

*"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 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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## September 20, 2015 – 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### 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

**Sept. 23** — Autumn begins  
**Sept. 25-26** — VHS Homecoming  
**Sept. 26** — Alumni Mass 4:00 p.m. (No 5:00 p.m. Mass)  
**Oct. 12** — Columbus Day — No School  
**Oct. 16** — Boss' Day  
**Oct. 31** — Halloween  
**Nov. 1** — All Saints Day  
**Nov. 2** — All Souls Day  
**Nov. 3** — Election Day  
**Nov. 11** — Veterans Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**Nov. 25** — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED @ noon for Thanksgiving  
**Nov. 26** — Thanksgiving — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED



“Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me.”

(from the Holy Gospel according to Mark 9:30-37)

There will not be a 5:00 p.m. Mass next Saturday, September 26, at the Basilica of St. Fidelis. Mass will be at **4:00 p.m.** because of the Victoria Alumni Homecoming.



# FRIARS' MIND

## Friars' Mind

The words of Christ in today's gospel had to be a real shock to his audience. Semitic nations regarded the king as the one to be served by everyone. A ruler who would be the servant of his subjects would be a powerless cowardly wimp. Today's gospel is a teaching of Christ that challenges our age as well.

The model offered by Christ for this inverted order of power is equally surprising: a small child. "Whoever welcomes a child such as this for my sake welcomes me." A child is small and helpless and in need of constant care. Yet, paradoxically, it is the child, especially an infant, who rules the family. Everyone in the family is at the service of the child.

Watch a family with a newborn infant. The parents are the protectors and providers of the helpless child. In theory, the parents are in charge. But in practice, it is the child who calls the shots. The infant wakes up, the mother gets out of bed. The baby cries, the father comforts it. The little one is restless, the other children hold her. All servants of the child. The gospel says that by serving in this manner a family not only welcomes the child, but they welcome Christ into their hearts and homes. That is the Christian model for how we are to use our authority.

This gospel is a true paradox in our age when every group demands its rights. We have human rights and consumers' rights, women's rights and gay right, students' rights and patients' rights. Yes, human dignity demands that each person be given his or her due. But there are deeper questions here. Are such movements the sad result of the powerful abusing their authority? Do those demanding their rights intend to serve others or to dominate in turn?

Yes, there must be deference for leaders and for the office which they represent. Without respect for authority, there is social chaos. That is not the gospel issue. The gospel calls leaders to see the service of others as the reason for their authority, and the measure of authentic authority. This message is not only for prominent leaders, but for all, regardless of their position in society.

The church should be the first example of such use of authority. Church leaders should be true servants. So if you do not feel that the bishop is your servant but that you are his; or that the parish priest is not at your service but rather you are to serve him, you have a right to be disappointed. The inverse is also true.

The gospel however is never about judging others. It is about judging ourselves. We are to apply this gospel to our own use of authority in our own daily relationships of family, marriage, work, and community. Regardless of your position in the family, work, parish, there are occasions when you have the upper hand in a given situation. It may be due to special training, or privileged information, or natural talent, or seniority, or just fate that you are at times in command. How do you use such authority? Are you the servant of others or are you their master? That is the question of today's gospel. "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."

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Dear Algebra: Stop asking us to find your X. He is gone and we don't know Y.

### PARISH STAFF

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### CONTRIBUTIONS SEPTEMBER 12-13, 2015

**ST. FIDELIS:**

Adult 2294.00 Loose 1227.00

**ST. ANN:**

Adult 1001.00 Loose 212.00

**ST. BONIFACE:**

Adult 348.00 Loose 193.00

Candles 57.80

### MONEY COUNTERS

**Sept. 21** — Randy Leiker, Tina Rajewski

**Sept. 28** — Mary Brungardt, Det Younger



## Congratulations



The parishes offer their congratulations to **Andrea Robben** and **Nick Felder** who were married at the St. Ann Church, Walker, on Saturday, September 12, 2015.

### Thursday Morning Coffee

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.



## DIOCESE

### March for Life in January

The Diocese of Salina Respect Life Office will sponsor a bus trip to the March for Life in Washington, D.C., January 20-24, 2016. The trip includes bus fare, hotel for two nights, Mass, the March For Life, National Shrine of the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, sightseeing, and the Life is VERY Good Rally ([www.arlingtondiocese.org/youth/lifeisverygood.aspx](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/youth/lifeisverygood.aspx)) (optional, additional cost). Cost of the trip is \$325 per person. Online registration is open at [salinadiocese.org/respect-life](http://salinadiocese.org/respect-life), or pick up a form at the parish office. There is a \$50 non-refundable reservation fee. Reservations are due no later than October 1. For more information contact Eric and Jaclyn Brown at 785-650-2474 or [respectlife@salinadiocese.org](mailto:respectlife@salinadiocese.org).

**CANTERBURY PILGRIMAGES & TOURS** will host a "fly" option to the March for Life January 21-24, 2016. This round-trip airfare from Kansas City Airport will include hotel in the Greater D.C. area, breakfast daily at the hotel, participation in the Pro-Life Rally and March, three dinners at restaurants in the greater D.C. area, motor coach transportation, celebration of Mass with others from around the country as well as the other pilgrims from the Diocese of Salina, and sightseeing. Cost for the trip starts as low as \$995 per person. For more

**Everyone is invited to attend the Reception for Bishop Joseph Werth after the 5:00 pm Mass today, Saturday, September 19th at the VFW Hall in Victoria.**

### ST. FIDELIS THRIFT SHOP

St. Fidelis Thrift 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 and 5-8. If these hours do not work for you to drop off your donations, contact Jan at the parish office.

