

*"Beacon of Faith,"*  
**ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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

*"Pearl of the Prairie,"*  
**ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH**



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| <b>Parish Office:</b>   | 601 10th Street, Victoria, KS 67671 • 785-735-2777 • Fax: 785-735-2779<br><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><br>785-735-9244   |
| <b>Gift Shop Hours:</b><br>Monday-Thursday:<br>8:30–noon and 1:00–4:30<br>Friday: 8:30–noon   | <b>Weddings:</b><br>Couples planning to marry must contact the Parish Office at least 6 months before the wedding date for marriage preparations.   | <b>Baptisms:</b><br>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><br>To arrange for our pastor to visit someone in the hospital, please call the Parish Office. |
| <b>In-Home Mass:</b><br>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><br>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><br><b>THURSDAYS</b><br><b>10:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.</b><br>in St. Fidelis Church Chapel behind the main altar                             |   |

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

## June 28, 2015 – 13th 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

**July 4** — Independence Day  
**July 26** — Feast of St. Ann  
**Aug. 14-15** — Herzogfest  
**Aug. 15** — 4:00 p.m. Mass at Park in conjunction with Herzogfest  
**Sept. 7** — Labor Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
**Sept. 11** — Patriot Day  
**Sept. 12-13** — Seed Wheat blessing at all Masses  
**Sept. 25-26** — VHS Homecoming  
**Sept. 26** — Alumni Mass 4:00 p.m. (No 5:00 p.m. Mass)



**He took the child by the hand and said to her . . .**  
**“Little girl, I say to you, arise!”**

(from the Holy Gospel according to Mark 5:21-43)

**The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, July 3,  
 in celebration of Independence Day.**



“Meanwhile back at the ranch” was a familiar story line in the old westerns. As the plot of the movie unfolded the drama on the screen was suddenly shifted to another scene and a different phase of the story was played out before returning to the previous scene. It was a clever way to develop the plot and heighten the suspense by inserting one story into the middle of another story.

Where did the old movie directors get that clever idea? They stole it from the gospels, especially the gospel of Mark. Today’s gospel is a classic example of this technique which is known by various names: sandwiching, nesting, dovetailing, the Oreo effect, and of course, meanwhile back at the ranch.

In this technique the author of the gospel begins a story, stops, tells another related story, and then returns to finish the first story. One story is nested within another story; both stories are about the same topic. In today’s gospel the story of the women with the hemorrhage is sandwiched in the middle of the story about curing the little girl. And both of the interwoven stories deal with faith.

The aggressive faith of the hemorrhaging woman is contrasted with the reluctant faith of the little girl’s family. By contrasting the two, the women’s faith is made all the brighter; the crowd’s lack of faith all the darker. The Oreo cookie effect.

The contrast of faith in the characters of this gospel is an image of our own struggle with faith. As the trusting woman, we have all known moments of secure faith. And much like the crowd who gave up on the little girl, we have also had our lingering doubts. Faith and doubt have been sandwiched in our own lives and the tension between the two can be a healthy dynamic. We instinctively know the blessings of a secure faith. We need to appreciate that doubting can be a means to a deeper faith. Faith speaks to doubt, and doubt speaks to faith. An unexamined faith easily degenerates into superstition.

While modern Catholics accept the core of their faith, they also have doubts. The Catholic Catechism may seem to some like a medieval relic in a modern secular world. If we find some teachings of the church troublesome, we gain nothing by discarding those teachings. We need to engage our doubts. When we struggle with the truths which we find difficult, we enrich our faith.

The contrast of faith and doubt in today’s gospel story is about our own faith and doubt. Your faith maybe secure and calm on the home front, but “meanwhile back at the ranch,” the guys in the black hats might be winning. Perhaps it is time to reach out again and touch His cloak, in prayer and charity, in the scripture and study.

Christ said of the little girl in the gospel story, “Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep.” The same might be said of the faith of many in modern times. “Why this commotion and weeping? Your faith is not dead but asleep.”

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“Batteries included free of charge.”

