

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.	BULLETIN ITEMS: Deadline is Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. Please contact Connie (sftech@ruraltel.net or 785-735-2777) at the Parish Office.	

www.stfidelischurch.com / www.stbonifacevincent.com

July 1, 2018 – 13th 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

Eucharistic Adoration:

THURSDAYS • 10:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.
in St. Fidelis Chapel behind the main altar

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 26** — Feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne
- July 27** — Last day for lunch program
- Aug. 3-4** — Herzogfest
- Aug. 5** — No Mass at St. Boniface
- Aug. 15** — Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation) — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Sept. 3** — Labor Day — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
- Sept. 11** — Patriot Day
- Sept. 14** — Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- Sept. 14-15** — VHS Homecoming
- Sept. 16** — Catechetical Sunday
- Sept. 22** — First Day of Fall
- Oct. 4** — Feast of St. Francis of Assisi — PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

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



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

Parish Office closed Wednesday, July 4, for Independence Day.
Mass at St. Fidelis at 8:00 a.m.; no 6:45 a.m. Mass
NO MEALS WILL BE SERVED FOR THE SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM ON WEDNESDAY.



Pope Francis recently addressed a youth group on the topic of freedom. His reflections are pertinent to all who will celebrate our nation's freedom this Fourth of July.



“Before all else, be free persons! Freedom means knowing how to reflect, how to evaluate, and how to choose the good over the bad. Always choosing the good is challenging, but it makes you a person with a backbone who knows how to face life courageously.

“It is important to reflect on the source of human freedom. We must first acknowledge where human freedom originates to understand it correctly and use it wisely. Since God is Creator of humankind, human freedom originates in God. That is why whenever freedom is used in opposition to the love of God and the true good of others, it is a lie, a false freedom.

“The Catechism of the Catholic Church informs us that human freedom ‘is the power, rooted in reason and will, to act or not to act, to do this or that, and so to perform deliberate actions on one's own responsibility. By free will one shapes one's own life. Human freedom is a force for growth and maturity in truth and goodness; it attains its perfection when directed toward God who is love.’ (#1730)

“There have always been attempts to disguise bad actions as ‘rights’ such as we see today in the case of legalized abortion, which provides the darkest example of an inhuman freedom exercised without limits. Many wrongly think they have the sole power to determine what freedom is, which leads to the mistaken idea that freedom exists to serve only the individual's subjective wants or needs without consideration for what is truly good. When taken to the extreme, it is trumpeted as the ‘right’ of the powerful to eliminate the weak.

“When we sin, we choose to wield the power of human freedom to deprive ourselves and others of what is truly good. Many today live as if God does not exist and believe freedom originates from themselves and they alone can determine what is good. When we journey down such a path we have actually begun to distort freedom into destructive selfishness.

“The power to choose is the power to truly live. It is by your proper free choices that you come to possess God. If you possess God, you possess everything. If you abuse freedom, failing to make proper choices of true and authentic goodness, you separate yourself from God, who is the source of truth and peace.

“We are free to choose to love. God has given us freedom so we may freely choose him. It is only in making the free choice to love, to do the good, that we choose God and his goodness without coercion. It is in this, in our free choice of the good, that love is made real.”

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“England and America are two nations divided by a common language.”
~ Winston Churchill

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Contributions June 23-24, 2018

ST. FIDELIS:

Adult 3183.00 Loose 1313.00
Missions 90.00 Repair Fund 20.00

ST. ANN:

Adult 967.00 Loose 551.00
Missions 92.00

ST. BONIFACE:

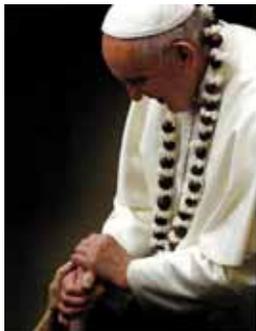
Adult 325.00 Loose 237.00
Candles 95.00

~ MONEY COUNTERS ~

July 2 — Ivan and Verda Werner

July 9 — Doris Weigel, Shirley Weigel

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Peter's Pence Collection *Be a Witness of* **Charity**

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—POPE FRANCIS, ANGELUS, MARCH 17, 2013

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ST. ANN

A HUGE

Thank You

to the women who helped clean the parish
hall on Saturday, July 23.
Blessings to you!



