

"Beacon of Faith,"
ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

"Pearl of the Prairie,"
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.
In-Home Mass: Any homebound or hospice family interested in having Mass in their home should contact 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.	Hospital Visits: To arrange for our pastor to visit someone in the hospital, please call the Parish Office.
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: THURSDAYS 10:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M. in St. Fidelis Church Chapel behind the main altar		

www.stfidelischurch.com / www.stbonifacevincent.com

November 27, 2016 – First Sunday of Advent

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

- Dec. 6** — Feast of St. Nicholas
- Dec. 7** — Pearl Harbor Remembrance
- Dec. 8** — Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation) — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Dec. 12** — Communal Penance Service following 7:00 pm Mass
- Dec. 22-Jan. 4** — School Break
- Dec. 23** — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED for Christmas holiday
- Dec. 24** — Christmas Eve
- Dec. 25** — Christmas
- Dec. 26** — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED for Christmas holiday
- Dec. 31** — New Year's Eve
- Jan. 1** — New Year's Day — Mary, Mother of God



“Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.”

(from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 24:37-44)



Surprise! Surprise! That shout can announce great joy, as an unexpected birthday party or an extravagant gift. It can also be a great disappointment in that one's hopes will not be realized, as when an invoice is greater than expected or when another captures the prize desired. Surprises can be pleasant and unpleasant.

The gospel message for this first Sunday of Advent is that this will be a season of surprises. "Stay awake! You do not know on which day your Lord will come. You must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." The Lord will come to us at a time and in a way that we least expect. Advent will be full of surprises.

The coming of the Lord in this Advent season is three-fold: his coming in glory at the end of time; his coming in human form on the first Christmas; and his coming each day into our own personal lives. Those are the three Advents of the Lord.

While we should never lose sight of the Lord in those first two Advents—His return at the end of time and his birth in Bethlehem—our present personal Advent vigilance is for his coming into our lives each day, especially his rebirth in our hearts this Advent season. The Lord will come this Advent at a time and in a way that you least expected. Advent will be full of surprises.

We are now busy preparing for Christmas, perhaps too busy. We have our own designs on how best to celebrate the holidays: what to buy, how to decorate, where to celebrate. Yet the Lord will come to us in this season not according to our human designs but according to his divine plan. Today's gospel reminds that he will come to you according to his plan not yours. Advent will be full of surprises.

Some plan that Christmas will come to them in the joy of a festive meal. But the Lord might come to you in the hunger of a beggar. Your design might be that the latest toy will give joy to your children. But the Lord might delight them with the wonder of a baby in a manger. You may rejoice these holidays in your health and good fortune. But the Lord may reveal himself to you in the courage of the sick and the struggle of the needy. The Lord will come to you at a time and in a way that you least expect. Advent will be full of surprises.

We should not deceive ourselves into thinking that we can program the grace of God so that our own designs will create Christmas. The grace of God will come to us this Advent in God's own mysterious way. We do need to prepare for Christmas, not with frantic shopping but with a vigilant soul. "Stay awake! You do not know on which day your Lord will come." Advent will be full of surprises.

The gospel for this first Sunday of Advent reminds us that the coming of the Lord in this season will be a surprise. He will come, perhaps not in your favorite gift, but in a favor of grace; perhaps not in hearty caroling, but in a holy silence; perhaps not in reveling with warm friends, but in renewing a weary faith. Christmas in your heart will not be of your own making. It will be an unexpected gift from the Lord. May your Advent be full of pleasant surprises of God's grace.

"You must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

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If a cluttered desk is a sign of a cluttered mind, what is an empty desk a sign of?

Parish Staff

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Carol Freitag 735-9282
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Helen Windholz 735-2293
Terry Riedel
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Contributions November 19-20, 2016

ST. FIDELIS:

Adult 2520.00 Loose 1940.44
Human Development 558.12

ST. ANN:

Adult 91.00 Loose 753.25
Human Development 96.55

ST. BONIFACE:

Adult 165.00 Loose 230.00
Human Development 192.00
Candles 19.00

Nov. 28 — Ivan and Verda
Werner

Dec. 5 — Doris Weigel, Shirley
Weigel

Please remember your
ADVENT ANGEL
in your prayers
throughout the season of Advent.