## Parish Staff

### Pastor:

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### Secretary:

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### Groundskeeper: Julius Dreiling

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## Council Members

### St. Fidelis Pastoral Council

Randy Leiker 623-6965 (Chair)  
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Wilmer Dinkel 735-2747 (B & G)  
Janea Dinkel 735-9529 (FamLife)  
Peggy Fitzpatrick 735-8186 (RelEd)  
Gail Robben 735-2546 (Liturgy)  
Daren Lang 735-2855 (Finance)  
Bertha Brungardt 735-9490 (SOH)

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### St. Boniface Pastoral Council

Carol Freitag 735-9282  
Randy Huser 735-4836  
Mike Eckroat 623-9566

### St. Ann Pastoral Council

Helen Windholz 735-2293  
Allen Hammerschmidt 735-2447  
Jerry Nowak 637-5273

## Contributions June 20-21, 2015

### **ST. FIDELIS:**

Adult 2144.00 Loose 1108.86

### **ST. ANN:**

Adult 781.00 Loose 518.00

### **ST. BONIFACE:**

430.00 Loose 256.00

Candles 36.00

## Money Counters

June 29 — Ramona McCarty,  
Arlene Pfeifer

July 6 — Doris Weigel, Shirley  
Weigel

## St. Fidelis Pastoral Council

We are still in need of people who would like to serve on the St. Fidelis Parish Council. If you are interested, please contact Fr. John at the Parish Office.

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## FREE LUNCH PROGRAM

The Free Lunch Program started on June 1. We have had as many as 20 kids for lunch. This program is for all kids in Victoria. If you have kids visiting for the summer, they are also welcome. Just come to the PAC between 11:00 a.m. and noon, Monday through Friday. Please use the front door.

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## Fidelisfest

The final Fidelisfest totals are not available just yet. We are still receiving donations from our tourists. However, we have cleared a little over \$55,000. Thank you to everyone who made this a success.

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## Seniors on the Go Trip

Save the date for the next SENIORS ON THE GO TRIP. The next trip is planned for August 17-20 to Omaha. Watch the bulletin for more details. Let Fr. John or Jan at the Parish Office know if you are interested.

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## 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.

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## Peter's Pence Collection Today

In the second collection today, we are supporting Pope Francis in his charitable works. The Peter's Pence Collection is taken up worldwide to support the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. This is an opportunity to join with our Holy Father, Pope Francis, and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous in today's collection.

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## Catholic Charities Baby Bottles

Your Catholic Charities baby bottles should be turned in this weekend—**June 27-28**. Volunteers and containers are available to receive them. Thank you for supporting Catholic Charities' work with those who need services the most. Your financial assistance helps us make a difference in the area communities!

## 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.



## DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Members of the Daughters of Isabella are asked to sit as a group in the front pews during the 7:00 p.m. Mass on **Monday, June 29**, at the Basilica of St. Fidelis. A prayer in recognition of the World Day of Prayer will be said.

## DIOCESE

### PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

#### with Bishop Weisenburger

Bishop Weisenburger will be leading a pilgrimage to Italy **October 22-31, 2015**. This is the first pilgrimage the Diocese of Salina has hosted. If you are interested in joining Bishop Weisenburger and others from the Salina Diocese on this pilgrimage or need more information, please contact Syndi Larez in the Office of Development at 785-827-8746. To see the itinerary of the pilgrimage go to [www.salinadiocese.org](http://www.salinadiocese.org). Space is limited.

## 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.

## ST. ANN

### Cemetery Meeting

The annual Saint Ann's Cemetery meeting will be held on **Sunday, July 12**, after Mass at parish hall.

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## AND THE WINNER IS:

Parishioners of St. Ann's voted on the final name for their church this past weekend. **"Beacon of Faith"** received the majority of votes. **"Beacon of Faith"** will be added above "St. Ann Catholic Church" in the bulletin in the upper left hand corner, so be sure to watch for this. There will be an article in the next issue of "The Cathedral Sound" about this project.

We appreciate everyone's support and help in the venture and hope everyone enjoys the addition to our parish now and for generations to come.

St. Ann's Parish Council  
Jerry, Helen and Allen

# Religious Education

A year ago students in Religious Education, grades K through 6<sup>th</sup>, moved from a daily morning class to one class on Wednesday afternoons immediately after school. This schedule seemed to be the best for students and their parents, at the time. In April, I asked catechists who taught students in grades K-6 for their input regarding the overall success of the past year. Unanimously, the catechists agreed that the attention span of students was strongly diminished therefore impacting class participation and comprehension of the material being studied. It would be negligent to not address this and seek a solution that is in the best interest of the children. After careful consideration, the Religious Education Commission members have made the decision to restructure the times and locations of religious education classes for kindergarten through sixth grade.

All Religious Education classes will now be held at the Parish Activity Center. Kindergarten through fifth grade will attend class on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 P.M. to 7:15 P.M. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will attend class from 7:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. on Wednesday evenings. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade through Senior High students will remain at the same time on Wednesdays from 7:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M.

