

"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.	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 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.	EUCCHARISTIC 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

October 9, 2016 – 28th 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

- Oct. 10** — Columbus Day
- Oct. 23** — Marriage anniversary Mass at St. Joseph Church, Hays, 3:00 pm
- Oct. 31** — Halloween
- Nov. 1** — All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation)—PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Nov. 6** — Daylight Savings Ends (turn clocks back 1 hour)
- Nov. 6** — Memorial Mass for deceased of the parishes 10:00 am
- Nov. 11** — Veterans Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Nov. 13** — Stewardship Sunday
- Nov. 19-20** — Advent Angels chosen
- Nov. 23** — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED @ noon for Thanksgiving holiday
- Nov. 24** — Thanksgiving Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Diocesan Day of Mercy TODAY Confessions 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at The Basilica of St. Fidelis



“Stand up and go; your faith has saved you.”

(from the Holy Gospel according to Luke 17:11-19)



Monday is Columbus Day, a national holiday. The adventure of Christopher Columbus was not only about the discovery of a new land, but also the commission of Christ to preach the gospel to all nations. The Spanish Crown and Christopher Columbus surely had mixed motives, not all of them noble, but one of their main objectives was to bring Christianity to a new land. There are historical documents which verify that.

Every school child knows that the three ships of 1492 were the *Nina*, the *Pinta*, and *Sancta Maria*. The full name of the flagship was *La Santa María de la Inmaculada Concepción*, The Blessed Mary of the Immaculate Conception. When Columbus landed in the new world, somewhere in the Bahamas, he named the first island on which he set foot, *San Salvador*, The Holy Savior. Another island he named *Santa Maria de la Concepcion*, after the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary, the mother of Christ. On later trips he called the archipelago near Cuba *Our Lady's Sea*. A strikingly circular island he named *Santa Maria Rotunda*.

However misguided some of his later efforts were in dealing with the native people, the furthering of the gospel was an integral part of the adventure of Columbus. Modern historians tend to judge the actions of Columbus and the Spanish Crown rather harshly and not without some justification. Yet the history of our own nation, and most nations, betray similar faults. "Let he who is without sin cast the first stone."

An old adage, "Don't throw out the baby with the dirty bath water," may help to place the adventure of Columbus in proper perspective. It has been said that the history of Christianity is like a grand Cathedral, but the only things that many people see are the pigeon droppings on the exterior. If we discarded all the significant people of history for faults common to us all, we would not have many history books to study.

This land that Columbus discovered was soon afflicted with its own blemishes, including a religious intolerance which is difficult for us to comprehend today. That atmosphere was fueled in the 19th century by organizations such as the Klu Klux Klan, the Nativist movement, and the Know-Nothing Party. In 1881 a young parish priest in New Haven, Connecticut, Fr. Michael McGivney, organized a group of men to provide financial and moral support for immigrants subjected to religious discrimination, especially widows and orphans. He named this fraternal benevolent society The Knights of Columbus to recall that the roots of our nation were religious and that people of every faith were equal citizens in the land discovered by a man of faith.

As attitudes became more tolerant Fr. McGivney's group adapted to the evolving social needs of immigrants and their descendants. Today, the Knights of Columbus, whose charitable works are well known, are a thriving fraternal organization nearly two million strong, including our own council 1867 with its own proud history of service here in Victoria. Along with many other such benevolent groups they enrich the social fabric of our nation. The adventurous captain of that flagship, *La Santa María de la Inmaculada Concepción*, would be proud that his missionary spirit is alive in the Knights of Columbus.

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"When it's socially easy to be a Catholic, it's more difficult to be a good one; and when it's difficult to be a good Catholic, it's actually easier to be one." ~ *Pope Paul VI*

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Contributions October 1-2, 2016

ST. FIDELIS:

Adult 2436.00 Loose 1528.05
Repair Fund 623.00
Catholic Charities 20.00
Capuchin Education 208.00

ST. ANN:

Adult 251.00 Loose 580.25
Capuchin Education 50.00

ST. BONIFACE:

Adult 280.00 Loose 455.00
Candles 56.00
Capuchin Education 246.00

Oct. 10 — Randy Leiker, Tina Rajewski

Oct. 17 — Mary Brungardt, Det Younger

With Sympathy

The sympathy of the parishes is extended to the family of **Elmer Mermis**, who passed away on Thursday, September 29, 2016. Services were held at St. Mary Queen of Angels Catholic Church, Russell, on Wednesday, October 5, with burial in St. Ann Cemetery, Walker.

