

*"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 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	

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

## June 18, 2017 – Most Holy Body and blood of Christ

### 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)

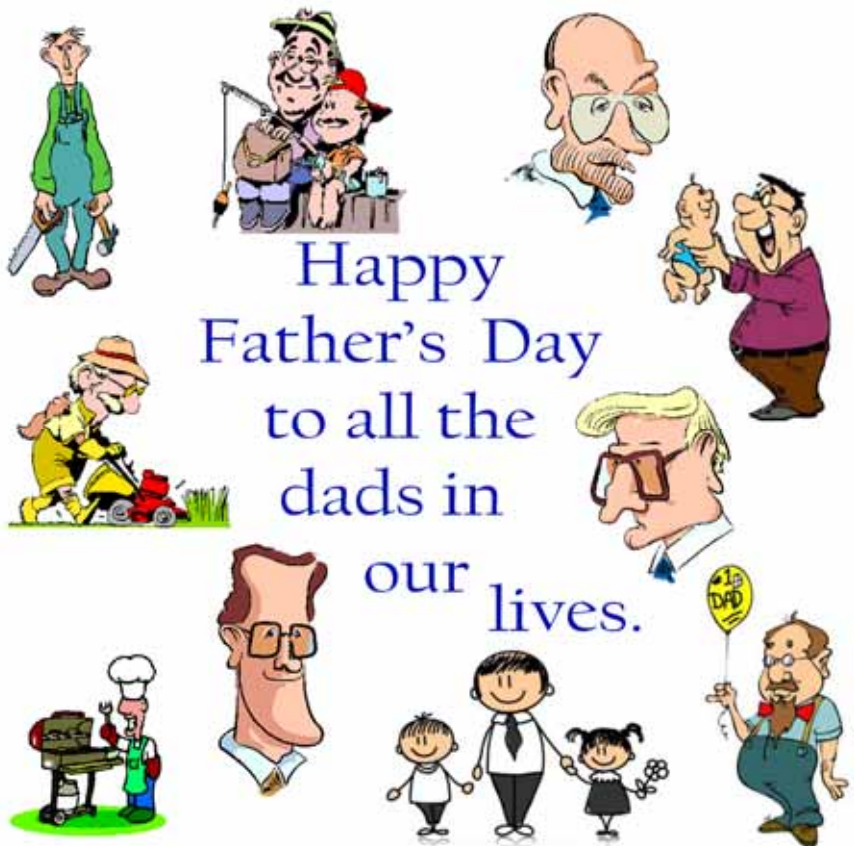
### Tri-Parish Prayer Line

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

- June 21** — First day of Summer
- July 4** — Independence Day—PARISH OFFICE CLOSED Monday and Tuesday
- July 26** — Feast of Sts. Ann and Joachim
- Aug. 4-5** — Herzogfest
- Aug. 15**— Assumption — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Sept. 4** — Labor Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Sept. 11** — Patriot Day
- Sept. 14** — Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- Sept. 22** — First Day of Fall
- Oct. 4** — Feast of St. Francis of Assisi — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Oct. 9** — Columbus Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Oct. 31** — Halloween

# Father's Day



Happy  
 Father's Day  
 to all the  
 dads in  
 our  
 lives.

**"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day."**

(from the Holy Gospel according to John 6:51-58)



# FRIARS' MIND

This year the Feast of Corpus Christi, by happy coincidence, is celebrated on Father's Day. We pray in the Lord's Prayer asking God our Father, "Give us this day our daily Bread." We trust that a good father will provide for the needs of his children. The Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ, is a gift of his Son from God the Father to nourish the spiritual life of his children.



The Eucharist is known under many titles, each focusing on a special aspect of the Blessed Sacrament. On this feast of Corpus Christi, the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, celebrated on Father's Day, it seems most appropriate to employ the title, Bread from Heaven, the spiritual food provided by God the Father for his children.

