

„Cathedral of the Plains“

„Pearl of the Prairie“

ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE BASILICA OF ST. FIDELIS

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 Bertha Brungardt at 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.	EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: THURSDAYS 7:45 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M. in St. Fidelis Church Chapel behind the main altar	

www.stfidelischurch.com

October 19, 2014 – 29th 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 — 7:30-8:00 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

October — Respect Life Month
Oct. 26 — Priesthood Sunday
Oct. 31 — Halloween
Nov. 1 — All Saints Day (not a holy day of obligation this year)
Nov. 2 — All Souls Day
 Tri-Parish Memorial Service @ 10:00 Mass, St. Fidelis
 Cemetery visits at St. Fidelis, St. Ann, St. Boniface, Emmeram
Nov. 2 — Daylight Savings Time ends
Nov. 4 — Election Day
Nov. 11 — Veteran’s Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

“Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.”

(from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 22:15-21)



Today we hear a timely gospel verse as we approach the political elections: "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's." This verse has been misused by many to justify a total isolation of faith from public life. The meaning of this passage is quite the opposite. The gospel envisions the church and the state as separate, but mutually enriching. Your faith informs your conscience and your conscience cannot be separated from your political convictions.

"Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's." The conjunction "and" is significant. Some misquote the verse as, "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, but to God what is God's." That would set one duty in opposition to the other. The original Greek text uses "and," conveying continuity and unity, not separation. Giving to God what is God's includes giving to Caesar what is Caesar's. Faith fosters civic responsibility.

Some who object to faith animating political activity have been inconsistent. When churches were involved in the civil rights movement, the war on poverty, and opposing military aggression they were applauded. But when churches speak out on life issues, marriage, or immigration their voices are not welcome. One suspects that the agenda not the principle is the issue.

People of faith believe that all authority comes ultimately from God. Others may not share that conviction and insist that civil authority is derived solely from the governed. Even so, they must concede that citizens who do believe in God and that their social responsibilities are related to their faith are equal members of a democracy.

The faith commitment of believers does not lessen their civic commitment. It enriches it. Faith instills virtues of justice and truth and mercy, which animate noble political convictions. An authentic democracy will hear not only what Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, and Abraham Lincoln can teach us, but also what Jesus of Nazareth, Francis of Assisi, and Theresa of Calcutta can contribute to the public debate. We are not speaking here about theological doctrines, such as the Trinity or the Incarnation or the Eucharist, but about fundamental human virtues of justice, truth, and mercy.

Our founding fathers recognized this mutual relationship between faith and public life. They rightly objected to an established church, but acknowledged that our Creator is the source of our unalienable rights. Even the inscription on our currency testifies to this tradition, "In God we trust."

A nation that does not recognize the heritage of its people's faith deprives itself of a great resource. Faith and government are to be separate, but not unrelated. If one fails to see the mutually enriching connection between the two parts of this gospel verse, one misses its core message. "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."

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Many people are often lost in thought because it is unfamiliar territory.

Parish Staff

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Contributions October 11-12, 2014

ST. FIDELIS:

Adult 2711.00 Loose 1248.05
Capuchins 170.00 Repair 50.00
Missions 10.00

ST. ANN:

Adult 519.00 Loose 675.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Adult 293.00 Loose 185.00
Candles 33.00

Money Counters

Oct. 20 — Mary Brungardt, Det Younger

Oct. 27 — Connie Dreiling, Janie Dinges

ST. FIDELIS PARISH
Envelope and Loose Offertory Collections

Budgeted Loose / Envelopes per week	\$ 5,145.19
Actual received Loose / Envelopes 10-12-2014	\$ 3,959.05
Budgeted Loose/ Envelopes year-to-date	\$ 77,177.85
Actual received Loose/Envelopes year-to-date 10-12-2014	\$ 64,339.33
UNDER BUDGET	\$ 12,838.52

Baptism

We welcome into the Christian community of faith **Gavin Neal Pfeifer**, son of Jeff and Erin (Dinkel) Pfeifer. Gavin Neal, born July 23, 2014, was baptized at The Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria, by Father John Schmeidler on Sunday, October 12, 2014. His godparents are Annie Dinkel and Shane Schumaker.



Congratulations

The parishes offer their congratulations to **Ashley Tholen** and **Andy Wellbrock** who were married at The Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria, on Saturday, October 4, 2014.



FAMILY LIFE

Month of the Rosary

October is the Month of the Rosary. The Tri-Parish Family Life Commission will lead the Rosary 30 minutes before the 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Fidelis on each of the Saturdays in October.



CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION

Calendar of Events

- Wednesday, October 22** — K-6 Classes – 3:30-4:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 22** — 7-11 Classes @ 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 29** — K-6 Classes – 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 29** — 7-11 Classes @ 7:30 p.m.

Rel Ed Commission Meeting

The Religious Education Commission will meet on **Tuesday, October 21**, at 7:00 p.m. at the PAC.

Don't be afraid to stand
for what you believe in, even if that
means standing alone.

LITURGY

ADULT CHOIR

PRACTICE: Wednesday, October 29, for All Soul's Day and every Wednesday from November 12 until Christmas. **SING:** All Souls Day, November 2; Christ the King, November 23, and Thanksgiving Day, November 27.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Corporate Communion and Memorial Mass and Dinner

Knights of Columbus will hold their annual Corporate Communion and Memorial Mass and Dinner on **Sunday, October 26**, for all members and spouses of the deceased Brother Knights of their Council. Mass will begin at 4:00 p.m. followed by a social and dinner at the Memorial Hall.

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.

Tootsie Roll Drive

The Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll drive will be held the weekend of October 25-26. Knights of Columbus members will be present after Masses handing out Tootsie Rolls.



The Knights of Columbus wish to thank everyone for their donation to this worthy cause.

K. of C. Contributes to Herzogfest

Through the generosity of St. Fidelis Council #1867 Knights of Columbus, \$2632.19 was donated to Herzogfest this year as one of the Knights "Community Activities".

Throughout the past few years your local Knights of Columbus council has donated over \$20,000 to Herzogfest.

Again, thanks to all of the local council members for their help this past year.

MEMORIAL CANDLE LIGHTING SERVICE

Sunday, November 2, 2014, during the 10:00 a.m. Mass at The Basilica of St. Fidelis

Anyone who was buried or had their funeral Mass at St. Ann, St. Boniface, The Basilica of St. Fidelis, Holy Cross, or Emmeram Cemeteries between and including the dates of October 14, 2013, and September 4, 2014, will be remembered. A candle will be lit to recognize each of our loved ones. They are as follows:

Alfred J. "Fritz" Dreiling, James Michael "Fritz" Wohler, Sister Valeria Brungardt CSA, Lavern J. Braun, Robert Leiker, Stanley Richard Unrein, Stephen Paul "Steve" Brungardt, Father Simon Conrad OFM Cap., Florence Yost, David Elliott Rohleder, Gilbert J. Riedel Sr., Rubina (Braun-Leiker) Ziegler, Patricia J. "Patty" Dreiling, Norma J. Weigel, Henrietta (Rome) Dinkel, Maurine Lucille (Burton) Riedel, Leona (Landwehr) Schulte, Bernadette Baier, Ryan Richard Schrant, Rita (Staab) Billinger, Alvin Dortland, Elaine Frances Sunley, Lilyota Marie Brungardt, Vera M. (Giebler) Weigel, Joseph Francis Lang, Sister Patricia "Pat" Younger CSA, Wayne A. Knoll, Charles Guerico, Olivia (Kuhn) Windholz, Judith Catherine "Judy" (Scheck) Brooks, Sharon Katherine (Schmidtberger) Urban, Leland H. Schumacher, Laurina (Rohleder) Kuhn, Dennis L. Denning, Lillian Jacobs, Cecil Casper Roth, and Vernon Leo Dinkel.

DIOCESE

World Mission Sunday

Today is World Mission Sunday. We are invited today to reach out and help build the Church in Mongolia, the world's youngest Catholic Church, as well as local churches throughout the Missions, in the most remote areas across our world. Your prayers and generous gift to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith in the collection today help the work of priests, religious, and lay leaders in Mongolia and throughout the Missions who offer the poor practical help and the experience of God's love and mercy, His hope and peace. Please keep the Missions in your daily prayers. Please be as generous as you can in today's collection. For more information, visit www.IAmAMissionary.org.



Slower Brain Processing in Older People Explained

Brains of older people are slow because they know so much. People do not decline mentally with age, it just takes them longer to recall facts because they have more information stored in their brains, scientists believe. Much like a computer struggles as the hard drive becomes more full, so humans also take longer to access information, it has been suggested.

Researchers say this slowing down is not the same as cognitive decline. The human brain works slower in old age but only because we have stored more information over time. The brains of older people do not get weak. On the contrary, they simply know more, but just may not be able to access the information.

Also, older people often go to another room to get something and when they get there, they stand there wondering what they came for. It is **NOT** a memory problem, it is nature's way of making older people do more exercise.