St. Ann Parish
is sponsoring a
Pot Luck Brunch
in honor of the feast of St. Ann
SUNDAY, JULY 22
immediately following
the 7:30 a.m. Mass
Parishioners are asked to bring one dish
to share.
ALL ARE WELCOME!

The Parish Office will be closed Wednesday,
July 4, in celebration of Independence Day.

Please have articles for the **JULY 8 BULLETIN**
in **by 11:00 A.M. tomorrow, Monday, July 2.**

Contact Connie at 785-735-2777 or email
at sfttech@ruraltel.net with your bulletin articles.



Alternative Prayer to Say Before Meals

Bless the food before us, the family beside us,
and the love between us.

AMEN

COMMUNITY

Fundraiser for Felix Howard

As of last Monday, Felix Howard, son of St. Ann parishioner Nichole Howard, has had three surgeries for an AVM brain aneurysm.

The family will have to remain in California a full month or longer and would appreciate your donations to help pay lodging, eating, etc. Donations can be sent to Nichole's mother, Mrs. Marilyn Schrant Joy, 2142A 260 Avenue, Hays, Kansas 67601.

To help with expenses, Marilyn is also making bierocks for \$20 a half dozen or \$40 a dozen. You can contact her (after July 10) at 785-628-1835 to make arrangements for the bierocks to be made fresh.

Thank you for any help that can be given and also for prayers for the family.

VICTORIA VFW POST 1751

Please call in advance if you would like the Club Room
to be open on Friday evenings.

If you are looking for a place to gather for Receptions, Weddings, Anniversaries, Family Reunions, Class Reunions, Dances, First Communions, 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.



Community Assistance Center — 12th and Oak, Hays

GARAGE SALE

Tuesday, July 3 • 8:00-11:00 am

MONEY IS USED TO SUPPORT THE CENTER.



Religious Education Classes

Important changes effective this Fall (2018):

A parent letter has been mailed to all families with children registered in Religious Education classes last year, 2017-2018, as well as catechist's, and all of those who serve our youth within the ministries of : CYO, Jr. CYO, Liturgy of the Word for Children, and Religious Education. This letter outlined very significant changes which will impact this coming school year, 2018-2019. These changes are listed below; if you are a volunteer, parent, and/or catechist and did not receive a copy of this letter or if you have any questions please contact Jeanette Brungardt in the Office of Religious Education at 785-735-9244.

- 1.The kindergarten class will no longer gather regularly on Wednesday evening's. Alternatively, the kindergarten class will meet twice a semester (on a Wednesday afternoon). It is important that families with children in kindergarten still register their child with the Office of Religious Education at the time of registration (the first week of August—dates and times TBA). There will be no fee for registering. Families will have the option of taking home a work book where parents can provide in-home catechesis. (Kindergarten will never be asked to turn in an assignment, as participation in Kindergarten continues to be optional.) Kindergarten students will meet once during Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, and the Easter Season. These dates will be released at the time of registration.
- 2.All other grades, 1—12, will meet on Wednesday evening's from 6:30 to 7:30 P.M. in the Parish Activity Center.
- 3.Tentatively, on August 8, 2018, at 6:00 P.M. there will be a training for all volunteers who serve within the following ministries: Religious Education, youth ministry, and Liturgy of the Word for Children. This training will be on the Safe Environment Program, mandated reporting, maintaining appropriate boundaries with youth, and recognizing the signs of abuse. Parents and family members of our children enrolled in Religious Education as well as other members of our parish and the public are invited to attend. This training will be offered by the Diocese of Salina in the Basilica of St. Fidelis.