The gospel today resonates with that aspect of the Eucharist, as Christ refers to himself as food that nourishes to life eternal. "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." The gospel says that the Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"

The response of Jesus is at the heart of our Catholic faith: "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever."

Christ then offers a thought so fitting for Corpus Christi on Father's Day: "Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me." St. Augustine said that the Eucharist nourishes us like ordinary food, but unlike ordinary food it transforms us into what we eat rather than we transforming it into ourselves, as we do with ordinary food.

One of the most endearing images of the father of a family is his children seated around his table being nourished by the bread he provides for them. Our assembling for the Eucharistic celebration of the Mass offers the same uplifting image on a spiritual plane as we gather around the Eucharist table of the Lord and are nourished by the Body of Blood of Christ, the gift of his Son which God the Father provides for his children.



Celebrating the feast of Corpus Christi on Father's Day can bring a new appreciation of this gift of the Bread of Heaven from God our Father, making this truly a Happy Father's Day.

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"My sister is expecting a baby and I don't know if I'm gong to be an uncle or an aunt." ~Yogi Berra

### Parish Staff

**Pastor:**

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**Bookkeeper/Minister to the Elderly and Homebound/Thrift Shop/Food Pantry:**

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Darlene Dreiling

**Groundskeeper:** Julius Dreiling**Maintenance:** Joe Brungardt**Organists:** Kathy Dreiling-Amrein  
Lou Ann Hammersmith**Choir Director:** Kathy Dreiling-Amrein**Technology Coordinator:**

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### Council Members

**St. Fidelis Pastoral Council**

Randy Leiker 259-1392 (Chair)  
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Janea Dinkel 735-9529 (FamLife)  
Peggy Fitzpatrick 735-8186 (RelEd)  
Doug Kuhn 650-1058 (Bldgs & Grounds)  
Donna Juenemann 735-9700 (Liturgy)  
John Schulte 735-9535

**St. Fidelis Finance Council**

John R. Braun 735-2622  
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Dave Juenemann 656-0647

**St. Boniface Pastoral Council**

Carol Freitag 735-9282  
Randy Huser 735-4836  
Fred Tholen 735-4801

**St. Ann Pastoral Council**

Helen Windholz 735-2293  
Terry Riedel 735-9375  
Jerry Nowak 637-5273

### Contributions June 10-11, 2017

**ST. FIDELIS:**

Adult 2190.00 Loose 1544.13  
Repair Fund 75.00

**ST. ANN:**

Adult 462.00 Loose 701.00  
Candles 197.00

**ST. BONIFACE:**

Adult 215.00 Loose 1050.00  
Candles 9.00

June 19 — Ivan and Verda  
Werner

June 26 — Doris Weigel, Shirley  
Weigel

## Summer Food Program

St. Fidelis Church is sponsoring a summer food program at the Parish Activity Center, 601 10<sup>th</sup> Street, **from May 30-August 22**. A free nutritious lunch will be served to any children from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. Please use the front entrance of the Parish Activity Center.



There are no enrollments or reservations required but if you are bringing a large group such as a day care group, please let us know that morning by calling 785-735-2777. For more information, contact Jan at the Parish Office.

## Get Vitals Checked on Tuesdays

St. Fidelis Parish will have a retired Registered Nurse do vitals checks at the Parish Activity Center in the Meal Site Room on **Tuesdays from 9:30-10:30 a.m.** beginning Tuesday, May 2. The service is free and open to anyone. She will do blood pressure, respirations, pulse, and weight checks. Thank you in advance for your participation in this new service being offered through the Family Life Office.



## Do You Have Scrap Material or Larger Pieces You No Longer Want?

If anyone has material they no longer need or want, we would appreciate you donating it towards the Prayer Quilt ministry St. Fidelis Parish sponsors. After the quilts are sewn, they are blessed and given to those who are ill or in the hospital.

Small or large material pieces that can be cut into patchwork pieces are needed. Spools of thread (any colors) are also needed.