Priesthood Sunday

Worldwide Marriage Encounter and Serra Club International are again sponsoring Priesthood Sunday on **October 26**. The mission and purpose is to celebrate and confirm the men who commit their lives to the Lord and the church through the sacrament of Holy Orders. It is an opportunity for Catholic people to thank, affirm, and share their love and support for priests. It also provides an occasion to promote vocations.

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Seminarian Collection

God's Blessings are many. We are blessed in the Salina Diocese with 13 men currently discerning God's call to the Priesthood. We ask that you keep them in prayer and to also consider supporting them financially through the Seminarian collection on the weekend of November 8-9.



The need is constant.
The gratification is instant.
Give blood.™

Victoria Community Blood Drive

Nex-Tech Network Operations - 801 Hwy 40

Thursday, October 23
9 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Visit www.redcrossblood.org or call
(800) RED-CROSS to schedule your appointment!

American Red Cross

redcrossblood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS



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. Nicholas Parish
2901 E. 13th St., Hays

20th Annual Soup Day SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

Lunch served 11:30 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.
Supper served 4:30 p.m. — 6:30 p.m.

TICKETS: Adults \$5.00
Children (age 4-10) \$2.00

MENU:

Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup, Homemade Chili Soup,
Chicken Salad Sandwiches, Hot Dogs, Relishes &
Crackers, Desserts & Drinks

Upon this Rock

Plans are being finalized for the upcoming Stewards of Hope Mission organized by St. Mary parishes in Gorham and Russell. Beginning on Sunday evening October 26 and continuing through Wednesday evening October 29, Father Gale Hammerschmidt will be leading the Mission with a series of presentations focused upon the beauty of our Catholic Faith and the blessings that it brings.

Father Gale is currently the parochial vicar at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Salina, Kansas. He works mainly with the Hispanic community while also serving as co-vocation director for the diocese of Salina and chaplain at Sacred Heart Junior Senior High School. He was ordained in the year 2012 after completing seven years of study at St. John Vianney Theological Seminary in Denver, Colorado.

Father Gale grew up in Hays, Kansas, graduating from Thomas More Prep Marion High School then attended Kansas State University receiving a degree in secondary education. Fr. Gale spent nine years as a middle school history teacher and coach before going to the seminary in 2005.



2014 Fall Mission

St. Mary Help of Christians | Gorham
St. Mary Queen of Angels | Russell

Sunday Evening

October 26th at St. Mary's in Russell
6:00 pm potluck with 7:00 pm Mission Presentation to follow

Monday - Wednesday Evenings

October 27-28-29 at St. Mary's in Russell
6:30 pm reconciliation opportunity with Father Gale
7:00 pm Mission Presentation with Hospitality to Follow

Monday - Wednesday Mornings

8:00 am morning Masses at St. Mary's in Gorham
Hospitality to Follow



Visit www.called2live.com or scan the code (left) for a sampling of Fr. Gale and the blessings God has in store for us through him during the up coming mission.

23RD ANNUAL

FESTIVAL OF FAITH Let Not Your Heart Be Troubled



SUNDAY
October 19, 2014 – 3:00 PM

(NIV) John 14:27

Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you.
I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not
let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

ⓐ A time of sharing our faith in Christ with special music and words of encouragement.

ⓑ An offering will be taken to benefit the Ellis County Ministerial Alliance Second Mile fund, which provides assistance to the needy in our community.

BEACH-SCHMIDT

FI-SU Campus Performing Arts Center

GUEST SPEAKER – ROBERT ROGERS

An accomplished worship leader, pianist, songwriter, and author of “Into The Deep, one man’s story of how tragedy took his family but could not take his faith”. Robert teaches others to live a life of no regrets with his inspiring words and original songs at the piano.



Sponsored by:
Hays Area Chamber of Commerce
& Ellis County Ministerial Alliance

T-Shirts for Fidelisfest Project

Looking for Victoria Knights or Squire T-shirts for a Fidelisfest project. If you have one, please call Rosie Kreutzer at 785-656-3298.

Single and Beyond

Contact person: Nancy 628-3347
Email: singleandbeyond@gmail.com

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.

Food and Fellowship - October 29
Thirsty's Grill & Pub, 2704 Vine, 6:00 PM.