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.

CATHOLIC FAITH EDUCATION

Religious Education Commission Meeting

A Religious Education Commission meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 11**, at 7:00 P.M. in the Parish Activity Center's Meal Site Room.

OCTOBER CALENDAR

- Sunday, October 9** — 10:00 A.M. Mass — Jubilee Choir sings Liturgy of the Word, Pre-K — 3rd
- Tuesday, October 11** — 7:00 P.M. — Religious Ed Commission Meeting — PAC
- Wednesday, October 12** — Religious Education classes
K — 5 6:30 — 7:15 P.M.
6 — 12 7:30 — 8:30 P.M.
- Wednesday, October 19** — Religious Education classes
K — 5 6:30 — 7:15 P.M.
6 — 12 7:30 — 8:30 P.M.
- Sunday, October 30** — Jr. CYO — Trick or Treat so Others Can Eat (Victoria, KS) 2-4 P.M.

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

- Tuesday, November 1** — All Saints Day — Office Closed
- Wednesday, November 2** — Religious Education classes
K — 5 6:30 — 7:15 P.M.
6 — 12 7:30 — 8:30 P.M.
- Wednesday, November 9** — Jubilee Choir Practice 5:15 — 6:15 P.M. — St. Fidelis
Religious Education classes
K — 5 6:30 — 7:15 P.M.
6 — 12 7:30 — 8:30 P.M.
- Saturday, November 12** — Freshman Confirmation Retreat at St. Ann's, Walker, KS *Candidates and sponsors
- Sunday, November 13** — 10:00 A.M. Mass Jubilee Choir performs (Freshman) Entrance and (Sophomore) Covenant Rites
*Candidates and sponsors
Sophomore Confirmation Retreat at St. Ann's, Walker, KS
*Candidates and sponsors
- Wednesday, November 16** — Religious Education classes
K — 5 6:30 — 7:15 P.M.
6 — 12 7:30 — 8:30 P.M.

WE ARE TRYING SOMETHING NEW with the schedule. There is a copy of the schedule at the north entrance of the church. Please sign your name on the days you will be able to minister. That way you will know if you will be in town or not. If you have any questions, contact Jan at the Parish Office. Thank you.

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

K. of C. Charities Aid Foundation, Kansas State Council 2016 Religious Education Fund Raffle

\$100 per ticket

Only 1,700 applications will be accepted.

Contact Harland Rupp for tickets (785-623-1368)

Make checks payable to:

Kansas State K of C Religious Education Fund

The drawing will be held December 3, 2016.

28 prizes will be given away: one \$25,000, one \$6,000, two \$4,000 each, five \$2,000 each, and nineteen \$1,000 each.

Need not be present to win. These donations are not tax deductible.

Last year a total of \$1,125 came back to the tri-parish (St. Fidelis, St. Ann, and St. Boniface) Religious Education program.

Tootsie Roll Drive

The Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive will be held this weekend—**October 8-9**—after Mass at all three parishes.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERS:

Recently you received a letter asking for your cell phone number and e-mail address. If you have not returned the postcard yet, please send it in as soon as you can. We are trying to update our records.

Harland Rupp, Grand Knight

Knights of Columbus 3rd and 4th degree Memorial Mass and Corporate Communion Sunday, October 30 Walker Parish Hall

Mass at 4:00 p.m. followed by social and dinner.

All members, spouses, and widows of deceased members are invited.

2016 PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

As we all know, the United States is in great need of public prayer, repentance, and conversion. We must ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother.

Please join in praying for our nation on
Saturday, October 15, 2016,
at 12:00 noon
on the lawn in front of the Parish Office.

For more information, contact
Jeanie Brungardt at 785-735-2393.

Bring lawn chairs if you prefer to sit during the service.