**Please drop the material and thread by the Parish Office.**

Anyone wanting to help sew quilts for the ministry is welcome to volunteer. Just call the Parish Office and let us know. Thank you.



## City Council Meeting

Victoria City Council meetings are always held on the third Monday of the month. This month's meeting will be **Monday, June 19**, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. Community residents are encouraged to attend.

## VICTORIA VFW POST 1751

**Club Room will be closed from now through August, reopening in September. Arrangements can be made for it to be open to groups by calling 785-806-6095.**

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 Harland or Edna at 785-623-1368 or 785-735-2206.

## 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](mailto:singleandbeyond@gmail.com). Food and fellowship gathering on **Wednesday, June 21**, at Thirsty's Grill & Pub, 2704 N. Vine St., at 6:00 p.m. All singles welcome; bring a friend.

**Budweiser BUD LIGHT**

**MAKE IT A GREAT ROUND**  
**At The 15th Annual VICTORIA HERZOGFEST GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**JULY 22ND, 2017 ~ RUSSELL GOLF COURSE**  
**BEGINNING AT 8:00 AM**

**4 Person Scramble \$50 Per Person (Includes Mulligan)**

**CONTACT RUSSELL GOLF COURSE AT 785-483-2852 FOR REGISTRATION**

**FOOD AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE PRIZE MONEY AWARDED!**



## Youth Service Opportunities

### Religious Education Office—Parish Activity Center

The Religious Ed Office is already preparing for next school year! Mrs. Jeanette will be rearranging classrooms and desks, sorting supplies, creating activity books, and doing general preparation for the following school year. Contact Jeanette in the Religious Ed Office: 785-735-9244. *(Her maternity leave begins June 27th so she will be out of the office for several weeks.)*

### Summer Lunch Program—Parish Activity Center

The Summer Lunch Program began Tuesday, May 30, and will last through August 22, Monday—Friday. Volunteers do not need to RSVP or coordinate a date or time—please arrive at the PAC around 10:30 A.M. to help Father and Jan prepare for the kids to arrive at 11:00. If you do have questions please contact Jan Brungardt in the PAC: 785-735-2777.

## Vacation Bible School



The Jesse Tree Journey Vacation Bible School lasted from June 5 – June 9 and included grades kindergarten through fifth of St. Fidelis, St. Ann, and St. Boniface. Each day the children focused on a different ancestor of Jesus by reading scripture, role playing, creating art, and playing games focusing on that particular person such as: Joseph and his colorful coat, Jonah and the Whale, David and Goliath, and, of course, the Holy Family: Mary, Joseph, and Jesus. The Jesse Tree Journey concluded on Day 5 with a children's Mass and a living rosary. Children wrote their own intercessions which were read aloud during the Prayers of the Faithful and the living rosary helped recount the Christmas Story with the Joyful Mysteries.

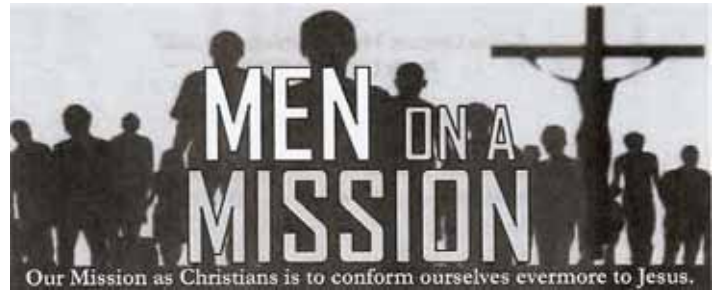
The Religious Education Office wishes to extend a huge thank you to Victoria Elementary for allowing us to use the elementary school once again as well as the volunteers who made this possible for our children: Tammy Lichter, Anne Dinkel, Deb Braun, Judy Dreiling, Crystal Robben, Marlaina Kuhn, Kathy Kuhn, Janea, Jalyn, and Jaxon Dinkel, Mary Kay Schippers, Becky Scheck, Kathy Huser, Shanna and Ally Dinkel, Carla Schmeidler, Brooklynn Kuhn, Christian Wellbrock, Thaddeus Wohler, Jarron Schmidt, Aspen Schoenrock, Vance Hockersmith, Valerie Dome, Brooklyn Nowak, Kinley Windholz, Madisyn Gerhardt, and Kassi Weber.