## LITURGY

### Adult Choir

**PRACTICE:** Wednesday, September 23, at 7:30 p.m. **SING:** Saturday, September 26, for 4:00 p.m. Mass

The St. Fidelis Fall Ministry schedules are available at the entrances of the church.

## 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 Big Cash Giveaway

St. Fidelis Council #1867 will again be selling tickets for their Big Cash Giveaway. Only a set amount of tickets will be sold so the chances of winning are very good! You can purchase your tickets from local K of C Members at any time as well as purchase them after Mass beginning September 12. All proceeds go towards local Knights of Columbus charities.

**Knights of Columbus** members and spouses of deceased members mark your calendar for the 3rd and 4th Degree Memorial Mass and Dinner on Sunday, October 25th beginning at 4:00 pm at the Memorial Hall.

## Victoria Schools Calendar



### Monday — September 21

AIM period—students will have directed study  
6:00 JV Football at Hoxie

### Tuesday — September 22

AIM period—students will have directed study  
4:00 pm HS volleyball @ Ness City with Kinsley

### Wednesday — September 23

FCCLA State Meeting  
Yearbook ad sales in Russell  
AIM period—students will have directed study.  
9:00 pm Homecoming Pep Rally at Baseball field

### Thursday — September 24

AIM period—students will have directed study.  
FCCLA State meeting  
1:00 pm HS Tennis @ Russell  
4:30 pm Cross country @ Hill City  
4:30 pm JH volleyball vs St. John  
6:30 pm JH football vs. St. John

### Friday — September 25

AIM period—students will have directed study  
Float building in barn after lunch  
3:00 Students dismissed  
4:00 Homecoming Parade  
4:30 Pep rally at High School  
5:00 VIP Tailgate Party  
6:30 Crowning Ceremony  
7:00 pm HS football vs Ness City

### Saturday — September 26

9:00 am V tennis @ WaKeeney  
8:00-11:00 pm Homecoming Dance

### ST. FIDELIS PARISH

#### Envelope and Loose Offertory Collections


Budgeted Loose / Envelopes per week	\$ 5,192.30
Actual received Loose / Envelopes 9-13-2015	\$ 3521.00
Budgeted Loose/ Envelopes year-to-date	\$ 57115.30
Actual received Loose/Envelopes year-to-date 9-13-2015	\$ 41464.00
UNDER BUDGET	\$ 15651.30

**Christian Mothers/Altar Society Meeting**

**Monday, September 21, 2015**  
**Mass—7:00 p.m.**

Reception of New Members: Women of the parish, consider becoming an official member of St. Fidelis Christian Mothers/Altar Society organization. New members will be inducted during Mass. If interested please contact Det Younger by phone 785-735-2757 or email at detyounger@gmail.com or Jan Brungardt at the parish office.

Business meeting and refreshments will follow Mass in the north sacristy of the church.

**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. 

**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



**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.

**Victoria Alumni Association**

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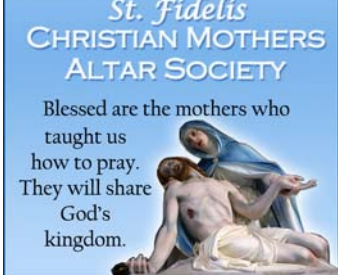
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**St. Fidelis CHRISTIAN MOTHERS ALTAR SOCIETY**

Blessed are the mothers who taught us how to pray. They will share God's kingdom.



**GARAGE SALE**

Saint Ann's Parish will be hosting a garage sale in the school gym on Saturday, October 3 from 9 AM to 2 PM. Items for sale include small appliances, kitchen items, a clothes washer and dryer and many other miscellaneous items. Saint Ann's parishioners are invited to an early bird sale after mass on Sunday, September 27.

**VICTORIA FLU SHOT CLINIC**

Monday, Sept. 28, 2016 10:00-11:00 am, VFW Hall, 204 E Main St. Victoria, Ks. Cost-\$25.00. We will bill Medicare Part B, Medicaid or Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>MONDAY</b> .....	<b>SEPTEMBER 21</b>
7:00 pm Valerian Hammerschmidt, Fred and Albina Dreiling Christian Mothers	
<b>TUESDAY</b> .....	<b>SEPTEMBER 22</b>
6:45 am Ray and Annette Lang	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> .....	<b>SEPTEMBER 23</b>
7:00 pm Alfred and Anna Rohr and Norman Schrant and Ryan Schrant	
<b>THURSDAY</b> .....	<b>SEPTEMBER 24</b>
6:45 am Joseph and Albina Rome and Don Gross	
<b>FRIDAY</b> .....	<b>SEPTEMBER 25</b>
6:45 am Earl and Charlene Roth	
<b>SATURDAY</b> .....	<b>SEPTEMBER 26</b>
4:00 pm St. Fidelis Peter J. and Alice Braun family VHS Homecoming	
<b>SUNDAY</b> .....	<b>26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> .....
7:30 am St. Ann Walter and Scholastica Leiker	<b>SEPTEMBER 27</b>
8:45 am St. Boniface For the parishes	
10:00 am St. Fidelis Eddie and Clara Miller 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, SEPTEMBER 26, 4:00 PM**

Cantor	Ministers	Servers	Greeters
Adult Choir	ALUMNI	ALUMNI	ALUMNI
Lector	Comm.		
ALUMNI	ALUMNI		

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 10:00 AM**

Cantor	Ministers	Servers	Greeters
Pam Scheck	Michelle Geist	Michael Wohler	Dorothy Goetz
Lector	Ken Brungardt	Thaddeus	Kurt Dinkel
LeeAnn	Yvonne Braun	Wohler	family
Schmidtberger	Bertha A Brungardt	Vance	
Comm.	Keith Billinger	Hockersmith	
Cora Schulte	Janine Kisner		
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**St. Fidelis Food Pantry**

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