Money Counters

If anyone from the tri-parishes is interested in helping to count the weekly Sunday offerings, **please contact Connie Windholz at the Parish Office by Monday, December 5.** The 2017 counting schedule will be mailed to the volunteers shortly after that date.

Depending on the number of volunteers, your commitment to count would be about once every 5 to 6 weeks for one hour on Monday mornings.

Those currently volunteering for this job will remain on the list unless you notify the office to remove your name.

Thanks to all who have given of their time for this task in the past year. You are greatly appreciated.



FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

Lord God, only you can see into my heart and know that under all the busy-ness of my life, there is a deep longing to make this Advent one that welcomes you more deeply into my own life. My heart desires the warmth of your love and my mind searches for your Light in the midst of the darkness. Help me to be a peacemaker this Advent and to give special love to those who disagree with me. Give me the strength and courage to forgive those who have hurt me. Help me to free my heart from any anger or hurt. I pray in the name of Jesus Christ whose advent I hail.



AMEN.

There are people
who would love to
have your bad days.
Stay grateful.



TOUR GUIDES NEEDED—We are looking for individuals or couples to conduct tours of the church for visiting groups and tourists. For more information, contact Jan at the Parish office.

Santa will arrive in Victoria on
Sunday, December 11, after
the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the
Victoria Grade School
cafeteria.



There will be
goodies for all
the little boys
and girls who
visit him.



Tri-Parish Family Life Christmas Basket Food Drive

The Tri-Parish Family Life Christmas Basket food drive is underway. Collection containers for non-perishable items will be located at all entrances of the churches.

You may bring non-perishable items along with perishable items to the parish office during regular office hours. You may also drop them off at the St. Fidelis Thrift Shop. **Please have your items in before Tuesday, December 13.**

The following items are needed: ham, boneless turkey, milk, butter, boxes of Stove Top Stuffing, 1 pound packages of hamburger or sausage, eggs, Hamburger Helper, dry pasta and pasta sauce, bread, canned fruit and vegetables, packet or canned gravy, cereal, granola bars, cake mixes and frosting, 5-pound bag of potatoes, Knorr pasta sides, soups, and chicken or beef broth.

If you know of anyone who needs a basket, please call Jan at the parish office. Thank you.

*“Not all of us can do great things, but we can do small things with great love.”
~ Saint Teresa of Calcutta*



Thank you to the parishioners of St. Fidelis, St. Boniface, and St. Ann for your generosity as well as to the youth who packaged the shoe boxes.

Each child who receives a shoebox receives not only tangible items but also gifts of compassion, kindness, and love.

These shoeboxes bring the powerful message of Christianity into the children's homes and communities—to love God and love our neighbors. The message has a lasting impact that in many cases touches every part of these individual's lives.

Thank you all for your ongoing support of this beautiful ministry!

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Mass and Christmas Party

The Daughters of Isabella will attend Mass as a group in the Basilica of St. Fidelis at 10:00 a.m. on **Sunday, December 11**, and then proceed to the Meal Site room in the Parish Office for a Christmas potluck dinner, party, and gift exchange.



CHOIR

PRACTICE: Wednesday, November 30 (in chapel @ 7:00 p.m.), and Wednesday, December 7, @ 7:30 p.m.; Thursday, December 15, @ 7:00 p.m.; and Wednesday, December 21, @ 7:00 p.m.

SING: Sunday, December 18, @ 10:00 a.m.; Christmas Eve Midnight Mass (10:00 p.m.); and New Year's Eve Mass (5:00 p.m.). Anyone wanting to sing should come for the practices.

We welcome anyone who loves to sing.