The feedback received from the community in response to this letter has been very positive; I appreciate and welcome any feedback and criticism from families. These changes were approved by the Religious Education Committee. The committee met in April and again in May to discuss these changes. (The Religious Education Committee meets again in August.) Registration dates and times for the coming school year will be posted in the Sunday Bulletin in July. These dates will also be posted on the Religious Ed's Facebook page and families will receive a notification via Seesaw.

Wishing you and your family a beautiful summer.

Jeanette Brungardt

Coordinator of Religious Education

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Altar Servers Schedule



St. Fidelis' altar servers schedule for the months of July through the end of September was emailed to families on Wednesday, June 20th. A physical copy of this schedule has also been mailed to parents/ servers as of June 25, 2018. Just a reminder that the servers schedule for St. Fidelis is posted, two weeks at a time, on the very last page of the Sunday Bulletin.

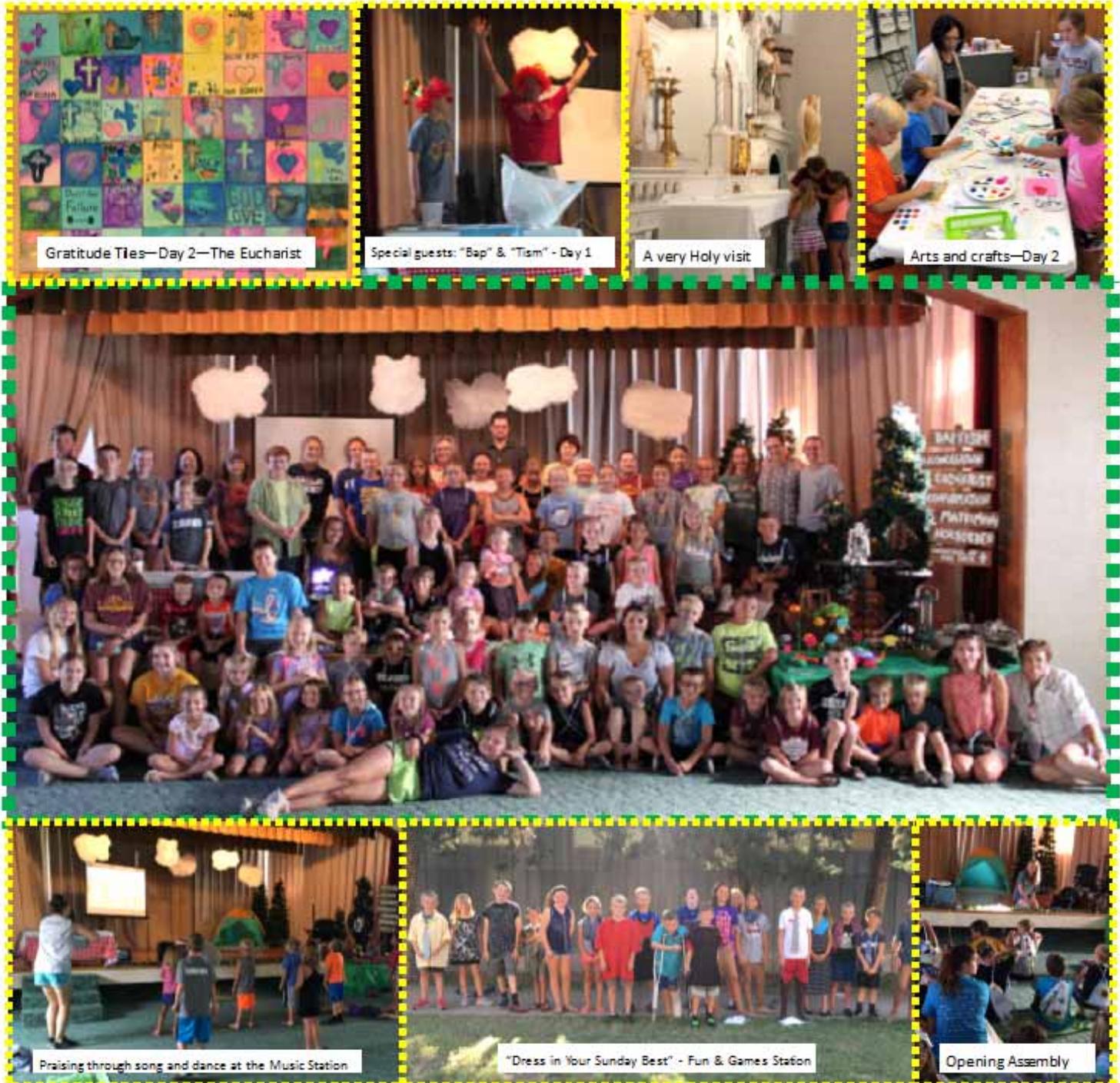
Altar servers are asked to find a substitute server for any Masses they are unable to serve at. A contact list has also been provided in the mail out and email.

