting \* TODAY \***

The Cathedral of the Plains Charitable Fund, Inc. will have its annual meeting at **7:30 p.m. on July 30, 2017**, 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.

**Singers for Herzogfest Mass**



Anyone wishing to sing in the choir at the Herzogfest polka Mass: please gather at the small stage at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, August 5.

**Mercy in Motion**

with

**Brian Patrick**

*Host of Morning Glory*

6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

**Saturday, September 9**

Little Theatre of Holy Family Elementary

Tickets: \$45 (if before August 15)

(includes hors d'oeuvres, dinner, wine & beer)

**Tickets available at:**

Divine Mercy Radio, 108 E. 12<sup>th</sup> St. Ste. #1, Hays or on line at: [dvmercy.com](http://dvmercy.com) — click on the event tab

**Free Skin Cancer Screening**

from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Saturday, August 5**

**on the Herzogfest grounds**

sponsored by the

Ronald J. Wasinger Melanoma Research Fund,

Midwest Cancer Alliance

and the University of Kansas Cancer Center

**35<sup>th</sup> Annual Herzogfest**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 4, 2017**

- 5:00 pm—Grounds & Vendors Open
- 5:00 pm—Fun Cycles & Banana Rides
- 5:00-7:00 pm—Free Swimming
- 6:00 pm—Welcome Ceremony
- 7:00 pm—Blake Ruder
- 9:00 pm—Home Brew



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 2017**

- 8:00 AM—5k Run/Walk (Sponsored by Nex-Tech)
  - 8:00-10:00 am—Breakfast (VHS Volleyball Team)
  - 8:00 am-1:00 pm—Market Vendors 6th & Main to 7th & Main
  - 8:00 am-2:30 pm—Herzogfest 8th Annual Rod, Custom and Cycle Show (Sponsored by Weber Body Shop)
  - 9:00 am—3 on 3 Basketball, Soccer, & Tennis (Registration 8:30; Location: West of Victoria Elementary School; Sponsored by D & L Body Shop)
  - 10:00 am—Food Vendors Open
  - 10:00 am-1:00 pm—Free Cancer Screening (Sponsored by Ronald J. Wasinger Melanoma Research Fund, Midwest Cancer Alliance & University of KS Cancer Center; Location: Tent on west side of Market Vendors)
  - 10:00 am-4:00 pm—Knockerball
  - 11:00 am—Horseshoes
  - 11:00 am—Inflatables (Sponsored by Grand Rental Station)
  - 11:00 am-4:00 pm—Free Swimming (Sponsored by Hays Medical Center)
  - 12:30 pm—Free Bingo (Sponsored by Predator Pipe Testing; Location: Victoria VFW Hall; Transportation will be provided; Total of \$500 will be given out)
  - 1:00 pm—Eagle Med Helicopter
  - 1:00 pm—Roller Rockers 3rd Annual Valve Cover Races (Sponsored by Victoria City Motor Company)
  - 2:30 pm—Awards for Rod, Custom, & Cycle Show
  - 4:00 pm—Polka Mass
  - 5:00 pm—Wes Windholz Band
  - 5:00 pm—Fun Cycles & Banana Bikes
  - 7:00 pm—Pinochle (Thrift Shop—former K. of C. Hall)
  - 7:00 pm—Kill Creek Rising
  - 9:30 pm—Lucas Maddy & the Kansas Cartel
- Eagle's Golden Egg Hunt sponsored by Eagle Communications, Inc. will release clues daily at 9:00 am & 2:00 pm starting Wednesday, August 2—[www.eagle.net](http://www.eagle.net)



American Red Cross

*Give blood. Help save lives.*



**Victoria Community Blood Drive**

FWF - 204 E. Main

**Thursday, August 3 \* 11:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

Visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code: VictoriaKS or call (800) RED-CROSS to schedule your appointment!

1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) | Download the Blood Donor App

**THANK YOU!**

Victoria VFW Post 1751

would like to thank all who attended our Brats and Burgers on July 16. It was a success and wouldn't have been possible without all who attended.

During our Brats and Burgers, we learned that one of the air conditioner compressors burned up.

We are in the process of replacing it.

If anyone would be willing to donate funds to help with the replacement costs, it would be greatly appreciated.

Checks should be made out to **VFW Post 1751**.

They can be mailed to:  
PO Box 23, Victoria, Ks. 67671

**Raffle Tickets for Farron Leiker's Medical Expenses Still Available**

A raffle was started before Farron Leiker's passing to help the family with his medical expenses. There are still tickets remaining. **The drawing will be held August 15.**

\$50 tickets are for a chance to win up to 9 guns.

\$25 tickets are for a chance to win 7 other prizes: cash prizes of \$1,500, \$1,000, and \$400; a Traeger Grill/Pro 34; Green Mountain Daniel Boone Grill; 4 Royals Tickets with Parking Pass; and a Tool Bundle.

If you would like to purchase tickets to help with this benefit, please call Total Lease Service (785-735-9520) or Mark Karst (785-639-6310).