Coordinated nationally by Tradition, Family,
and Property and its
America Needs Fatima campaign
www.ANF.org

City of Victoria Looking for Part-time Treasurer

The position requires working once a month for 3-5 hours during regular business hours. For additional information on the position, call City Hall at 785-735-2259.

*Thank you for praying but,
"Where are all the others," Jesus asks.*

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!



Hays Diabetes Support Group

The Hays Diabetes Support Group will hold their meetings at 6:30 p.m. on the **second Monday of every month** at DSNWK, 2703 Hall St., east side of the building, door #10.

This group is for all individuals who are pre-diabetic, Type 1 and Type 2. Family members, spouses, and parents of children who are diabetic are welcome.

Please contact Jackie Williams at 785-639-3046 or you can email at haysdiabetessupgroup2015@yahoo.com. Check them out on Facebook at Hays Diabetes Support Group.

Musings

1. **My goal for 2016** was to lose just 10 pounds. Only 15 to go!
2. **Ate salad for dinner!** Mostly croutons and tomatoes. Really just one big, round crouton covered with tomato sauce. And cheese. FINE, it was a pizza. I ate a pizza.
3. **How to prepare Tofu:** (A.) Throw it in the trash. (B.) Grill some meat.
4. **I just did** a week's worth of cardio after walking into a spider web.
5. **I don't mean to brag** but. . . I finished my 14-day diet in 3 hours and 20 minutes.
6. **A recent study** has found that women who carry a little extra weight live longer than men who mention it.
7. **Kids today** don't know how easy they have it. When I was young, I had to walk 9 feet through shag carpet to change the TV channel.
8. **I may not be** that funny or athletic or good looking or smart or talented. . . I forgot where I was going with this.
9. **I love being over 50.** I learn something new every day. . .and forget 5 other things.
10. **I think I'll just** put an "Out of Order" sticker on my forehead and call it a day.
11. **Senility** has been a smooth transition for me.

TRICK OR TREAT
SO OTHERS CAN EAT

SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 30

2:00 - 4:00
P.M.



St. Fidelis Food Pantry

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

Save Your Box Tops, Pop Tabs, and Labels for Victoria Elementary

Victoria Elementary School is once again collecting **Box Tops**, **Pop Tabs**, and **Sunny D UPC labels**. Also find out more about the **Dillions Community Rewards** program they are involved with that can help the school earn money. VES can earn cash for their activity fund with the Box Tops. 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.

The **Sunny D UPC labels** will be turned in by November 30, 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!

V.F.W. and Auxiliary Meetings



The V.F.W. and the V.F.W. Auxiliary will meet on **Thursday, October 13**, at 7:30 p.m. at the V.F.W. Hall.



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.

PLEASE NOTICE CORRECTED DATE OF V.F.W. SOUP LUNCH

V.F.W. SOUP LUNCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2016

11:00 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.

Chicken Noodle Soup, Chili Soup
Hot Chicken Sandwich or Hot Dog
Dessert, Coffee, Tea, Water



\$6.00 Meal

\$4.00 Kids 10 & under

Carry out available.

Victoria Schools Calendar



Monday — October 10 — No School — Teacher In-service

4:00 pm HS volleyball vs. Plainville

7:30 pm BOE meeting

Tuesday — October 11

Lunch Menu: Sub sandwich, chips, fresh broccoli, steamed carrots, mixed fruit, salad, milk

AIM period—Students have directed study. Alumni for AIM—10th and 11th graders will meet in the auditorium

4:00 pm HS volleyball @ LaCrosse with Macksville. Depart 2:30

Wednesday — October 12

College Tour date—Barton CCCC. Mrs. Kori Braun and select student will attend

LifeTouch Fall 2nd chance pictures

Lunch Menu: Pizza pocket, peas, orange slices, oatmeal cookies, salad, milk

AIM period—Students have directed study

Thursday — October 13

Lunch Menu: Chicken noodles, mashed potatoes, corn, grapes, sticky bun, salad, milk

AIM period—Students have directed study. STUCO meeting in Mr. Dronberger's room

4:00 pm Cross country @ Coldwater. Depart 12:30

4:30 pm JH volleyball @ LaCrosse. Depart 2:30

6:30 pm JH football @ LaCrosse

Friday — October 14

KSHSAA state tennis

Lunch Menu: Goulash, green beans, peaches, French bread, salad, milk

AIM period—Students have directed study

7:00 pm HS football vs. Osborne

Saturday — October 15

KSHSAA state tennis

HS volleyball—CPL tournament @ Kinsley. TBD

TMP-Marion Bake Sale

Deadline for orders: Friday, October 14



Bierocks—\$35 per dozen

Peach or Cherry Kuchen—\$12 each

Blackberry Kuchen—\$15 each

Frozen Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough—\$8 each

Pickup time: 3:00-6:00 p.m. on Friday, October 21 at TMP.