DIOCESE

November ALERT — U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking (USCSAHT) is the designated U.S. representative to Talitha Kum (Little Girl Arise!), which is the international Network of Consecrated Life Against Trafficking in Persons. The goal of Talitha Kum, located in Rome, is to share and maximize the resources that Religious Life has on behalf of prevention, protection and assistance, awareness raising, and denouncement of trafficking in persons. Catholic Women Religious from 81 countries are represented in this network. Go to sistersagainstrafficking.org or Bakhitainitiative.com.

COMMUNITY



Available in the St. Fidelis Gift Shop

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We Will Remember

\$15.00

(\$4.00 from each Music CD sale will be given to The Basilica of St. Fidelis)

Mary Kay Schippers' Books Available in Gift Shop

“A Year on the Family Farm” (\$13) and its sequel, “Another Year on the Family Farm” (\$15), by Mary Kay Schippers are available in the St. Fidelis Gift Shop. Profits go to the Tri-Parishes.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**Winners of the Knights of Columbus Council #1867
30 Days of Cash Giveaway thus far are:**

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| Nov. 1Leigh Ann Edmonds | Nov. 12 .. Linda Rogers |
| Nov. 2Bill Robben | Nov. 13 .. Brett Nieman |
| Nov. 3Wayne Wellbrock | Nov. 14 .. John Clark |
| Nov. 4John Braun, Jr. | Nov. 15 .. Wayne Kieffer |
| Nov. 5Susan Kisner | Nov. 16 .. Ryan and Jordan Bleske |
| Nov. 6John Braun, Sr. | Nov. 17 .. Allen Lang |
| Nov. 7Jared Scheck | Nov. 18 .. Jessica Schwab |
| Nov. 8Bertha R. Brungardt | Nov. 19 .. Allen Hammerschmidt |
| Nov. 9Kevin Juenemann | Nov. 20 .. Marlaina Kuhn |
| Nov. 10 ...Wayne Wellbrock | Nov. 21 .. Sasha Schippers |
| Nov. 11 ...Sarah Harbert | |

CYO Ski Trip

Date: December 26, 2016 – Leave at 8:00 A.M. from PAC
December 29, 2016 – Arrive in Victoria around 5:00 P.M.

Location: Lodging in Deer Valley Ranch, Nathrop, Colorado,
skiing at Monarch Mountain

If you missed the parent meeting and have any questions – please contact Jeanette in the Religious Ed Office or speak with Father John, we'll be happy to help answer any questions you may have.

A few weeks ago registration forms were mailed to students and parents who expressed interest in attending the ski trip. I am happy to mail out additional forms if needed. We do ask that the blue form with the youth or chaperone's personal information, such as weight, height, shoe size,

etc., be turned in by Wednesday, December 7, regardless if an individual is skiing or not. (If not skiing, please indicate "not skiing" on the form.) This will allow Father John to reserve your ski's/snowboard's. The rest of the information may be turned in at any time along with the \$300. Checks may be made payable to St. Fidelis Church.

Information regarding chaperone's names and phone numbers, what to pack, and more detailed information will be mailed to all youth and chaperone's attending the ski trip after **December 7th** once the ski forms have been turned in.

And please remember – you do not have to ski to have fun and attend! Alternative plans/outings will be made for youth not skiing or snowboarding.

Jeanette – FidelisYouth@ruraltel.net
Office – 735-9244 Cell – 785-639-5067

CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Wednesday, November 30 — Religious Education Classes
K – 5 6:30 – 7:15 P.M. (Advent penance service)
6 – 12 7:30 – 8:30 P.M. (Advent penance service)

DECEMBER CALENDAR

Wednesday, December 7 — CYO Ski trip: RSVP's/ski info. forms due to Rel Ed Office!

5:15 – 6:15 P.M. – Jubilee Choir Practice

6:30 – 7:15 P.M. – Christmas Pageant practice during Rel Ed for selected/notified Liturgy of the Word participants

Religious Education Classes

K-5 6:30 – 7:15 P.M.