Various options were suggested and discussed, but the above schedule seems to be the best for the well-being of the children. Along with the change in times and locations of classes a very careful and considerate look has also been given to student parking along with drop-off locations, specific to each child's grade. All of this information will be provided to parents and students in the updated Parent-Student Handbook and parents will also be informed and given the opportunity to have the changes further explained at the time of registration.

We will greatly appreciate your patience and understanding in this matter, please be mindful that these changes are being implemented in order to enrich the children's religious education experience. Thank you and God Bless.

*Shirley Brungardt*  
Coordinator of Religious Education

# July 4<sup>th</sup>—Independence Day



## COMMUNITY

### ~ NOTICE ~

Victoria is still in a Stage 3 Water Usage Alert.  
Outside watering is not allowed.



### 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.

### Drinking Deeply from Wellsprings of Christian Theology (Learning from the Fathers)

Fr. Charles will lead a study group to explore theology of the Church Fathers. This will be a lively discussion to deepen our understanding of such themes of our faith as Trinity, Christology, Mariology, Ecclesiology, etc. Group study begins **July 14 through August 25**, at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Joseph Parish Service Center Conference Room, Hays, Kansas.

**MAKE IT A GREAT ROUND**  
**At The 13th Annual VICTORIA HERZOGFEST GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
**JULY 11, 2015 ~ RUSSELL GOLF COURSE**  
**BEGINNING AT 8:00 AM**  
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# Jonah and the Whale

A little girl was talking to her teacher about whales. The teacher said it was physically impossible for a whale to swallow a human because even though it was a very large mammal its throat was too small.

The little girl stated that Jonah was swallowed by a whale. Irritated, the teacher reiterated that a whale could not swallow a human, it was physically impossible.

The little girl said, "When I get to Heaven I will ask Jonah."

The teacher asked, "What if Jonah went to Hell?"

The little girl replied, "Then you ask him."

Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass. It's about learning to dance in the rain.

**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

## MASS INTENTIONS

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|---|---|
| <b>MONDAY</b> .....   | <b>JUNE 29</b>                            |
| 7:00 pm Lavon Weber<br>Herbert and Leona Brungardt                          |   |
| <b>TUESDAY</b> .....  | <b>JUNE 30</b>                            |
| 6:45 am Terry Keenan (anniv) and Elizabeth Birzer                           |   |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> .....  | <b>JULY 1</b>                             |
| 7:00 pm Alvin and Celeste Schmidtberger                                     |   |
| <b>THURSDAY</b> .....   | <b>JULY 2</b>                             |
| 6:45 am Verlin Dreiling and Patty and Stephan Dreiling<br>Leland Schumacher |   |
| <b>FRIDAY</b> .....   | <b>JULY 3</b>                             |
| 6:45 am Norman Schrant (anniv) and Alfred and Anna Rohr<br>and Ryan Schrant |   |
| <b>SATURDAY</b> .....   | <b>JULY 4</b>                             |
| 5:00 pm St. Fidelis Adam and Barbara Knoll family                           |   |
| <b>SUNDAY</b> .....   | <b>14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> ..... |
| 7:30 am St. Ann Seraphine Scheck family and Ted and Alexia Munk             |   |
| 8:45 am St. Boniface Charlie Robben   |   |
| 10:00 am St. Fidelis For the parishes                                       |   |

In memory of  
**Terry Keenan**  
3-7-65 – 6-30-81  
Forever sixteen  
Miss You, Your Family

**VICTORIA V.F.W. & Auxiliary Post #1751**  
Meeting 7:30 pm  
2nd Thursday  
of every month

\* **Sunday Rosary Schedule** \*

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| 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, July 4, 5:00 pm

| Cantor                             | Ministers                                       | Servers                         | Greeters                             |
|------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Hannah Dreiling                    | Debbie Staab<br>Mary Lou Rome                   | Hannah Radke<br>Emily Schippers | Rosie Kreutzer<br>Doug Oberle family |
| <b>Lector</b><br>Amorette Windholz | Diane Gross<br>Det Younger<br>Amorette Windholz | Sara Schippers                  |                                      |
| <b>Comm.</b><br>Anne Dinkel        | Gib / Carol Billinger                           |                                 |                                      |

### Sunday, July 5, 10:00 am

| Cantor                           | Ministers                                    | Servers                    | Greeters                   |
|----------------------------------|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Leroy Schmidtberger              | Ken Brungardt<br>Michelle Geist              | Shelby Schmeidler          | Ron Goetz<br>Jeff / Janine |
| <b>Lector</b><br>Connie Dreiling | John Braun<br>Norma Keenan<br>Joan Wellbrock | Michael Wohler<br>Thaddeus | Kisner                     |
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