Ellis St. Mary's CYO Community Fried Chicken Dinner Sunday, October 26

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

Pan Fried Chicken dinner includes Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn & Green Beans, Coleslaw, Dinner Rolls, and Dessert
Ages 5-9: \$5.00; Ages 10 & over: \$10.00

Victoria Schools Calendar



Monday — October 20

AIM period—Students will have directed study

Tuesday — October 21

1:30 pm Hays High College Fair—Select students will be dismissed at 1:00

AIM period—Students will have directed study. 7th grade boys will meet in Mrs. K. Braun's room during AIM

Wednesday — October 22

FCCLA meeting @ Oakley

AIM period—Students will have directed study

5:30 pm HS cheer practice

Thursday — October 23

AIM period—Students will have directed study. 8th grade boys will meet in Mrs. K. Braun's room during AIM

Friday — October 24

7:00 pm HS football @ Natoma. Departure: 3:50 pm

Saturday — October 25

ACT test date

2:00 pm KSHSAA Regional CC @ Wheatland-Grinnell.

Departure: 11:45 am

3:00 pm KSHSAA sub-state volleyball @ Stockton. Departure: 1:00 pm

PROJECT WARM EMBRACE 2014 Quilts, Blankets & Afghans for Kansas Foster Children

The Kansas Department for Children and Families (CDF) West Region, in partnership with Saint Francis Community Services, Inc., is requesting donations of new handmade quilts, blankets, and afghans. Project Warm Embrace provides these items to Kansas foster children at the time they enter into the custody of DCF. Quilt makers, quilting guilds, community organizations, churches, senior groups, youth groups, and any other interested parties are invited to help.

To participate or to receive project guidelines, please contact:

Diane Kuhn
Hays DCF Service Center
300 Broadway
Hays, KS
785-628-1066 ext 218



Food Pantry Donations

For those of you who travel, if you have the toiletry items that are in the hotel rooms that you do not use, such as shampoo, soap and lotion, we will take them for our food pantry.

The food pantry is always taking donations. We can always use any kind of food, but we also take shampoo, soap, toothpaste, and toothbrushes.

Trick or Treat So Others Can Eat Sunday, October 26

2:00—5:00 p.m.

Victoria youth groups will be collecting canned goods/nonperishable items for the Ellis County Community Assistance Center in Hays which provides food and clothing to those in need in Ellis County.

Items can be left sacked on your porch for pickup. We appreciate the community's support.



~ CANCELLATION ~

The **Honyocktoberfest 2014** dinner and dance scheduled for Saturday, October 25, at the V.F.W. Hall, Victoria has been canceled.

Community Assistance Center — 12th and Oak, Hays



GARAGE SALE

Tuesday, October 21 • 8-11 a.m.



Collecting Box Tops, Pop Tabs, Receipts

Victoria Elementary School is once again collecting **Box Tops, Pop Tabs, McDonald's receipts, and Sunny D UPC labels**. Our school can earn classroom supplies and money for our activity fund with the Box Tops and McDonald's receipts. The Sunny D labels will help the classrooms earn free books. The Pop Tabs are delivered to Topeka to the Ronald McDonald House where they are recycled, and the money raised goes to help with the cost of operating the house.

We'll be turning in the **Sunny D UPC labels** by November 21, the **Box Tops** at the end of February, and the **Pop Tabs** will be delivered to Topeka over Spring Break. These items can be dropped off at the school, or you can give them to any elementary school student or teacher. Thanks for your help!

Trinity Lutheran Church

(corner of 27th and Fort, Hays)
is pleased to present a

Bar-B-Q

Benefiting the FHSU and Hays High School Food Pantries

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

11:30 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.

Free-will donations will be accepted.

All proceeds benefit the pantries.

All are welcome and encouraged to bring a friend!

MENU:

First-rate smoked meats, scrumptious beaked beans, mouthwatering coleslaw, tasty potato salad, and a variety of delectable desserts.

Commodities to Be Distributed

Government surplus commodities will be distributed on **Tuesday, October 21**, at 1:30 p.m. at the Parish Activity Center. Please enter using the Meal Site room door.



Volunteers Needed for Via Christi Masses

"As each one of us has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards."

Do you have a special gift you would love to share with others? We are looking for volunteers to help with daily and weekend mass at Via Christi in Hays.

Please contact: Deacon Dave Kisner at 785-628-3241.



You're Invited

HaysMed Women/Infant Care Center
Cordially invites you to attend our
"Remembering Together" Remembrance Walk
Held in recognition of all families who
Have experienced the loss of a baby.

The Remembrance Walk will be
Sunday, October 19, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.
HaysMed Hadley Room 2
2220 Canterbury Drive Hays, KS 67601

Come dressed for the weather as we will be going
Outside to the fitness trail.

Reception to follow in Hadley Room 2

Call 785-623-5200 or e-mail doris.rack@haysmed.com
To RSVP or to be removed from the mailing list.

If comfortable bring a small keepsake of your child to share on
our remembrance table.

Due to the flu drive, please enter parking lot C
via the southwest entrance.



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