## Time to Return Baby Bottles

Just a reminder to please return your Catholic Charities baby bottles when you come to Mass next weekend, June 24-25. Volunteers and containers will be available to receive them. Thank you for supporting Catholic Charities work with those who need our services the most. Your financial assistance helps make a difference in the area community!

## HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALERT

Ending slavery is everyone's work. Find out about your slavery footprint and multiple ways in which people are enslaved today. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking ([sistersagainsttrafficking.org](http://sistersagainsttrafficking.org)).



Catholic Men of the Salina Diocese, join us for the Sixth Annual Salina Diocese Men's Conference, "Men on a Mission," on **Saturday, August 12, 2017**, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Hays. If you have sons who are high school or older, please bring them.

There will be two speakers: Dr. Ray Guarendi, host of the radio show, "The Dr. Is In," and the TV show, "Living Right with Dr. Ray," and Fr. John Lager, national chaplain of FOCUS and cofounder of Marked Men for Christ.

Men of the Dodge City Diocese are also invited, so register early. To register online or for more information go to [salinadiocese.org/family-life](http://salinadiocese.org/family-life) or call **785-827-8746, Ext 17**.

## ST. BONIFACE

The St. Boniface Parish Council extends a thank you to the parishioners who worked to the extent to make the 110th anniversary celebration a success.

Thanks to:  
 the choir for their many hours of practice this past month;  
 those who serve on committees and did their part so well;  
 the parish children for all their help throughout the day especially in operating the lemonade and cookie stand, and serving the drinks at the meal;  
 those who helped on the cleanup days before and after the celebration.

All in all, parishioners deserve a pat on the back and we thank you!

**ST. BONIFACE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Carol Freitag, Fred Tholen,**  
**Randy Huser**

Learn how storytelling is important to maintaining our culture. Come hear Raymond Arroyo talk about his new Will Wilder book series at the Midwest Catholic Family Conference August 4-6 in Wichita. **Save up to \$30 with early bird registration by July 16.** Register online at [catholicfamilyconference.org](http://catholicfamilyconference.org) or call 316-618-9787. Email questions to [midwconf@cox.net](mailto:midwconf@cox.net).

# St. Boniface Gives Thanks For 110 Years of Worship

by Randy Huser and Connie Windholz

A crowd of about 200 gathered last Sunday, June 11, 2017, for the 110<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the construction of St. Boniface Catholic Church in Vincent, Kansas. Mass was celebrated at 3:00 p.m. by Bishop Edward J. Weisenburger and seven priests. An overflow crowd participated in the Mass through a video feed set up in the parish hall that was built last year.

In his sermon Bishop Weisenburger stated the coincidence of celebrating our anniversary on the Feast of the Holy Trinity, as our belief in the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit give reason to our successful past as a parish. Bishop Weisenburger also stated, "This is one parish I will never have to worry about. You have excellent lay leadership here."

The choir sang Latin, German, and English songs that brought back memories to the elderly and the clergy. Following Mass many conversations were centered around the St. Boniface choir performance that added so much meaning to the Mass. Many of the songs were in honor of Fr. Callistus Rectenwald, OFM Capuchin, who served as pastor of St. Boniface Parish for 52 years until his death in 1980.

After Mass a group picture of all present was taken in front of church with Bishop Weisenburger holding the anniversary cake. Then nearly everyone seemed to flee to the children's lemonade and cookie stand to relieve their thirst from the heat. The children raised \$172 for the church operating their free-will donation stand.