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Diocese of Salina

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Office of the Bishop

Dear Friends,

July 2017

On the weekend of August 5-6, you will hear a message from me about Catholic Charities. This audio message will play during Mass in all parishes throughout the Salina Diocese over that weekend in anticipation of the 2017 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal the following weekend.

For those of you who do not receive a letter from Catholic Charities directly in your home prior to the weekend of the appeal, there will be remittance envelopes and pledge cards available in the parishes. Please use the envelopes provided to make your donation at Mass on the weekend of August 12-13 or mail your donation directly to Catholic Charities.

There remain many individuals and families who continue to struggle with poverty and fall between the cracks of our society. Catholic Charities acts a safety net for these people by offering stabilizing services like rent and utility assistance, food, clothing, hygiene items, pregnancy support, and counseling services. The agency also provides legal immigration services and rescues individuals trapped in predatory loans.

Much work still needs to be done in this ministry, so I urge you to support the 2017 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal on August 12-13. By partnering with Catholic Charities, we can extend hope to more of our brothers and sisters in crisis throughout the Salina Diocese. For all who are able, it is truly a privilege to respond generously to Christ who is found most wonderfully in the poor. Please join me in supporting the 2017 Catholic Charities Appeal, *Hope for All*, so that together we can carry out the mission Christ has given our Church.

Sincerely Yours in Christ Jesus,

Most Reverend Edward J. Weisenburger  
Bishop of Salina

## **St. Boniface Parish Herzogfest Booth**

### **Serving**

Green Bean Dumpling Soup, Chicken Noodles, Galuskies,  
Sun Dill Pickles, Pickled Eggs,  
and a country store of homemade goods including  
cinnamon rolls and frozen bierocks.

**The parish children will be selling all natural homemade  
ice cream with or without a brownie.**

**The children are making 30 gallons of ice cream to sell.**

There will also be a  
Raffle of 4 quarters of Beef with processing paid.  
Tickets: \$20  
Drawing will be Saturday evening.



**HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERT**

July 30 is World Day Against Trafficking in Persons. There are global maps showing the epidemic of human trafficking and reports on the existence of slavery in countries. JOIN US—U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking ([sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org))—to combat modern-day slavery.



Catholic Men of the Salina Diocese, join us for the Sixth Annual Salina Diocese Men’s Conference, “Men on a Mission,” on **Saturday, August 12, 2017**, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Hays. If you have sons who are high school or older, please bring them.

There will be two speakers: Dr. Ray Guarendi, host of the radio show, “The Dr. Is In,” and the TV show, “Living Right with Dr. Ray,” and Fr. John Lager, national chaplain of FOCUS and cofounder of Marked Men for Christ.

Men of the Dodge City Diocese are also invited, so register early. To register online or for more information go to [salinadiocese.org/family-life](http://salinadiocese.org/family-life) or call 785-827-8746, Ext 17.

Registration is requested before August 1. An additional \$10 fee will be assessed after August 1.



**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.



**BULLETIN ITEMS**—The deadline for bulletin articles is **Wednesday at 11:00 a.m.** Please contact Connie ([sftech@ruraltel.net](mailto:sftech@ruraltel.net) or 785-735-2777) at the Parish Office if you have an item for the bulletin.



**ST. FIDELIS THRIFT SHOP** 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. If these hours do not work to drop off your donations, contact Jan at the parish office.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>MONDAY</b> .....	<b>JULY 31</b>
7:00 pm Tim Kuhn	
	Wendelin and Clarita Braun, Kenny and Charles Robben, LaVerne Braun, and Donnie and Galen (anniv) Dinkel
<b>TUESDAY</b> .....	<b>AUGUST 1</b>
6:45 am Alvin and Martina Schmidtberger	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> .....	<b>AUGUST 2</b>
6:45 am	
<b>THURSDAY</b> .....	<b>AUGUST 3</b>
6:45 am Joseph C. (anniv) and Catherine Weigel	
<b>FRIDAY</b> .....	<b>AUGUST 4</b>
6:45 am Francis Joseph Kuhn	
<b>SATURDAY</b> .....	<b>AUGUST 5</b>
4:00 pm <b>HERZOGFEST MASS IN THE PARK</b>	
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Willam P. and Catherine Dreiling	
	Louise Schmidtberger
	Jonah Schmidtberger
<b>SUNDAY</b> .....	<b>THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD ..... AUGUST 6</b>
7:30 am St. Ann Severin and Isabelle Scheck	
8:45 am St. Boniface	
10:00 am St. Fidelis Mildred and Elmer Hoff	
	Leland Schumacher
	Carroll Knoll

* 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, August 5, 5:00 PM** — Becky and Jim Scheck  
**Sunday, August 6, 10:00 AM** — Aspen Schoenrock

**MINISTERS**

The ministry schedule continues to be on a volunteer basis. Please sign the schedule by the north entrance or come to the sacristy before Mass to see if anyone is needed.