Contact Sandy Losey at 785-625-6577
or at TMP-M.org/bierocksundkuchen



First Care Clinic

Hours are:

Monday – Thursday

8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Friday 8:30 AM – Noon

Phone: 785-735-3710

CHOIR

CHOIR PRACTICE: Wednesdays, October 12 and 19

SING: Sunday, October 23

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Month of the Rosary

October celebrates the month of the rosary, honoring Mary, the Mother of Jesus. Praying the rosary with your family is a wonderful way to keep your family connected.

OCTOBER—ALERT

The United States is one of the destination countries for human trafficking. Victims originate from nations such as Russia, Ukraine, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, Costa Rica, Puerto Rico, Czech Republic, Mexico, and India. Victims are brought here to work in fields, sweatshops, homes, restaurants, motels, hotels, and brothels. Ending this slavery is everyone's work. Learn more by going to sistersagainstrafficking.org, a website of U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. Share information with your family and friends.

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

KNOW THE FACTS. Domestic abuse and violence refers to a pattern of violent and coercive behavior exercised by one adult in an intimate relationship over another. It is not a private family matter.

Domestic violence, also known as intimate partner violence (IPV), is defined by the Centers for Disease Control as a serious, preventable public health problem that affects millions of Americans. It refers to the physical, sexual, or psychological harm by a current or former partner or spouse and does include teen dating relationships.

A statistic from the Bureau of Justice indicates that from 1994 to 2010 about 4 in 5 victims of intimate partner violence were female. Domestic violence affects the whole family, including any children. Faith communities are called to offer hope, help, and healing to all harmed by domestic abuse and violence.

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.

* Sunday Rosary Schedule *

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

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 15, 5:00 pm

<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Jim/Becky Scheck	Mary Lou Rome Danita Schroeder	Jessica Schroeder	Volunteers
<u>Lector</u>	Mark Schroeder	Brody Nowak	
Kathy Kuhn	Volunteer	Volunteer	
<u>Comm.</u>	Volunteer		
Volunteer	Volunteer		

Sunday, October 16, 10:00 am

<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Megan Karst	Cora Schulte Joan Wellbrock	Lydia Sander Emily Schippers	Cora Schulte
<u>Lector</u>	Ivan Werner	Sara Schippers	
Verda Werner	Anne Dinkel Leroy		
<u>Comm.</u>	Schmidtberger		
Marilyn Braun	Volunteer		
	Volunteer		

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY	COLUMBUS DAY	OCTOBER 10
	7:00 pm Derek Dreiling Frank Kuhn	
TUESDAY		OCTOBER 11
	6:45 am Elmer Hoff	
WEDNESDAY		OCTOBER 12
	6:45 am Albert and Almeda Hoffman	
THURSDAY		OCTOBER 13
	6:45 am Herman, Regina, and Joyce (anniv) Brungardt	
FRIDAY		OCTOBER 14
	6:45 am Emery Rome	
SATURDAY		OCTOBER 15
	11:00 am St. Fidelis Pat and Theresa Dreiling 65th wedding anniv.	
	5:00 pm St. Fidelis Bonivent, Margaret, Donnie, Leo, Hubert, David, Galen, and Marlene Dinkel James "Fritz" Wohler	
SUNDAY	29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	OCTOBER 16
	7:30 am St. Ann Bob Weigel Anselm, Anna, and Donnie Braun	
	8:45 am St. Boniface Wendelin and Clarita Braun Bob and Bernie Schumacher	
	10:00 am St. Fidelis Bernard Lang family living and deceased Alfred A. Dreiling family living and deceased	

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