6-12 7:30 – 8:30 P.M.

Thursday, December 8 — PAC / Religious Ed Office Closed – Immaculate Conception

Sunday, December 11 — 10:00 A.M. – Jubilee Choir performs
1:00 P.M. Second grade - First Reconciliation student & parent meeting — Location: PAC Meal Site Room

Wednesday, December 14 — Religious Ed Classes

K – 5: 6:30 – 7:15 P.M.

6 – 12: 7:30 – 8:30 P.M.

Sunday, December 18 — 1:00 P.M. Second grade – Receive Sacrament of First Communion — Location: St. Fidelis Church

Wednesday, December 21 — 10th grade Confirmation: Letter to the Bishop due!

Turn in all service hours completed so far (remainder due end of January 2017)

Religious Ed Classes

K – 5 6:30 – 7:15 P.M.

6– 12 7:30 – 8:30 P.M.

Saturday, December 24 — 5:00 P.M. Mass @ St. Fidelis - Christmas Pageant & Jubilee Choir performs

Sunday, December 25 — Christmas – No Liturgy of the Word during Mass

Monday-Thursday, December 26-29 — CYO Ski Trip in Nathrop, Colorado

Wednesday, December 28 — No Religious Ed Classes

Wednesday, January 4 — No Religious Ed Classes

Religious Education – Second grade class

The First Reconciliation parent meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, December 11, at 1:00 P.M.** and expect it to last until approximately 2:00 P.M. This is an informational meeting to help parents and students prepare for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation. We do ask that at least one parent as well as the child attend this meeting. Please contact Jeanette in the Religious Ed Office if you are unable to attend.

The students will receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation the following Sunday on December 18th at 1:00 P.M.

Religious Ed Office – 735-9244 Cell – 785-639-5067
E-mail – FidelisYouth@ruraltel.net



Christmas Movie Day at St. Boniface

St. Boniface Parish will host an afternoon of entertainment on **Sunday, December 4**. At 2:00 the documentary "Charting Christmas" will play in the Parish Hall, followed by the movie "Stagecoach Santa" at 3:00. The DVD's will be projected on a 100-inch screen. Popcorn and drinks provided by the parish. Bring a lawn chair for your comfort, or use the tables and chairs in the hall. All tri-parish members are welcome.

Charting CHRISTMAS

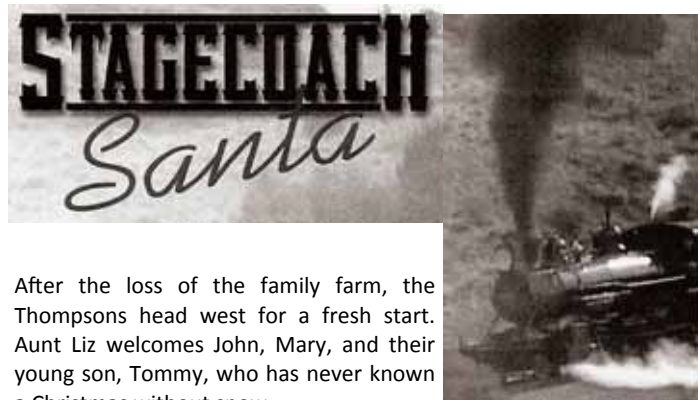


Hosted by
Levi James

Why do we celebrate Christmas on December 25? How did Saint Nicholas become Santa Claus? Why do we have Christmas trees? *Charting Christmas* provides answers to these questions and many more as it explores the history of Christmas.

Filmed on location in the Holy Land and the United Kingdom, this documentary traces the origins of Christmas traditions beginning with the biblical prophecies concerning the Messiah and the New Testament accounts of His birth. See how Christmas celebrations evolved through the ages and were influenced by notable figures and entities including Saint Francis of Assisi, Saint Boniface, Charles Dickens, and even the Coca-Cola Corporation. Included are interviews with biblical scholars and historians, such as author and Bible teacher Lance Lambert and Canon Jim Rosenthal, founder of the St. Nicholas Society. Their commentaries illuminate the origins of Christmas and tell us why we celebrate as we do today.