It is so exciting to see so many youth actively involved in this ministry! Thank you each for your service.

(Training for new altar servers, fourth grade and older, will take place in September of 2018.)

A Wilderness Adventure Through the Sacraments Vacation Bible School

The children spent five days learning about the 7 Sacraments through games, snacks, art, prayer, dancing, and singing. Throughout last week nearly 60 children and 20 volunteers played, sang, danced, and prayed together. It was such an enjoyable week for the children due to our amazing volunteers who led and inspired the children with their faith, passion, and joy! Because of our volunteers' hearts and the Spirit's guidance, we truly felt Jesus in our hearts. A tremendous thank you goes to our station leaders, group leaders and those who assisted with this VBS. Thank you as well to the principal and staff at VES for your hospitality and giving us a gathering space. Thank you to those who loaned props for the decorations and made monetary donations. My sincerest and heartfelt gratitude goes to each of you and of course to the children for sharing your spirit and joy!



(For more pictures [and videos] you may visit the VBS's event page on the Basilica of St. Fidelis Religious Ed's Facebook page)

He that would make his own liberty secure, must guard even his enemy from opposition; for if he violates this duty he establishes a precedent that will reach himself.

~Thomas Paine



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.



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, Wednesday from 10-3:30, Thursday from 10-4. If these hours do not work to drop off your donations, contact Jan at the parish office.



St. Fidelis Church is sponsoring a summer food program at the Parish Activity Center, 601 10th Street, beginning June 3.

A free lunch will be served to any children from 11:00-11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday.

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. This program is for any children.

It is not a government program.

There are no forms to fill out.

Just have the kids show up between 11:00 and 11:30 for lunch.

Thanks!!



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY	JULY 2
7:00 pm Verlin, Patty, and Stephen Lee Dreiling Norman Schrant	
TUESDAY	JULY 3
6:45 am Eldon Schmidtberger	
WEDNESDAY	JULY 4
8:00 am Sander, Schrant, and Schnose families living & deceased	
THURSDAY	JULY 5
6:45 am	
FRIDAY	JULY 6
6:45 am	
SATURDAY	JULY 7
5:00 pm St. Fidelis Al and Betty Basgall	
SUNDAY	JULY 8
7:30 am St. Ann Robert L. Schmidtberger Dolores Froelich	
8:45 am St. Boniface Lavern Braun, and Andrew and Felicitas Dinkel	
10:00 am St. Fidelis George, Wilhemina, and Varian Wellbrock	

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*** Sunday Rosary Schedule ***

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

MINISTER SCHEDULE CANTORS

- Saturday, July 7, 5:00 PM — Marilyn Braun
- Sunday, July 8, 10:00 AM — Christy and Lydia Sander

ALTAR SERVERS

- Wednesday, July 4, 8:00 AM—Vance H., Wesley S., Drayden K.
- Saturday, July 7, 5:00 PM — Eric and Justin B., Lauren K.
- Sunday, July 8, 10:00 AM — Wesley S., Vance H.
- Saturday, July 14, 5:00 PM — Myah Y., Caidyn D., Jessica S.
- Sunday, July 15, 10:00 AM — Tyler, Trenton, and Quenton E.

Eucharistic Ministers\Lectors

These ministries are on a volunteer basis. Please sign up by the north entrance or come to the sacristy before Mass to see if anyone is needed.