Everyone attending the Mass was asked to pose for a picture in front of the St. Boniface Church after Mass. Clergy helping to celebrate the Mass are pictured seated in front (left to right): Fr. Christopher Popravak, OFM Cap.; Fr. Harvey Dinkel, OFM Cap.; Fr. Gilmary Tallman, OFM Cap.; Fr. John Schmeidler, OFM Cap., pastor of St. Boniface parish; Bishop of Salina Edward J. Weisenburger; Fr. Kyle Berens; Fr. Bernie Gorges; and Fr. Earl Meyer, OFM Cap.

The day started at noon with tours of the former school house—now the home of Pat and Eric Austin, the former sisters' house, and the remodeled priest's house. Visitors could be heard sharing memories of walking to school and entering through the two big front doors, or climbing the steep stairs of the sisters' house, or helping Fr. Callistus bring items up from the cellar in his home and receiving an inch-slice of ice cream with 7-Up poured over the top as a thank you for their help.

A catered German meal of roast, mashed potatoes, and stewed noodles was served buffet-style at 5:00. Visitors ate at tables set up under a large tent or in the parish hall.

Historical writings, pictures, and memorabilia were displayed throughout the parish grounds. Around 7:00, the congregation ended their celebration with a rosary of thanksgiving for 110 years.

Early in the day parishioners noticed a rose blooming in the rose bushes Fr. Callistus planted many years ago on the north side of the priest house. The earlier roses all dried up days ago, but one opened up for Sunday's celebration—a sign to us that Fr. Callistus appeared on our special day.

The day was a day of giving thanks: Thanks to God for His blessings; thanks to our priests and bishops of the present and past who have seen a need for God on the plains in the midst of farming families; thanks to our ancestors who built the church to preserve the faith; and thanks to our present parishioners for living God's word—Love of God, Love of Church, and Love of Neighbor.



Bishop Edward J. Weisenburger presided over the Mass to a nearly full-to-capacity church.



The choir sang Latin, German, and English versions of songs, some of which were favorites of Fr. Callistus Rectenwald.



Visitors enjoyed a German meal under a huge tent set up on the north side of the church.

**ST. ANN**

**Christian Mothers Initiation**

St. Ann Christian Mothers will hold an initiation of new members immediately following the 7:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, June 25. All members are asked to attend. Rolls and coffee will be served in the parish hall following the ceremony.

**COMMUNITY**

**KEEP PRAYING!  
BRING YOUR ROSARY**

**Pray for the Guidance, Wisdom, and Protection for the New Administration**



Prayer hour every 3rd Tuesday of the month from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at St. Fidelis Church. All are welcome!

**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.



**St. Fidelis Food Pantry**

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

**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.

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>MONDAY</b> .....	<b>JUNE 19</b>
7:00 pm Andrew and Miriam Wasinger	
<b>TUESDAY</b> .....	<b>JUNE 20</b>
6:45 am Jeanette, Leroy, and Terry Brown	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> .....	<b>JUNE 21</b>
6:45 am Joseph and Albina Rome and Don Gross	
<b>THURSDAY</b> .....	<b>JUNE 22</b>
6:45 am Gilbert Riedel	
<b>FRIDAY</b> .....	<b>JUNE 23</b>
6:45 am Mildred Windholz	
<b>SATURDAY</b> .....	<b>JUNE 24</b>
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Dolores and Ernest Hoffman	
<b>SUNDAY</b> .....	<b>TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> ..... <b>JUNE 25</b>
7:30 am St. Ann Norma Schmeidler family living and deceased	
8:45 am St. Boniface Julian Huser	
10:00 am St. Fidelis Elmer and Edna Schulte	

\* **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

**MINISTER SCHEDULE**

**CANTORS**

**Saturday, June 24, 5:00 PM** — Pam Scheck  
**Sunday, June 25, 10:00 AM** — Becky and Jim Scheck

**MINISTERS**

The ministry schedule continues to be on a volunteer basis. Please sign the schedule by the north entrance or come to the sacristy before Mass to see if anyone is needed.