2:00 P.M. — DURATION: 41 MINUTES



After the loss of the family farm, the Thompsons head west for a fresh start. Aunt Liz welcomes John, Mary, and their young son, Tommy, who has never known a Christmas without snow.

John's struggle to provide for his family is bolstered by the childlike faith of his young son who, despite his new environment, inspires everyone he meets to consider the true meaning of Christmas.

After a mysterious stagecoach rider visits in the dark hours of Christmas Eve, even John must believe that his troubles are temporary, and miracles do happen on Christmas.

Heartwarming and compassionate, *Stagecoach Santa* proves once again that the power of love overcomes even the most difficult circumstances, and that faith and hope will always prevail.

3:00 P.M. — DURATION: 60 MINUTES

Parish Christmas Gathering

St. Boniface Parish will have a Christmas gathering on **Sunday, December 4, at 5:00 p.m.** in the parish hall. A potluck supper will be followed by a slide show of parish activities and stewardship throughout the past year, a reminder of our time, talent, and treasure given to the Church.



"Faith and Fun" Youth Night

St. Boniface Parish will have an evening of appreciation for all that the youth do for the parish. On **Saturday, December 17**, the youth will gather at the parish hall at 5:30 p.m. for pizza and to watch the movie "The Last Straw". The humorous Christmas movie is about children doing acts of kindness for family members during Advent and shows the importance of asking forgiveness from those you have hurt to make the best Christmas feeling. After the movie, the youth up to age 14 will take the 7:00 p.m. hour of the 24-Hour Adoration and the older youth will take the 9:00 p.m. hour.

24 Hour Adoration at St. Boniface

The 24 Hour Adoration at St. Boniface parish will begin **Saturday, December 17, at 8:00 a.m.** and conclude **Sunday, December 18, at 8:00 a.m.**

Families will take turns an hour at a time around the clock.



Little Town of Bethlehem Nativity Hours of Display

The crib at St. Boniface will be open to visitors from 1:00-5:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 27, and all the Saturdays and Sundays of December up to and including Christmas Day.



Jesus is our Hope
Tune in to Divine Mercy Radio
November 29-December 2
KVDM's Spring Care-a-Thon

*Chance to win prizes play Catholic Trivia, hear from local guests *

Here are guests of interest particularly for the Basilica of St. Fidelis, Victoria (for a complete schedule go to dvmercy.com):

Wednesday, November 30

5:00 p.m. – Trilogy

Friday, December 2

10:00 a.m. – Jerry Schmidtberger & Dr. Barbara-Jean Ottley

4:00 to 6:00 p.m. – Ask Fr. Fred (Live)

(Time to call in and ask a question about your Catholic faith.

Call-in number: 785-621-5061.)

Please pray for this evangelization mission. Thank you.

Sunday, December 4, 2016

V.F.W.

Green Bean Dumpling & Chicken Noodle Soup Lunch with Sloppy Joes and Hot Dogs



Cookies for Dessert
Water, Tea, and Coffee included

11:00 AM to 1:00 PM



VICTORIA VFW POST 1751—If you are looking for a place to gather for Receptions, Weddings, Anniversaries, Family Reunions, Class Reunions, Dances, First Communion, or any type of get together, the VFW has a full kitchen that can be used if needed. For more information to rent the Hall, please call Dennis at 785-639-4621.

It makes no difference if the candidate you voted for won or not. We must truly pray for guidance and protection. Join us in prayer, every 3rd Tuesday.

Pray for the Conversion Our Nation

We need a lot of prayer, since we are in an important election season. Prayer hour **every 3rd Tuesday** of the month from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at St. Fidelis Church.

All are welcome!



First Care Clinic

Hours are:

Monday – Thursday

8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Friday 8:30 AM – Noon

Phone: **785-735-3710**



Happy Holiday!!!

Yes it is Happy Holidays because **Trilogy** has just finished their first Christmas CD and it is ready for sale at **\$15.00 each** with **\$4.00** going to the Basilica of St. Fidelis from each sale.

(Cost is \$19 if mailing is necessary.)

The CD's are available in the St. Fidelis Gift Shop OR contact Jerry Schmidtberger at 785-735-7055.

Payment can also be sent to Jerry at

PO Box 211, Victoria, KS.

The list of songs on the CD are:

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| 1. Beautiful Star of Bethlehem | 9. Christmas Everyday |
| 2. Glorious Impossible | 10. There's a New Kid in Town |
| 3. Carol of the Stable | 11. It's Still the Greatest Story Ever Told |
| 4. Mary, Did You Know | 12. Christmas Lullaby |
| 5. It's Beginning to Look Like Christmas | 13. Winter Wonderland |
| 6. Sweet Little Jesus Boy | 14. Silent Night |
| 7. Breath of Heaven | 15. We Wish You a Merry Christmas |
| 8. Silver Bells | |

COMMODITY DISTRIBUTION

COMMODITIES WILL BE DISTRIBUTED IN

VICTORIA AT 601 10TH STREET

ON NOVEMBER 29, 2016, AT 1:30

To be eligible for Commodities, your household's total monthly income must be below:

Household Size	Maximum Gross Monthly Income
1	\$1,287
2	\$1,736
3	\$2,184
4	\$2,633
5	\$3,081
6	\$3,530
7	\$3,980
8	*\$4,430

*For each additional family member add \$451.

Effective April 1, 2016

This institution is an equal opportunity program

Victoria Elementary News!!

The **Sunny D** labels have been sent in, and now we anxiously await our delivery of 20 books for every classroom at VES!! We are still collecting **Box Tops and Pop Tabs**. Last year we collected 123 pounds of pop tabs, and we received \$1,412.10 for the Box Tops! We'd love to surpass both those numbers this year!

If you have any of these items be sure to give them to any elementary school student or staff member, or you can drop them off at the school. Thanks again for all your help!

FHSU CATHEDRAL CONCERT



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

3:30 PM

@ The Basilica of St. Fidelis

AVAILABLE

in the St. Fidelis Gift Shop

"Homilies of Fr. Earl Meyer - Year A"

"Homilies of Father Earl Meyer - Year B"

"Homilies of Father Earl Meyer - Year C"

Hard cover \$20; soft cover \$10

Also available online as a Kindle or Nook.



Victoria Schools Calendar



Monday — November 28

Lunch Menu: Chicken wrap, new potatoes, mixed vegetables, mandarin oranges, salad, milk

AIM period—Students have directed study

3:30 pm JH basketball practice: Girls at VES. Boys in VHS

3:30 pm HS boys basketball practice

5:00 pm HS girls basketball practice

Tuesday — November 29

Lunch Menu: Lasagna, French bread, green beans, pineapple, salad, milk

AIM period—Students have directed study

4:00 pm JH basketball vs. Central Plains

3:30 pm HS girls basketball practice

5:00 pm HS boys basketball practice

Wednesday — November 30

FCCLA meeting—Mrs. Connie Braun and select student will attend

Lunch Menu: Grilled cheese sandwich, tomato soup, cauliflower, apple wedges, salad, milk

AIM period—Students have directed study. STUCO meeting

3:30 pm JH basketball practice: Boys at VES. Girls in tin gym

3:30 pm HS boys basketball practice

5:00 pm HS girls basketball practice

Thursday — December 1

Class Leadership @ Victoria

FCCLA meeting—Mrs. Connie Braun and select student will attend

Lunch Menu: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, dinner roll, corn, peaches, salad, milk

AIM period—Students have directed study

4:00 pm JH basketball vs. St. John

3:30 pm HS girls basketball practice

5:00 pm HS boys basketball practice

Friday — December 2

Lunch Menu: Taco salad, refried beans, peas, grapes, cake, salad, milk

AIM period—Students have directed study

3:30 pm JH basketball practice: Girls at VES. Boys in tin gym

4:00 pm HS basketball vs. Hoxie

Single and Beyond

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. Contact Nancy at 785-432-0533 or singleandbeyond@gmail.com. Food and Fellowship gathering on **Wednesday, November 30**, at Pasta Jay's, 4310 Vine, at 6:00 p.m. All singles welcome; bring a friend.

2016 Toy Drive Coca-Cola

Saturday, December 10 • 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Coca-Cola Warehouse

Bring a new unwrapped toy or your angel tree gift and receive a 20-ounce, ice cold Coca-Cola.



The alternate Toy Drop Off if you can't make December 10 is Victoria Coca-Cola Warehouse Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for the angel trees. Cash donations will be given to Teaming Up for Tots in Ellis County, and Coca-Cola employees will deliver the toys to the organization.

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.



St. Fidelis Food Pantry
Parish Activity Center (PAC) • 601 10th St. • 785-735-2777

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 or 785-735-2777) at the Parish Office if you have an item for the bulletin.

Holiday Schedules

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS

(Holy Day of Obligation)

Thursday, December 8 • 6:45 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
at St. Fidelis

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

at St. Fidelis

Monday, December 12 • 7:30 p.m. (after Mass)

Confession Schedule for Advent

Monday Evenings at St. Fidelis

after 7:00 p.m. Mass (around 7:30 p.m.)

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

at St. Fidelis

10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

on Thursdays, December 1, 15, and 22

(No Adoration on Immaculate Conception December 8, and Thursday, December 29)

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

(Christmas is a holy day of obligation)

Saturday, December 24 — Christmas Eve

5:00 p.m. • St. Fidelis, Victoria *(Children's Mass)*

8:30 p.m. • St. Ann, Walker

10:00 p.m. • St. Fidelis, Victoria

Choir will begin singing at 9:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 25 — Christmas

8:45 a.m. • St. Boniface, Vincent

10:00 a.m. • St. Fidelis, Victoria

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Mary, Mother of God

Saturday, December 31 — New Year's Eve

5:00 p.m. • St. Fidelis, Victoria

6:30 p.m. • St. Ann, Walker

Sunday, January 1 — New Year's Day

8:45 a.m. • St. Boniface, Vincent

10:00 a.m. • St. Fidelis, Victoria

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY	NOVEMBER 28
7:00 pm Robert and Velma Leiker Rosemary B. Dreiling	
TUESDAY	NOVEMBER 29
6:45 am Aggie Karlin	
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 30
6:45 am	
THURSDAY	DECEMBER 1
6:45 am	
FRIDAY	DECEMBER 2
6:45 am Joe, Magdalen, and Bill Roth families living and deceased and Tom Younger	
SATURDAY	DECEMBER 3
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Albert and Louise Pfeifer	
6:30 pm St. Ann William and Margaret Schrant Richard and Isabelle Rupp	
SUNDAY	DECEMBER 4
8:45 am St. Boniface Julian Huser	
10:00 am St. Fidelis Josephine Sander	

* Sunday Rosary Schedule *

1 st - Christian Mothers	2 nd - Knights of Columbus
3 rd - Daughters of Isabella	4 th - Family Life

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 3, 5:00 pm

<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Kevin Juenemann	Volunteer		Volunteer
<u>Lector</u>	Volunteer		
Volunteer	Volunteer		
	Volunteer		
<u>Comm.</u>	Volunteer		
Volunteer	Volunteer		

Sunday, December 4, 10:00 am

<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Megan Karst	Volunteer		Volunteer
<u>Lector</u>	Volunteer		
Volunteer	Volunteer		
	Volunteer		
<u>Comm.</u>	Volunteer		
Volunteer	Volunteer		